

## Newsletter – March 2023

Everything we have and everything we are is a gift of God's providential care. We understand that we are not islands unto ourselves, that we could not exist without those who have gone before us and are alongside us. God has given us forefathers in family, country, and faith. We are recipients of what God worked through them. We know that God provides for our well-being through these means.

He gives us farmers so that we can eat. But more than that God created and gave us all the things that those farmers cultivate. He gave each of those things, properties for our nourishment and sustenance. Without God creating and instilling in those things their taste and their nutritional value, we would not exist.

He gives us doctors, surgeons, nurses, and hospitals. He gives us medicine and medical instruments. Again, he gave us all things that go into making those medicines and medical instruments. He instilled in those things the properties that can be utilized for that purpose. Without God creating and instilling those healing properties into those things, and without God creating the ability within man to find this out and press it into service of our medical needs, we would not enjoy the kind of health we do now.

He has created us and given us hands. And attached to those hands are arms with strength. He created us with minds in order to make those arms and hands move to accomplish the work set before us. And He has given us reason and senses. That mind, because of the reason God has instilled in it, is able to work through difficult problems before we press those arms and hands into labor. It allows us to grapple with concepts and run through scenarios instead of having to experience every situation personally. So that everything we have AND everything we are is a gift from Him. This is what we confess in the First Article of the Creed when we say that we believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

But that is just the First Article of the Creed. We confess two more articles that deal with God's provision for our spiritual well-being. That He sent His son to die and be raised on the third day for our justification. That He delivers that justification through the Means of Grace (Baptism, preaching, the Word of God, and Holy Communion). And to give you those Means of Grace, He gives pastors and teachers, etc. So that literally everything that we have and everything that we are, in this life and the next, is an inexpressible gift from God. For that we give thanks.

As we enter this sacred season of Lent let us give thanks for all that God provides for us each and every day, but rededicate ourselves to those things that he gives us that lead to our eternal days.

In Christ,

*Pastor DeArmond*

## **Holy Week Schedule**

**Palm Sunday: April 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:00 A.M.**

**Holy Monday with the reading of St. Mark's Passion: April 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:00 pm**

**Maundy Thursday: April 6<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm**

**Good Friday: April 7<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm & 6:00**

**Easter Sunday: April 9<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am & 10:00 am**

**NO WORSHIP ON MONDAY THE 10<sup>TH</sup>**

### **Midweek Lent Worship**

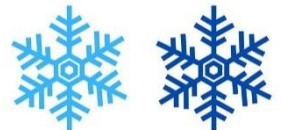
We will continue to gather every Wednesday during Lent at **6:00 P.M.** to worship as we prepare our hearts and minds on our Lord's Passion, death, and resurrection.

### **South Wisconsin District Pastors' Conference**

The Spring Pastors' conference for the South Wisconsin District will be held in Manitowoc April 17-19. The conference begins with a worship service that will be held at Redeemer with special guest preacher President John Willie of the South Wisconsin District. Everyone is welcome to attend worship that day on Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 P.M. We are in need of ushers for that service. If you would be willing to usher at this worship service, please contact Pastor DeArmond.

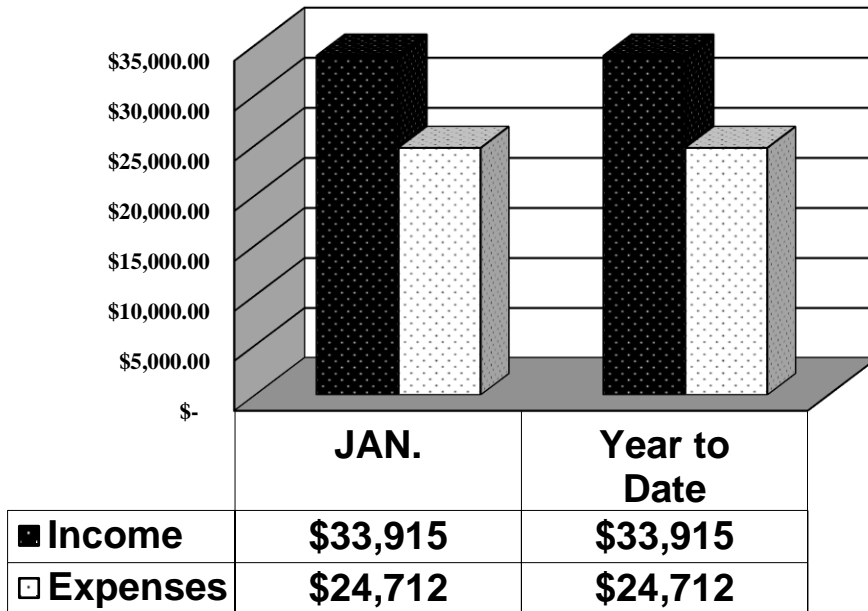
## **WINTER WEATHER**

As winter weather is upon us again there might be a time when worship or other activities may need to be canceled. Every effort will always be made to have worship. Since the most likely time to cancel something would be on a weekend, we have learned that it is easier to contact some media outlets over others on the weekend. We will try to make sure every TV station has our information, but WBAY (channel 2) and NBC26 will be the first place that information will be posted along with Redeemer's Facebook page.



## FINANCIAL UPDATE

### Summary of Income & Expenses



#### Memorials

- ♥ From the family and friends of Ione Kueter for kitchen updating.
- ♥ From the family and friends of Jean Peronto to the Memorial Fund to be designated later.
- ♥ From the family and friends of Milroy Kamke to Meals for Kids.

**Thanks** to Rosemary Kautzer for donating Children's Bibles to each student in our preschool.

**Thrivent Choice Dollars** – If you are a Thrivent policy holder and have Choice Dollars to designate, be sure to remember to do it. You can choose any qualified charity including Redeemer Church and/or Preschool. There is no cost to you and if you don't designate your Choice Dollars the money is lost.

**Funeral Luncheons** – The Quick Responders will no longer be serving hot meals following funerals. Since they would like to continue this long running tradition at Redeemer, they will offer refreshments of sandwiches with cold cuts and cheese as well as any salads and desserts donated by attendees.

**Second Time Singles** invites you to attend a performance at the Franciscan Center for Music by the Barbershop Quartet, Lake Effects on Sunday, March 5 at 2 p.m. Cost is \$5.00. Sign up in the lobby or just show up at the theater by 1:45p.m. Questions, contact Mary at 920-682-1527.

# Youth Game Night

March Youth Game Night will be on  
Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 6:30pm.



Puzzle for March:

Haiku from the parts of Matthew 17

His clothes became white

"My Son with whom I am pleased".

"Rise and have no \_\_\_\_\_"

## Music dates to remember:

March 5: Children's recorders play in church

March 26: Girls choir sings in church

## THANK YOU!

*Thank you to Rosemary Kautzer for donating the children's Bibles that will be given to all new preschool students this year. What an amazing way to share her faith with God's youngest children.*

*The Redeemer Lutheran Preschool Staff*

Preschool Registration  
NOW OPEN



## 2023-24 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.

# EASTER

## Egg hunt

### **Redeemer's annual Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am!**

Please invite your friends and family to join us for treats and crafts  
Separate hunt areas for 3 and under and 4 and up. Rain or shine!! If the weather is poor, we  
will hide the eggs inside the church building.

- ❖ Volunteers are needed for set up and help with the snacks and beverage tables.
- ❖ Donations of cookies, bars, and juice are welcome! Sign-up sheets are by the Welcome Center.
- ❖ Donations of candy (please no hard candies! "Bite size" works best) that can fit inside an egg can be left in the box by the Welcome Center. Please have them at the church by Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. **Yes! This year we are also asking for more plastic eggs!**

### **"Help for the Homeless" Hygiene Drive**

The Help for the Homeless hygiene drive will be held through  
Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. There is a list of "most needed items" on the  
collection box in the Narthex. All items can be placed in that box.  
Donations remain in the Manitowoc/Two Rivers area.



### **Redeemer Lutheran Pickleball Tournament of Champions**

**What: Pickleball for the top prize!**

**Where: The YMCA**

**When: March 18th 1:00 pm**

**Who: Any and all interested can contact Bob Gregurich  
920-652-6632**

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## March 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1) Women's Bible Study 1pm Lenten Supper 5pm Lenten Worship 6pm Catechism 6:30pm	2)	3)	4) Fox in Socks Off 6pm
5) Worship 9am Fellowship Bible Study 10:20am Second Time Singles 2pm	6) Worship 6pm	7) Men's Bible Study 7am Finance 8:15am Women's Bible Study 9am	8) Women's Bible Study 1pm Lenten Supper 5pm Lenten Worship 6pm Catechism 6:30pm	9) Exec. Board Meeting 6:30pm	10)	11)
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