



## **Redeemer Connection April 2018**



### **Holy Week Services**

*Maundy Thursday, March 29*      Potluck Supper, 5:15 pm      Worship with communion, 6:30 pm

*Good Friday, March 30*      Worship, :30 pm

*Easter Sunday, April 1*      Breakfast, 8:00 am      Worship with communion, 9:00 am  
Festival choir



**Evening Bible Study  
meets on the second and fourth  
Thursday of each month**

**The next  
Church Council  
Meeting is 6:30 pm  
Monday, April 9, 2018**

### **Attendance Record**

Feb 25--44  
Feb 28--39  
Mar 4--37  
Mar 7--32  
Mar 11--37  
Mar 14--32  
Mar 18--42



**Communion is held on the  
1st, 3rd & 4th Sunday  
of each month**

The following volunteer positions are available at Redeemer:

- VBS Coordinator: Basic responsibility is helping the pastor to recruit workers, help with registration, and be present during the VBS week to assist with any needs that arise. See Pastor Kevin for more information.
- Altar Guild: We need additional help to set up and take down communion. See Betty Rossin for more information.
- Counters: Counting of the offering will now be down on Sundays after the service and we will need extra help. It takes about 20 minutes. See Dick Behnke for more information.
- Banner Coordinator: Basic responsibility includes maintaining our banner collect and changing the banners in the church with the seasons. See Pastor Kevin for more information.
- Social Media Coordinator: Basic responsibility is to establish and maintain a presence for Redeemer on social media such as Facebook. See Pastor Kevin for more information.
- Worship Assistant Coordinator: Basic responsibility is to maintain a schedule of ushers, greeters, acolytes and lectors. See Pastor Kevin for more information.



**WHAT:** Active Shooter Response.

**WHERE:** Redeemer Lutheran Church  
1664 Kraemer Dr Winona MN

**WHEN:** Thursday April 5  
from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

**WHO:** Presented by a Winona Law  
Enforcement Professional

Limited seating so please RSVP Redeemer office 452-3828.

This training focuses on houses of worship but can apply to other public venues. The training is 1 hr. followed by a question and answer period.

# THE REDEEMER PRESCHOOL PRESS

April 2018



A very blessed and joyous EASTER to all! What a busy spring RLP is having! On March 2, our Friday morning class took a field trip to the YMCA. We spent the morning playing at their Family Fun Center. It was lots of fun and a great way for the children to burn off some of the excess energy that had built up when the cold and snowy February weather prevented us from getting outside much. The switch to Daylight Savings Time occurred during the students' last weekend of the Spring Break. As a result, some of the students are just now beginning to feel readjusted after the time change and getting back into the classroom routine after having a week off.

We are looking forward to again hosting our annual Dads and Donuts event in our classroom on April 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. On those days, we welcome dads (or other significant men in the family) to come have a donut and hang out at preschool. What a wonderful way to celebrate the special men in our children's lives!

RLP will also be holding its annual Book Walk this month. This event will occur on Saturday morning, April 21. This event is open to the community and is geared toward families with young children. Children will walk through the pages of the storybook Duck on a Bike, collecting little tokens along the way. Amanda Grace will also be here, engaging and entertaining us with her music.

On Thursday, April 12 Life Touch Photography will be here to take pictures of the children. If you would like to have your picture taken, please let us know. They are open to church members getting their portraits taken while they're here.

Our classroom themes this month will be springtime topics of kites, umbrellas, rainbows, and yards/gardening. During Praise Time in March, we learned about Jesus dying on the cross to pay for our sins and his miraculous and glorious rising from the dead on Easter Sunday morning. This month we will learn about the time Jesus spent with his disciples after his resurrection and before he ascended to heaven to be with God.

As I write this, there are still a few boxes of candy bars remaining to be sold as part of our candy bar fundraiser. Thank you to all who have helped with this fundraiser, whether by selling or eating candy bars! J We truly appreciate your help and support!

New registrations for next fall have started coming in. If you know any families who are looking for preschool for their children, please tell them to check us out. Grab a brochure for them, direct them to our website, or encourage them to schedule a visit.

May the Lord shower your April with His bounty and blessings!

# Rev Ryan and Emily McDermott and Family

## Missionaries in West Africa.



The McDermott's presented information on their missionary work in West Africa through the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod during the Lenten meal of Cheeseburger Tatar Tot Hot dish, glazed carrots, African Sweet Potato Soup and dessert. Rev Ryan and his two oldest children sang the Doxology in French. As missionaries, they help train Ghanaian pastors and another Lutheran seminary in Dapaong, Togo to accomplish deaf ministry in their congregations and communities. They will be in the States for the next 6 months raising funds for their mission work.



Rev Ryan McDermott delivered the sermon during the service. A door collection was taken and \$342 will go to support their missionary work as well as one half of the total collection during Lent.

Rev McDermott asked that prayers be offered.

- ◇ Pray for spreading the word of God
- ◇ Pray for protection
- ◇ Pray for effective ministry
- ◇ Pray for travel
- ◇ Pray for financial support

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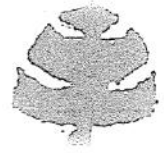
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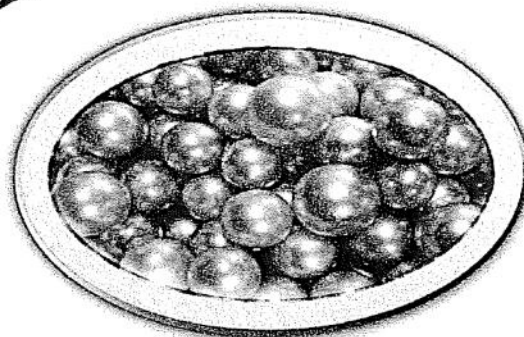
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*"But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain."* 1 Corinthians 15:10a

*Goal: Under the grace of God, in Christ I am called as a servant to use my gifts for the furtherance of His kingdom.*



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visit the website at <https://www.mnslwml.org>***

## Active Shooter Training

On Thursday, April 4 at 6:30 Redeemer will host an “Active Shooter Training” especially for local churches but anyone can attend. It is free. Pastor Kevin is doing a Thrivent Action Team for the evening. Refreshments will be furnished by Thrivent and attendees will receive a Thrivent T-shirt.

At Redeemer, the Preschool entrance generally stays locked except during drop off and pick up times. The office entrance is unlocked while Susan is in the office; otherwise, it will probably be locked. There are doorbells at both entrances. The preschool entrance doorbell rings in the preschool room. At the office entrance there are two doorbells – one that rings in kitchen and one that rings in the office. Both doorbells are clearly marked.

The rest of this article from gleaned from churchanswers.com but was edited for content and length.

In church security we have witnessed two major tipping points. Though child sex abuse in churches was not new, it reached a new level of awareness and response when Pope John Paul II called an emergency meeting with the U. S. cardinals in 2002. We knew then the issue was serious and pervasive.

We reached a second major tipping point in November 2017 with the church shootings at First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, Texas. Among the 26 people killed were nine members of one family. Church leaders and members across the nation began to realize that if it can happen in Sutherland Springs, it can happen anywhere.

There is a resistance to church security measures by some. Some feel it is an overreaction to an unlikely event, or that it goes counter to the biblical truth of trust in God. One of the most common responses by churches is partnerships with local law enforcement. Many churches have hired off-duty police officers to be vigilant and visible when the church is gathered. Others have sought the law enforcement community to educate and train their members about this issue.

Many churches are using their members to assist in church security. Churches are commonly offering security training sessions to their members. Others are using members to patrol the grounds or to become volunteer security guards. Some congregations have members carrying concealed weapons.

Churches are using technology to enhance their security. For example, even some of the smaller churches are using advanced video security systems, especially now that the technology has become more affordable.

More guests are asking questions about church security. When the sex abuse scandals become pervasively known, many church guests would not visit a church unless this issue was clearly addressed. The same is now true for the security toward church shootings. If churches do not provide clear and visible protection for those gathered, many guests will not come.

There is a general sadness among churchgoers that we have come to this point. Church members as a whole would like their churches to be wide open and welcoming. They don't like locked doors, security cameras, and gun-carrying members. But they realize this may be a reality that is here to stay.

May we who are part of the body of Christ demonstrate love and grace to all during these changing and, often, distressing times.

Pastor Kevin



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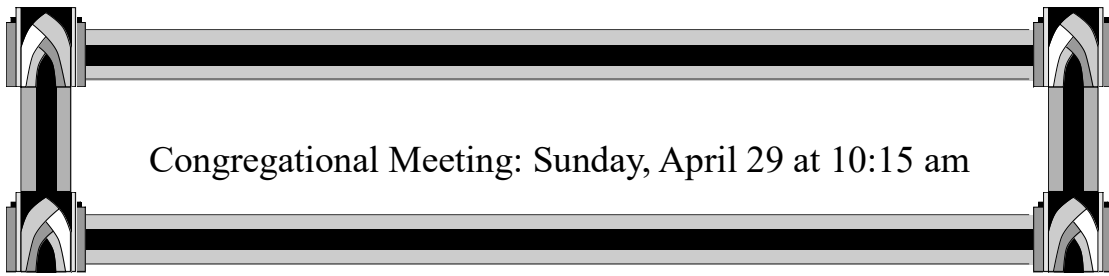


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## April Word Search

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### Words List

green  
 spring  
 flowers  
 April  
 bunnies  
 sunshine  
 rain  
 rainbow  
 foolsday  
 clouds

# SIX WEEK GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Thursday 4:30-6:00 pm beginning April 19, 2018

Parlor at Watkins Manor House, 175 E. Wabasha , Winona

The Grief Support Group is open to anyone who is experiencing grief, no matter when their loss occurred.

This small group setting makes it a comfortable place for people to share their experience with others who are dealing with a loss. You'll learn coping strategies to help you through your grief and ideas for finding moments of joy.

RSVP 507.457.4468





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