



ANNOUNCEMENTS
Redeemer North Ave
September 10, 2017

FALL KICKOFF IS TODAY! We take a break in our Sunday morning learning hour over the summer, and many of our connection groups take a break or meet less frequently as well. As fall returns and kids go back to school, we kick off a new year of discipleship teaching and learning at Redeemer with a celebration this morning and a renewal of our regular schedule on September 17.

Today's schedule includes worship at 10:00am, followed by an introduction to the new year of learning and an opportunity for children to meet their Sunday School leaders and youth to connect with the Youth Group leader. Then we'll head outside for a picnic in front of the church.

POTLUCK THIS WEEK: Bring a dish to share and come out to Keeler Gardens (3631 N. Keeler Avenue in Chicago) for a Redeemer potluck dinner on Thursday, September 14, starting at 6 p.m. The hosts will make some lasagna, but feel free to bring entrees, sides, drinks, or desserts to share. Please email Peter Schwich (peter@redeemerchicago.com) to RSVP or if you have any questions.

ALPHA starts Wednesday, September 20. See the blue insert for the info you'll need!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for an all-Redeemer joint service on Sunday, October 15, at 10:30am at our Park Ridge campus. Our newly called pastor Peter Schwich will be ordained and installed as pastor and church-planter for our Portage Park site. Preaching and presiding will be Bishop Wayne Miller of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod of our denomination, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Lunch will follow. Be sure to be here to celebrate and to add your prayers and support!

WOMEN OF REDEEMER: It's time to register for this year's Redeemer Women's Retreat. We'll get away to the Portiuncula Center for Prayer in Frankfort, Illinois, from Friday evening, October 6, through Saturday, October 7. This year's theme is "Encounters with the Word." Registration is available on Church Community Builder. Click on "More" in the left-hand column, then click on "Forms" to find the retreat registration form. Please talk to Pastor Carol (carol@redeemerparkridge.com) or Rachel Quest (rachel@redeemerchicago.com) with any questions or if you have trouble registering!

SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AND FALL PARTY: Sunday School children, parents, teachers, and their friends are invited to volunteer at Feed My Starving Children (1072 National Pkwy, Schaumburg, IL 60173) on October 21 from 2-4pm. We'll hand-pack rice, soy, dried vegetables, and a nutritionally complete blend of vitamins and minerals into bags which are then sealed, boxed, placed on pallets, and shipped to the neediest children around the world. Children ages 5 and older are allowed to volunteer! FMSC would like one adult per child younger than second grade. Also, children under the age of 5 are not allowed in the

packaging area. Because we have a limited number of spots, FMSC asks that we register before we go. Please sign up on the clipboard in the coffee area or let Beth Christenson (eafuhrman@hotmail.com) know by October 15. Immediately following the volunteer event, participants and Sunday School students too young to attend the FMSC event are invited to come to The Christensons' house nearby (5809 Prairie Lane, Palatine, IL 60067) for a Fall Party. We'll have kids' activities, games and pizza. Please bring an appetizer or dessert if able.

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 contact Steph Stuhlmuller (Stephanie.stuhlmuller@gmail.com).

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 able to help out, or just want additional information, please contact Ben Blobaum at ben@insideoutnetwork.net or 224-392-1834.

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 (redeemerooffice@comcast.net).

Cluster Tutoring needs YOU! Cluster Tutoring has been providing free one-to-one tutoring for students from Chicago's Austin community for over 25 years, and they are looking for new volunteers to join them this fall. You can learn more about their program at one of their upcoming information sessions for new tutors on either Thursday, Sept. 7 or Tuesday, Sept. 12. They will meet from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00p.m. at First United Church of Oak Park (848 Lake St). Please contact Executive Director Kara Kalnitz at 773-378-5530 or kalnitzk@clustertutoring.org if you have any questions, or talk to Cathy Rennau from Redeemer who has worked with the organization for several years (crennau@comcast.net).

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

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

<p><i>Today</i> <i>Fall Kickoff</i></p>	<p>10:00am 10:30am 11:15am 11:30am 11:45am Noon</p>	<p>Contemporary Worship (North Ave) Combined Worship (PR) Discipleship Preview (North Ave) Discipleship Preview (PR) Fall Kickoff Picnic (North Ave) Fall Kickoff Picnic (PR)</p>
<p>Thursday</p>	<p>6:00pm</p>	<p>Portage Park Potluck with Keeler Gardens (see announcement for details)</p>
<p>Next Sunday</p>	<p>8:30am 9:45am 10:00am 10:00am 11:00am 11:30am</p>	<p>Traditional Worship (PR) Sunday School (PR, Family Room) Youth Group & Adult Classes (PR, gym) Contemporary Worship (North Ave) Contemporary Worship (PR) Sunday School, Youth Group, Adult Classes (North Ave)</p>