

Redeemer Happenings

September 2024



WELCOME BACK BBQ

It's always great to be back to school and back to CHURCH!

We are going to celebrate on

SEPTEMBER 8 with BBQ after our 10:00 Worship service.



Weather permitting, we will gather outdoors to share our meal. Bring your lawn chairs or picnic blankets. An indoor eating area will also be available.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

If you are available to help with set up, grilling, or clean up, please let Monica in the office know.

Trust the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding

(Proverbs 3:5)



WELCOME to a new year of GIFT

GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER!

It is a monthly time that we have set apart following worship to be intentional in connecting and a family-style meal with people of ALL generations. **In September, we are ALL invited to a CONGREGATION WELCOME BACK BBQ on Sept. 8th following 10:00 Worship.**

ALL AGES!! BEGINNING OCT. 6th Children & Parents, Grandchildren & Grandparents, Youth, Students, Young Adults, Older Adults, Seniors... are invited to join in on the first Sunday of each month at 11:00am following Worship.

WHAT HAPPENS at GIFT?

- We **CONNECT** with all generations
- We **HEAR** and **EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD** through activities and song.
- We **CREATE, PLAY & EAT** a family-style lunch together around tables - **GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER!**

Mark the 1st Sunday of each month on your calendar and plan to share in these gathering times. Invite your family, friends, grandchildren, neighbors... to join us!

2024-25 at GIFT

Each of our monthly gatherings for the coming months will focus on a new **FAITH PRACTICE** that will encourage us in building strong faith habits together and to make time for God in our everyday lives – as individuals, in groups and in our families and in the Family of God.

Some of the **FAITH PRACTICES** we will explore are **GRATITUDE** on October 6th, **GENEROSITY** on November 3rd, **CELEBRATING ADVENT** on December 1st.



These events are planned and hosted by our **GIFT – Intergenerational Team of Redeemer folk**. If you are interested in joining in to assist with the simple monthly meals, preparations, set-up or clean-up for one month or ongoing, we will **WELCOME YOU!** Please email or call the church office and you will be connected to the team. Being involved is one more way of **GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER** 😊 ✝️ 😊

Good Neighbors



The Bible parable of the Good Samaritan is a favourite lesson for all communities. You know the story. A man walking from Jerusalem to Jerico is set upon by robbers who left him hurt and helpless. Jesus tasks the Disciples with identifying the good neighbour. Who is your neighbour? When does a neighbour need help? How do we know when to give help? At Redeemer we are blessed with a community of giving and sharing people and a “good neighbour” mentality.

It only seems like last month that we held the Community Garage Sale; sorry it was actually Saturday May 11th. We are now awakening from our Summer of Slumber, sun tanning or just seeing friends and neighbours.

Our Welcome Back BBQ happens after church on 2024 SEP 08.

Our Fall Feast happens on Saturday, 2024 OCT 19. Fall Feast Tickets will go on sale at the place of welcome on 2024 SEP 08. These are times to welcome back members of the congregation and perhaps your neighbours as well.

Many of you know that Redeemer owns the little yellow house next door to the church. Over the years we have housed many neighbours: a U of S Professor; the Synod Office; a Syrian Family and most recently, two single men who left suddenly owing us of a few months’ rent. The last two renters were given a hand up, took advantage of their situation, moved on to parts unknown and left a house in disarray. Not the level of abandonment experienced by the man walking down the road from Jerusalem to Jerico but a similar analogy.

The month of August allowed many people from Redeemer to lend a helping hand and ready the little yellow house for our next renters. Many hands did make for lighter lifting and less work. There are pros and cons to owning the house next door. From a financing perspective, the clear title on the house, has in the past, allowed Redeemer to get financing for church capital projects. For some reason banks do not like to take mortgages on churches.

The little house was ready to rent a couple of weeks ago. Your leadership team directed that due diligence be used to find suitable renters. While nothing is ever guaranteed, we believe a family from Nigeria – Francis, Oyebola, Michael and Cyril CHUKWUNUEM will make great tenants. Francis and Oyebola are the father and mother who both work. Michael and Cyril are U of S students taking Engineering and Commerce. The family will be moving in come early September. Francis has even undertaken the dubious task of buying furnishings for the house in Oyebola’s absence... a brave man to be sure.

Redeemer, this is your time to show your good neighbour skills to each other and our community, and possibly, if the chance arrives, our new neighbours next door.

Welcome back Neighbour!



Death Café



Gabriele McClure
Facilitator



• A Death Café is a place where people gather to eat cake, drink tea and discuss death, dying and facing our own mortality.

Talking about death is.....

..... part of life

Please join us every 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Where: Redeemer Lutheran Church
812 Preston Ave.

Time: 10am – 11:10am

After the regular session, there will be some time to talk with the one on one.

The sessions are free of charge. A donation of cookies or sweets would be greatly appreciated.

Phone: 306.750.3732
email: gabi.mcclure57@gmail.com



Naomi Circle
 Tuesday, Sept 24
 2:00pm @ The Bentley
 1622B Acadia Dr.
 All women are welcome!
 Contact Becky @ 306-230-5695 for a ride or more information

O.W.L.S. (Older but Wiser
Lutherans) High Tea

Wednesday, Sept 11,
Noon

RSVP by Monday, Sept
9 to the church office.



Limited seating
Cost: \$10



Rebekah Circle June Bible study will be held
on

**Tuesday, September 17 @ 7:00 pm. in the
Fireside Lounge.**

Audrey Miller study leader

All women welcome

FINANCIAL UPDATE



There was a deficit of \$24,992.20 for July 2024 before the fund account revenues and expenses. Due to some large expenses coming due in July (insurance and roof repairs), there is a deficit for the year so far to the end of July 2024 of \$13,671.19. The envelope giving for July 2024 was \$13,665.00 and \$157,285.06 for the year to the end of July 2024. The envelope giving is slightly behind what was budgeted for the year. Thank you to everyone who has so generously contributed to Redeemer's operations.

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/>

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 your donation. Please contact the church office if you would like to take advantage of this giving option.

Please note that you may also 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.

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

Ron Litzenberger

Put on your walking shoes

For the Annual LuMinHoS Walk-a-thon

Saturday, Sept. 21 at 10 a.m., starting at Zion Lutheran Church

323 4th Ave. S., Saskatoon



Please mark your calendar and plan to be part of our walk-a-thon.

Get in shape while gathering pledges!

Join us for a beautiful walk along the banks of the South Saskatchewan River.

Please remember to bring a bottle of water.

Can't get out to walk in person? Walk the halls or the malls, consider walking the halls of your building or if you're a mall walker then that can count too.

Whether or not you decide to walk in person or do a virtual walk, LuMinHoS looks forward to your generous support.



ADVENT - CHRISTMAS MARKET & TEA

returns to Redeemer on **November 23, 2024**

Mark it on your calendar and plan to join us for another day of gathering in community at Redeemer.

There will be:

- ◆ local hand made **CRAFT CREATIONS** of many kinds
- ◆ a bake sale table of **TASTY TREATS**
- ◆ a **"NEW TO YOU"** CHRISTMAS SALES AREA
- ◆ an **ADVENT-CHRISTMAS TEA ROOM** —something for everyone!

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS! If you are a creator of handmade items that you might like to show & sell, it's now time to book a table for the day. \$10/table

CALLING ALL BAKERS: If you might like to share some seasonal or favorite baking for a bake table and our tea room, please sign up on the **MARKET** bulletin board in the Place of Welcome.

CALLING ALL CHRISTMAS DÉCOR LOVERS: If you have collected Christmas décor or household items that you no longer use and are ready for a new home we invite you to share them for our "new to you" CHRISTMAS SALES AREA. We will welcome items beginning October 15th.

CALLING EVERYONE! If you like to enjoy exploring hand-made items and Christmas goodies, if you'd like to refresh some of your Christmas décor, if you like to connect and visit with friends and neighbors—THIS is a day for you to be part of!

ONE MORE CALLING! If you'd like to join our planning/organizing team, be part of setting up and/or serving at the tea or baking table, please sign up in the Place of Welcome or contact Elaine Akre 306 220 8074, Marlo Wilson 306 291 8212 or the church office 306 374 7585.



The Gift of Empathy

“Empathy is something we all need – and it’s something we all can give. It’s a skill virtually anyone can learn and strengthen, paving the way for more caring interactions and more meaningful connections throughout their Living and relating.

Helping people discover and spread empathy is a life changing power, one interaction at a time is what the book, *The Gift of Empathy* is all about”, as stated by authors Joel P. Bretscher and Kenneth C. Haugk.

Watch for a Group Study to be offered in the future. You do not have to be a Stephen Minister to take it. This group study’s goal is to help groups of all kinds to bring more empathy into all areas of their lives.

LuMinHoS Annual General Meeting (AGM). *Potluck Dessert with coffee provided.*

Date: Sunday, September 8, 2024 at 7pm


Location: Rock of Ages Church, Fireside Room, 130 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon, SK

AGM Reports – see [2023-2024-Bulletin-of-Reports](#)



Saturday, September 21 at 8am @ Smittys.

ALL MEN ARE WELCOME



Jesus said to them, "Come away
by yourselves to a remote place
and rest a while" Mark 6:31

Camp Kinansao
Prayer Retreat
Sept 27-29

Register at kinansao.ca

door prizes!



silent auction!



The Flock



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Fundraiser
Come and connect with friends over supper and music!

When: Sunday, September 15

Where: Somewhere Else Pub & Grill

Tickets: \$50 each, through Eventbrite

Doors open at 5pm, dinner at 6pm

Dessert available for purchase, courtesy of
Good Shepherd Creative Coffee members



Fall Fest

DATE : Saturday, Oct 19

TIME : 5pm

PLACE : Redeemer Church

RSVP : Reserve your ticket with Ed Miller after the Service or call the church.

Etransfer to eamiller99@gmail.com

PRICE: \$20 PER PERSON

\$35 X 2 TICKETS

KIDS UNDER 10 EAT FREE

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Office hours

Monday to Thursday 9am-12pm & 1-4
(Friday afternoon office is closed)

A Community of
Life & Love,
Hope & Healing



We're on the web!
redeemersaskatoon.ca

THE SECRET OF A HAPPY LIFE IS GIVING GOD:

1. *The first part of your day*
2. *The first priority to every decision*
3. *The first place in your heart*



Join Us On



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.