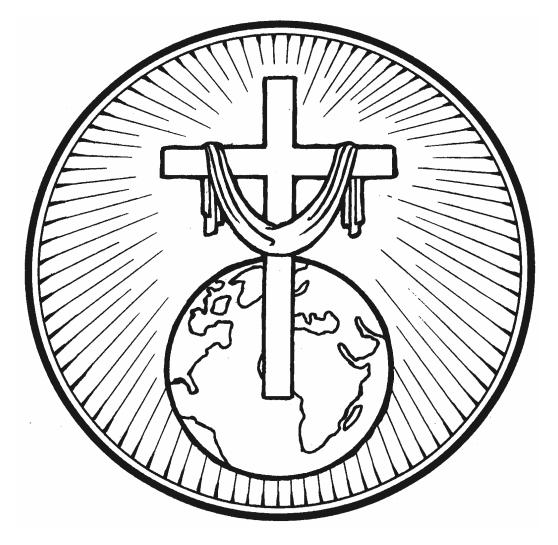
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 10-11, 2024



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Please fill out a Communion/Visitor Card and place it in the Offering Box.

Hymn of Invocation: 554 O Jesus, King Most Wonderful

♠ Divine Service 1

(p. 152 ff)

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **©** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 27:3–5; antiphon: v. 1

- **P** The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
- The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
- P Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;
- C though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

- **P** One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:
- C that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,
- **P** to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD,
- **C** and to inquire in his temple.
- **P** For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;
- **C** he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.
 - Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- **P** The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
- **C** The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Kyrie

- **P** In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

(The Hymn of Praise is omitted during the season of Lent)

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

◆ Old Testament Reading

Numbers 21:4–9

⁴From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. ⁵And the people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless food." ⁶Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died. ⁷And the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." ⁹So Moses made a bronze serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the bronze serpent and live.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

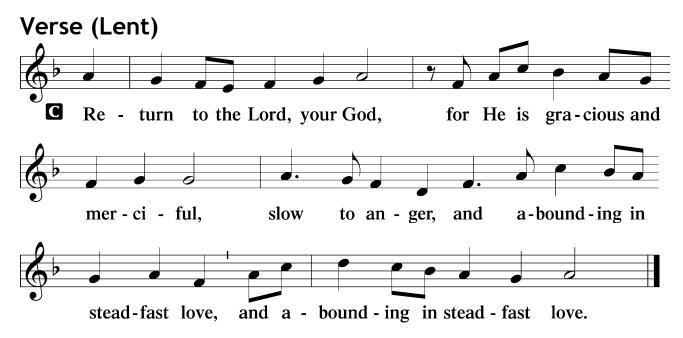
Senior Choir: "You Raise Me Up/Be Still My Soul"

Epistle

Ephesians 2:1–10

¹And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ²in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—³ among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 8For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.



Holy Gospel John 3:14-21

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴[Jesus said:] "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. ²¹But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been carried out in God."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn: 571 God Loved the World So That He Gave Sermon

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. ... O Lord God, draw us into Your light. Expose wherever we, like Your people of old, have thought, spoken and acted against You, that in repentance we might look to Your Son lifted up on the cross and be saved from Your righteous wrath. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- P Lord of hosts, You gave Your only Son so that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Bless the work of missionaries as they carry this Gospel to the ends of the earth, that many may hear of Your love in Christ Jesus and be saved through Him. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

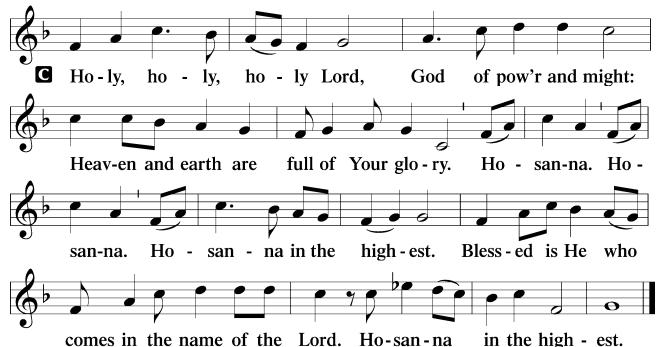
- P Almighty God, You have set Joseph, our president, and Anthony, our governor, as authorities over us for our good. Bless and sustain them with all they need to govern us, that we might be ruled wisely and in accord with Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P O God, You are our light and our salvation. Hide in Your shelter _____ and all who suffer in body, mind or soul. Keep them in their day of trouble from falling into faithless fear and uphold them with Your peace in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P O Lord, whose steadfast love endures forever, we lift up our voices in thanksgiving. You have redeemed us out of trouble and gathered us here to feed us, that our souls may not faint within us. Satisfy the longing of our hearts with Your Son's good things, His body and blood, that we may abide in Your eternal peace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Lord Jesus Christ, You instituted the office of the public ministry and instructed Your Church to call ministers of Your Word. Having prayed for the guidance of Your Holy Spirit, we have called a pastor, the Rev. Hovland, to proclaim Your saving Gospel among us. Assist him to recognize the needs of this congregation and the welfare of Your kingdom and, if it be Your will, grant that he accept the call to serve among us. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus



Lord's Prayer

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

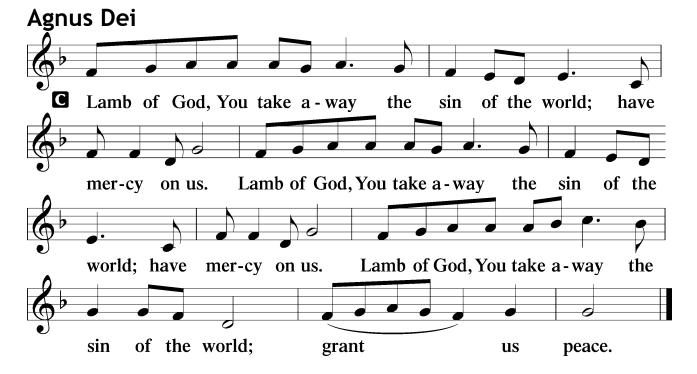
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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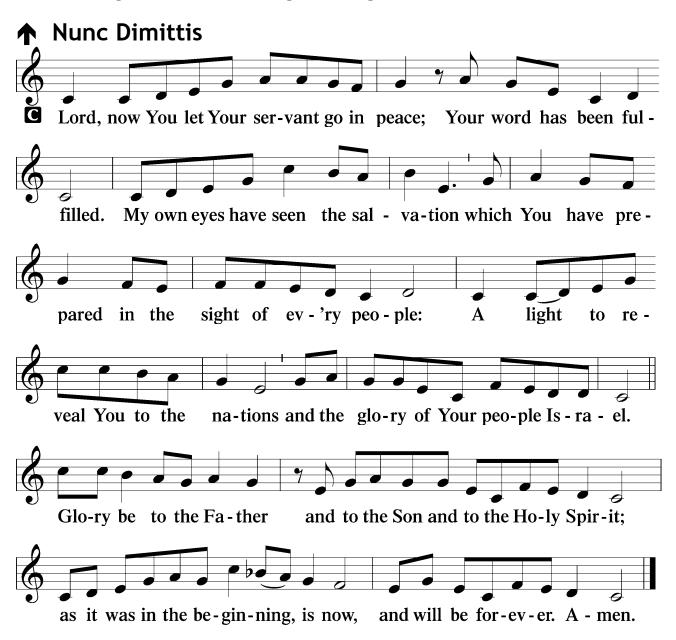
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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.



Distribution Hymns: 570 Just as I Am, without One Plea 555 Salvation unto Us Has Come



Post-Communion Collect

- P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Benediction

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and

 → give you peace.
- C Amen.

Closing Hymn: 728 How Firm a Foundation

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Worship Times: Sunday at 9:00 A.M. & Monday at 6:00 P.M.

Welcome

We are glad that you have joined us today as we worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. If you have any questions during worship, please feel free to ask an usher at any time.

Small children are part of the Body of Christ. We always welcome them in worship. However, we understand that it may not be easy to remain still or quiet. If a break is needed, "Busy Bags" are hanging up as you enter the Sanctuary.

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Serving our Lord in Worship:

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Sunday/Monday: Rev. William Kilps

Wednesday: Rev. Don Krause

Organist

Sunday/Monday: Vicki Lenearts

Wednesday: Ann Rhode

Ushers

Sunday: Aaron Utecht & Dick Orth Monday: Ken Kohlwey & Mike Canty

Wednesday: Tom Baryenbruch & Pat Korte

Communion Assistant Corey Van Sickle

Altar Guild

Jeannie Matthias & Michele Zinkel

CD Recording Joanne Thompson

Altar Flowers

Prayers

This Week at Redeemer

Sunday, March 10th
9:00 am Worship
Fellowship
10:00 am Sunday School

Monday, March 11th 6:00 pm Worship

Tuesday, March 12th
7:30 am Men's Bible Study
8:15 am Finance
9:00 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, March 13th 5:00 pm Lenten Supper 6:00 pm Lenten Worship

Thursday, March 14th

Friday, March 15th

Saturday, March 16th

Sunday, March 17th 9:00 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday School

Last Week Attendance: 120 Last Week Offering: \$8,675

Statement on Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper is joyfully received here every weekend and on other holy days. At the altar, our Lord Jesus Christ delivers His true body and blood into our mouths. His gift of body and blood, given in, with, and under the bread and wine, bestows tremendous benefits. His body and blood forgives our sins, strengthens our faith, binds us to the Lord, and unites us with each other. In this is life and salvation.

All members of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod have publicly confessed this sacred gift and its blessings, and so are encouraged to commune. Other guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament are asked to meet with a pastor before communing for the first time. When you have examined yourself according to Christ's bidding (1 Corinthians 11:17-34), come to His Supper rejoicing, just as Jesus asks, knowing that our Lord meets you at His altar with joy. Those coming to the altar for a blessing rather than the Holy Supper are asked to cross their arms over their chest.

Lenten Soup Supper: Salads This Week

Week of March 13th we will be doing salads for supper. There are sign-up sheets for the next two weeks so please sign up at the Welcome Center if you are able to bring anything. Thank you to everyone that signed up and brought items for our Lenten meals.

2024-25 Preschool Registration Is Open

We are now accepting registrations for preschool. All forms are available in the office or on our website. Please share this information with friends and family! Word of mouth is our best advertising.

Visitations for our Homebound Members

If you happen to know of any member of Redeemer that is homebound and is not currently being visited by someone from the church - and would like to be, please let the church office or any member of the Board know so we can start scheduling visits.

Senior Pastor Call Update

Pastor Gregery Hovland was unanimously voted by members of Redeemer, to be extended a call to be the next Senior Pastor at Redeemer. The call was extended to Pastor Hovland that same day and we are currently engaged with Pastor Hovland to answer any questions that he might have. Please watch the bulletin for further updates or feel free to contact a member of the board.

Redeemer Sunday School's Living Last Supper

The Sunday School children will be part of the church service on March 17 at 9 a.m. They will be introducing us to the 12 disciples as seen in Leonardo da Vinci's painting of the Last Supper. Please be sure to attend.





Redeemer's Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 16th at 10:00 am

Please invite your friends and family to join us for treats and crafts. Separate hunt areas for 3 and under and 4 and up. Rain or shine!! If the weather is poor, we will hide the eggs inside the church building.

- ❖ Volunteers are needed for set up and help with the snacks and beverage tables.
- ❖ Donations of cookies, bars, and juice are welcome! Sign-up sheets are by the Welcome Center.
- ❖ Donations of candy (please no hard candies! "Bite size" works best) that can fit inside an egg can be left in the box by the Welcome Center. Please have them at the church by Monday, March 11th. This year we are also asking for more plastic eggs!

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday: March 24th 9:00 am

Holy Monday: March 25th 6:00 pm

Maundy Thursday: March 28th 6:00 pm

Good Friday: March 29th 1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Easter Sunday: March 31st 8:00 am & 10:00 am

NO WORSHIP ON MONDAY, APRIL 1ST

Holy Week Office Hours

Monday, March 25th – Thursday, March 28th
Office Open 9am-12pm
Friday, March 29th & Monday, April 1st
Office Closed

Redeemer Preschool Update

Our Preschool continues to be a blessing to our church and a blessing to our community – and we give thanks to God for that, and for the amazing team of teachers that make the program the success that it is. Two of our staff, Preschool Director Patti Fellows and Preschool Teacher Jerri Rathjen have advised the Board that this will be their last year at Redeemer.

Firstly, we want to express our deepest gratitude for the incredible impact they have had on the lives of so many young children that have come through the doors at Redeemer. Their dedication, passion, and nurturing spirit have created a foundation of learning and love for Jesus that will last a lifetime. Now, we start the search for those that will fill the shoes left behind.

As we work towards finalizing the details and documents to officially start the search, we also ask the members of Redeemer to think of who they might know that could step into one of these roles, or to reach out to others that might be able to offer insight or recommendations. Should you have any names to pass along – or any questions, please feel free to contact Beth Utech or Michael Gregurich.

Second Time Singles

Second Time Singles invite any ladies of the congregation to join them for the Annual Spring Show of the Clipper City Chordsmen on Saturday, April 13 at 3:00pm. The event will be at the Franciscan Center for Music (former Silver Lake College). Cost is \$20. Please sign up at the tract rack in the lobby and place your money (cash or checks to Clipper City Chordsmen) in the envelope provided. Drop in the wooden offering box by April 1. Transportation may be provided if needed. Questions?? Call Mary Eisenschink at 920-682-1527.

Portals of Prayer

The April-June Portals of Prayer booklets are now available at the Welcome Center.

Lenten Coin Folders

Lenten coin folders have been mailed out. To receive credit on your contribution record, please indicate your offering envelope # on the folder as well as the amount enclosed. You can drop them in the offering box anytime between now and Easter Sunday.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to Rosemary Kautzer for donating the children's Bibles that were given to all new preschool students this year. What an amazing way to share her faith with God's youngest children!

Kwik Trip, Restocked!

The Kwik Trip cards have been restocked in all denominations (\$10, \$25, \$50, \$100). Thank you for your continued support of this preschool fundraiser!!

Redeemer Lutheran Preschool: 3K/4K Teacher Vacancy

Description:

Redeemer Lutheran Church - Manitowoc is looking for a Part-Time 3K/4K Teacher starting in the 2024-25 school year with the possibility to shadow teachers during the current school year as available. We operate Monday - Friday, with the exact days and hours for this position to be determined.

We are licensed through the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and offer small class sizes with two teachers for each class. By God's grace, our students have their faith in Jesus nourished through our curriculum which is guided by Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards.

Responsibilities:

- 1. Prepare and carry out daily lessons.
- 2. Formulate classroom routines that will help children develop skills, confidence and self-regulation.
- 3. Support creating and maintaining a developmentally appropriate classroom environment.
- 4. Assist in classroom behavior management.
- 5. Build and maintain strong relationships with students, parents/guardians, colleagues, administrators and Pastor.
- 6. Attend activities that are church and school related: all staff are expected to support preschool related fundraisers and at least two (2) staff members are expected to attend activities that are associated with the church and preschool.
- 7. Reports to the Director or Administrator.

Qualifications

- 1. Must be at least 18 years of age.
- 2. High School Diploma or equivalent.
- 3. Meet state requirements for Child Care Teacher per DCF Wisconsin Administrative Code.
- 4. Previous experience as teacher or assistant teacher in group child care center preferred.

How to Apply:

Please send your resume and cover letter to office@redeemermanty.com.

Who We Are:

Redeemer Lutheran Preschool is a non-profit Christian preschool that has been educating children in Manitowoc County for over 30 years! Our mission is to equip our students in Christian living and spread the Gospel throughout the community

Redeemer Lutheran Preschool: Director Vacancy

Description:

Redeemer Lutheran Church - Manitowoc is looking for a Part-Time Preschool Director starting in the 2024-25 school year with the possibility to shadow the director during the current school year as available. We operate Monday - Friday, with the exact days and hours for this position tobe determined.

We are licensed through the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and offer small class sizes with two teachers for each class. By God's grace, our students have their faith in Jesus nourished through our curriculum which is guided by Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards.

Responsibilities:

- 1. Oversee preschool budget (including holding fundraisers and applying for grants).
- 2. Set preschool calendar.
- 3. Manage required reporting for grants received.
- 4. Responsible in conjunction with Redeemer Lutheran Church Executive Board for advertising and striving for full class enrollment.
- 5. Facilitate classroom tours.
- 6. Build and maintain strong relationships with students, parents/guardians, colleagues, administrators, Pastor and Executive Board (including writing newsletters, attending meetings and communicating as needed).
- 7. Attend activities that are church and school related: all staff are expected to support preschool related fundraisers and at least two (2) staff members are expected to attend activities that are associated with the church and preschool.
- 8. Facilitate staff meetings.
- 9. Organize continuing education opportunities for staff.
- 10. Ensure facility & curriculum meet DCF regulations.

Qualifications

- 1. Must be at least 21 years of age.
- 2. High School Diploma or equivalent.
- 3. Meet state requirements for Center Director per DCF Wisconsin Administrative Code.
- 4. Previous experience as teacher or assistant teacher in group child care center preferred.

How to Apply:

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