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With God and
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A Community in the Model of Christ

Called to see, called to be...Church

The Easter season often focuses on the sightings of Jesus—where the disciples—cum—apostles encounter the risen Christ in body. But with the giving of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, the promised presence of Christ in the life of the Spirit comes with a vision of bright flames that propels them into the streets—a moment not unlike the presence of God to Moses in the burning bush that sends him back to call for justice and release of the Hebrew slaves, and the pillar of flame, not only guiding the Hebrews through the wilderness but leading them out of their old life and into God's new. We are even reminded when John the Baptist, coming out of the wilderness, foretells the Messiah's coming to baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire.

At Pentecost, we come full circle to see the result of the coming of God as one of us in the Easter promise and the fullness of Jesus' ministry and life: Jesus the man is transformed as Jesus Christ, the Lord. With the vanishing of Jesus who appears to them, the disciples—gathered and called together, are now sent—they become apostles. Seeing Jesus now is akin to seeing God in the power of the Holy Spirit. **No longer bound to place or time, or person, Christ can be seen in the features of our shared humanity as Christ lives in us.**

We look no longer for Jesus among the dead – “death has no dominion over him.” God is present in the person of Jesus, who is given the “name above all names” “so that every knee will bend and tongue confess that Jesus is Lord.” Jesus becomes Christ in being raised from death. Paul says we cannot see him only as Jesus, the person – “we no longer know him that way.” Instead, we see Jesus in our called life together. **We see him, and all others through the eyes of the Spirit, having our attention called to how the Spirit is moving and working in others, in our streets, and in our neighbors.**

So as much as Easter gathers us around the raised body of Jesus Christ, so now, time after Pentecost presents a vision of Christ in the life of his body—his *ekklesia*—his church. We, who followed Jesus in body as disciples are now sent as apostles from this body, witnesses to the risen life of Christ and “deeds of power” God is doing in both church and world. As we have recited each week of the Easter season, “to those who are called, Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God.” And, in light of the power of God through Pentecost, we know God's power through us in Christ. **In time after Pentecost, we recognize, as did those who came before us, that “in him we live and move and have our being.”** (Acts 17:28)

This year, Pentecost lands at a juncture when many students around the world—and several in our congregation—are concluding their studies and looking toward new schools, new jobs, new careers, and new lives. They've been called to new experiences, and to apply the perspectives and learning they've been formed by in their call as students. Lifelong learning is just such a call. Since we are continually learning about God through the ways we are called in this life, I can think of no better example than this to understand the power of the Spirit at Pentecost: **that languages of learning can speak beyond barriers is the wisdom that gives life and transforms vision — learning is a powerful world-changer.**

On June 8th, we gather as a community to pray for, bless, and send students graduating from high school, and we celebrate their path, surrounding high school grads with quilts, that exemplify the support of the church in their calling. We also celebrate those in higher education, graduating this spring. Promotion from elementary and middle school also count!

The following Sunday, Trinity, is not only Father's Day but Music Sunday, as we close our programmatic year and change over to our summer worship schedule. Many who travel are called to be citizens of the world and take on cultures and perspectives they encounter. Being sent into the world is a way of sharing the life we have in common, that speaks beyond language barriers and cultural norms. We “send,” celebrate, and bless those who are traveling.

We are developing ways of being church beyond our walls this Summer, trusting that our call to be church in the world, does not limit us to worship and liturgy. Summer walks together is an exciting new venture for fellowship and learning about the natural world and God's wonders in creation. We are preparing for a trip to Holden Village, and camps are planning to welcome guests and Bible School vacationers. We will continue to meet for youth group off campus, and host events that call the attention of families and neighbors. In these ways, and the tried-and-true, we take steps into this Summer and this season in light of the Pentecost, experiencing our shared life in Christ in both familiar gatherings, and transforming adventures.



Pastor Thomas Voelp

What's Happening in June

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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.



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June 1, Sunday

9 AM - Informal Worship

9 AM - Sprouts In-Person | Downstairs

10 AM - O-ROCK Youth Classes | Downstairs

10 AM - Confirmation | Library

10 AM - Adult Forum | Fellowship Hall

10 AM - Special Q&A with Church Treasurers | Slate Room

11 AM - Traditional Worship

7 PM - Holden Village Coordination Meeting | Zoom

June 3, Tuesday

7 PM - Church Executive Team Meeting

June 4, Wednesday

7 PM - Choir Rehearsal

June 5, Thursday

7 PM - Informal Worship Band Rehearsal

June 7, Saturday

9 AM - Liturgical Arts Team

4:30 PM - "Popcorn & Reels" Movie | Fellowship Hall

June 8, Sunday

PENTECOST

GRADUATION SUNDAY

9 AM - Informal Worship

9 AM - Sprouts In-Person | Downstairs

10 AM - O-ROCK Youth Classes | Downstairs

10 AM - Confirmation | Library

10 AM - Embodied Church & "Con-grad-ulation"

Cupcakes | Fellowship Hall

11 AM - Traditional Worship

6 PM - Breaking Bread Dinners | Various Homes

June 9, Monday

5 PM - Church Ladies Beer Night | Old Stove Gardens

June 10, Tuesday

7 PM - Church Council Meeting

June 11, Wednesday

7 PM - Choir Rehearsal

June 12, Thursday

7 PM - Informal Worship Band Rehearsal

June 15, Sunday

MUSIC SUNDAY

FATHER'S DAY

9 AM - Informal Worship

9 AM - Sprouts In-Person | Downstairs

10 AM - O-ROCK Youth Classes | Downstairs

10 AM - Confirmation | Library

10 AM - Adult Forum | Fellowship Hall

11 AM - Traditional Worship

2-6 PM - Ballard Sunday Dinner | Ballard First Lutheran

6 PM - Monthly Youth Group Meetup | Mox Boarding

House, 5105 Leary Ave NW

June 16, Monday

9 AM - 12 PM - Monthly Volunteer Grounds Crew

June 21, Saturday

4:30 PM - "Faith in Action on Screen" Documentary | Fellowship Hall

June 22, Sunday

10 AM SUMMER

WORSHIP BEGINS

10 AM - Summer Worship

11 AM - ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

4 PM (thru June 27, 4 PM) - Pastor Thomas Away for Continuing Education (limited availability)

4 PM - Jim Freyberg Celebration of Life | Ballard Elks

June 29, Sunday

PRIDE PARADE SUNDAY

10 AM - Summer Worship

Pride Parade | Downtown Seattle



Living Generously



Special Q&A with Church Treasurers

Sunday, June 1, 10-11 AM | "Slate" Meeting Room off the Sanctuary

Our Redeemer's Council and Finance Team are moving forward with the plan to change our church's fiscal year from July-June to January-December. **To help members understand this transition and answer any questions you may have about the upcoming budget and June 22nd annual meeting, we're holding a special Q&A session.** You're invited to join our co-treasurers, Emilie Purvine and Carolyn Davis, between services on Sunday, June 1. This is a great opportunity to ask questions about the new fiscal year plan or any other church financial matters on your mind. We look forward to seeing you there!



Vote at Our Annual Meeting June 22nd

Sunday, June 22, 11 AM | Our Redeemer's

Our annual congregational meeting will be on Sunday June 22nd after the morning service (there is just one summertime service that day at 10:00 am). **At 11:00 am we will vote to approve income/expenditures for 2024-2025 and to approve the 6-month budget for 2025.**

All active members in good standing are eligible to vote.

Mission Budget FY 2024-2025 July-April

(83.33% thru FY)

Our Redeemer's regularly publishes a Mission Budget report to keep congregants informed about the current financial health of the church.

See the church's current Financial Snapshot at this url: <https://bit.ly/4k7OAqO>.



Income	2024-2025 Approved Budget	Income Thru 4.30.25	% of Budget Year to Date	Over (Under) Budget Year to Date
Envelope & Loose Offerings	515,075	381,182	74%	(48,047)
Church Use	84,375	73,142	86.7%	2,830
Fundraising (Auction)*	26,000	20,687	79.6%	(980)
Interest	500	443	88.5%	26
TOTAL INCOME	625,950	475,454	76.0%	(46,171)
Expenses	2024-2025 Approved Budget	Expenses Thru 4.30.25	% of Budget Year to Date	Over (Under) Budget Year to Date
Social Justice/Outreach	52,827	38,118	72.2%	(5,904)
Pastoral Staff	122,033	96,920	79.4%	(4,774)
Worship & Music	67,609	55,905	82.7%	(436)
Fellowship & Caring	20,727	7,223	34.8%	(10,050)
Faith Formation	25,904	13,685	52.8%	(7,901)
Stewardship	8,418	7,285	86.5%	270
Communications	49,985	39,567	79.2%	(2,088)
Facilities	168,944	140,016	82.9%	(771)
Administration	166,169	102,760	61.8%	(35,714)
TOTAL EXPENSES	682,616	501,479	73.5%	(67,368)
NET INCOME (Loss)	(56,666)	(26,025)		21,197

For questions/concerns, to set up giving, or to change your giving, please contact Administrator, Karie Stearns at administrator@ourredeemers.net. Thank you for your support!



Worship and Music



Bishop's Convocation: The First and Rest by Pastor Thomas

Driving into the Seabeck Conference Center, felt like discovering a secluded island. The first day—after packing a bag, finishing chores that hadn't been done during Holy Week, leaving other tasks for my return, dropping off Maggie with relatives, driving through back roads, neighborhoods, and small communities, checking out where the nearest grocery stores and gas stations could be found, and dealing with some confusion about the entrance and where I was staying (not helped by the fact that cell phone service was all but lost)—I settled in for a week of... well, I wasn't quite sure. The prior year, I was not able to attend.

Worship and prayer was central, as you might expect, but these services—much like our regular Sunday services—punctuated the work that grew from these moments of spiritual grounding. The topic at hand? The shared experience of weariness, frustration, anxieties and concerns of being ministers in our current state of the world. We talked, as you'd imagine colleagues would, about the realities of call, job, and home life. We deconstructed challenges and heard advice, and the shared experiences **that this convocation allowed us simply to be—to be ourselves in light of our call, and to feel not only supported, but reinvigorated and revitalized for the way forward.**

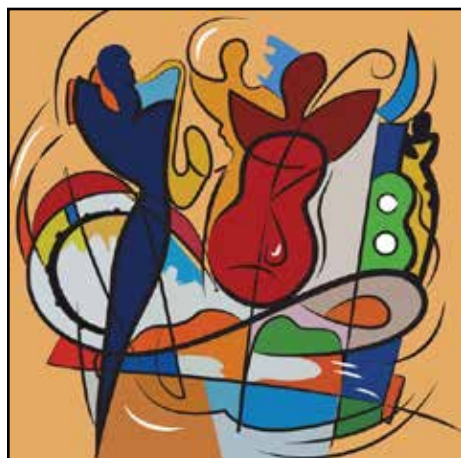


Convocation was a professional conference, a networking event, and rest-retreat. It was structured by group discussions, breakouts, and lectures that focused on being church in the world—conversation of the secular, and even anti-religion, anti-church, and atheist perspectives through a spiritual and historical lens. National and world affairs were certainly relevant topics.



But it was not all work. Reconnecting with classmates, meeting new colleagues, and bonding over games, snacks, and hobbies were part-and-parcel to our process. Having difficult conversations and holding one-another accountable was a healing practice, but so too was some time to simply breathe. The retreat center features a "moat," affected by the tide, but still enough to leisurely row the boats they had available for guests. **Rowing became a daily practice for me.** Unfortunately, when rest comes after big events and travel, it often means the body relaxes its defenses a bit (this is not medical opinion, I assure you) and makes the way for illness. Luckily, I did not start feeling sick until after the program, but it was worth it to stay an additional night and focus on much-needed rest.

It was not long after my arrival that I came to love the retreat center.



Join us for Music Sunday on June 15th!

At both services, we'll feature the Ensemble and the Choir, plus the addition of a guest trumpet player. And we've chosen congregational hymns with an Irish flair - very singable and uplifting!

On June 22 and throughout the summer, we'll move to one combined 10:00 am service and would love to add a variety of Special Music! Please reach out to either Gianfranco Foddai or Karen Lee if you'd like to sing or play an instrument, and we'll find a Sunday for you!

Almost Summer Blessings to all. - Karen Lee and Gianfranco Foddai



Faith Formation



Monthly Youth Group Meetup at Mox Boarding House

Monday, June 16, 6 PM | Mox Seattle, 5105 Leary Ave NW

All youth in grades 7–12 are invited to our next monthly meetup on Monday, June 16th! Join us for an evening of connection, conversation, and fun at Mox Seattle—a board game store and restaurant located in the heart of historic Ballard.

Come for the community, stay for the games. Bring a friend and get ready to have a great time!



Saturday Movie Showings

Saturday, June 7, 4:30 PM | Saturday, June 21, 4:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

Our Redeemer's offers movies for youth, kids, and families monthly on a Saturday afternoon. These gatherings offer entertainment, connection, and meaningful conversation.

POPCORN AND REELS: On Saturday, June 7, at 4:30 pm, join us for a family-friendly movie showing of "Nimona," a story of a shapeshifting kid and a back-stabbed hero fighting against society's misunderstandings of them. We will have drinks, snacks, and a post-movie, Pride-oriented conversation about what it's like to not fit into social expectations, how hard it is to be judged when you don't, and how much of a difference it makes when we stand up for each other.

FAITH IN ACTION ON SCREEN: In the theme of Pride Month, we will host a documentary showing on **Saturday, June 21**, at 4:30 pm of "Stonewall Uprising." The film explores the riot that birthed the gay rights movement, the pressure that made such an uprising necessary, and the incredibly hostile climate into which it emerged. We will have drinks, snacks, and a post-movie discussion about what it's like to have our humanity denied and the lengths to which we sometimes have to go to fight for it. Teen+ audience only.



Faith Formation



Last Embodied Church: All-Church Collaboration for Pride Month

Sunday, June 8, 10 AM | Fellowship Hall

For our final Embodied Church of the year, we'll focus on a church-wide, month-long collaborative Art Church experience. This project kicks off on Sunday, June 8th at 10:00 am—all ages welcome—as we tie together our year-long theme of “Who is God, and who are we as a church?” with our June Pride social justice focus.

We'll explore our Creator's love of diversity, and reflect on the beautiful diversity within the body of Christ. Through prayerful creation, we'll affirm that, having been made in the image of THE Creator, WE are also called to be creators—embodying God's love for the vast variety of beings we encounter.

Keep an eye out for instructions about this month-long project, to be released on June 8th. We hope you'll join us at 10am that day to begin this meaningful journey together!



Summer Adult Faith Formation: “Wonder Wanders”

July 13, July 27, August 10, August 24

You're invited every other Sunday during the summer on a contemplative wander through our local woodlands or parks as we wonder together about what all this natural beauty has to teach us about God, ourselves and our world. We'll gather on the church lawn following the 10:00 am summer service and journey together to nearby parks or trails, led by the many environmentalists that we are blessed to have within our congregation. Each week we'll provide a "wondering"- a contemplative prompt as we begin our walk together as well as some light learning along the way. More info to come. Questions? email Mandy Neill (neillmandy@gmail.com).

This is purposefully designed to be both a faith formation and an outreach opportunity, so will be an appropriate event to which to invite your neighbors and friends.

God's wonders meet our wondering as we wander with God.

Faith Formation, Justice, and the Power of Hope by Pastor Thomas

This is the fourth and final in a series I was asked to share examining our leadership's vision and approach to Faith Formation and Justice for Our Redeemer's.

In summary of our exploration so far: as grace comforts, it also shines a mirror, allowing us the view of reality through the eyes of Christ. Faith is a way of seeing Christ at work in the world—that is, where Christ calls us to solidarity and calls us to trust that God is not only at work, but works through people, as God did in Christ. We are therefore transformed by the risen life of Christ in us. Last time, I described the command to love as one of relationship-maintaining and how love shapes and forms us to seek justice-cum-right-relationship with

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God and neighbor. **God's justice is therefore in our transformation as the Body of Christ in the world—God forms community, reconciling all things as the way of justice.** Through the gifts of faith, love, and hope, we are formed in mind, body, and spirit to, as Jesus said, “do the work of God, who sends me.” This time, I explore the importance of hope for the realization of the mirror of grace.

If I were to name a single chapter in the Bible that exemplifies the “so what?” of faith, I’d have to name Chapter 8 from Paul’s Letter to the Romans. (Funny enough, it will form part of our liturgy through the coming season.) At this point, Paul’s writing has come a long way, and his eschatology (dealing with the end times) has been transformed. It’s not about the “now, now, now” of Thessalonians, where he began; he is seeing faith as a boundless gift—faith is crucial (at the crux of God’s reconciling and justifying work in the cross of Jesus) for our relationship with God and each other. **This is the chapter I believe Paul puts it all together.** The pieces from other letters—his concept on new creation in Christ through the Spirit, the litmus test of spiritual gifts—love, the oneness of the Body of Christ, the transformation of people by baptism—all of it.

What does faith do? What is the real-world effect of these things? What is God’s gift that leads us back to God’s grace, God’s love, and to believe and trust God so to build community in Christ? Our life in hope.

The living reality of community in Christ is a people that is formed in hope. We hope for God’s world. We hope for changes to our society, the soil, the air, the water, the ways we live. We hope for an end to suffering, death, greed and destruction. We hope and trust in an end to faith. The Christian vision—indeed, the eye-opening realization of the Abrahamic covenant—is hope not just for continuation and survival but a world without fear, without suffering.

Paul’s writing in Chapter 8 hinges on hope; he asks a rhetorical question, “hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees?” The point is clear: “we aren’t to the end, folks.” We have a little ways to go, further to the end for which we hope. He continues, “but if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.” The chapter begins with Paul writing about setting the mind on the Spirit, which is “life and peace.” Paul is not talking in abstracts, here, instead, the “nothing is impossible for God” that Mary hears at the annunciation meets the hope for what more God will do for the world through Christ. By the end of the chapter, Paul has made up his mind: **we can trust in hope, because, “nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ.”**

This message of hope-seeking-justice can be taxing for those of us (including myself much of the time) hope for the loving end and God’s world-turning revolution to come now, now, now. It is often that in these times when patience feels like an excuse, or a justification for inaction, the debate between Paul and James comes into focus; James is famous for writing “faith without works, is dead.” James speaks well about how right-relationship ought to produce good works. It hinges on the fact that speaking of faith is not the point; the “so what” of faith for Paul is also that the good works God “set apart to be our way of life” are given as a result of faith in Christ. However, Paul’s vision centers on the Christ that does the work. James, on the other hand, seems a little more works-righteous to a Lutheran audience. But justice work—must take in this hope that it is in fact God who is at work. Justice will always be incomplete in a world of sin, and so the hope for “now, now, now” turns into a plea. **Justice, however, is not our work, but God’s work in Christ.**

What hope speaks to is that justice can be achieved because God, who is righteous, in fact is at work. That is the result of being in the Spirit; to trust that God is working in and through us. Even if justice is incomplete in our works, even if the little we do does not seem like much to relieve the suffering of the whole world, how we as a community do have impact by the power of God is the wrestling match we have under hope. **Christ gathers our little works into something we often cannot see, God forms us to live and work in unity, even in the diverse ways we are called.**

But hope is never inactive or silent. It forms our mind to the life of the Spirit. Hope gathers our shared experiences and visions and gives us an imagination for what is possible—what God is doing even beyond what we can see. **Hope forms community and shapes faith.** It is active in mind, heart, spirit, unites these in the work that culminates in the life-giving justice of God. The work of justice stems from the mirror of grace: we imagine a world that can be different, and it is not our vision, but God’s. We see ourselves and current state in light of the cross of Christ, mirroring our own suffering under the power of sin. We trust God is present and active; we believe in a world that is not separate from God. We hope for a world that God has promised. We hope for fulfillment of God’s work to transform us and our world in Christ.

The power of hope is the power of being awakened to God’s reality, to see God’s work of reconciliation and community-building and harmony with creation as the goal, to believe that nothing is impossible for God. Justice is not about “should” or “ought” as much as it is about God’s gifts and deeds of power to transform us and our world.



Faith in Action

Lutheran World Relief Western Washington In-Gathering Recap

by Sharon Longaker

The Lutheran World Relief (LWR) Western Washington In-Gathering took place at Our Redeemer's on May 2nd and 3rd. Churches from across the region—from Aberdeen to Bellingham, and from the Cascades to the Coast—gathered to deliver their kits and quilts to our parking lot.

Thanks to the incredible efforts of so many volunteers from many congregations, we successfully filled one full shipping container and nearly completed a second!

Our Redeemer's contributed 80 personal care kits to this effort! A heartfelt thank-you goes out to all the generous donors who provided the items that made up these kits. Special thanks to America Mejia, Janet Whitfield, and the Running family for their vital support—both in preparing food for the loading crew and helping with the actual packing. Your help made a big difference. Truly, it takes a village!

Looking ahead, our next LWR loading will take place in November, with a focus on school kits. While it's still unclear whether tariffs will impact school supply costs, please keep an eye out for back-to-school sales. A collection basket and list of needed items will be placed near the front entrance. Thank you again for your continued support!



Shipping containers are now en route to Maryland, where their contents will be sorted and shipped to areas in greatest need around the world. Since LWR is not government-funded, our direct contributions are making a tangible impact.



Join Us for Ballard Sunday Dinners

Next Dinner: Sunday, June 15 | Ballard First Lutheran, 2006 NW 65th

Every third Sunday, Ballard Sunday Dinner (BSD) teams up with local churches to offer a hot, nourishing meal to neighbors experiencing food insecurity. It's a heartfelt effort that brings warmth, connection, and care—especially when it's needed most. **Our next dinner is coming up on June 15**, and we'd love to have you with us! Whether it's your first time or your fiftieth, there's a place for you to make a difference. No experience needed—we'll show you the ropes and make sure you feel confident and welcomed.

We'd love to have you join us! Sign up here: <https://rb.gy/ea817> or reach out to Pastor Thomas at pastorthomas@ourredeemers.net. Thank you for helping us spread kindness in our community!

Celebrating June Birthdays

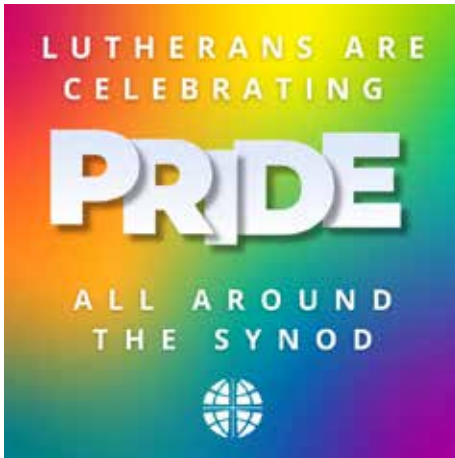
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| 9 Nelson Miller | 16 Bette Hendricks | 28 Gabriel Jones |
| 9 Christine Skow | 20 *Chuck McKenzie | 29 Marli Iverson |
| 10 Denny Palmason | 20 Nancy Parks | 30 Craig Gibson |
| 12 Levi Jancola | 21 *Richard Holt | 30 Barbara Moen |
| 13 Jana Davis | 23 Matt Grover | |

* Birthday Blessings to Chuck McKenzie and Richard Holt who are celebrating their 90+ Birthdays in June!

We give thanks for the life of James (Jim) Freyberg – April 11, 2025 (b. November 14, 1927).



Community



If you'd like a Progress Pride bandana featuring the original rainbow colors and added colors representing people of color, as well as people who are transgender, intersex, or non-binary, contact Pastor Thomas for purchase. Cost is \$5.00.

Season of Pride

Pride Parade Sunday, June 29 | Downtown Seattle

The season of PRIDE begins June 1st, and we have some ways of celebrating the ways God makes us, and calls us through diverse personhood across this great big, blue ellipsoid. We take this moment to celebrate, witness, and proclaim God's diverse world and all its peoples! We will have a colorful way of marking the season in our worship space, as is tradition. **We will also feature a documentary on June 21 with a discussion, focused on the origins of Pride and the events surrounding Stonewall. On June 7, we'll be hosting a more family-friendly film, focused on identity. Starting June 8, we'll have a Faith Formation project everyone can be part of creating!**

Pride Sunday is June 29, and after our Sunday service at 10:00 am, those who have signed up will make our way over to the Seattle Pride parade staging area. Details about our place in the order of the parade, travel details, and other relevant information will be shared, once it is received.



The Northwest Washington Synod will be marching as a synod group of Loving Lutherans in the Seattle PRIDE parade. Space is limited to 200 walkers--first come, first served. The Parade begins at 11:00 am, and we will likely have time to meet there before our group steps off.

Please let Pastor Thomas (pastorthomas@ourredeemers.net) know that you'd like to walk, how many people you are signing up, your cell phone information, an email address, and the relevant names/contact information as needed (if registering others). If you need help with transportation, serve as a guide by light rail, or provide a ride, please let us know ASAP. Register by June 16.



HOLDEN VILLAGE

Our Redeemer's week at Holden Village is July 13-20! Make sure to register soon (<https://www.holdenvillage.org>) to join in this special time for connection, reflection, and learning. Scholarships available.

Already planning to go?

We're meeting as a group on Zoom on Sunday, June 1st, 7 PM to confirm details and plans and arrange for carpools as needed.

Send an email to either Cindy, cindyrowanderson@gmail.com or Tad, tadand99@gmail.com to be emailed the Zoom link.



Community



Take Part in “Breaking Bread Together” Dinners!

Sunday, June 8, 6 PM | Various Congregant Homes

Our Breaking Bread Sunday evening dinners are just the ticket for getting to know other members of the congregation! Six people gather at various hosts' houses for a potluck dinner and conversation. Our next Breaking Bread Group is set for Sunday, June 8th (Pentecost Sunday) at 6:00 pm. Sign up by email or get your questions answered by contacting Annie McGrew (annemcgrew@msn.com) or Cindy Anderson (cindyrowanderson@gmail.com). Let's celebrate Pentecost together!

Sign up today to host or attend our next Breaking Bread Together Dinner on June 8th and share a meal in community!



Sip, Savor, and Connect with the Women of Our Redeemer's

Monday, June 9, 5 PM | Old Stove Gardens Brewery

Kick off your summer with good company and great conversation! Join the “Church Ladies” of Our Redeemer's for a relaxed evening of laughter, connection, and community at Old Stove Gardens Brewery. Whether you're new to the group or a regular face, this monthly meetup is a chance to unwind, share stories, and support one another in faith and friendship.

All women (and those who identify as female) are warmly welcome. We gather every month just off the Ballard Bridge at 1550 NW 49th St—where you'll find tasty eats, cool drinks (alcoholic and non-alcoholic), and plenty of free parking nearby. Come as you are and let's celebrate the season together!

If you need a ride or have questions, reach out to Kari Guddal at kari_guddal@outlook.com. We'll see you there!

Come Steward Our Garden Beds!

Join us in Our Redeemer's Gardens throughout the summer on these dates:

June 13, Friday, 10 am–2 pm;
June 23, Monday, 9 am–noon;
July 11, Friday, 10 am–2 pm;
July 28, Monday, 9–noon;
August 8, Friday, 10 am – 2 pm;
August 25, Monday, 9 am–noon.

In June you're invited to drop in on Friday, June 13th and/or Monday, June 23rd from 10 am–2 pm to weed, prune and care for our garden beds! All levels of experience and abilities are welcome!

Gardening decisions are based on these values: integrity of landscape design and plants, fostering plant and soil health, awareness of building security and maintenance, consideration of short/long term costs and work to maintain. Beyond demonstrating caring the earth, our landscape shouts to our community: “Welcome, we are present. Come join us!”



All levels of gardening experience are welcome! Come enjoy the outdoors, connect with others, and be a steward of our gardens. Questions? Contact Carol Hurlburt, chtd015@gmail.com.



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SUNDAY WORSHIP

9 AM Informal Worship
11 AM Traditional Worship



10 AM Summer Worship
starts June 22nd

Stream Online (11 AM)

Facebook: [facebook.com/OurRedeemers](https://www.facebook.com/OurRedeemers)

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/822691346>

Church office hours:

Monday-Thursday

10 AM - 3 PM

Congregational Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 22 | 11:00 AM

In-Person after our 10:00 AM Summer Worship

We will celebrate and review the ministries and Fiscal Year coming to a close and vote to approve income/expenditures for 2024-2025 and to approve the 6 month budget for 2025.

Please plan to be in attendance.

All active members in good standing are eligible to vote.

QUESTIONS? Please contact a Council member, Pastor Thomas, or [Parish Administrator Karie Stearns](#).



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