

# EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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NEWSLETTER  
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## Pastor's Message

### LIVE AS RESURRECTION PEOPLE!

#### *Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!*

The faith of the Christian Church rests upon this belief. We believe the witnesses who saw Jesus in his resurrected form. These witnesses saw Jesus die on the cross, saw him taken down from the cross and laid in the tomb. These witnesses grieved for Jesus as we do at a funeral for a loved one. They had lost someone dear to their heart.

The amazing miracle of Jesus' resurrection, though, provided the opportunity for the witnesses to see the other side of death. Jesus could be with them always now. His presence is not limited as we are. We get tired, our bodies wear out, we need food for strength. The resurrected Jesus could pass through doors, and yet also be touched by His disciples. The wounds from his death were apparent on His body, and yet these wounds did not hinder his life in the resurrection.

Jesus has shown us that we need not fear death, but rather look forward to life. Life is what God is about, both here and in the hereafter. Life is always precious to God.

To be people who live in the light of the Resurrection of Jesus we find ourselves being people who love life, and view our lives as sacred and holy on account of Jesus. We know that a life with God is more precious than anything we have. A life with God is true life. Anything else is just a sham. We kid ourselves into thinking that life is about cars, or homes, or anything other than God. Even our families pale in comparison to God as the center. With God at the center our families flourish. With God at the center our friendships flourish. Everything flourishes with God at the center of our lives!

Jesus shows us the way, the truth, and the life. He shows us how to be an Easter people. Devote ourselves to God. Live each day for each other.

Sin and death bring darkness and despair. Jesus' death broke into that darkness, and Jesus' resurrection shatters that darkness and unleashes light and life. There is now hope at all times; hope in our Lord Jesus. Jesus comes to unleash the light of the world. To unbind the secrets, and to allow our hearts to be opened to God. This need not scare us, but rather free us from the burdens we have been carrying, and allow us to turn to our Lord who brings forgiveness.

**As Jesus appeared to the Disciples he said, "the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem (Luke 24:44)."**

**The good news for us this Easter is that God wants to be a part of our lives, he is willing to fill us with peace and love. He is calling out to the world, through the Church, for everyone to be Resurrection People.**

**May we grow as God's Resurrection People, and live in God's light and trust in the hope of God's love for us and for our world, and use each day to proclaim this GOOD NEWS!**

**Happy Easter! Pastor Jeffrey Bohan**

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**EASTER LILIES ON THE ALTAR**

**Lilies on the Altar**

**In Memory of:**

Loved Ones  
Clayton & Margie Axtell  
Clayton III & Susan Axtell  
Krager & Escandel Loved Ones  
Al & Rose Muss  
Julius & Helen Post  
Werner Loeffler  
Karl & Liesel & Helmut Loeffler

**Given By:**

Bill & Phyllis Hinkley  
Karen Arnold  
Karen Arnold  
Bobbie & Russ Krager  
The Muss Family  
The Muss Family  
Rich & Pat Watson  
Rich & Pat Watson

**Toward the Easter Cross**

**In Memory of:**

JoDene Griffin  
Harold & Anne Rader  
Joe & Elsie Riss  
Jack Fitzgerald  
Those Waiting in Heaven

**Given By:**

Jim & Cathieann Birtch  
Neil & Barb Rader  
Neil & Barb Rader  
Ruth & Jenna Fitzgerald  
Karen Buckley

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**COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

**Welcome to Spring!**

**By the time you read this the Bishop will have been to Redeemer for his visit, we hope we impress him and he impressed us. The usual projects of the Church are being handled. We are still waiting for parts to finish the Ritchie building roof. The entry door lock on Chapin Street has been replaced with a keyless deadbolt. This will help with the security of the building. Soon we will be working inside & outside to maintain the property. Hope everyone stays well and safe until next newsletter. Semiannual meeting be held May 8, 2022 after Church service (short meting)**

**Submitted By: Russ Pingrey, Council President**

## MAY WORSHIP LEADERS

### LEADER

1<sup>st</sup> Deacon Judy Mica Guerin  
8<sup>th</sup> Pastor Jeffrey Bohan  
15<sup>th</sup> Deacon Linda Martin  
22<sup>nd</sup> Pastor Jeffrey Bohan  
29<sup>th</sup> Deacon Bobbie Krager

### ASSISTANT

1<sup>st</sup> Deacon Bobbie Krager  
8<sup>th</sup> Deacon Linda Martin  
15<sup>th</sup> Deacon Judy Mica Guerin  
22<sup>nd</sup> Deacon Judy Mica Guerin  
29<sup>th</sup> Deacon Linda Martin



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## JUNE WORSHIP LEADERS

### LEADER

5<sup>th</sup> Deacon Judy Mica Guerin  
12<sup>th</sup> Pastor Jeffrey Bohan  
19<sup>th</sup> Deacon Linda Martin  
26<sup>th</sup> Pastor Jeffrey Bohan

### ASSISTANTS

5<sup>th</sup> Deacon Linda Martin  
12<sup>th</sup> Deacon Bobbie Krager  
19<sup>th</sup> Deacon Judy Mica Guerin  
26<sup>th</sup> Deacon Linda Martin



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## MAY BIRTHDAYS

1<sup>st</sup> Jim Birtch  
1<sup>st</sup> Samantha McCall  
1<sup>st</sup> David Simmons  
5<sup>th</sup> Kaylee Krager  
11<sup>th</sup> Jenna Fitzgerald  
13<sup>th</sup> Linda Martin  
13<sup>th</sup> Ruth Fitzgerald  
13<sup>th</sup> AJ Hinkley

14<sup>th</sup> Dave Banner  
17<sup>th</sup> Ron Teekasingh  
20<sup>th</sup> Sigrid Bensen  
20<sup>th</sup> Joyce Darling  
25<sup>th</sup> Don Darling  
28<sup>th</sup> Steve Kalka  
29<sup>th</sup> Joe Monforte  
29<sup>th</sup> Cathy Lang

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

2<sup>nd</sup> Gary DeVaul  
7<sup>th</sup> Nikolaus Finsel  
6<sup>th</sup> Mary Mead  
9<sup>th</sup> Mike Wales  
14<sup>th</sup> David Rader

17<sup>th</sup> Gene Rader  
18<sup>th</sup> Michelle Duell  
20<sup>th</sup> Russell Krager  
21<sup>st</sup> Aiden Hinkley  
25<sup>th</sup> Madison Stampfler  
27<sup>th</sup> Barb Rader

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**MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

**27<sup>TH</sup> Don & Barb Duell**

**JUNE ANNIVERSARIES**

**6<sup>TH</sup> Neil & Barb Rader**  
**14<sup>th</sup> Angel & Caden Lair**  
**15<sup>th</sup> Andrew & Lindsey Hinkley**  
**20<sup>th</sup> Joe & Judy Guerin**  
**29<sup>th</sup> Joe & Karen Monforte**

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**MEMORIALS**

**In Memory of Jack Fitzgerald**

**Given By:**

Bill & Phyllis Hinkley  
Jim & Cathieann Birtch  
Joyce Darling  
Nancy Krager  
Rich & Pat Watson  
Kevin & Laurel Anderson  
Stephen & Julann Rice  
David & Linda Schmidt  
Ed & Doris Conroy  
Carole M Curtis  
Al & Anita Roggenbaum

Richard & Elizabeth Westfall  
Vestal Fire Company #2  
John & Patricia Loposky  
Lynne Fitzgerald  
Linda Ulrich  
James & Janet Barvainis  
Dr. Lynn Fitzgerald  
Charles & Joann Wage  
Sigrid Bensen  
Neil & Barb Rader  
Al & Joan Muss  
Cathie Muss  
Linda Martin

**In Memory of Vince Miceli**

**Given By:**

Linda Martin

**In Memory of Harold Stevens**

**Given By:**

Linda Martin

**In Memory of Josephine Reed**

**Given By:**

Linda Martin

**In Memory of Vince Miceli**

**Given By:**

Jim & Cathieanne Birtch  
Joyce Darling  
Ruth Fitzgerald  
Nancy Krager  
Bill & Phyllis Hinkley  
Al & Joan Muss

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**Dear Redeemer Family and Friends,**

**Jenna and I want to thank everyone for their cards, prayers, texts, phone calls and visits, during Jacks illness. It has truly gotten both of us through a very trying time in our lives. He is at PEACE now and we both want to say a huge THANK YOU to all for your very generous donations to the RRF. May God Bless you all for your caring!**

**Ruthi and Jenna Fitzgerald**

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## PRAYER LIST

This Prayer list is provided to encourage the members and friends of Redeemer to be in constant prayer to God, and to remember the special needs of the people listed below in prayer during the week.

Tim Angell	Jack Ferguson	Marguerite Monforte
Heather B	Joy Forbes	John & Pat
Stephanie B	Noreen Fonnbeck	Moynihan
Sigrid Bensen	Michael G	Kay Nearing
Tom Bernardo,	Carol Golembeski	Russ Pingrey
Paul (Bear) Bentley	Trudy Gray	Neil & Barb Rader
Dean Black	Theresa Greenman	Al Roggenbaum
Jeanine Black	Joan Halligan	Alice Rubin
Jenni Brant	Jeremy Harris	Linda Scofield
Jordan Brundage	Kamdyn Hartung	Jim Shear
Doris Conroy	Bernice Hill	Linda Ulrich
Ed Conroy	Steven Houser	Patricia Watson
Mayla Conroy	Angel Lair	Margaret Whinton
Steve Conroy	Caden Lair	John White
Patricia Conroy	Mark Loeffler	Rinny White
Alexis Daniels	Ute Loeffler	Jeanette Wickham
Antonio Daniels	Ravelly Mathurim	George Yarnes
Cathy Demaree,	Joe Monforte	Annette, Peggy

### **Serving in the Military & Police**

Damin Badger	Collin Conroy	Seth Hatcher
Matthew Bialka	Jack Ferguson Jr.	Peter Jensen
Duncan Bedlion	Washington DC Police	

To add or delete from this please call Alice 204-0964  
Or email at redeemer\_lutheran@hotmail.com



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**We need 2 council members and we have had 4 people possibly offer their services WOW what a wonderful Blessing. Before the vote on May 8 we will have it all figured out. Thanks to all for willing to take the step! Thanking all 4 of you for stepping up. Ruthi Fitzgerald Chair person**  
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**The Semi Annual Congregational Meeting will be on May 8, 2022 After Service**

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**For security reasons, we will be installing electronic deadbolt door locks on the Office and Centennial room entry doors. If you need access to the church through either of these doors, please notify Alice by phone, 722-1029, or email Redeemer\_Lutheran@hotmail.com.**

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**The newsletter can also be seen on our website <http://redeemberbgm.org>  
If you would like the newsletter mailed to you instead of emailed please call Alice at 722-1029.**

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**All of our worship services are broadcast live on Facebook!  
Please go to <http://facebook.com/redeemberbgm>, at 10:00 am Sunday, to view the live stream. If you miss worship, you can watch the complete service on YouTube or on our website, <http://redeemberbgm.org>.  
Spread the Good News!**