

Our Week as Redeemer Church

11-06-2024

Check out what's happening in our community.

BETTER TOGETHER

On Sunday we kicked off our November message series, *Better Together*. Human beings are part of a creation that's filled with difference and variety. When God made human beings, he made them in his image with differences. And God encouraged human beings to multiply—which also multiplies our differences. This is part of God's good design, and it points to his creative and relational heart.

PRACTICING FAITH

This week, you will observe or deal with human difference that makes life trickier, or that's painful, or that's infuriating. As imperfect as your vision is, try to look through the fog of sin to see what goodness lies within that difference. What is someone bringing to the table that could contribute to the common good? What does someone bring to God's party that points to our heavenly Father's creative heart? What's distinctive or even unique about someone that brings a smile to God's face?

THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday, we'll be continuing our November message series, *Better Together*.

- 8:30am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 9:45am Sunday School for kids ages 2-11 in Meeting Room One (southwest corner of the downstairs hallway)
- 9:45am Youth Group for middle and high school kids in the Staff Office (door at southwest corner of the Gym)
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP QUESTIONNAIRE

[Please click here](#) and take a moment to respond to two questions regarding your plans for this Christmas Eve. Your input helps our leaders make good plans.

SENIOR LUNCHEON: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

Seniors, please join us in the Sanctuary on Thursday, December 5, 11am-1pm, for fellowship and a meal together. All are invited to bring a dessert to share. Questions? Contact [Pastor Dan](#).

HOMELESS CARE KIT COLLECTION

As winter approaches, we are again taking up a collection to help those who are currently experiencing homelessness, and we'll be assembling care kits on November 17 in between our worship services. If you would like to donate items for the care kits, you can check out our needs list [here](#). In addition to the care kit items, we will also be working with Lutheran Social Services of Illinois to collect new and gently used coats, hats, gloves, and scarves. You can drop off donations at Redeemer or have them shipped directly to the Parsonage (Dan Quest, Redeemer Church, 818 S Clifton Ave, Park Ridge, IL 60068).

THANK YOU FROM EXODUS WORLD SERVICE

Our mission partner, Exodus World Service, recently met with us to celebrate all the wonderful things we have partnered with them on in the past year to welcome and befriend refugees being resettled in the Chicago area. If you would like to see the impact that Redeemer has made, [click here to read a letter from Exodus](#). There are also some wonderful new opportunities for our Redeemer community, including being a new neighbor to refugees who have been settled in the Park Ridge area, or signing up for a weekly prayer email. If you would like to learn more, contact [Deacon Karen](#), or visit the [Exodus World Service website](#).

FAITH COMMUNITIES SURVEY

Redeemer has been invited to participate in a national study of worship participants. The study is being conducted by Faith Communities Today (FACT). Since 2000, FACT has conducted research that provides valuable information about the changing nature of congregational life. Everyone who participates in the Redeemer community and is 18 or older is encouraged to complete [the survey found at this link](#) by Friday, November 22. It should take between 12 and 15 minutes. Thank you for taking the time to participate!

JOIN THE HOSPITALITY TEAM

Do you have a knack for organizing? Do you love to plan a party? We need your help! If you may be interested in joining the Hospitality Team, please contact Alysen Terretta (alysenp@gmail.com). The tasks include organizing and refreshing building spaces, helping to plan catering, setting up for church gatherings, welcoming new guests with baked goods and a visit, and much more! Some of these activities happen more often than others, and if you have a special interest or talent, you can choose to volunteer only with that need. For those interested, Alysen will provide a detailed list with the approximate frequency of the need.

REDEEMER BOOK CLUB: MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 6:30PM

Everyone is welcome to participate in Redeemer's book club! The next meeting will be on Monday, December 2, at 6:30pm, at Redeemer. We'll discuss [Ethan Frome](#), by Edith Wharton. Please contact Linda Gonzales (cpd5137@yahoo.com) with questions.

MOMCO MEETUP: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 9:30AM-12:00PM

Join other moms at our MomCo 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, [click here](#) or contact [Jade Schwich](#).

BREEZEWAY FLOOR

You may have noticed that the new flooring installed in the Breezeway is starting to curl up from the floor. The contractor has identified the source of the issue and will be replacing the floor at no additional cost to Redeemer in the coming weeks. Talk to Pastor Dan with any questions.

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.)

ONLINE GRACIOUS GRATITUDE

We all have things we are grateful for, but sometimes we forget to give thanks. Redeemer has an online forum to share that gratitude with others and lift us up when we're struggling to feel grateful. To join or learn more, contact [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 office@redeemerparkridge.com to get things started.

USE YOUR THRIVENT ACTION DOLLARS AT REDEEMER

Help us do more Faith in Action events year-round by using your Thrivent Action Team dollars to support this ministry. Members are eligible for funds of up to \$250 twice per year. Go to [this link](#) to find out more about Thrivent Action teams, or contact [Deacon Karen](#) about how you can use these funds for Redeemer FIA projects!

8:30AM WORSHIP STREAMING ON ZOOM

We're streaming our 8:30am Sunday worship services via Zoom so that those who aren't able to make it to Redeemer physically can still be a part of worship. Contact office@redeemerparkridge.com for Zoom information.