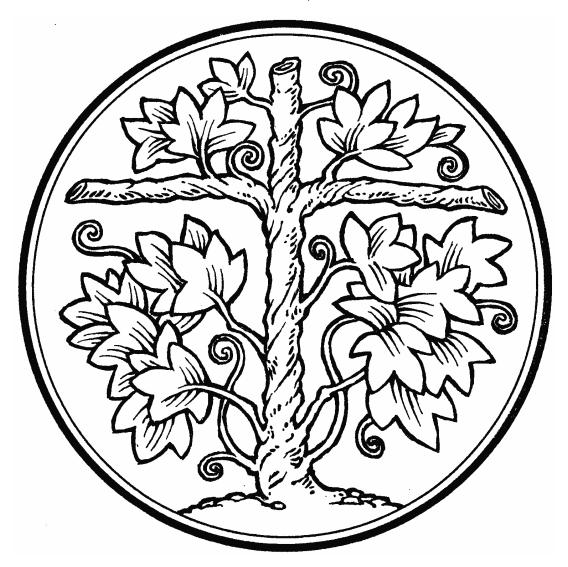
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 28, 2024



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Opening Hymn: 595 O Blessed Spring

- 1 O blessèd spring, where Word and sign Embrace us into Christ the Vine: Here Christ enjoins each one to be A branch of this life-giving Tree.
- 2 Through summer heat of youthful years, Uncertain faith, rebellious tears, Sustained by Christ's infusing rain, The boughs will shout for joy again.
- 3 When autumn cools and youth is cold, When limbs their heavy harvest hold, Then through us, warm, the Christ will move With gifts of beauty, wisdom, love.
- 4 As winter comes, as winters must, We breathe our last, return to dust; Still held in Christ, our souls take wing And trust the promise of the spring.
- 5 Christ, holy Vine, Christ, living Tree, Be praised for this blest mystery: That Word and water thus revive And join us to Your Tree of Life.

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- ↑ Invocation, Confession and Absolution LSB p. 151 ff.
- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

This Is the Feast

(LSB p. 155)

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia! This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

(LSB p. 156)

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

P Let us pray. O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading

Acts 8:26-40

²⁶An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Rise and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is a desert place. ²⁷And he rose and went. And there was an Ethiopian, a eunuch, a court official of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, who was in charge of all her treasure. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning, seated in his chariot, and he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹And the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over and join this chariot." ³⁰So Philip ran to him and heard him reading Isaiah the prophet and asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹And he said, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to come up and sit with him. ³²Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth. ³³In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴And the eunuch said to Philip, "About whom, I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this Scripture he told him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" ³⁸And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him.

³⁹And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. ⁴⁰But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he passed through he preached the gospel to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle 1 John 4:1–21

¹Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. ²By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, ³and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. ⁴Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. ⁵They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. ⁶We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

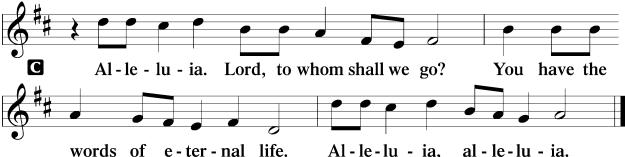
⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. ¹⁵Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.

¹⁶So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. ¹⁷By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. ²¹And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.





Holy Gospel

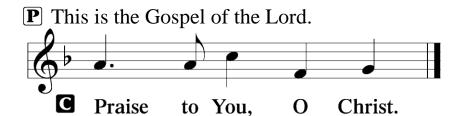
John 15:1–8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.



¹[Jesus said:] "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. ²Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. ³Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you.

⁴Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples."



Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

♦ Sermon Hymn:

691 Fruitful Trees, the Spirit's Sowing

- 1 Fruitful trees, the Spirit's sowing, May we ripen and increase, Fruit to life eternal growing, Rich in love and joy and peace.
- 2 Laden branches freely bearing Gifts the Giver loves to bless; Here is fruit that grows by sharing, Patience, kindness, gentleness.
- 3 Rooted deep in Christ our Master, Christ our pattern and our goal, Teach us, as the years fly faster, Goodness, faith, and self-control.
- 4 Fruitful trees, the Spirit's tending, May we grow till harvests cease; Till we taste, in life unending, Heaven's love and joy and peace.

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Sermon

↑ Offertory

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation
and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows to the Lord now
in the presence of all His people,
in the courts of the Lord's house,
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. ... Lord God, Your only Son came in the flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. Protect us from all false teaching and the spirit of the Antichrist, that we may always confess Christ to be our only true God and remain faithful to Him. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, You have grafted us onto the vine of Your Son. Prune us and cut off from us all sin and dead works, that we may always draw life from Your Son and produce the fruits of faith and good works. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Savior of all people, in the water of Baptism You welcome sinners into Your kingdom and give them life. Grant that we would always honor and extol this gift, and let nothing prevent people from it. Lord, in Your mercy

C hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, give health and guidance to our president and all in authority, that they may serve honorably and in accord with Your good order. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Merciful God, You hear and answer Your children in their hour of need. ... Grant that they would bear their crosses with faith, ever looking to You, and so fix their hearts where true joy is found. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P O God, You are love, and You always reveal Your love through Your Son. Grant that all who come to Your feast of love may worthily eat of Christ's body and blood, so that whoever abides in this love forever abides in You and You in him. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- P Holy Father, You are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Hear and answer our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, and Your saints shall bless You; for You live and reign with the Holy Spirit, ever one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

(\$\int LSB pp. 160-166)

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

- P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My + blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."
- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei

- C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
 - Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
 - Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Distribution Hymns:

619 Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

1 Thy body, giv'n for me, O Savior,
Thy blood which Thou for me didst shed,
These are my life and strength forever,
By them my hungry soul is fed.

Refrain: Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!

2 With Thee, Lord, I am now united; I live in Thee and Thou in me. No sorrow fills my soul, delighted It finds its only joy in Thee. Refrain

3 Who can condemn me now? For surely The Lord is nigh, who justifies. No hell I fear, and thus securely With Jesus I to heaven rise. Refrain

4 Though death may threaten with disaster, It cannot rob me of my cheer; For He who is of death the master

With aid and comfort e'er is near.

Refrain

My heart has now become Thy dwelling,O blessèd, holy Trinity.With angels I, Thy praises telling,Shall live in joy eternally.

Refrain

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544 O Love, How Deep

- 1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, Beyond all thought and fantasy, That God, the Son of God, should take Our mortal form for mortals' sake!
- 2 He sent no angel to our race, Of higher or of lower place, But wore the robe of human frame, And to this world Himself He came.
- 3 For us baptized, for us He bore His holy fast and hungered sore; For us temptation sharp He knew; For us the tempter overthrew.
- 4 For us He prayed; for us He taught; For us His daily works He wrought, By words and signs and actions thus Still seeking not Himself but us.
- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed, For us, in crown of thorns arrayed, He bore the shameful cross and death; For us He gave His dying breath.
- 6 For us He rose from death again; For us He went on high to reign; For us He sent His Spirit here To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
- ∆ 7 All glory to our Lord and God
 For love so deep, so high, so broad;
 The Trinity whom we adore
 Forever and forevermore.

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861 Christ Be My Leader

- 1 Christ be my Leader by night as by day; Safe through the darkness, for He is the way. Gladly I follow, my future His care, Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.
- 2 Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth, Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth. Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand, Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.
- 3 Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife; Death cannot hold me, for He is the life. Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.

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↑ Post-Communion Hymn: Thank the Lord

Thank the Lord and sing His praise;
tell ev'ryone what He has done.
Let all who seek the Lord rejoice
and proudly bear His name.
He recalls His promises
and leads His people forth in joy
with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look upon you with favor and
 → give you peace.

C Amen.

Closing Hymn: 919 Abide, O Dearest Jesus

- 1 Abide, O dearest Jesus, Among us with Your grace That Satan may not harm us Nor we to sin give place.
- 2 Abide, O dear Redeemer, Among us with Your Word, And thus now and hereafter True peace and joy afford.
- 3 Abide with heav'nly brightness Among us, precious Light; Your truth direct and keep us From error's gloomy night.
- 4 Abide with richest blessings Among us, bounteous Lord; Let us in grace and wisdom Grow daily through Your Word.
- 5 Abide with Your protection Among us, Lord, our strength, Lest world and Satan fell us And overcome at length.
- 6 Abide, O faithful Savior, Among us with Your love; Grant steadfastness and help us To reach our home above.

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Worship Times: Sunday at 9:00 A.M. & Monday at 6:00 P.M.

Welcome

We are glad that you have joined us today as we worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. If you have any questions during worship, please feel free to ask an usher at any time.

Small children are part of the Body of Christ. We always welcome them in worship. However, we understand that it may not be easy to remain still or quiet. If a break is needed, "Busy Bags" are hanging up as you enter the Sanctuary.

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Sunday: Lisa Battin & Corey Van Sickle

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Communion Assistant Michael Gregurich

Altar Guild

Doris Griepentrog & Shirley Bowe

CD Recording

Keith & Laurie Magyar

Altar Flowers

Prayers

This Week at Redeemer

Sunday, April 28th 9:00 am Worship Fellowship 10:00 am Sunday School

Monday, April 29th 6:00 pm Worship

Tuesday, April 30th
7:30 am Men's Bible Study
8:15 am Finance
9:00 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, May 1st

Thursday, May 2nd

Friday, May 3rd

Saturday, May 4th

Sunday, May 5th 9:00 am Worship Preschool Celebration & Fellowship 10:00 am Sunday School

Last Week Attendance: 133 Last Week Offering: \$3,700

Statement on Holy Communion

The Lord's Supper is joyfully received here every weekend and on other holy days. At the altar, our Lord Jesus Christ delivers His true body and blood into our mouths. His gift of body and blood, given in, with, and under the bread and wine, bestows tremendous benefits. His body and blood forgives our sins, strengthens our faith, binds us to the Lord, and unites us with each other. In this is life and salvation.

All members of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod have publicly confessed this sacred gift and its blessings, and so are encouraged to commune. Other guests wishing to join our confession and receive this Holy Sacrament are asked to meet with a pastor before communing for the first time. When you have examined yourself according to Christ's bidding (1 Corinthians 11:17-34), come to His Supper rejoicing, just as Jesus asks, knowing that our Lord meets you at His altar with joy. Those coming to the altar for a blessing rather than the Holy Supper are asked to cross their arms over their chest.

Hartman's Gift Certificates for sale!

Redeemer Preschool is once again selling Hartman's gift certificates. Certificates are \$10/each and can be used for anything sold at Hartman's. They make wonderful gifts (Mother's Day, Father's Day, teachers, etc.) All profits from these certificates go directly into the preschool budget for materials and supplies. We will have order forms available at the Welcome Center, or you can always stop in the office to purchase. Thank you for your support!



Update from the Call Committee

The Call Committee has been working through the latest list sent from the District and we are happy to say that this last week, we spoke with Pastor Sherry, Pastor Stowe and Pastor Skovgaard. You can find more information on these Pastors, as well as Pastor Hinckley and Pastor Kazmierski in the bulletin or by reviewing their PIF's and SET's, which are available in the church office. The committee will continue to review information from the District on other potential candidates if/as necessary. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the committee.

2024-25 Preschool Registration Is Open

We are now accepting registrations for preschool. All forms are available in the office or on our website. Please share this information with friends and family! Word of mouth is our best advertising.

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School!



June 10 - 13, 2024 9:00 - 11:30 am Geared to ages 4 to 10

Registration is appreciated to help us prepare a great week for you!

Paper forms are available at the Welcome Center or the online link is https://vbsmate.com/events/RedeemerManty/28718

A bulletin board with sign ups to volunteer and bring donations of treats and juice will be by the Welcome Center as well.

We will need many volunteers to bring our VBS to life!

Preschool Celebration

Please join us on *Sunday, May 5th* after the 9am service to celebrate and honor Director Patti Fellows and Teacher Jerri Rathjen who will be stepping down from their staff positions with Redeemer Lutheran Preschool at the end of this school year. Refreshments will be provided. Take time to congratulate and thank Patti and Jerri for their service these past years using their God-given talents. Current and past students are encouraged to join us as well to reminisce about their time in preschool.

Preschool Job Search

Redeemer Lutherans preschool program is still searching for a new Director and 4K teacher to join our team. If you know of anyone who possesses the necessary qualifications, experience, and shares our commitment to providing quality education and nurturing environments for our young learners, we would greatly appreciate your assistance in this matter. Your recommendations could make all the difference in finding the right individuals to lead and teach within our preschool . Please don't hesitate to reach out to any board member or the church office with recommendations.

Call List: Pastor Profiles

Jacob Sherry: Onekama, Michigan

In personal skills Pastor Sherry receives the rating very good in tact, patience, cooperation, administration, leadership, innovation, people skills, personal grooming, conference and continuing education participation, use of computer, attitude toward synod and district. Pastor Sherry receives the rating outstanding in team ministry and attitude toward Christian day school.

In congregational ministries Pastor Sherry receives the rating very good in children's youth, and older adult ministry, personal witnessing, preaching content and delivery, teaching ability, worship, and music ministry. Pastor Sherry has received the specialized training and/or experience in Disaster Response and Evangelism. His worship style is noted to be traditional flexible, contemporary flexible.

His district president writes, "Pastor Sherry is a fine pastor who is faithful to the Scriptures and Lutheran Confessions, dedicated to caring ministry, and much loved by his people. Pastor Sherry has a laid back and friendly approach. He is ready to be stretched in ministry." His circuit visitor writes that Pastor Sherry's community involvement is limited right now, but that is primarily because he and his wife having young children in the home.

Eric Skovgaard: Brookfield, Wisconsin

In personal skills Pastor Skovgaard receives the rating very good in tact, patience, cooperation, initiative, leadership, innovation, creativity, community involvement, personal grooming, conference participation; as well as attitude toward Christian day school and synod. Pastor Skovgaard receives the rating outstanding in people skills and attitude toward district.

In congregational ministries Pastor Skovgaard receives the rating very good in children, and young adult ministry, assimilation of new members, lay leadership development, counseling, preaching content and delivery, teaching ability, worship; as well as sick, shut in and home visitation. Pastor Skovgaard receives the rating outstanding in personal witnessing and outreach visitation. His worship style is noted to be traditional flexible, contemporary flexible.

Eric brings to bear his gifts of patience, forbearance, and his steadying influence to a large parish with a large school and the challenges of change. He is insightful, caring, and sensitive; while being able intellectually, he continues to "pastor" very well; loves God's people and is loved by his people. Eric is the senior pastor, doing a good job of serving God's people and tenderly guiding the church.

Douglas Stowe

In personal skills Pastor Stowe receives the rating very good in administration, personal grooming, conference participation, use of computer, attitude toward Christian day school.

In congregational ministries Pastor Stowe receives the rating very good in young adult, singles, older adult, and small group ministry, personal witnessing, counseling, preaching delivery, worship, stewardship, sick, and shut-in visitation. His worship style is noted bo be traditional flexible, contemporary flexible.

He leads well. He is well read and puts his thoughts together well. He is professional, organized, energetic and motivated. He has also demonstrated strength in preaching and teaching. He currently serves on the district board of directors.

Robert Hinckley: Chamberlain, South Dakota

In personal skills Pastor Hinckley receives the rating very good in tact, patience, cooperation, and personal grooming. Pastor Hinckley receives the rating outstanding in Christian day school, synod, and district.

In congregational ministries Pastor Hinckley receives the rating very good in preaching content and delivery, teaching ability, worship, stewardship, sick, shut-in, outreach, and home visitation. His worship style is noted to be traditional flexible, contemporary flexible.

His district president writes, "Robert has demonstrated in his current call that he is a good, caring shepherd. He has done well in this particular congregation of around 400 members, and I do not think his flock wants to see him leave."

Jeffrey Kazmierski: Eau Claire, Wisconsin

In personal skills Pastor Kazmierski receives the rating very good in patience, cooperation, initiative, leadership, use of computer and social media, and attitude toward Christian day school. Pastor Kazmierski receives the rating outstanding in tact, people skills, personal grooming, attitude home schooling, synod, and district.

In congregational ministries Pastor Kazmierski receives the rating very good in young adult, older adult, and family ministry, ministry to the inactive, personal witnessing, sick, shut-in, and home visitation. Pastor Kazmierski has received the specialized training or experience in Conflict Resolution, Crisis Intervention, Disaster Response, and Evangelism. His worship style is noted to be traditional rigid, high liturgical rigid, blended contemporary.

His district president writes, "Just started doing ministry. So far so good! Good confessional pastor. Jeff is faithful in support of District and Synod and in attending related conferences and Winkels. He is currently serving as Circuit Visitor."

Redeemer Lutheran Preschool: 4K Teacher & Director Vacancy

Description:

Redeemer Lutheran Church - Manitowoc is looking for a Part-Time Preschool Director starting in the 2024-25 school year with the possibility to shadow the director during the current school year as available. We operate Monday - Friday, with the exact days and hours for this position tobe determined.

We are licensed through the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and offer small class sizes with two teachers for each class. By God's grace, our students have their faith in Jesus nourished through our curriculum which is guided by Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards.

Responsibilities:

- 1. Oversee preschool budget (including holding fundraisers and applying for grants).
- 2. Set preschool calendar.
- 3. Manage required reporting for grants received.
- 4. Responsible in conjunction with Redeemer Lutheran Church Executive Board for advertising and striving for full class enrollment.
- 5. Facilitate classroom tours.
- Build and maintain strong relationships with students, parents/guardians, colleagues, administrators, Pastor and Executive Board (including writing newsletters, attending meetings and communicating as needed).
- 7. Attend activities that are church and school related: all staff are expected to support preschool related fundraisers and at least two (2) staff members are expected to attend activities that are associated with the church and preschool.
- 8. Facilitate staff meetings.
- 9. Organize continuing education opportunities for staff.
- 10. Ensure facility & curriculum meet DCF regulations.

Qualifications

- 1. Must be at least 21 years of age.
- 2. High School Diploma or equivalent.
- 3. Meet state requirements for Center Director per DCF Wisconsin Administrative Code.
- 4. Previous experience as teacher or assistant teacher in group child care center preferred.

How to Apply:

Please send your resume and cover letter to office@redeemermanty.com.

Who We Are:

Redeemer Lutheran Preschool is a non-profit Christian preschool that has been educating children in Manitowoc County for over 30 years! Our mission is to equip our students in Christian living and spread the Gospel throughout the community.