



**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**Redeemer Park Ridge**  
**April 16, 2017 – April 23, 2017**

**FAITH IN ACTION 9 IS COMING:** On the weekend of May 19-21, we will again cancel worship services and instead go out in ministry teams to put our faith into action. Over the years this has been one of the most fun and exciting weekends of the year for Redeemer. But it takes a lot of planning! A team of people has been at work getting team leaders and ministries set for today's rollout. (Thanks to them!!) Please take a look at the array of possible ministries on the tables in the back of the sanctuary so you can begin to think about how you'll participate. And remember: this is a great opportunity to invite some friends to join you!

**FAITH IN ACTION T-SHIRT ORDER FORMS** are available at the back of the sanctuary and are due next Sunday, April 23. Please complete one form per person, even if you're paying together.

**FIRST COMMUNION:** If your child is ready to begin participating in Holy Communion, please speak with Pastor Carol about preparation. We'll plan the preparation class based on what works for the children's and parents' schedules.

**A HUGE THANK YOU...** to everyone who helped make Holy Week and Easter services possible this year. From ushers to musicians, to readers, to bread-bakers, to the crew making and serving the breakfast, to the youth filling the Easter eggs, to those on the cleanup crew – thank you for devoting your time, your gifts, and your enthusiasm.

**\$105,000 WORTH OF ENCOURAGEMENT!** Our denomination's national office has just approved our grant application for three years of financial support to help launch our third site in Portage Park. They said that they were "thrilled" to be partnering with us, and look forward to seeing what God might accomplish through our efforts. Praise God!

**NEW CONNECTION GROUP ON GENESIS UNDERWAY:** You're invited to a new connection group studying Genesis, the first book of the Bible. This is a great way to meet new people, study God's word, and pray. We'll meet at BISTRO 6050 (6050 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago, IL 60634) on Wednesday evenings, April 12-May 17, from 7:30-8:30. For more information, contact Dan Nelson ([dan.nelson@redeemerportagepark.org](mailto:dan.nelson@redeemerportagepark.org)).

**SERVE THE FORMERLY INCARCERATED:** We have reserved a booth at an upcoming Summit of Hope resource fair, at which we'll distribute the re-entry directory we created (*RED Chicago*) to men and women recently returned from prison. ***The Summit is this Thursday, April 20, at 300 3rd Ave., in Joliet.*** It runs from 8:00am-2:00pm, and complimentary breakfast and lunch are provided. At previous Summits of Hope we have, on average, distributed the directory to 400 parolees! If you are interested, please contact Ben Blobaum at 224-392-1834 or [ben@underthedoar.org](mailto:ben@underthedoar.org).

**MAKE AN IMPACT FOR GOD'S MISSION:** Everything we do at Redeemer is made possible by the generous financial gifts of our members, regular attenders, and visitors. If you would like to give electronically, simply go to [redeemerchicago.com](http://redeemerchicago.com) and click the "Donate" button, go to the following link: <http://goo.gl/0TcRZV>, or scan the QR code. It will take you to Redeemer's secure electronic giving page. There you can select one-time or recurring direct deposit gifts. And you may now set up, review, and change recurring direct deposit gifts directly through Redeemer's secure electronic giving page. Press the "Create Profile" button on the giving page and follow directions to set up your profile. When you've signed in to your profile, you can change, start, and stop recurring gifts without the need to submit any paper form!

**EXPLORE THE BIBLE PART 1:** In two sessions, we'll discuss the big story of the Bible, some tools that help us make sense of it, and ways to connect God's big story to our own stories. No experience reading the Bible necessary for participation. This is a helpful discussion whether you're new to reading the Bible or have been reading it your whole life. The first session will be Wednesday, April 19, from 7:00-8:30pm, at the home of Peter and Jade Schwich. Contact Peter ([peter@redeemerportagepark.org](mailto:peter@redeemerportagepark.org)) for more details and to RSVP.

**OPEN MIC NIGHT:** On Friday, April 28, Redeemer Church is teaming up with our friends at Fannie's for another Open Mic Night! Bring your friends, your talent, your openness, and your friendliest smile, and enjoy the music and fellowship. This is an intergenerational, all ages event. Food will be available for purchase. BYOB! The event will be from 7-9pm. Fannie's is at 5044 W. Montrose Ave., Chicago, IL 60641.

**OUT OF TOWN...** Pastors Fred and Carol will be leaving Friday morning for some R&R, followed by attending the Exponential Church Planting Conference in Orlando. They will return the following Thursday, April 27. They'll be checking their email and phone messages from time to time. For any questions or pastoral concerns during this time, please get in touch with Pastor Matt (714-815-8326).

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Please note: Locations are given for your planning purposes.  
Everyone is welcome at everything anywhere!

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| <p><i>Today</i><br/><i>Easter Sunday</i></p> | <p>8:30am<br/>9:00am<br/>9:45am<br/>10:00am<br/>10:30am<br/>11:00am<br/>11:15am</p> | <p>Traditional Worship (PR)<br/>Contemporary Worship (CH)<br/>Easter Breakfast (PR)<br/>Easter Breakfast (CH)<br/>Egg Hunt (PR) (CH)<br/>Contemporary Worship (PR)<br/>Contemporary Worship (CH)</p>                                       |
| <p>Thursday</p>                              | <p>8:00am<br/>6:00pm<br/>7:00pm</p>   | <p>Summit of Hope (Joliet)<br/>Youth group (PR)<br/>Men's Group (PR)</p>   |
| <p>Next Sunday</p>                           | <p>8:30am<br/>9:00am<br/>9:45am<br/>10:00am<br/>10:30am<br/>11:00am<br/>11:15am</p> | <p>Traditional Worship (PR)<br/>Contemporary Worship (CH)<br/>Sunday School (PR)<br/>Youth Group and Adult Classes (PR)<br/>Sunday School, Youth Group, Adult Classes (CH)<br/>Contemporary Worship (PR)<br/>Contemporary Worship (CH)</p> |