



ANNOUNCEMENTS
Redeemer Park Ridge
August 6, 2017

UPCOMING MESSAGES: Today we continue our series a message series based on this year's Vacation Bible School theme, "Created by God, Built for a Purpose." The next series following this one will look at the book of Job, the story of a man whose faith in God was tried and tested.

Today	Created by God, Built for a Purpose: <i>God is Always With You</i>
Aug 13	Created by God, Built for a Purpose: <i>You Are Made for a Purpose</i>
Aug 20	The Story of Job
Aug 27	The Story of Job
Sept 3	The Story of Job

VBS! It's finally here! Vacation Bible School starts tomorrow and meets every day this week from 9:00-noon at our North Ave. site. The theme is *Maker Fun Factory: Created by God, Built for a Purpose*. We're excited to have a record number of children participating – including both Redeemer kids and guests. There's still room for volunteers. If you can help, even for a short time on one or more days, please get in touch with Rachel Quest at rachel@redeemerchicago.com. Whether you can volunteer or not, please support VBS with your prayers.

PORTAGE PARK PREVIEW WORSHIP TODAY... This morning marks our 7th monthly preview worship gathering for our new Portage Park site. We're meeting at Old Irving Brewing Company, 4419 W. Montrose Ave., Chicago. Please pray for Peter, for all our volunteers, and for our neighbors in need of a church to call home. If you have questions or would like to get involved with our newest Redeemer campus, email our Portage Park campus pastor Peter Schwich at peter@redeemerportagepark.org.

EXPLORE MEMBERSHIP: We're offering an Explore Membership meeting for anyone interested (from any Redeemer campus) on Sunday, August 20, beginning after worship at Redeemer North Avenue. Lunch is provided. This is for anyone interested in learning more about what makes Redeemer tick – our message, our values, our culture, and our plans. Whether you're ready to consider becoming a member of Redeemer or just beginning to explore, we'd love to have you participate. Please RSVP to Pastor Matt (matt@redeemerchicago.com).

MEN'S GROUP THIS THURSDAY... All men are warmly encouraged to come on Thursday night to watch a compelling video, engage in some great conversation, pray for each other, and get to know each other better. We're doing a six-week video series called "Better Together." The topic this week: *Belonging Together*. Questions? See Pastor Fred.

HELP CHANGE THE LIVES OF FORMER PRISONERS: Our prison ministry has just launched a revolutionary online tool that will connect "returning citizens" with a statewide network of churches and service providers. We're looking for some help, including data entry

and phone calling, to enroll individuals and service providers in the network. This is a crucial step toward getting the site up and running! If you're interested in helping out, or for additional information, contact Ben Blobaum at ben@insideoutnetwork.net or 224-392-1834.

THANK YOU TO OUR SERVERS: Each time we gather, a team of servers generously gives their time, gifts, energy, and dedication to create a worship experience that is warm and welcoming. Thanks to everyone who served this weekend! Redeemer's ministries thrive when all of us use our gifts together. If you'd like to get involved, just talk with any of our current servers or one of the pastors, or contact Sara Trivedi (redeemeroffice@comcast.net).

MEAL TRAIN: When someone in the congregation could use a little help because of illness, caregiving, a new baby, or some other reason, we make it easy to coordinate meals via an online app called Meal Train. If you sign up to be part of Meal Train, you'll be notified by email when an opportunity arises. You can then decide whether you're able to help and, if so, which day or days you'd like to volunteer for. Meals are coordinated directly through the website. If you'd like to be included, please email Mike Anzalotti (mike.anzalotti@gmail.com) or Sara Trivedi (redeemeroffice@comcast.net).

CHURCH COMMUNITY BUILDER: If you're a regular attender at Redeemer, you've probably heard we're using new software to help us stay better connected. Hopefully you've had a chance to create a username and password. Forgot where to go to log in? Go ahead and bookmark this page: <https://redeemer-changinglives.ccbchurch.com/>. Questions about CCB? Contact Sara Trivedi (redeemeroffice@comcast.net).

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 and click the "Donate" button. Or you can scan the QR code, which 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!

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

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

<i>Today</i>	8:30am 9:30am 10:00am 11:00am	Traditional Worship (Park Ridge) Contemporary Worship (Portage Park) Contemporary Worship (North Avenue) Contemporary Worship (Park Ridge)
Monday-Friday	9:00am - Noon	Vacation Bible School (North Avenue)
Thursday	7:00pm	Men's Group (PR)
Next Sunday	8:30am 10:00am 11:00am	Traditional Worship (PR) Contemporary Worship (North Avenue) Contemporary Worship (PR)