

Our Week as Redeemer Church

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LAST SUNDAY

On Sunday we concluded our message series on the book of Acts. As followers of Jesus we are called to place our trust in God's abundant love for us. It is by doing this that we can keep our feet firmly planted in the new world that was initiated on that first Easter Sunday.

NEW WORLD LIVING

This week, pray that God would help you notice the places in the world around you that are glimpses of God's new world breaking into the old.

THIS SUNDAY: WORSHIP & LEARNING HOUR

- **8:30am Traditional Worship** in the Sanctuary
- **Youth Group, Sunday School, and the Adult Discussion are taking this week off.** They will resume meeting on Sunday, December 4.
- **11:00am Contemporary Worship** in the Sanctuary

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR: FAITH IN ACTION EVENT AT KIDS ABOVE ALL'S TOY ROOM

Join us to volunteer at the Kids Above All toy room (i.e., their warehouse at 1801 E Oakton St, Des Plaines) on December 3, from 10am-12pm, to sort and pack gifts for children in Kids Above All's programs. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex at church. Anyone in 5th grade and older can participate. Kids Above All requests that volunteers be vaccinated and masked. Questions? [Contact Deacon Karen](#).

CHURCH DECORATING: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

Stick around (or come back) after the 11am service to help decorate the Sanctuary and Breezeway for Christmas. Lunch will be provided for those able to help out.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR: INSIDE OUT NETWORK UPDATE

Earlier this fall, Redeemer fulfilled a commitment we made at our June annual meeting by supporting the ministry of the Inside Out Network (ION) with \$30,000 from our congregational Mission Investment Fund. This support has made a meaningful difference in ION's ability to carry out its mission in recent months. [Click here to read ION's fall newsletter, full of exciting and encouraging updates.](#)

WOMEN'S CONNECTION GROUP: DECEMBER 8, 7PM (MEETS EVERY OTHER THURSDAY)

The last women's group for 2022 will gather in the Conference Room on December 8, at 7pm. All women are welcome to join. We're currently discussing *Liturgy of the Ordinary*, by Tish Harrison Warren, and on December 8 we'll finish the book, covering chapters nine, ten, and eleven. Then we will take a break until January 12, 2023, and resume our group on Zoom for the winter months. [Contact Deacon Karen](#) with any questions.

MEN'S GROUP: DECEMBER 1, 7-8:30PM (MEETS EVERY OTHER THURSDAY)

The Redeemer men's group gathers in a hybrid format in person in the church sanctuary and via Zoom. Contact [Joe Duea](#) with any questions.

MINISTRY FOR MOMS: DECEMBER 3 (AND THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH)

Join other moms at our MOPS/MOMSnex group at Third Place Chicago on Saturday, December 3, from 9:30am-12:00pm. All moms are welcome, no matter their age or the age of their children. We meet to share our hopes, fears, and insights. This year's theme is *We Go Together!* For more information, go to thirdplacechicago.com/mops or contact [Christin Anzalotti](#) or [Mandi Glowen](#).

REDEEMER BOOK CLUB: MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 6:30PM

Everyone's welcome to participate in Redeemer's book club. The next meeting is Monday, December 5, at 6:30pm, at Redeemer. We'll discuss [The Girl on the Train, by Paula Hawkins](#). Please contact [Linda Gonzales](#) with any questions.

CHRISTMAS SEASON WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Come celebrate the Christmas season through these special worship opportunities at Redeemer Church:

- Sunday, December 4, 12pm - Sanctuary and Breezeway Decorating (Lunch will be provided.)
- Sunday, December 18, 10am - Children's Christmas Program (one service)
- Sunday, December 18, 11am - Christmas Party Luncheon
- Saturday, December 24, 4pm & 10pm - Christmas Eve Worship (Note for parents of young kids: We will not have childcare attendants during our Christmas Eve worship services.)
- Sunday, December 25 - No worship services
- Sunday, January 1, 10am - A Service of Lessons & Carols (one service)

MEAL TRAIN MINISTRY

Do you know of a member of our Redeemer community who would benefit from having a [Meal Train](#) set up for them (perhaps someone who is recuperating from surgery, lost a loved one, or just had a baby)? Check with the person to make sure they're interested and then email office@redeemerparkridge.com to get things started.

SHARE & UPDATE YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS WITH REDEEMER'S PRAYER TEAM

We have a faithful team continually praying for our congregation. To share your prayer requests or to be added to the team, please email redeemerprayerteam@gmail.com. (Do you have updates on your recent prayer requests? Please send a quick email to let our team know! It helps our team know how to continue praying.)

NEED FINANCIAL ADVICE?

Joe Duea, a member of Redeemer and a financial advisor with Western & Southern Life, is available on Friday afternoons at Third Place Chicago (4651 N Milwaukee Ave). [Contact Joe](#) if you need any financial guidance or have any financial questions.