

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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NEWSLETTER

January/February 2023

Pastor's Message

Thank You to everyone for your cards, prayers, and well-wishes over the Christmas season for myself and our family! We feel very blessed to worship and minister alongside of everyone here at Redeemer & Our Saviour. We pray for you to have a blessed Christmas and joyous New Year 2023!!

As we enter this New Year, and everyone tells us to look to the future with hope let us remember that we do that in the sure and certain hope that God has sent a Savior into our midst, and that Savior (Jesus) has come into our lives through forgiveness of our sin, drawing us into God's presence, and then calls each of us into a life of discipleship (following of Jesus) in sharing that same forgiveness with everyone in our lives of faith.

It is with this sure and certain hope that we can look forward to a new hour, a new day, a new year, and a new forever in the presence of God, both now and forever. We are blessed by God to be a blessing to others and to the world. May the New Year not only bless us, but may we be a blessing in this New Year! Peace in Christ,

Pr. Jeff

Pr. Jeffrey G. Bohan

Beginning January 1st I have been named as the Transitional pastor for Christ the King Lutheran Church, Vestal, as their Pastor, Cheryl Ann Elfond, is retiring as of the end of 2022. Christ the King is making important decisions in 2023 regarding their congregation, and I will be helping them with those decisions.

Also, beginning in January, I will be sharing some videos about Stephen Ministry. These will begin to describe the program, the training, and how Stephen Ministers can help a congregation, and people who are going through difficult struggles in their lives.

What's in a Name?

All names are powerful, but Jesus' name is the most powerful of all. We use names as a concise way to convey complex meanings: being able to call someone by name means you know something important about that person and being called by name means you are known. We celebrate the privilege and the power of calling God by name, as well as how deeply we know God and are known by God, through Jesus.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Submitted By: Russ Pingrey, Council President

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JANUARY WORSHIP LEADERS

LEADER

1ST CALM Bobbie Krager
8th CALM Judy Mica Guerin
15th CALM Linda Martin
22nd Pastor Jeffrey Bohan
29th CALM Bobbie Krager

ASSISTANT

1st CALM Linda Martin
8th CALM Bobbie Krager
15th CALM Judy Mica Guerin
22nd CALM Bobbie Krager
29th CALM Linda Martin

FEBRUARY WORSHIP LEADERS

LEADER

5th CALM Judy Mica Guerin
12th Pastor Jeffrey Bohan
19th CALM Linda Martin
26th Pastor Jeffrey Bohan

ASSISTANT

CALM Bobbie Krager
CALM Linda Martin
CALM Judy Mica Guerin
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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

6th Zoe Hause
13th Donald Staub
14th Jamie White
19th Joshua Monforte
19th Jennifer Wales
26th Joseph Monforte
26th Scott Staub
29th Ashley Stampfler

FEBRUAR BIRTHDAYS

5th Abby Mandak
8th James Kalka
8th Austin White
12th Gabby Shepard
16th Tim Lewis
29th Ute Loeffler

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Hope Leidy
Given By:
Nancy Krager

In Memory of Mike Zuberec
Given By:
Joan Muss

In Memory of Barb Miceli
Given By:
Merri Markovitch
Dennis Martin

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.

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| Tim Angel | Jack Ferguson | John & Pat Moynihan |
| Heather B. | Joy Forbes | Kay Nearing |
| Stephanie B. | Noreen Fonnbeck | Russ Pingrey |
| Tom Bernardo | Michael G. | Barb Rader |
| Reta Bernardo | Carol Golembeski | Neil Rader |
| Paul (Bear) Bentley | Trudy Gray | Al Roggenbaum |
| Dean Black | Theresa Greenman | Alice Rubin |
| Jeanine Black | Jeremy Harris | Linda Schofield |
| Jenni Brant | Kamdyn Hartung | Linda Ulrich |
| Jordan Brundege | Bernice Hill | Patricia Watson |
| Doris Conroy | Steve Houser | Margaret Whinton |
| Mayla Conroy | Wendy Joy | John White |
| Steve Conroy | Angel Lair | Rinny White |
| Patricia Conroy | Caden Lair | Jeanette Wickham |
| Alexis Daniels | Mark Loeffler | George Yarnes |
| Antonio Daniels | Ute Loeffler | Annette |
| Cathy Demaree | Ravely Mathurim | Peggy |
| | Joe Monforte | Gary |
| | Marguerite Monforte | Amy |
| | | Deann |

Serving In the Military & Police
 Damin Badger Jack Ferguson
 Matthew Bialk Peter Jensen
 Duncan Bedlion Washington DC Police

To add or delete from this please call Alice 204-0964
 Or email **redeemer_lutheran@hotmail.com**





**JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2022
OUTREACH**

Winter Wear Collection 2022

A great big thank you to all the folks at Redeemer who donated hats, gloves, scarves, and other winter wear items. Also thank you to Our Saviour Lutheran Church, the Happy Hookers of the First Ward Senior Center, and Pat T. who gathered items from CHOW. We collected a total of 618 items by December 15, 2022. Thank you very much for your generosity.

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| Children's gloves | 148 | Children's hats | 87 |
| Men's gloves | 38 | Men's hats | 63 |
| Women's gloves | 95 | Women's hats | 42 |
| Scarves | 77 | Socks | 68 |

OUTREACH JAN. & FEB.2023

May God's blessings be on you and your families in 2023.

You all have been a blessing to Redeemer, and the love of God that you demonstrate in your service to Him is appreciated.

Through your efforts, Redeemer continues to be a beacon of light, shining brightly on the corner of Chapin and Main Streets. Your donations to, and help with our little food pantry is so appreciated by all who are in need. We have seen the numbers of participants increase dramatically over the year, and you have accepted the challenge.

We thank Trinity Memorial for their continued willingness to allow us to offer the Mobile Food Truck Services there, monthly. We also appreciate their members, and volunteers from Sunflower Park, helping our folks distribute the food. Again, we see how great the need is, and how grateful the recipients are. Many thanks also for those able to help provide Christmas gifts for children from both Horace Mann, and Woodrow Wilson schools.

The winter wear distribution has begun, and a welcomed sight to those walking by. Some even mentioned that they were hopeful that we were able to offer this service again this year. On the first day- many people immediately warmed their bare hands, as they donned the gloves. Once again, your generosity, and the generosity of many others is greatly appreciated. This year we also handed out more than 50 Bibles, countless prayer hearts, and some delectable treats. All these services and our other outreach activities could not happen without you- those working both behind the scenes, and those on the front lines.

Thank you for all you do!

May this little light of ours continue to shine brightly in 2023.

God bless you all!! Linda Martin

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2023 ENVELOPES

We have not received our supply of 2023 envelopes due to a production delay. Please use a pew envelope for your donation. A supply of envelopes can be found next to the offering plate in the back of the church. Please write your name and the amount on the envelope. **. A list of assigned numbers is posted on the bulletin board.**

Reminder: As per the church constitution, Voting members are confirmed members. Such confirmed members, during the current or preceding calendar year, shall have communed in this congregation and shall have made a contribution of record to the congregation in the previous two years. With this in mind please fill out a communion card when you take communion and use a box or pew envelope, with your name on it, or a write a check for your contribution.

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.

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.

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!

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