

Our Week as Redeemer Church

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Check out what's happening in our community.

LAST SUNDAY

On Sunday we wrapped up our message series on the Being Challenge, a 40-day challenge to build the habits of Jesus. In our readings this week, we're looking at Jesus' commitment to gathering with God's people. When we gather together specifically in our identity as God's people, we experience—by God's grace—the ability to live the way of life Jesus invites us to live. Choosing church is messy and imperfect, but it's also beautiful and always worth it.

CHALLENGE FOR THE WEEK

If you've been keeping up with the daily readings and challenges (today is Day 37), finish strong! If you've fallen behind or never got started, grab a book and work through it at whatever pace is life-giving for you. There's great stuff in the *Being Challenge*, and no one should miss out.

THIS SUNDAY

Join us as we start our new sermon series, *The Beginning of the Good News of Jesus Christ*.

- 8:30am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
- 9:45am Being Challenge Discussion Group in the Gym
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary
- 12:15pm Being Challenge Discussion Group in the Conference Room

MAKE IT STICK: WRAPPING UP THE BEING CHALLENGE TOGETHER

We're reaching the end of the 40-day Being Challenge! Whether you stayed right on track or found yourself a few days (or weeks) behind, take a moment to celebrate the journey. You've taken steps toward building the habits of Jesus—and that matters. This week, we'll gather for our final week of discussion on Sunday, June 8, at 9:45–10:45am and 12:15–1:15pm. Don't miss this chance to reflect, encourage one another, and talk about our growth over the last 40 days.

SIGN UP NOW FOR FAITH IN ACTION WEEKEND

Each year, we choose a weekend to cancel our worship services and form teams to serve in the communities around Redeemer. This year's Faith in Action Weekend will be June 19-23, and the time to sign up to participate is now! Take a look at the different opportunities to serve our neighbors in fun and engaging ways, and sign up for the opportunity that best matches your schedule and interests. **Please sign up by this weekend if you can so our team leaders can plan for their events.** [Click here to see the events and sign up](#), or you can find the event information and sign-up sheets in the Sanctuary on Sunday. Questions? Contact [Deacon Karen](#).

CELEBRATION OF DEACON KAREN: SUNDAY, JUNE 29

As Deacon Karen's term of ministry at Redeemer comes to an end, please be sure to be at church for a special combined service on June 29 at 10am, followed immediately by a thank you celebration in the Gym.

SENIOR LUNCHEON: THURSDAY, JUNE 5

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

KNITTING CIRCLE: TUESDAY, JUNE 17

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. The group will meet on June 17, from 6:30-8:30pm. If you are interested or have any questions, call or text Cristie Rubeo at 847-868-6463.

REDEEMER BOOK CLUB: MONDAY, JULY 7, 6:30PM

Everyone is welcome to participate in Redeemer's book club, which meets monthly in the Conference Room. At the next meeting, we'll discuss *A Room with a View*, by E.M. Forster. Please contact Linda Gonzales (cpd5137@yahoo.com) with questions.

ANNUAL MEETING RECAP

Thanks to everyone who participated in last Sunday's annual meeting! We celebrated what God has done in our community over the past year, and we looked forward to the year to come. We also passed a budget that will allow us to faithfully use our shared resources for mission and ministry, and we elected and reelected leaders for our Vision and Strategy Team (VST). A special thank you to Paul Palandri for his service on VST over the last couple of years and to Geri Balazs for stepping into service in this new role! (You can always find contact information for our elected leaders at the bottom of this midweek email.)

PASTOR PETER AWAY

Pastor Peter will be away from work June 9-14.

PRAYER FOR SYNOD LEADERS

At last weekend's [Metropolitan Chicago Synod](#) Assembly, Bishop Yehiel Curry was reelected to serve another six-year term as bishop. Please pray for Bishop Curry, as well as for other leaders who were elected to lead and serve the church in the coming years.

PRIDE IN PARK RIDGE: THURSDAY, JUNE 5

Our friends at Park Ridge Community Church are holding their annual Pride in Park Ridge event this Thursday, June 5, from 5-8pm, at Hodges Park (101 Courtland Ave, Park Ridge), and all are invited to attend. [Click here for more information.](#)

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, recently 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 to put your faith into action!

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.