

# Our Week as Redeemer Church

## 07-30-2025

Check out what's happening in our community.

### LAST SUNDAY

We read [Mark 2:18-3:6](#) and heard how Jesus doesn't come to patch up our old ways of living; he comes to make us something entirely new. Through the power of His presence, he will reshape our hearts, our rhythms, and call us into a new way of being.

### Challenge Question:

Where are you asking Jesus to fit into your life, when he is inviting you to be reshaped by his?

### THIS SUNDAY

Join us as we continue our summer sermon series, *The Beginning of the Good News of Jesus Christ*. Deacon Karen will be back to share the message with us!

- 8:30am Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary (Please note: The 8:30 worship service will **not** stream on Zoom on August 3.)
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary

### FIRST SUNDAY COLLECTION

On the first Sunday of each month we collect items for the Maine Township Food Pantry, which serves people in our community who are in need. The pantry's greatest needs are for the following non-food items (they receive food from the Greater Chicago Food Depository): soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, diapers, baby wipes, Depends, feminine hygiene products, toilet paper, paper towels, and household cleaning products. Please bring something to contribute if you are able to!

### STAFF TIME AWAY

Pastor Dan is away from work through August 5. Pastor Peter is away from work through August 6. Please feel free to call or text Pastor Peter (773-329-1230) with any urgent issues. Thank you to Deacon Karen for filling in on Sunday, August 3!

### BACK TO SCHOOL BACKPACK DRIVE

Our partners [Kids Above All](#) are collecting back-to-school supplies to provide backpacks and school supplies for the children, youth, and young adults in their programs. [Click here](#) to give directly through their Amazon Wishlist, or [click here](#) to see a list of needed supplies. Donations can be left in the Redeemer Conference Room, labeled "Kids Above All," on Sundays through August 17.

**REDEEMER BOOK CLUB: MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 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 *The Flower Sisters*, by Michelle Collins Anderson. Please contact Linda Gonzales ([cpd5137@yahoo.com](mailto:cpd5137@yahoo.com)) with questions.

**SENIOR LUNCHEON: THURSDAY, AUGUST 14**

Seniors, please join us in the Sanctuary on Thursday, August 14, 11am-1pm (please note that this is the second Thursday of the month, a shift from our normal schedule), for fellowship and a meal together. All are invited to bring a dessert to share. Questions? Contact [Pastor Dan](#).

**KNITTING CIRCLE: TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 6:30PM**

If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, or would like to learn how to do either of these, come join a new knitting circle that meets monthly in the Conference Room. The group will meet next on August 19, from 6:30-8:30pm. If you are interested or have any questions, call or text Cristie Rubeo at 847-868-6463.

**REGISTER BY SEPTEMBER 24 FOR OUR ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT**

[Click here to register for the 2025 Women's Retreat](#), which will be October 10-11 (and those wanting a little extra time away are welcome to stay until Sunday, October 12). We're excited to experience a new location this year at Siena Retreat Center, on the shore of Lake Michigan in Racine, Wisconsin (about a 75-minute drive from Redeemer). Our theme this year is *Faith and Nature: A Deeper Connection with God through Nature*. The cost is \$128 per person for those staying one night, \$30 for those only attending during the day on Saturday, or \$226 for those staying two nights. Full and partial scholarships are available. Please email the church office with any questions or to request scholarship support.

**SHARE & UPDATE YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS WITH OUR 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](mailto: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.)

**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](mailto: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 [Pastor Dan](#) about how you can use these funds to put your faith into action!