

# Redeemer Announcements – August 16, 2026

## Our Mission

*We Gather, Grow, and Go to the Glory of God*

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| Sun  | 8:00 AM  | The Church Gathers for Worship w/Communion |
|      | 9:30 AM  | Bible Study: <i>Prepared to Answer</i>     |
|      | 9:30 AM  | The Church Gathers for Worship w/Communion |
| Mon  | 6:30 PM  | The Church Gathers for Worship w/Communion |
| Tues | 8:00 PM  | Faculty Meeting                            |
|      | 6:30 PM  | Women's Bible Study @ Good Shepherd        |
| Wed  | 10:00 AM | Building Committee                         |
| Thu  | 4:00 PM  | Preschool Open House                       |
| Sun  | 8:00 AM  | The Church Gathers for Worship             |
|      | 9:30 AM  | Bible Study: <i>Prepared to Answer</i>     |
|      | 9:30 AM  | The Church Gathers for Worship             |
|      | 11:00 AM | Redeemer Parent Orientation                |

## SERVING TODAY

Pastor Chris Rathje  
Accompanist: Kristen Bendix  
Communion Assistants:  
David Putz, David Lecker

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

|                         |         |           |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>  | 8:00am: | 142       |
|                         | 9:30am: | 182       |
| Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> | 6:30pm: | <u>60</u> |
|                         | Total:  | 388       |



**BUILDING ON FAITH**  
TELL THE NEXT GENERATIONS

**UPDATE & SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT** – During the final portion of the worship services, an update on the progress of our building project will be shared, as well as a special announcement.

**SCHOOL NEWS** — The Redeemer faculty has been hard at work preparing for the beginning of the 2026-2027 school year for our PreK3– 8th grade students. The enrollment currently stands at 134, up from 127 last year. Please keep in mind these upcoming dates:

- August 20: Preschool Open House
- August 23 at 11:00 AM: Back-to-School Orientation
- August 25: First day of school for grades K-8. The normal school day will run from 8:00-3:10 PM.
- August 27: 3- & 4-year-old Preschool begins. Their day will run from 8:00-11:15am mornings, and 12:00-3:20pm afternoons.



**MOMS & TOTS NEW FAMILY REGISTRATION** – Moms & Tots is a program for children ages 0-5 and a caregiver. We meet twice a month on Wednesdays in Redeemer's gym. Sessions feature a Bible story, songs and fingerplays, parachute, free play, and a take home craft. On non-session weeks, we meet for a variety of playdates and field trips.

*Registration opens for new families tomorrow August 17.* Registration is required and the cost per family is \$25/semester or \$45/year. We fill up quickly, so be sure to register as soon as you can! Check out Redeemer's website, [redeemerfdl.org/moms-tots/](http://redeemerfdl.org/moms-tots/), for more information, follow us on Facebook (MomsandTotsFDL) or contact Steph Ehlke (momsandtots@redeemerfdl.org). We'd love to have you join us!

**A SPECIAL AUGUST NEWSLETTER** will be distributed next Sunday and Monday. In addition to regular ministry announcements, an annual report will be included.

**BAPTISMS** – We rejoice together with Cody and Catrina Meyer, whose newborn son, Wren, will be brought into the family of God through the water and the Word of Holy Baptism in the second service today. We also rejoice with James and Tiffany Bethke, whose newborn daughter, Amira, was baptized this past Saturday morning.

**MEDITATIONS** – The latest issue of this daily devotional resource is available by the office window.

**SUMMER BIBLE STUDY** held in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am on Sunday has two lessons remaining in our *Prepared to Answer* series.

Aug. 16 | Can a loving God send people to hell?  
Aug. 23 | I'll let my kids decide for themselves

**FOND DU LAC AREA WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** will meet this Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at Good Shepherd. Feel free to contact Naomi Schmidt at (920) 960-1436 if you have questions.

**NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED TODAY**— We are blessed to officially welcome the newest members of our Redeemer family in this weekend's services:

- Brian and Mandi Hicks, and their grade school daughters Noelle and Maliya, join Redeemer by profession of faith, after being connected with our school for many years.
- Dan and Dr. Greta Scharp transfer to Redeemer from Trinity in Waucousta after moving to the west side of Fond du Lac.
- Johannes and Lisa Jerman, with their children Jack, Mason and Peter Jerman transfer to Redeemer from St. Paul's in North Fond du Lac.
- Julie Nett joins our congregation by adult confirmation. She's Stuart's mother.
- Stuart Nett also joins by adult confirmation. He is married to Cheyenne (nee Grandaw).
- Tyler and Miracle Dukelow, and their sons Owen, Eoin and Rowen transfer to Redeemer from St. Paul's, North Fond du Lac.

**BIBLE HOUR TEACHERS** – Would you like to join a team of volunteers that take turns teaching Bible stories to our congregation's children? Redeemer's Sunday Bible Hour begins on September 13<sup>th</sup>. Teachers take turns leading the lessons that work with their schedules. If interested, or if you have any questions, you can speak with either of our pastors.

**CALL DECISION** – Pastor Borgwardt has returned the call he received to North Carolina, remaining in his call here at Redeemer. The new mission start in The Sandhills area is an exciting place for ministry and is ready for a mission planter. Please include the core group in your prayers that they don't become discouraged as they wait for the Lord to bring to them the man he has chosen.

**T.I.M. (TEENS IN MINISTRY)** – Redeemer's youth group kicks off a new year with a picnic at Lakeside Park on September 13. Join us to hear about some exciting changes coming to T.I.M. and to get a copy of the schedule for the year.

#### **T.I.M. MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY**

What? Mission Outreach Opportunity & Big City Fun  
Where? Chicago  
When? Sunday, September 20, 7am-8:30pm  
Who? Rising Juniors/Seniors (12 spots available)  
Cost? Price of a dinner meal

One of our sister WELS mission congregations, Crossroads Chicago, is hosting a booth at a Chicago street festival and has invited a group from T.I.M. to worship with them and help out at the booth. Students who attend will be

assigned a time slot for the booth, but when not working, will have opportunity to enjoy the festival.

Seats are limited for the trip, and are offered to the oldest in T.I.M., but will be on a first come basis. Booth workers should be friendly, ready to engage passersby, and able to stand on your feet for the full two-hour shift.

Details for Sunday, September 20, include:

- Leave Redeemer 7am; arrive at Crossroads 9:30am
- Worship 10am-11am
- Crossroads provides lunch/T-shirt for volunteers
- Booth workers take turns from noon-6pm
- Explore the festival when not working the booth
- Students will cover their own supper
- Return to Redeemer 8:30pm

Ready to join? RSVP "yes" to the invitation sent through TeamReach.

**MISSION PRESENTATION** – For our first Redeemer School chapel on Friday, August 28 at 8:25 am, we'll have a special mission presentation by Jacob Lambrecht about their family's mission work in the Philippines.

The Lambrecht family is serving in Davao City on the island of Mindanao in the Philippines through Friends Network. Jacob and Heather have 5 children (Enoch 19, Roman 17, Eden, 14, Phinehas 11, and Apollos 5). Walking the streets and connecting with people on a daily basis helps to develop the friendships that are maintained through Bible studies, Sunday morning devotions, and social events. They view every member of their household as a missionary and strive to find ways for everyone to contribute to the work in a meaningful way.



**SECOND IMPRESSIONS NEW STORE UPDATE** - Second Impressions, the local thrift store that supports WLA, is moving across town this fall. Our faithful volunteers, along with some local contractors, are finishing up a lot of the remodeling and updates at the new location.

We will continue to accept donations at our current location (325 Winnebago Drive, FdL) from now until August 31. Starting **SEPTEMBER 1**, please drop off your donations at the new location, N6650 N. Rolling Meadows Drive, FdL (next door to Aldi).

Our Facebook page is very active. If you would like to see photos and updates of the new store, daily sales, fresh inventory...and more, please follow our page. We will also announce many of our clearance sales here as we get closer to moving.

