Our Week as Redeemer Church 03-27-2024

Check out what's happening in our community.

LAST SUNDAY

Even as Jesus prepared to enter the city of Jerusalem surrounded by huge crowds who praised God because of their joy at Jesus' presence, Jesus took time to teach his closest friends about the true nature of power, authority, and greatness: "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:42-45).

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

How does Jesus' vision of power, authority, and greatness conflict with how you tend to think about these concepts? If you embraced Jesus' vision, how might your life be different?

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Let's worship together this week as we remember Jesus' arrest, death, and resurrection:

- Thursday, March 28 Maundy Thursday Worship at <u>Messiah Lutheran Church</u> (1605 Vernon Avenue, Park Ridge, IL 60068), 7:00pm
- Friday, March 29 Good Friday Dinner and Worship, 5:30pm Dinner / 6:30pm Worship
- Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday Celebration, 8:30 & 11:00am Worship / 9:45am Breakfast & Egg Hunt

HELP US CELEBRATE EASTER TOGETHER

Let's work together to make our Easter breakfast a truly hospitable celebration. <u>Click here and</u> sign up to help in one of the following ways Easter weekend:

- Provide a homemade breakfast casserole to add to the spread (we ran out last year!)
- Help set out food (Sunday, March 31, 8:30-9:30am)
- Help with remaining breakfast cleanup after 11am worship (Sunday, March 31, 12:15-1:00pm)

Contact <u>rachel@redeemerparkridge.com</u> with any questions.

RIDES FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP

If you would like a ride to and from Maundy Thursday worship at Messiah Lutheran Church, or would be able to provide a ride, please <u>email</u> or call (847-823-3634) the church office.

WORSHIP SERVICES STREAMING ON ZOOM

Both our 6:30pm Good Friday and 8:30am Easter Sunday worship services will stream via Zoom so that those who aren't able to make it to Redeemer physically can still be a part of worship. For Zoom information, contact <u>office@redeemerparkridge.com</u>.

UPCOMING STAFF TRANSITION

As we shared by email last week, our Coaching Director, Rachel Quest, has accepted a new job and will be leaving her staff role at Redeemer in April. <u>Click here for more information</u>. Please be sure to wish Rachel well, to thank her for her years of vocational service at Redeemer, and to pray for the Quest family during this season of change.

REDEEMER BOOK CLUB: MONDAY, APRIL 1, 6:30PM

Everyone is welcome to participate in Redeemer's book club! The next meeting will be on Monday, April 1, at 6:30pm, at Redeemer. We'll discuss <u>The Dutch House</u>, by Ann Patchett. Please contact <u>Linda Gonzales</u> with any questions.

MINISTRY FOR MOMS: SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 9:30AM-12:00PM

Join other moms at our MOPS/MOMSnext group at Redeemer. All moms are welcome, no matter their age or the age of their children. We meet to share our hopes, fears, and insights. For more information, <u>click here</u> or contact <u>Jade Schwich</u> or <u>Mandi Glowen</u>.

NO SENIOR LUNCHEON IN APRIL

Due to its proximity to our Easter celebration and staff scheduling, there will be no senior luncheon in April. We'll resume on Thursday, May 2, from 11am-1pm, in the Sanctuary.

ONLINE GRACIOUS GRATITUDE

We all have things we are grateful for, but sometimes we forget to give thanks. Redeemer has an online forum that's a great way to share that gratitude with others, and to lift us up when we're struggling to feel grateful. If you would like to join, or just want to learn more, contact <u>Deacon Karen</u>.

PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE: MARCH 29 AT NOON

A community Good Friday worship service at St. Luke's Lutheran Church (205 N Prospect Ave in Park Ridge) at noon on March 29 will feature the <u>Montag Ensemble playing Franz Joseph</u> <u>Haydn's *The Seven Last Words of Christ*</u>, with brief reflections from members of the Park Ridge Ministerial Association (including Deacon Karen).

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 <u>office@redeemerparkridge.com</u> 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 <u>redeemerprayerteam@gmail.com</u>. (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.)

PETER SABBATICAL

Pastor Peter, with the encouragement and approval of Redeemer's Vision and Strategy Team, will be making use of Redeemer's Sabbatical Policy beginning this May. For more information regarding Peter's Sabbatical, see <u>this letter</u>.