



**"REMEMBER YOU ARE DUST AND  
TO DUST YOU SHALL RETURN"**

## **Ash Wednesday**

February 14, 2024 | 7 PM

# WELCOME!



## Our Lent Theme: Restore Us

On Ash Wednesday we begin our forty-day journey toward Easter with a day of fasting and repentance. Marking our foreheads with dust, we acknowledge that we die and return to the earth. May this Lenten season be a time of blessed restoration, a journey where we collectively echo the psalmist's plea, "Restore to me the joy of your salvation" and, "Restore us, O God, and let your face shine upon us." Together, let us walk in the assurance that God's redeeming love has the power to heal, renew, and restore.

### WORSHIP ONLINE OR BY PHONE

By phone: call 1-206-337-9723. Then enter this number when prompted: 822 691 346. This method will let you listen in, but not view the service.

- By Facebook Live: Go to [www.facebook.com/ourredeemers](http://www.facebook.com/ourredeemers). You don't have to have a facebook account – it's a public channel.
- By Zoom: Download the Zoom app to your computer, tablet, or cell phone. It's free! Click this link: [https:// Zoom.us/j/822691346](https://zoom.us/j/822691346). (Upgrade Zoom to the current version.)

**All are Welcome to Communion!** Christ hosts this meal, and ALL are invited to share this feast of life and forgiveness. Our shared communion bread is gluten free and we offer wine and grape juice. Children commune at the discretion of their parents. If you do not wish to receive communion, we invite you to come forward to receive a blessing. To receive communion at your seat, please alert an usher.

**OUR VISION:** In the model of Christ and for the life of the world, we are an inclusive, devoted, caring and spiritual community that accepts challenges, takes risks and grows.

*We are on land created by God and stewarded for generations by the indigenous ancestors of the Duwamish people, who are still here. We honor the Creator's continuing presence in this land, confess our complicity in its brokenness, and awaken to our connectedness with all of creation.*

*Music reprinted under CCLI License #2540500,  
OneLicense.net #A-706853, and LicenSingOnline #L10114  
Liturgy reprinted under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies  
License #SAS000631*

# GATHER

*In keeping with the solemnity of this day, we gather in silence.*

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather together at the edge of a new season.

**We stand together on the cusp of something new.**

Will we wade into self-reflection?

**Will we invite honesty to dance?**

Will we listen for God's invitation?

**Will we seek deeper faith?**

What kind of fast do we choose? What kind of faith will we build?

**We gather together at the edge of a new season.**

Listen, God is speaking.

## \*OPENING HYMN

*Mercy, O God*

Refrain

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first two staves form the first line of the refrain, and the last two staves form the second line. The lyrics are: "Mer-cy, O God, have mer-cy on us. Send down your mer-cy to set us free. Mer-cy, O God, have mer-cy on us. Send down your mer-cy to set us free." The music features a simple melody with some rests and a final cadence on the last staff.

1. Gather the people, the children the elders;  
Come, now and gather before the Lord.
2. Now is the hour, the day of salvation;  
Now is the time to return to God.
3. Long is the journey and steep are the mountains;  
Come now and guide us, O gracious God.

One License #11471

*\*Please stand, as you are able.*

## **\*GREETING**

The immeasurable grace of Christ Jesus,  
the rich mercy of God,  
and the unity of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

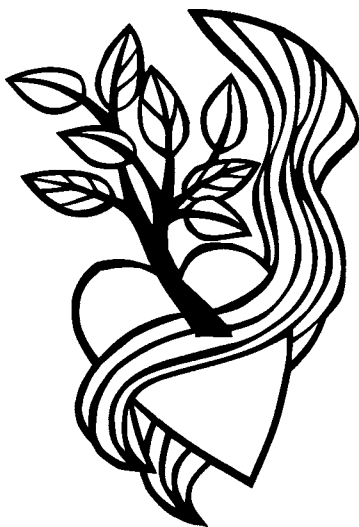
**And also with you.**

## **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray:

Gracious God, out of your love and mercy  
you breathed into dust the breath of life,  
creating us to serve you and our neighbors.  
Call forth our prayers and acts of kindness,  
and strengthen us to face our mortality  
with confidence in the mercy of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**



# PROCLAIM

## FIRST READING

Isaiah 58:1-12

Listen for the Word of God.

**Our ears and hearts are open.**

<sup>1</sup>Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,  
to the house of Jacob their sins.

<sup>2</sup>Yet day after day they seek me  
and delight to know my ways,  
as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness  
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;  
they ask of me righteous judgments,  
they delight to draw near to God.

<sup>3</sup>“Why do we fast, but you do not see?  
Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”  
Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,  
and oppress all your workers.

<sup>4</sup>Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight  
and to strike with a wicked fist.  
Such fasting as you do today  
will not make your voice heard on high.

<sup>5</sup>Is such the fast that I choose,  
a day to humble oneself?  
Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,  
and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?  
Will you call this a fast,  
a day acceptable to the Lord?

<sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I choose:  
to loose the bonds of injustice,  
to undo the thongs of the yoke,  
to let the oppressed go free,  
and to break every yoke?

*continued*

<sup>7</sup>Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,  
and bring the homeless poor into your house;  
when you see the naked, to cover them,  
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?  
<sup>8</sup>Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,  
and your healing shall spring up quickly;  
your vindicator shall go before you,  
the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.  
<sup>9</sup>Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;  
you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you,  
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
<sup>10</sup>if you offer your food to the hungry  
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
and your gloom be like the noonday.  
<sup>11</sup>The Lord will guide you continually,  
and satisfy your needs in parched places,  
and make your bones strong;  
and you shall be like a watered garden,  
like a spring of water,  
whose waters never fail.  
<sup>12</sup>Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
the restorer of streets to live in.

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

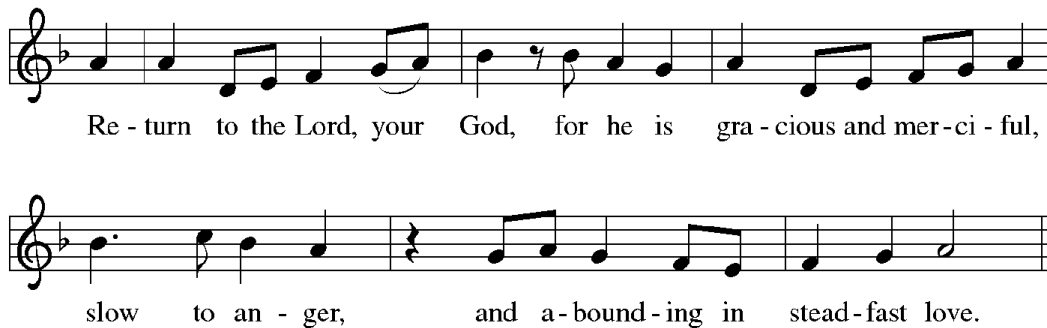
**Thanks be to God.**

*Sing responsively.*



- <sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to your | steadfast love;  
in your great compassion blot out | my offenses.
- <sup>2</sup>**Wash me through and through | from my wickedness,  
and cleanse me | from my sin.**
- <sup>3</sup>For I know | my offenses,  
and my sin is ev- | er before me.
- <sup>4</sup>**Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil | in your sight;  
so you are justified when you speak and right | in your judgment.**
- <sup>5</sup>Indeed, I was born | steeped in wickedness,  
a sinner from my | mother's womb.
- <sup>6</sup>**Indeed, you delight in truth | deep within me,  
and would have me know wisdom | deep within.**
- <sup>7</sup>Remove my sins with hyssop, and I | shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be pur- | er than snow.
- <sup>8</sup>**Let me hear | joy and gladness;  
that the body you have broken | may rejoice.**
- <sup>9</sup>Hide your face | from my sins,  
and blot out | all my wickedness.
- <sup>10</sup>**Create in me a clean | heart, O God,  
and renew a right spir- | it within me.**
- <sup>11</sup>Cast me not away | from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spir- | it from me.
- <sup>12</sup>**Restore to me the joy of | your salvation  
and sustain me with your boun- | tiful Spirit.**
- <sup>13</sup>Let me teach your ways | to offenders,  
and sinners shall be re- | stored to you.
- <sup>14</sup>**Rescue me from bloodshed, O God of | my salvation,  
and my tongue shall sing | of your righteousness.**
- <sup>15</sup>O Lord, o- | pen my lips,  
and my mouth shall pro- | claim your praise.
- <sup>16</sup>**For you take no delight in sacrifice, or | I would give it.  
You are not pleased | with burnt offering.**
- <sup>17</sup>The sacrifice of God is a | troubled spirit;  
a troubled and broken heart, O God, you will | not despise.

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,  
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## \*THE GOSPEL

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

The holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 6th chapter.

### **Glorify to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>1</sup>“Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven.

<sup>2</sup>“So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>3</sup>But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, <sup>4</sup>so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>5</sup>“And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>6</sup>But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>16</sup>“And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. <sup>17</sup>But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, <sup>18</sup>so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

<sup>19</sup>“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; <sup>20</sup>but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

### **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

Pastor Anna Rieke



HYMN OF THE DAY

*Bless Now, O God, the Journey*

1 Bless now, O God, the jour - ney that all your peo - ple make,  
 2 Bless so - journ - ers and pil - grims who share this wind - ing way;  
 3 Di - vine e - ter - nal lov - er, you meet us on the road.

the path through noise and si - lence, the way of give and take.  
 your hope burns through the ter - rors, your love sus - tains the day.  
 We wait for lands of prom - ise where milk and hon - ey flow,

The trail is found in des - ert and winds the moun - tain round,  
 We yearn for ho - ly free - dom while of - ten we are bound;  
 but wait - ing not for plac - es, you meet us all a - round.

then leads be - side still wa - ters, the road where faith is found.  
 to - geth - er we are seek - ing the road where faith is found.  
 Our cov - e - nant is writ - ten on roads, as faith is found.

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*Inspired by the words of Isaiah 58.*

**We believe in a God who chooses freedom,  
who unties every rope and carries our burdens.  
We believe in a God who ushers in the poor and the hungry,  
who has a seat saved for all of us.  
We believe in a God whose love is like the sun,  
who says, "I'm here, I'm here!" every time we cry.  
We believe in a God who walks before us in the parched places,  
who rescues our bones,  
who tends to us like a gardener.  
And because we believe,  
we strive to choose love.  
Because we believe,  
we strive to pursue justice.  
Because we believe...  
Amen.**

## **INVITATION TO LENT**

Our scripture passage for today tells the story of people who are trying hard to be faithful. They ask God, "God, do you notice? Do you see all the good we're doing? Are you proud of us?"

It sounds a bit like children seeking parental attention. Did we do a good job?

In those moments we always want to hear God say, "Excellent job, good and faithful servant." But in today's scripture, God says to the people, "I want you to seek justice."

Friends, faith is a constant dance of us asking God, "Am I doing it right?" and, "How can I do better?"

In the prayer of confession we linger in this tension for a moment. We acknowledge that we are works in progress and we ask for God's help. God may challenge us, but fortunately, God will never abandon us. So let us turn to God in prayer, using the confession printed in your bulletin. Let us pray:

## **\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God,

How many times in a day could we choose love?

**How many times could we choose justice?**

How many times could we speak kindly to ourselves?

**How many times could we offer grace?**

How many times, God? And how often do we miss it?

**Forgive us for choosing the path you did not travel.**

Forgive us for hitching our horse to the world's measure of goodness, instead of yours.

**Return our hearts to you, and guide us continually, even in the parched places.**

With gratitude we pray,

**Amen.**

## **WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

Family of faith, when a baby is learning to walk, the parents do not criticize the baby for falling. Instead, they celebrate every wobbly step. They applaud every hesitant stand. They whoop and holler when their child lands in their arms.

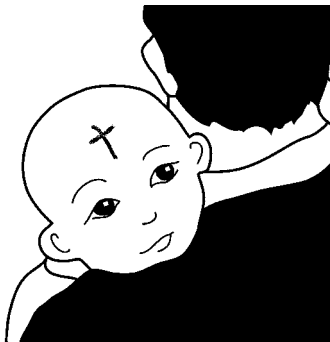
Surely the same must be true of God. Although we often lose our way and we often choose the wrong thing, I imagine God whoops and hollers with every step in God's direction.

So hear and believe the good news of the gospel: no matter how many times we fall, no matter how many times we choose the wrong path, God is waiting for us at the end with open arms.

We are forgiven. We are invited. We belong.

Thanks be to God for a love like that.

**Amen.**



# IMPOSITION OF ASHES

## BLESSING OF ASHES

Almighty God, you have created us out of the dust of the earth.  
Bless these ashes and we who receive them.

May this sign of our mortality  
remind us that only through the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ  
we are given fullness of life; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

Jesus says, 'I am the Life for you.'

**And so we lay down what is past  
and look to the future.**

Jesus says, 'I am the Life for you.'

**And so we come,  
leaving behind all else to which we cling.**

*You may come forward and receive ashes on your forehead.*

*All Things of Dust to Dust Return*

1 All things of dust to dust re - turn on earth and in the sky.  
2 Lord, mark with dust and ash my brow so I may com-pre-hend  
3 Lord, mark up - on my brow this sign: a stark and bar-ren cross

The hot - test, bright - est suns that burn in time grow dim and die.  
that ev - 'ry mo - ment here and now links me to that same end  
re - mind - ing me that though di - vine you know my pain and loss,



## **\*PRAYER**

O God,  
**lead us from death to life,  
from falsehood to truth.  
Lead us from despair to hope,  
from fear to trust.  
Lead us from hate to love,  
from war to peace.  
By the life, cross and resurrection  
of your Son, our Savior,  
bring us to accept the full promise  
and challenge of your love.  
Amen.**

## **BREAK**

### **GATHERING OF GIFTS**

Choir - *Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God*  
by John Carter

Text from Psalm 51:10-12 - "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit."

### **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

God of good gifts,  
receive these and all our offerings  
as we present them in faithful service  
for the sake of your gospel.  
Prepare our hearts to receive you in this meal  
as you pour out your very presence  
through Christ Jesus, the wellspring of eternal life.  
**Amen.**

## **\*GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Holy God,  
our living Water and our merciful Guide,  
together with rivers and seas, wells and springs  
we bless and magnify you.

You led your people Israel through the desert,  
and provided them water from the rock.

We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water,  
who joined us in our desert,  
pouring out his life for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,  
his life, death, and resurrection,  
we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

*continued*

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food  
and on all the baptized gathered for this feast:  
wash away our sin,  
that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church,  
both now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us in whatever version is most prayerful for you:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

### **\*INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.



## All Are Welcome

*to commune, including children (as parents permit).*

**Note:** While it is our practice to celebrate Holy Communion using one loaf of bread, due to the pandemic we have pivoted to using pre-packaged individual communion cups. Wine, juice, and gluten free cups are available. To participate in the meal, open the wafer first, and then open the wine or juice. If you would prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms across your chest as you come forward.



### LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Just As I Am, without One Plea*

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy blood was  
2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y a con - flict,  
3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come, par - don,  
4 Just as I am; thy love un - known has bro - ken ev - 'ry

shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,  
man - y a doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with - out,  
cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise I be - lieve,  
bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea, thine a - lone,

O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Public Domain

# SEND

## **\*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Embodied God,  
at your table, we have tasted the goodness of Jesus.  
With the eyes of our hearts open to your promise,  
empower us to hear the needs of our neighbors  
and touch the world with your love.

**Amen.**

## **\*BLESSING**

God, the giver of love,  
✝ Christ, the resurrection and the life,  
and the Holy Spirit of rebirth  
bless you in this Lenten journey.

**Amen.**

## **\*DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve in Love.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Leave in silence.*



### **We Pray for...**

Yvonne Boon, Sandy Box, Jennifer Carter,  
Tom Dickerson, Barb Dougherty, Cindy  
Funai, Jordan Holt, Chris & Rusty Huffstetter,  
Helen Jones, Bob McIntyre, Mandy Neill,  
Chris Odell, Barbara Olsen, Jean Perry, Trina  
Prisk-Hall, Duaine Rembold, David Schrader,  
Pauline Sigurdson, Karen Studders, Carolyn  
Swanson, Charlotte Wallstrom, Jon Wright;  
all married couples struggling with conflict  
and separation, immigrant families remaining  
separated, Road to Housing guests.

### **Grieving the Loss of**

Miriam Myers, Ken Nelson

*To include someone in the prayers, email the church  
-or- fill out the online prayer request form: LINK.  
(Requests received after each Wednesday will be put in  
the following week's bulletin.*

### **IN OUR SERVICE TODAY**

Preaching/Presiding: Pastor Anna Rieke\*

Zoom Host: Erica Lee

Musicians: Karen Lee, Our Redeemer's Choir

*\*Pastor Anna Rieke is a Seattle native, who has served congregations in Oregon, California and New York. She received her Master of Divinity from Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in Berkeley CA, specializing in Evangelism and Justice. She is most energized by faith-based community organizing, conflict resolution, cross cultural and anti-racism work, and finding ways to foster communal joy, compassion and creativity. She has served the congregation of St. John United Lutheran Church in Seattle since 2016. When not in church, she can usually be found walking with her dog Dascher and partner Octavio, in a cozy corner reading sci-fi or enjoying every last sip of a great cup of coffee.*

## Ministers of Our Redeemer's

### **Pastor David Hahn**

Interim Pastor  
pastordavid@ourredeemers.net  
651.587.4417

### **Gianfranco Foddai**

Informal Worship / Music Director  
gianfranco@ourredeemers.net

### **Karen Lee**

Traditional Worship / Music Director  
karen@ourredeemers.net

### **Debbie Lematta** x105

Communications Coordinator  
communications@ourredeemers.net

### **Mandy Neill** x102

Welcome Ministry  
welcome@ourredeemers.net

### **Karie Stearns** x101

Parish Administrator  
administrator@ourredeemers.net

**www.ourredeemers.net | 206.783.7900**  
**2400 NW 85th Street, Seattle, WA 98117**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

For more details, check the website calendar or current newsletter.



## worship

### **9 AM Informal Sunday Worship | In-person**

In this hour-long service, an ensemble leads us in a mix of traditional hymns and contemporary music. We hear a challenging and thoughtful message, pray together and take communion. Children are welcome and, for the little ones, our staffed nursery is open.

### **11 AM Traditional Sunday Worship | In-person & Online**

The 11:00 am service is liturgy deeply rooted in the Lutheran tradition of God's living word. Join together in prayer, familiar hymns and communion at God's all-welcoming table. We wish one another peace and blessings and leave the service more connected, challenged and hopeful than before.

### **Congregational Meeting**

Sunday, February 25 | Fellowship Hall

Through prayerful discernment and many hours of interviewing potential pastors, our Call Committee has reached a unanimous decision!

**A Congregational Meeting, to vote on extending a call to Pastor Thomas Voelp, will occur on Sunday, February 25th at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.**

If you have questions or concerns about your eligibility to vote in this meeting, contact our Parish Administrator, Karie Stearns, at [administrator@ourredeemers.net](mailto:administrator@ourredeemers.net), or 206.783.7900.



Pastor Thomas Voelp



# community

## Madonna's Book Group - "The Sweet Spot"

Sunday, February 25th, 3 PM | TBD

The book the group is reading and discussing on February 25th is THE SWEET SPOT by Amy Poepel. You are invited to join in! Contact Lynne at buckomcneill@yahoo.com with questions or to be added to the contact list.

## Introducing Our "Bloom & Grow Together" Auction

Saturday, April 27, 5-8 PM | Fellowship Hall

Join us for an enchanting evening of bidding and blossoms at our "Bloom and Grow Auction" on Saturday, April 27. Immerse yourself in a world where every bid helps cultivate community and fosters growth! **We are procuring items for both the live and the silent auctions!** If you have a vacation home, gift baskets, or other experiences, services, or items that you can offer for a good cause, drop us a note by email: [auction.ourredeemers@gmail.com](mailto:auction.ourredeemers@gmail.com). Thank you!

## Holden Still Has Room: Register Soon!

July 14-21 | Holden Village [REGISTER](#)

We have 27 people signed up for Holden Village! There is still time to register as long as spots are available. Choose from a 5-day or 7-day stay. Payment plans are available. **Register using this LINK** (<https://rebrand.ly/5174bf>). There is a \$150 deposit required at registration. Payment plans are available.



# social justice

A FORCE FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

## Help Feed Our Neighbors - Ballard Sunday Dinners

Are you looking for a tangible way to help people with food insecurity? Then sign up to help for winter dinners when the weather is cold outside. Ballard Sunday Dinner (BSD) is a ministry where we feed our hungry neighbors on the third Sunday of each month. Please make the commitment to help and sign up for a few months in advance by using this link: <https://rb.gy/ea817>. Reach out to Amy Borgmeyer ([amy.borgmeyer@gmail.com](mailto:amy.borgmeyer@gmail.com)) if you have any questions. Thank you for all that you do!

## Earth Care Beach Cleanup Retreat - Are You Interested?

April 19-21, 2024

Our Redeemer's is coordinating with Washington CoastSavers again this year to remove debris from coastal beaches! If we can get enough people showing interest, we will spend the weekend near the coast cleaning up the beach and having fun! Come and enjoy both the fellowship and the stewardship of caring for the earth! Please contact Paul and Maria Kalina ([paulkalina@hotmail.com](mailto:paulkalina@hotmail.com), [maria\\_damico@yahoo.com](mailto:maria_damico@yahoo.com)) if you are interested in participating in this year's Earth Care Beach Cleanup Retreat. We need enough people to show interest so we can start making reservations.



# faith formation

TRANSFORMING SPIRITUALITY

## **Our Redeemer's Adult Forums**

Sundays, 10 AM | Fellowship Hall

In February we finish up our curious exploration of how God meets us in Scripture and through each other. Starting Feb 18th our own Dana Wright kicks off a 4-week Lenten series called "What are Christians (Lutherans) For?" Together we'll explore and discuss an essay by renowned Biblical scholar Walter Brueggemann regarding our covenantal relationship with God.

## **LiVE Project - Lent with Baldwin & Bonhoeffer Course**

6-week course via Zoom, Thursdays 7-8:30PM **starting tomorrow, February 15**

What might Dietrich Bonhoeffer (a Lutheran German theologian) and James Baldwin (a Black, 20th century author and novelist) together have to prophetically speak to our current time? Learn more and register here: <https://rb.gy/6stsdC>. Use promo code: LIVEBUNDLE2023 for free registration!

## **Women's Retreat: "Finding Hope"**

Friday - Sunday May 3-5

Register: <https://rebrand.ly/pytax06>

Isn't it time for you to build new relationships and deepen existing ones within your community of women? Anyone identifying as female is invited to the beautiful Seabeck Conference Center on Hood Canal May 3-5. The theme is Finding Hope. Our guest speaker is Pastor Deanna Wildermuth, an engaging and creative retired Lutheran pastor. The cost is \$270 for the entire weekend (full or partial scholarships available by request). Single rooms are available for an additional \$50 per night.

REGISTER SOON to reserve your place: <https://rebrand.ly/pytax06>. Paper registration forms are also available in the church office.



## This Week at Our Redeemer's

*February 15, Thursday*

7 PM - LiVE Project: Lent with Baldwin & Bonhoeffer Course | Zoom

*February 16-18, Friday-Sunday*

**Rest & Reset Retreat | Rainbow Lodge,  
North Bend**

*Sunday, February 18*

**9 AM - Informal Worship**

9 AM - Sprouts In-Person | Downstairs

10 AM - O-ROCK Youth Classes | Downstairs

10 AM - Adult Forum | Fellowship Hall

**11 AM - Traditional Worship**

2 PM - Ballard Sunday Dinner | Ballard First  
Lutheran

Email [administrator@ourredeemers.net](mailto:administrator@ourredeemers.net) if you need online or in-person meeting help. Find meeting information in the announcements in this bulletin or on the church's [website calendar](#).



[www.ourredeemers.net](http://www.ourredeemers.net)