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A Community in the Model of Christ

A Community United in Faith and Giving

As we come to Commitment Sunday and we continue to reflect on the gifts we share as a community, I am struck by the generosity that we continue to show through the ministries we engage for our neighbors and those affiliated with this house of faith. And **generosity has been, throughout the history of Christianity, a concept whose meaning that has not remained consistent, but certainly constant.**

In our world, generosity has often been paired with patronage. It was not only seen as the duty the haves to be charitable, but expected that those with more would build projects to benefit the public. However, as wealth has often meant power, being a patron came with a great deal of patronage. In the Roman Empire, it was the lord/master of a house (domus in Latin, lending itself to English words "domicile" and "domestic," therefore the master would be domino, "Lord") that would most likely be a patron--a father figure, whose donations acquired a retinue of praise and thanks for their generosity. One who owned a great house had status in society equal to their patronage, and would often lend money, build public works as a show of power (to rival their, well, rivals), and gain influence by patronizing the public.

For Romans, the concept of generosity was caught up with political power, and it was expected that those receiving patronage would speak only well of their patrons in public. Generosity was transactional. One gave because one expected returns. But so too did Romans believe in the value of dominance; a lord increases power, and so the household extends beyond the family, slaves, and properties, and so those receiving patronage would come to the house of their patron, and subsequently repay through favors to the family and a show of loyalty. And the largest dominion--the largest household--was the Empire itself, ruled over by the lord of lords, the Emperors of Rome. His patronage and generosity was a sign of their greatness and garnered the loyalty of the Roman people. His dominion would extend beyond even the earthly realm, being worshiped and venerated as a god on earth. Hardly the sort of relationship that suggests the kind of generosity that comes from faith. Faithfulness as loyalty, perhaps, but trust? Heavens, no!

Dominance was not the ways Jews understood generosity. Instead, there was one Lord, and property was given to steward by that same One, who gives for the good of the creation. The land God gave to Israel, the people of God, under whose patronage (fatherhood) all were kept. Generosity is commanded in the Bible, because land and its produce are not the property of the people, but God's realm. **One's generosity is a reflection of the Creator's. Charity--gifts--are commanded because God is gracious, and giving.** Whereas Roman grace centered on reciprocation, Jewish grace focuses on God's gifts of life and the means to sustain it.

All this became a source of cultural debate and adaptation for the early church, and subsequent generations, who wrestled

with how faith, love, and charity intersected. From what we know in the Acts of the Apostles (the Book of Acts), **the early church took seriously this return to a world, not stratified, but in which all were of equal status before God**--the baptized community. And so, we are told, "all who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need," (Acts 2:44-45). And just for emphasis, of the early community in Christ we are also told, "the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common," (Acts 2:32).

In Christian teaching, baptism gathers us under just lordship--that of Christ Jesus. Baptism transforms our ordered and differentiated relationships, so that all have mutual partnership. The coming of the Messiah is the sign of the end times, when God returns the world to its sinless state. But generosity today signals the reality of divisions by need and wealth; the command to be generous even insists that there are power differentials in our world, between those who have the means to life and others than can barely sustain it. Generosity is a reminder that the transformation of the world is not yet complete. Still, **God uses what gifts we offer in reflection of our Lord, who gave all for the life of the world, and so makes generosity a sign of self-giving and connectedness.** We are gathered along with the gifts God gives us to share, so that no gift stands out--all are brought together. No work or life is worth more or less than another, no offering gift worthy of praise except in thanks to God. God's Work, Hand-in-Hand raises the status of generosity beyond the power-differentials and dependence on patrons, and establishes God as the hand that gives as well as the hand in need. **Generosity becomes about God's goodness, not our greatness;** as the Apostle Paul, said to the early church in Rome, "we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28).

Over time, private property has become the norm in our society, and generosity is a given. But at least, for Christ's church, the community that is generous regards the gifts of God are for the people of God. God doesn't demand a return for grace, or obliges us to praise and thanksgiving, veneration and worship--that is simply what we believe to be "indeed right, our duty and our joy," as we hear on Sunday at communion. **By the power of the Holy Spirit, by grace, we may respond to God's generosity by opening our hands in generosity for our neighbors.** We give thanks to God through extending the generous hand of God. And in this house of faith, we believe as the Apostle, Paul, advised: "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all." Gathered Hand-in-Hand, God gives generous good works to the world, through the communion of the saints and all the baptized: the one Body of Christ, our Lord. Thanks be to God!



-Pastor Thomas

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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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| November 1-2, Fri.-Sat. | LWR In-Gathering Our Redeemer's |
| November 2, Saturday | 9 AM - Liturgical Arts Team Our Redeemer's 6:30 PM - Movie Night Our Redeemer's |
| November 3, Sunday All Saints Sunday | 9 AM - Informal Worship 9 AM - Sprouts In-Person Downstairs 10 AM - O-Rock, Youth, Confirmation Faith Formation 10 AM - NEW MEMBER RECEPTION Fellowship Hall 11 AM - Traditional Worship |
| November 4, Monday | 5 PM - Church Ladies Beer Night Old Stove Gardens |
| November 5, Tuesday | 7 PM - LiVE Synod-wide Bible Study Zoom |
| November 6, Wednesday | 11 AM - Staff Meeting 5 PM - B.A.T. Meeting 7 PM - Choir Rehearsal |
| November 7, Thursday | 7 PM - Informal Worship Band Rehearsal |
| November 9, Saturday | 9 AM - Lucia Rehearsal Sanctuary |
| November 10, Sunday Commitment Sunday | 9 AM - Informal Worship 9 AM - Sprouts In-Person Downstairs 10 AM - O-Rock, Youth, Confirmation Faith Formation 10 AM - NEW MEMBER RECEPTION Fellowship Hall 11 AM - Traditional Worship |
| November 11, Monday | Veteran's Day Observed (Office Closed) |
| November 12, Tuesday | 7 PM - LiVE Synod-wide Bible Study Zoom |
| November 13, Wednesday | 7 PM - Choir Rehearsal |
| November 14, Thursday | 7 PM - Informal Worship Band Rehearsal |
| November 16, Saturday | 9 AM - Lucia Rehearsal |
| November 17, Sunday | 9 AM - Informal Worship Sanctuary 9 AM - Sprouts Downstairs 10 AM - O-Rock, Youth, Confirmation Faith Formation 10 AM - Adult Forum Fellowship Hall 11 AM - Traditional Worship Sanctuary 2 PM - Ballard Sunday Dinner Ballard First Lutheran |
| November 19, Tuesday | 7 PM - LiVE Synod-wide Bible Study Zoom |
| November 20, Wednesday | 10:30 AM - Staff Meeting 7 PM - Choir Rehearsal |
| November 21, Thursday | 7 PM - Informal Worship Band Rehearsal |
| November 23, Saturday | 9 AM - Lucia Rehearsal |
| November 24, Sunday | 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 3 PM - Madonna's Book Group location tbd |
| November 25, Monday | 10 AM - Monthly Volunteer Grounds Crew |
| November 26, Tuesday | 7 PM - LiVE Synod-wide Bible Study Zoom |
| November 27, Wednesday | 7 PM - Choir Rehearsal |
| November 28, Thursday Thanksgiving | 12 PM - Thanksgiving Community Dinner |
| November 30, Saturday | 11 AM - Greening of the Church Our Redeemer's |



Living Generously



Commitment Sunday is November 10th

Make your commitment pledge on or before the 10th.

Generosity Sundays continue this month, and conclude on Sunday, November 10th, Commitment Sunday, when we will focus on the ways we will support Our Redeemer's and our mission and ministries. **We will collect any filled-out Commitment Cards during the services on November 10th.**

Sunday, November 10th is Commitment Sunday, the day you are asked to bring in your commitment cards if you haven't made your pledge yet. Let us unite in this act of giving, inspired by gratitude and devotion.

A "Sweet" Celebration Potluck!

Bring your favorite baked goods or pastries to share between services (10:00-11:00 am) on November 10th and let's savor time in fellowship, joy, and connection. This gathering is a time to celebrate our shared commitment and the blessings we create together. Please bring in baked goods or pastries to share to the Fellowship Hall as you arrive on the 10th. We look forward to seeing you at this celebration of faith and support.

Our Redeemer's Mission Budget

Fiscal Year 2024-2025

July - September (25% thru FY)

This is our Mission Budget report. To view the Financial Snapshot spreadsheet for Our Redeemer's thru September 2024, visit this [LINK \(https://bit.ly/48vxUVf\)](https://bit.ly/48vxUVf) if you have questions or concerns about Our Redeemer's financial status, contact Karie Stearns, administrator@ourredeemers.net.

| Income | 2024-2025 Approved Budget | Income Thru 9.30.24 | % of Budget Year to Date | Over (Under) Budget Year to Date |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Envelope & Loose Offerings | 515,075 | 86,874 | 17% | (41,894.61) |
| Church Use | 84,375 | 19,045 | 22.6% | (2,048) |
| Fundraising (Auction)* | 26,000 | 0 | 0.0% | (6,500) |
| Interest | 500 | 31 | 6.2% | (94) |
| TOTAL INCOME | 625,950 | 105,950 | 16.9% | (50,537) |

| Expenses | 2024-2025 Approved Budget | Expenses Thru 9.30.24 | % of Budget | Over (Under) Budget Year to Date |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| Social Justice/Outreach | 52,827 | 8,687 | 16.4% | (4,519) |
| Pastoral Staff | 122,033 | 28,861 | 23.7% | (1,647) |
| Worship & Music | 67,609 | 15,112 | 22.4% | (1,790) |
| Fellowship & Caring | 20,727 | 2,692 | 13.0% | (2,490) |
| Faith Formation | 25,904 | 2,899 | 11.2% | (3,577) |
| Stewardship | 8,418 | 1,470 | 17.5% | (634) |
| Communications | 49,985 | 10,617 | 21.2% | (1,879) |
| Facilities | 168,944 | 64,670 | 38.3% | 22,434 |
| Administration | 166,169 | 26,869 | 16.2% | (14,673) |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$682,616 | 161,878 | 23.7% | (8,776) |
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| NET INCOME (Loss) | (\$56,666) | (55,928) | | (41,761) |

Income comparison of actuals to budget (over/under budget year to date) is skewed for both auction and total income as the auction is set to occur later in the year. Expense comparison of actuals to budget (over/under budget year to date) for facilities is skewed as entirety of basement leak expenses for the year have been paid. 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

Celebrating All Saints and Welcoming Journey Grads

On November 3rd, our congregation gathered to commemorate All Saints Sunday—a sacred time to honor the lives of those who have gone before us and to celebrate the enduring communion of saints. Together, we reflected on the unity we share with both the baptized living and those who have died in Christ, joined through the waters of baptism.

This year, we had the special joy of welcoming new and returning members into our church family. These individuals and families, who recently completed their Journey with Our Redeemer’s or transferred their membership from other congregations, were formally recognized during our services at 9:00 and 11:00 am. Whether they had chosen voting membership or simply a spiritual connection, each was honored as part of this body in Christ.

Our community warmly celebrated the following members:

Aaron and Jodi Duke

Katy Ellingsen and family

Doug and Carol Gresham

Russ Jacobs and Marc Duyungan

Chris Odell

Nancy Oldenkamp

Judy Olsen

Julianna and Dustin Rigg-Hillard and family

Joyce Schwensen

Stephanie Waters

Brianna Widner

Kathleen Wilkes-Pierce

Thank you to everyone who joined us in welcoming these members and celebrating our shared journey in faith.

Celebrating Recent Baptisms



Elle Dillman Krusen and
Leslie (“Ford”) Conard Krusen V



Roy Campisi Dell

*Christmas Eve
Hand Bells & Orchestra*

All are welcome to participate!



Bring your instrument or learn to play hand bells to festive Christmas carols! Practices are as follows:

- Saturday, December 7, 2:00–3:00 pm
(hand bells only)
- Saturdays, December 14 & December 21,
2:00–3:00 pm (hand bells)
3:00–4:00 pm (orchestra)



Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church
2400 NW 85th Street
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service,
December 24, 2024, 10:00 pm

Questions? Contact Karen Lee
karen@ourredeemers.net

Let Karen know you're participating, and she'll have a part ready for you!



Faith Formation



You can find the 2024 LiVE Course Catalog by **CLICKING HERE** (<https://rebrand.ly/7g4n6o3>).

Free Classes & Events: The LiVE Project

LiVE (rhymes with “give”) is an acronym for *Living into Vocational Engagement*. **LiVE is a ministry of our synod that offers education opportunities for lay people, with the goal of forming Christian leaders able to make sense of God’s world and our place in it.**

CLASSES ARE FREE TO OUR REDEEMER’S CONGREGANTS. USE PROMO CODE “LIVEBUNDLE2024” WHEN REGISTERING.

Learn more about the LiVE Project at <https://www.lutheransnw.org/ministries/the-live-project>.

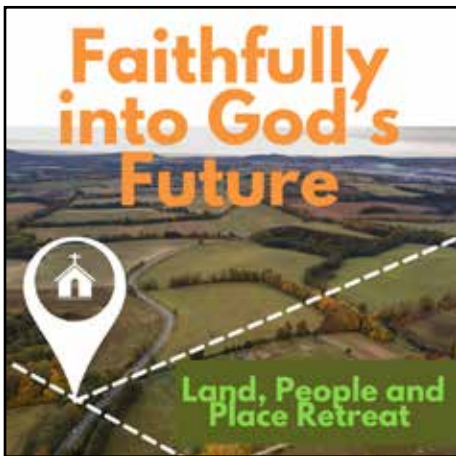


Synod-Wide Election Prayer Vigil

Through November 9th, each day at Noon and 7pm via Zoom

Anxiety is high going into the 2024 election season. Let’s cover our country, our communities, and especially our marginalized people groups in prayer leading up to and after the election. People will gather on Zoom, at noon and 7pm each day (not including Sunday) for a time of guided communal prayer for the days surrounding the 2024 election. A list of in-person options will be provided.

Participation in this vigil is free and no registration is required. Zoom links and a list of in-person options found can be found **HERE** (<https://rebrand.ly/lydvdz7>).



Faithfully Into God’s Future: A Day of Discernment Around Land, People & Place

Saturday, November 23, 9am-3pm, Our Saviors Lutheran, Everett

A 3-hour training session for leadership curious to figure out a process to move forward with the future of church property. The Church Council of Greater Seattle will lead a practical, step-by-step discernment training process to land use grounded in anti-racist values. The day will also include a panel conversation focusing on topics such as reimagining space usage, and where church connects God’s mission to community interests; building use and partnerships; pros and cons of selling property; and affordable housing. This is a free in-person offering. Link **HERE** (<https://bit.ly/4emlvTI>) to register.



Abide: Going Deeper

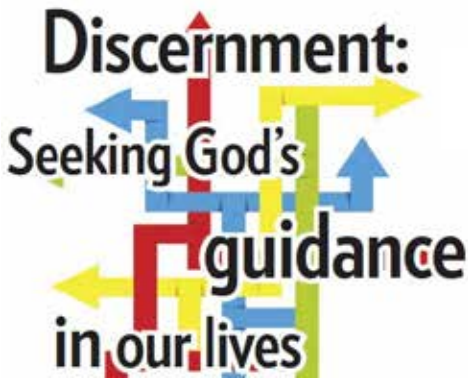
A FREE Synod-Wide Weekly Bible Study

Tuesdays at 7pm via Zoom

LiVE retreats and courses are not meant to be stand alone offerings. We invited you to go deeper into the Biblical grounding of course/retreat themes in this weekly Bible Study on Zoom. Gather with folks from across our synod, as we abide curiously in God’s Word together. This is a FREE offering, zoom link **HERE** (<https://rebrand.ly/a77grvi>).



Faith Formation



Faith Formation Forums Continue

Sundays, November 17 – December 1, 10 AM, Fellowship Hall

From November 17 through December 1 we will be having our final few sessions of Faith Formation Forums concerning discernment. As we return to the forums after our special Fall celebration Sundays, **we invite all ages to come on November 17 and participate in Embodied Church**, focused around practices that offer an experience of grace beyond liturgical traditions. **November 24 will discern God's work for us as we look forward to our community Thanksgiving meal. December 1st offers a chance to reflect and consider how we are being formed for further exploration of discernment and learning together.** Forums are structured so that choir members can participate in the main discussion, and be dismissed for Sunday morning rehearsal.

Come consider and explore the Spirit's work among us. Together we'll share in conversations exploring how we are being called together, and what is needed to sustain our ministries and further discernment. **Come be part of these important discussions and learning opportunities!**

Celebrating November Birthdays!

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|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Finn Purvine | 13 Ellen Arrington | 21 *Leo Parks |
| 1 Jennifer Seyler | 14 *Jim Freyberg | 24 Dan Malone |
| 6 Liam Dugaw | 15 Elijah Abdullah | 25 Kelly Germann |
| 7 Aivree Watkins | 15 Mary Gross | 25 Dana Wright |
| 7 Lisa Watkins | 15 Bruce Maresh | 26 *Doug Starup |
| 8 Margaret Giesa | 16 Kenneth Longaker | 28 Dara Schoolcraft |
| 8 Nicolas Grigsby | 16 Max Myers | 29 Cynthia Knight |
| 9 Jon Wright | 17 Jerry Andrews | 29 Lily Rallo |
| 11 Amy Dovinh | 21 *Nancy Kristjanson | 29 Lorna Joy Williams |
| 11 Billy Tung | 21 Sharon LeVan | |
| 12 Robert McIntyre | 21 Gry Loklingholm | |

* Birthday Blessings to Jim Freyberg, Nancy Kristjanson, Leo Parks, and Doug Starup who are celebrating their 90+ Birthdays in November!



Greening the Church

Saturday, November 30, 11 AM

Do you love decorating for the holidays? Are you around Thanksgiving weekend? The Liturgical Arts team needs your help in various ways: purchasing a large Sanctuary tree, putting up trees and lights – inside and out- and preparing for the season! Contact Marie Lessard (lutequist@yahoo.com) if you are able to participate. We will be working on Saturday, November 30th from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm. Thank you for making our church a beautiful and inviting space for all.



Community

Our Redeemer's Council Retreat Report

The Our Redeemer's Council met Friday and Saturday, October 18-19 for the annual Council retreat.

On Friday evening, Council met at Our Redeemer's to share fellowship and a potluck dinner. Following dinner, Pastor Thomas led the Council in spiritual reflection and prayer.

Betsy McGregor generously volunteered to reserve the community center in the complex where she lives in Edmonds for our all-day session on Saturday. We all agreed that this was a great location for our meeting, complete with plenty of space, comfortable seating, and a kitchen.

During the day, we discussed five topics:

- **New Council Member Orientation and Training** - Council members agreed that we should do more to prepare new Council members to serve. We agreed to collaborate on an orientation document to on-board new members. Topics will include: the purpose and role of the Council; the Constitution; the budget and finance; ministries at Our Redeemer's; and Robert's Rules of Order.
- **Council Partnerships** - We reviewed the status of Council partnerships with Our Redeemer's ministries and activities. A Council partnership consists of a Council member who works with a church ministry or activity, such as Endowment, Archive, or the Building Advisory Team. The Council member provides a Council perspective to the group and keeps Council informed about ministry activities and escalates issues, as necessary.
- **Fiscal year Alignment with Giving Year** - Currently, our fiscal year (July - June) does not align with our giving year (Jan - Dec). This creates some awkwardness in preparing the budget and planning stewardship. We discussed the pros and cons of changing the fiscal year to align with the giving year and what the timeline for roll out might look like. We will continue to discuss this topic in Council.
- **Long Term Capital Spending Planning** - We discussed creating a new line item in the budget for large capital expenses in the future, such as the replacement of the roof or the physical plant. The idea is to leverage investment over time to reduce the need in the future for a large capital campaign. We will continue to discuss this topic in Council.
- **Faith Formation** - We discussed the new Faith Formation Coordinator position for which we expect to begin recruiting soon, including reviewing the position description. More broadly, we discussed faith formation and congregation engagement.



Let me know if you have any questions about the retreat, or about Council, in general.

- David McBride, Council President (mcbride.david.j@gmail.com)

Advent Devotions

Advent is fast approaching, and this year begins the Sunday after Thanksgiving. We are asking you to write a personal devotion or share an Advent devotion. **Daily devotions are short (100-300 words) reflections on the season of Advent, or about any of the themes of Advent: hope or joy, love or peace, prophets, shepherds, angels, or magi.** Each day will have a Scripture reading associated with it from the lectionary, which may also inspire or spark your reflection. A sign up sheet will be available with openings and associated readings. Devotions will be shared by email every evening beginning November 30 through December 23. Sign up to share a devotion on a particular day by contacting Pastor Thomas or Debbie Lematta (communications@ourredeemers.net), and send us your reflections!

Share Your Personal Advent Devotion





Community

Madonna's Book Group

Sunday, November 24
3 PM (location tbd)

This month the Madonna's are meeting to discuss the book "RENTAL PERSON WHO DOES NOTHING" by Shoji Morimoto - a nonfiction story about a man who does nothing and gets paid. Contact Lynne at buckomcneill@yahoo.com with questions, or just show up!



Luciafest Celebrates 60 Years

December 8, 5 PM | Our Redeemer's
Rehearsals Begin November 9

Luciafest at Our Redeemer's is on December 8th this year! This traditional Swedish celebration of Saint Lucia's Day will have all the traditional trappings: **Sankta Lucia**, her attendants, star boys, Tomte, Scandinavian goodies, and dancing around the Christmas Tree.

All youth ages 5 through 18 are invited to participate in this festival of light and hope for the Christmas season. Rehearsals begin Saturday, November 9, 9-11 am. There are plenty of roles for anyone interested! Come join us in this fun annual Christmas tradition at Our Redeemers!

For information contact Marie Nordquist, lutequist@yahoo.com.

Norwegian Ladies Chorus December 1st Christmas Concert

The Norwegian Ladies Chorus of Seattle will perform their annual Christmas concert at Our Redeemer's on Sunday, December 1st at 5:00 pm. Everyone is invited!





Social Justice



A Thanksgiving Community Meal for All

Thursday, November 28, 12-1 PM | Our Redeemers

Please sign-up to help out: <https://rebrand.ly/zplcjge>.

Each year, the good folks of Our Redeemer's host anybody and everybody for a no-cost community meal on Thanksgiving Day. **It takes about 80 (or more!) volunteers to pull Thanksgiving off**, and it's an amazing gift not only to those who get to taste it, but especially to those who prepare it and clean it up afterward.

In addition to the essential cooks and servers, we have one very important volunteer position: Table Hosts. Each table will have one person who dines with the folks who are there, helps to make sure that everyone gets food, distributes the free sleeping bag tickets, and gets to know the people with whom they are sitting. It's a special kind of a job - ensuring that grace is shown and that every person is honored at this meal of gratitude. Other Volunteer roles needed:

- Prepare the meal
- Dishing up the meal
- Washing dishes
- Photographer
- Carve the turkeys
- Greeting guests
- Cleaning up
- Set the tables
- Serving and Clearing
- Distribute sleeping bags

If you have questions contact Lisa Thompson (egglayer@comcast.net). What a great community, and a gracious gift! See you the week of Thanksgiving.

We need your monetary contributions to help with the cost of the Thanksgiving meal, including the purchase of sleeping bags and wool socks for those spending the colder months outside. Please donate using the QR code above or at this link: <https://rebrand.ly/zplcjge>.



Ballard Sunday Dinner - Sign Up for a Sunday in November and December

Ballard Sunday Dinner (BSD) is a ministry in which we partner with other local churches to feed our hungry neighbors on the third Sunday of each month. Many need a good meal especially as the weather turns cold. Please volunteer to help out. The next three dinners are: November 1st and December 15th. All the roles have lots of availability - we'll partner up with you until you're comfortable. Please consider signing up at this link: <https://rb.gy/ea817>.

Reach out to Amy Borgmeyer (amy.borgmeyer@gmail.com) if you have any questions. Thank you for all that you do!

Faith Action Network is a statewide, multifaith partnership striving for just, compassionate, and sustainable communities through courageous advocacy and public action. Questions? Please email fan@fanwa.org.



Celebrate and support FAN's next chapter at its annual dinner, November 17. Meet the new Executive Director, Dr. Joyce del Rosario, and hear inspiring stories of FAN's advocacy. Learn more and get tickets: <https://fanwa.org/annual-dinner>.



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SUNDAY WORSHIP

9 AM Informal Worship
11 AM Traditional Worship

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 - 3PM

Christmas Season Preview

Saturday, November 30, 11 AM
Greening of the Church
Help put up the trees, lights, and décor for Advent and Christmas!

Sunday, Begins December 1
Our Redeemer's Giving Tree
Take a tag to help give gifts to children and families in need in our community.

Sunday, December 8, 5 PM
Luciafest Celebrate 60 Years
Tradition at its best with Swedish Luciafest, Cookie Smorgasbord, and traditional dancing around the tree!

Sunday, December 15, 11 AM
Christmas Pageant
Our children and youth tell the Christmas story.

Sunday, December 15, 12:30 PM
Caroling to the Homebound
Join Karen Lee and the choir to carol for those who can't make it to church.

Tuesday, December 17, 7 PM
Blue Christmas
A mellow service for those who are dealing with loss at the holidays.

Thursday, December 19, 7 PM
Beer & Carols
Bring a beverage and sing with all your favorites in the Fellowship Hall!

Tuesday, December 24
4 PM Family Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
A brief service of lessons and carols with a special message for kids!

Tuesday, December 24
10 PM Traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
With Handbells, Choir, and Orchestra

If you can help out during the season, let us know and we'll find a volunteer role for you. Contact Pastor Thomas: pastorthomas@ourredeemers.net.



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