Redeemer Happenings February 2023





This Sunday, February 5 Teen Challenge will lead our worship and we will welcome Sebastian Addley into the family of God through Holy Baptism. Due to confidentiality reasons, the service will available live on YouTube at 10am but will not be posted for you to view at a later time.



Congratulations to Margaret Lissel on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal (Saskatchewan)! medal was created to celebrate the 70th anniversary year of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's accession to the Throne, which began on February 6, 2022. Her Majesty graciously gave her approval to the design of the medal and the ribbon. The medal is a tangible way for the Province of Saskatchewan to honour Her Majesty for her service to Canada. It also recognizes Saskatchewan citizens of all ages, and from all walks of life, who have made contributions to our country, our province, or to a particular community. This medal recognizes what Margaret has personally done to make Saskatchewan a better place!



The Redeemer quilting group—Go N' Piece are going to raffle off a quilt with proceeds to support Canadian Foodgrains Bank. This quilt is currently being displayed in the Place of Welcome. Tickets are \$5 each or 3/\$10 and will be sold on Sunday mornings before and after worship. The draw will be made on Easter Sunday, April 9. To learn more about Canadian Foodgrains Bank check out the QR code below.





Rebekah Circle February Bible study will be held on **Tuesday, February 21 @ 7:00 pm. in the Fireside Lounge.** Charlene Neumeyer will be our study leader. All ladies are welcome to attend.

Here is the schedule for our Lenten services this year:

DATE	HOST			
February 22 Ash Wednesday	Trinity			
March 1	Zion			
March 8	Augustana			
March 15	Resurrection			
March 22	Good Shepherd			
March 29	Redeemer			

Thank you to these worship assistants for the month of February:

Sundays	Communion Prep	Powerpoint		Sound	LiveStreaming	Accompanist	Reader	Usher
		<u>Build</u>	<u>Run</u>		(YouTube & Camera)			
February 5 5 Epiphany (green)		Elaine	Elaine	Kelly	Tim			Wendy
February 12 6 Epiphany (green)	Larry & Sandy Hartwig	Becky	Becky		Bob		Brenda	David
February 19 Transfiguration (white)		Blair	Blair		Corla		Charlene	Ed
February 26 1 Lent (purple)		Wendy	Wendy	Kelly	Sarah	Josh	Blair	Hans

As you can see, we have a couple of openings for sound. If this is something you may be interested in, please contact Wendy Erickson @ 306-371-2321. Excellent instruction is provided!

These quilts are currently for sale. If you are interested in any of them or would like to view them in person, please contact the church office. 306-374-7585

Reversible Charms 55" x 74"



Pink Baby 51" x 37"



Goodnight Irene 69" x 75"





Sunflowers Shine 53" x 71"



Hopscotch 48" x 40.5"



Butterfly Haven 60" x 48"



Coloured Squares 56" x 76"



Cherry Blossoms 53" x 81"



Baby Hearts 46" x 46"



Blue Mood 59" x 83"



Colours Galore 59" x 71"



Spring Garden 56" x 68"



Only Squares 74" x 58"



Window Panes 60" x 81"



Whacky Squares 54" x 55"



Cars Love Bugs 45" x 58"

John Deer 42 x 58"

Cuddly Toddler 50" x 56"











Taggies are \$10 each.





February 2023

Happy Family Day! Who is your Family? And what are you going to do?

Over the last number of years there has been holiday declared in February...Family Day.

So, who really is family? Mom, Dad, Brother, Sister, Uncle, Aunt, Grandpa and Grandma, all the roots and branches of your family tree?

How about a Friend? Neighbor? Co-worker? Teammates? Pet? The list is long and inclusive.

Family members are introduced by birth or chosen adoption. Growing up, you watch, learn and play with all these people that love and care for you. Wisdom is gained by listening to and learning from your Elders and Siblings.

Later you spread your wings and are introduced to the many persons that help make you who you are today. Neighbors, Friends, Co-workers and Teammates. Over time you grow up and look for advice from the many people that become family.

As the family tree grows, you may have the opportunity to live, love, play and share your wisdom with the next generations: Kids, Nephews, Nieces, Grandchildren. You become the one that the younger family members may ask for advice, or ask if you can come watch sports, performances. singing in church, or just to spend time together.

One more family to think about is God's family: brothers and sisters in Christ, relatives, friends, neighbors, strangers on the street, bus, in the grocery store, coffee shop, homeless, hungry, helpless, sick, injured. God Family is inclusive. God loves us all!

Time is precious, so on Family Day, go have fun.

- Plan a fun day with your kids. Skiing, skating or snuggle up and read a book together.
- Call your Grandparents, Mom, Dad, Kids, friend or neighbor.
- Go for coffee with your friend, Grandparent.
- Have supper with your kids, parent or invite over your neighbor.
- Take your pet for a walk and offer an extra treat.
- Reflect on your family tree and all the ancestry that have passed away who loved you.
- Think about all the friends that helped you over the years.
- Take time to thank God for God's inclusive family, buy a coffee for a stranger, a meal for your neighbor, visit someone who may be alone.
- Donate to a local need, The Food Bank, The Friendship Inn in memory of a loved one you miss.

"Friends love through all kinds of weather, and Family stick together in all kinds of trouble." Proverbs 17:17 The Message

Enjoy your day off... Bring a smile to someone in God's Family... Have Happy Family Day!

Submitted by Hans Graupe for the Stewardship Committee





The unaudited financial statements and trends for 2022 show that we had a surplus of \$15,162.03 before the fund account revenues and expenses. The surplus for December was \$7,568.71. The envelope giving for 2022 was \$303,346.02, about \$21,000 more than budgeted. Thank you to everyone who had so generously contributed to Redeemer's operations throughout 2022. Audited financial state-

ments for 2022 will be presented at the next annual general congregational meeting.

The unaudited financial statements also show the amounts and the agencies that members had contributed to throughout the year. A total of \$16,154 was donated by members to agencies such as CLWR, LuMinHoS, the Salvation Army, the Saskatoon Food Bank and others.

An offering plate is located at the top of the stairs in the sanctuary for you to drop off your donation as you enter or exit the church service. In addition, the following options are available for you to make a donation:

1. Mail to or drop off a cheque at the church

You can mail a cheque directly to the church office. Mailing address: 812 Preston Avenue, Saskatoon, Sask. S7H 2V2. You can also drop off a cheque in the mailbox at the front of the church or in the church office.

2. Interac E-Transfer using online banking

We are set up for automatic deposit. If you use online banking, you may make a payment to Redeemer Lutheran Church by:

- i. Logging into your personal banking account, add Redeemer Lutheran Church as a recipient using the email address redeemer.luth.stoon@sasktel.net
- ii. Enter the desired amount and click send. Instructions on how to send and receive an e-transfer are found on Interac's website: https://www.interac.ca/en/consumers/products/interac-e-transfer/
- iii. You should follow up with an email to Becky at redeemer.luth.stoon@sasktel.net advising her of your donation.

3. Monthly PAD donation

You may request to sign up for a monthly **Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD)** donation. This option allows you to automatically make your donation monthly by allowing the church to debit your account for the donation. Please contact the church office if you would like to take advantage of this giving option.

Please note that you may **donate marketable securities** to the church. This will allow you to eliminate any capital gains taxes and allow you a tax donation credit at the same time. Further details may be found at the following link: Gifts of publicly traded shares and stock options - Canada.ca

Please contact the church office for details on making a donation of marketable securities.

Thank you again to everyone for your donations to the church and maintaining your financial commitments in 2022.

Ron Litzenberger

Zion Lutheran Church

presents

Music for Lent

Four recitals on the Walker Tracker organ at

Zion Lutheran Church

February 26 – Renee de Moissac

March 12 – Janet Weaver

March 19 – Paul Suchan

March 26 - Diane Bestvater



All recitals will be at 3 PM in the Heritage Hall at Zion. Free will offering.



CAREGIVER INFORMATION AND SUPPORT CENTRE

An Age-Friendly Program of the Saskatoon Council on Aging

Caregiver Cafe

Just in Case – Final Affairs

Arrangements

Tues Feb 28 1:30 to 3 pm

Mtg Room 3, Saskatoon Field House,

2020 College Dr. [Free Parking] Cost: Free

Join us for a one-hour presentation

with Elaine Lozinski, Final Affairs Consultant, Lecturer and Author

An open discussion about planning your Final Affairs.

Just in Case provides a practical approach

to planning for end of life or other emergency situations.

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If you are unable to worship with us in person, join us each week at 9:50 am on YouTube by clicking this link:

Redeemer Lutheran Saskatoon - YouTube

This link is also available on the homepage of our website

redeemersaskatoon.ca at any time.

You can also go to this same link at any time afterwards to view the service if you are unable to join at 10am. We encourage you to hit 'subscribe' on our YouTube page, so that all future worship services will be highlighted for you. If you have any questions or need assistance in connecting to our YouTube site, just give us a call and we will be glad to help you out.



YOU ARE INVITED!

to our SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

at Redeemer Lutheran Fellowship Hall, 812 Preston Ave.

Tuesday, Feb. 21 from 5:00-7:00 pm

ALL ages — "Come one come all to the last gasp of rich food indulgence before the austerity of your Lenten Fast. Join us for a fabulous night of fun, fellowship and feasting on our secret special pancake recipe that we have indulged in for many years."

Free will donations welcome in support of the Canadian Food Grains Bank. Food item donations are also invited as part of Community Nursing Students' project in support of needy students at Nutana Collegiate.

AND ... It's not Shrove Tuesday or Pancake Day without some pancake flipping fun! Come prepared to join our Pancake Flipping and Pancake Designing Contests. All supplies provided ©



DID YOU KNOW?

-Shrove Tuesday is actually a Christian Festival that falls on the Tuesday before the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday. Traditionally during Lent, Christians would give up rich, tasty foods such as butter, eggs, sugar, chocolate and fat (in fact, some continue to do)—to remember when Jesus went to the desert to fast and pray. Shrove Tuesday was their last chance to eat these rich foods before Lent started.
-" Shrove" comes from the word 'shriving'. Shriving means listening to someone's sins and then forgiving them. In the past Christians would use the day to confess their sins. In other words, they would be "shriven".
-that although Shrove Tuesday is on a Tuesday each year, it falls on different dates. It is always
 exactly 47 days before Easter! It also has a few different names: Mardi Gras (French for Fat Tuesday).
 Fastnacht (Eve of the Fast in Germany), Sprengidagur (Bursting Day in Iceland).
-it is believed that Pancake Day/Shrove Tuesday started in 1445 in Olney in Buckinghamshire, England. A lady was getting carried away with making pancakes when she heard the church bells for the Shrove Tuesday mass. She was late! The lady ran to the church with all of her pancakes and that's where the pancake tradition started—and perhaps the tradition of pancake races!
-there are lots of different types of pancakes and toppings. One of the most popular toppings is lemon and sugar... but some people like chocolate spread, peanut butter, syrup, yogurt, whipped cream, nuts, fruit! Some people even have savoury pancakes. Yum!
-it is estimated that around 52 million eggs are used on the day in the UK alone! 22 million more than on any other day of the year! That is a LOT of eggs!
-that the biggest pancake in the world (Made in Manchester) was over 15 metres wide! It won the Guinness World Record! The pancake was over 15 metres wide, 2.5 centimetres thick and 3 kilograms heavy!
-the most pancakes flips in a minute is 140! According to the Guinness World Records, Brad Jolly from Australia has done the most flips of a pancake in one minute—140 flips! Wow!
 Who might set a 2023 Redeemer flipping record on February 21?