



Redeemer Lutheran Church
and 3K/4K Preschool

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Newsletter – January 2024

Bible Study Update

Beginning on Tuesday, January 9, Pastor Brassfield will be holding a Bible Study (for men and women) at Good Shepherd Church. This bible study will be held on Tuesdays at 9:00am and is open to all adult members of Redeemer Church.

Catechism Update

Beginning on Wednesday, January 10, Redeemer Confirmation students will have class on Wednesdays at 5:00pm at Good Shepherd Church.

2024 Altar Flowers & Fellowship Sign-Up

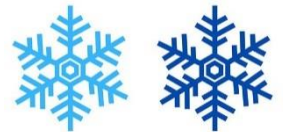
The sign-up sheets for 2024 altar flowers and fellowship are available at the Welcome Center. Thank you to everyone that contributed flowers and/or helped with fellowship in 2023!

We Need Ushers!

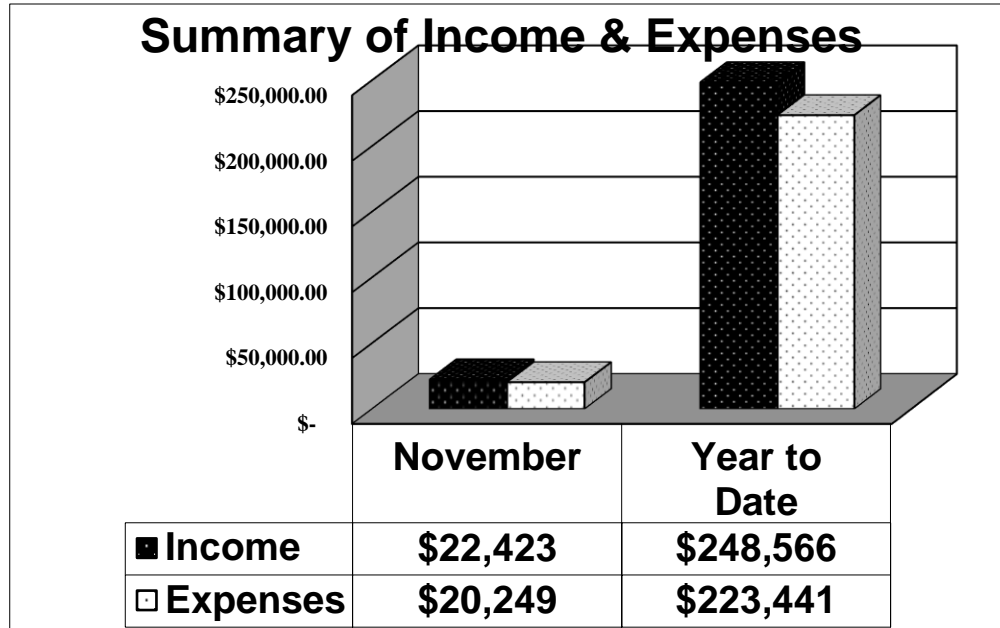
We need ushers! It is getting tougher and tougher to fill our schedule. It is a straightforward task to serve your fellow church members on a Sunday or Monday. Handing out bulletins, lighting the candles and ushering communion are the key responsibilities. If you are interested, please let Mike Kaczowski or one of the other board members know. We will set up training for those that sign up, and anyone currently ushering that would like a refresher course. Thank you!

Winter Weather

As winter weather is upon us again there might be a time when worship or other activities may need to be canceled. Every effort will always be made to have worship. Since the most likely time to cancel something would be on a weekend, we have learned that it is easier to contact some media outlets over others on the weekend. We will try to make sure every TV station has our information, but WBAY (channel 2) and NBC26 will be the first place that information will be posted along with Redeemer's Facebook page.



Financial Update



Your **2023 Contribution statement** will be mailed out the first week of January. Please check it over and call the office if you have any questions. The records will close on January 15 and no changes will be made after that date.



Join us for a night of BINGO!

Play bingo and enjoy juice, popcorn and friends.

When: 6:00-7:00 p.m. - Saturday, January 27th

Where: Redeemer Lutheran Church

If you have prize donations of snacks or gently used items drop them off at the welcome center. Thank you! Contact Beth Utecht with any questions, (952) 240-4817, bdegler34@gmail.com.



Everything you need to know about...

Redeemer Book Club

- **WHO:** Open to all adult members, prospective members, and friends/family of members of Redeemer Lutheran church
- **WHAT:** Each month, book club participants will take turns choosing a book for the group to read from the Public Library's Book Club Kits. The book selected is at the discretion of the person/persons choosing that month. If the genre is not something a participant is interested in, they will be encouraged to select a book for the next available month.
 - **Books will be displayed on the desk at the Welcome Center when available.** They should be returned at the monthly gatherings unless other arrangements are made.
- **WHEN:** There will be two (2) sessions scheduled each month, September-May, with the exception of December:
 - The fourth Thursday of each month at 1:00 PM and
 - The fourth Saturday of each month at 1:00 PMSummer months may continue, depending on how many participants are interested.

Cancellations will be posted on Redeemer's Facebook page.
- **WHERE:** At Redeemer Lutheran Church; Thursday group may enter through main office doors, and go to the conference room.

Saturday group may enter through parking lot door at the end of the office wing, and meet in lounge to the left.
- **QUESTIONS:** If you have any questions or need more information, please contact:
 - Tami Fricke: (920) 905-0369
 - List Battin: (920) 323-6456

Epiphany Bonfire

Please join us for a bonfire at Redeemer Lutheran on Friday January 5 from 6-7p.m. We are remembering the Magi visiting Jesus by burning old real Christmas trees. S'mores and hot beverages will be provided.



Pastor Brassfield Installation

The members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church proudly invite you to join us as we celebrate the Installation of our new pastor, Rev. Joel Brassfield. Your presence will make this a memorable experience for Pastor Brassfield and our Congregation.

Sunday, January 7th, 2024
Installation of Rev. Joel Brassfield

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
3234 Mishicot Road
Two Rivers, WI 54241

Divine Service with Holy Communion
3:00pm

Reception to follow at:
The Lighthouse Inn
1515 Memorial Drive
Two Rivers, WI

If you are joining us for dinner,
please RSVP by December 20th
920-793-1716

Aaron & Beth Utecht

948 Lincoln Blvd. Manitowoc, WI 54220

Aaron: 608-642-0400 Birthday: April 30 - Beth: 952-240-4817 Birthday: Sept. 10

Grace: - Sept 5, '12; Peter – Aug. 5, '14; Tim – July 18, '16; Julia – March 31,'18; Sophia Aug.17, '23

The Utecht family is familiar to many at Redeemer with Aaron, Beth & children Grace, Peter, Tim & Julia being active in many activities along with Sophia, 4 months, who is rapidly growing & displaying her smiles.

Aaron's beginnings started in Saukville, WI where he attended elementary school & graduated from Ozaukee High School & then U.W.-Platteville. Meanwhile, Beth's home was at Chanhassen, MN, and attended St. John's Lutheran School, graduated from Chaska High School & Concordia University Wisconsin. While Aaron was attending Platteville, Beth's brother introduced him to Beth while she was teaching in Davenport, Iowa. Love bloomed & they married on June 26, 2010.

Aaron's parents, Terrie & Carl Utecht live in Fredonia, WI. Two brothers, a sister along with spouses & 11 nieces & nephews live in that area while Grandma & Grandpa retired in Kewaunee County & complete his family. Beth's parents, Lois & Gayle Degler, live in Chanhassen, MN. Two brothers, a sister, spouses along with 8 nieces & nephews live throughout Wisconsin. Can you imagine how much fun the cousins enjoy when they are together as families here visiting or Utrecht's return to home areas?

Aaron & Beth moved to Manitowoc & joined Redeemer as a newly married couple in 2010. Aaron first worked as an engineer at Manitowoc Cranes but now is a gas engineer with WPS. Meanwhile, Beth was a teacher at LCMC Lutheran Schools for nine years.

The entire family is active and enjoy time outside. You may see Aaron running while he still takes time to volunteer at Redeemer including: usher, teaching Sun. School, youth activities, Senior Choir, family worship, video stream, & has been on church council. Busy Mom Beth has to be very organized getting four children to school at First German & their many lessons & activities along with playing in Bell Choir, on Executive Board, call committee, family ministry, & decorating church with the other volunteers. Beth & children also use their violin talent at church services. The children attend Sunday school & very busy with activities. Grace is in 5th grade & plays violin, piano, organ while being involved in volleyball, cross-country, basketball, soccer & softball. Peter is in 3rd grade & plays violin, piano & organ while enjoying soccer, basketball, & baseball. Tim is in 1st grade, plays violin & piano while enjoying soccer & baseball. Julia attends kindergarten & also plays violin, enjoys soccer & t-ball. Sophia was born Aug. 17, 2023 & is learning how to enjoy all the family activity as they come and go.

Needless to say, it is a joy to have the Utrecht's as part of our Redeemer family & all the time & talent they contribute to our congregation.

(You can view the many updated family pictures in the Redeemer's Photo Directory from when Aaron & Beth first joined Redeemer in 2010 until now. Oh, how the family changed.)

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Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00am-1:00pm

Associate Pastor: Scott Hirssig (Home: 920-629-2949)

January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1) Happy New Year No Worship Office Closed	2) Office Closed	3)	4)	5) Epiphany Bonfire 6pm	6)
7) Worship 9am Sunday School 10am	8) Finance 8:15am Worship 6pm	9) Bible Study 9am @ Good Shepherd	10) Catechism 5pm @ Good Shepherd	11) Exec. Board Meeting 6:30pm	12)	13)
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21) Worship 9am Sunday School 10am	22) Finance 8:15am Worship 6pm	23) Bible Study 9am @ Good Shepherd	24) Catechism 5pm @ Good Shepherd	25) Book Club 1pm	26)	27) Book Club 1pm Bingo 6pm
28) Worship 9am Sunday School 10am	29) Finance 8:15am Worship 6pm	30) Bible Study 9am @ Good Shepherd	31) Catechism 5pm @ Good Shepherd	Feb. 1)	Feb. 2)	Feb. 3)

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