

Our Week as Redeemer Church

04-16-2025

Check out what's happening in our community.

LAST SUNDAY

On Palm Sunday, we stood between two parades—one of power and one of peace—and considered what it really means to follow King Jesus. His kingdom isn't built on control, fear, or status, but on mercy, healing, and deep, transforming love. To walk in his procession is to live differently, with open hands, humble hearts, and a new sense of worth.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Jesus, help me to walk in step with your kingdom—where peace wins over fear, mercy over revenge, and love over power. Teach me to follow your lead, trusting in your reign. Amen.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Let's worship together as we remember Jesus' death and resurrection:

- **Thursday, April 17** - Maundy Thursday Worship at [Messiah Lutheran Church](#) (1605 Vernon Avenue, Park Ridge, IL 60068), 7:00pm
- **Friday, April 18** - Good Friday Dinner and Worship, 5:30pm Dinner in the Gym / 6:30pm Worship in the Sanctuary (Note for parents: We will not have childcare attendants for our Good Friday worship service.)
- **Sunday, April 20** - Easter Sunday Celebration, 8:30 & 11:00am Worship in the Sanctuary / 9:45am Breakfast & Egg Hunt in the Gym

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH THIS SUNDAY'S EASTER BREAKFAST

We still need volunteers to bring food, set up, and help with cleanup on Sunday morning. [Click here to sign up online](#). Let's come together to make this a great morning for everyone!

JOIN THE BEING CHALLENGE

Redeemer is taking on the *Being Challenge*—a 40-day pursuit of the habits that shaped Jesus' life. Starting Sunday, April 27, we'll begin focusing on five key habits: committing to community, studying Scripture, prioritizing prayer, seeking solitude, and choosing church. Through daily reflections, the Sunday messages, and discussion opportunities on Sunday mornings, we'll grow in faith individually and become stronger as a community. So be sure to grab your copy of the book from the back of the Sanctuary this Sunday.

BUDGET REQUESTS

Have an idea for a ministry team, event, or building update? May 4 is the deadline to submit your budget requests ahead of our annual meeting in June. The budget request form is [available online](#), and paper copies are located in the coffee bar area on Sunday morning.

KIDS ABOVE ALL HEALTHY BABIES DRIVE

Join us in helping to provide supplies for babies in foster care by supporting the [Kids Above All Healthy Babies Drive](#). We will be collecting diapers and baby wipes at Redeemer from April 16 through May 11, or you can help with some of the other much needed items from [their Amazon wish list](#). Questions? Contact [Deacon Karen](#).

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 Alysén 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, Alysén will provide a detailed list with the approximate frequency of the need.

SENIOR LUNCHEON: THURSDAY, MAY 1

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

MOMCO MEETUP: SATURDAY, MAY 3, 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](#).

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

Everyone is welcome to participate in Redeemer's book club! The next meeting will be on Monday, April 7, at 6:30pm, at Redeemer. We'll discuss [Counting Miracles, by Nicholas Sparks](#). Please contact Linda Gonzales (cpd5137@yahoo.com) with questions.

CALLING ALL KNITTERS!

If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, or would like to learn how to do either of these, come join a new knitting circle that will be meeting in the Conference Room on the third Tuesday of every month. If you are interested or have any questions, call or text Cristie Rubeo at 847-868-6463.

PARK RIDGE COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE: APRIL 18 AT NOON

A community Good Friday worship service at St Luke's Lutheran Church (205 N Prospect Ave in Park Ridge) at noon on April 18 will feature the [Montag Ensemble playing Franz Joseph Haydn's The Seven Last Words of Christ](#), with brief reflections from members of the Park Ridge Ministerial Association.

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 redemerprayerteam@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.