Redeemer Announcements – November 29, 2026

Our Mission
We Gather, Grow, and Go to the Glory of God

Sun	**8:00 AM**	**The Church Gathers to Worship Christ**
		- *No Bible Hour* -
	10:30 AM	**The Church Gathers to Worship Christ**
Mon	**6:30 PM**	**The Church Gathers to Worship Christ**
Tues	4:30 PM	Trustees
	5:00 PM	Sanctuary Design Committee
	6:30 PM	Steering Committee
Wed	8:30 & 10AM	Mom's & Tots Sessions
	10:00 AM	Building Committee Meeting
	3:30 PM	**Midweek Advent Worship**
	4:15 PM	Church Supper
	5:00 PM	Adult Choir Practice
	6:30 PM	**Midweek Advent Worship**
Thu	9:00 AM	Christian Book Club @ Capelle's
	4:00 PM	Capital Campaign Committee Mtg
	6:30 PM	Bible Basics
	7:00 PM	Christian Book Club @ Capelle's
Fri	8:25 AM	Redeemer School Chapel
Sat	10:00 AM	Advent Tea
	4:00 PM	Winter Band Concert @WLA
Sun	**8:00 AM**	**The Church Gathers to Worship Christ w/Communion**
	9:15 AM	Ministry Appreciation Fellowship Hour Children's Bible Hour
	10:30 AM	**The Church Gathers to Worship Christ w/Communion**
	1:00-3:00 PM	Faith-Framing Event

SERVING TODAY

Pastor Chris Rathje

Accompanist: Cindy Thiesfeldt

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Sunday 22nd	8:00am: 161
	10:30am: 129
Monday 23rd	6:30pm: 48
	Total: 328

Thanksgiving Eve: 257
Thanksgiving Day: 131
Total: 388

ALTAR FLOWERS were given by the Levenhagen family in thanks to God for their mother Jan Levenhagen's 85th birthday and Thanksgiving.

CHRISTMAS CHORAL SERVICE & MINISTRY APPRECIATION FELLOWSHIP- Join us is the fellowship hall at 9:15 next Sunday, December 6th, for a cake reception (traditionally donut hour) to celebrate the 25+ year ministries of three of our WLA teachers:

- Mr. Jeremy Thiesfeldt came with his family to Redeemer 26 years when he was called to our Academy. Most of his teaching ministry has been at WLA – in two segments, with 12 years of service in with Wisconsin State Assembly in between (which is how we missed his 25th).
- Mr. Kevin Ehlke and family came to Redeemer 15 years ago when he accepted a call as Director of Bands at WLA. He is finishing his call at Mission Advancement Director in his 26th year of ministry (We had thought this was 25 but missed a year of emergency teaching).
- Mr. Brad Bendix and family came to Redeemer 11 years ago when he accepted the call to our Academy as Activities Director. He is concluding his teaching ministry this Christmas in his 25th year of ministry.

Special boxes located in the Gathering Area are available for cards and gifts of appreciation to these men who have so faithfully served our students!

FAITH-FRAMING EVENT – Come to the building site next Sunday, anytime between 1 and 3 pm. We'll have scores of markers ready for you to post a prayer or write your favorite Scripture verse on the wall studs before they are covered by drywall. Just as the wood frames our building, God's Word supports all of our ministry.

ADVENT TEA UPDATE: Thanks to the many ladies who signed up to host a table and bring food. We could still use some additional food donations as well as some help in the kitchen following the event. Please check the display in the narthex to sign up to help. If you have any questions, please contact Steph Ehlke (920) 970-3950.

CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS is coming up on Saturday, December 12th. Put this morning of fun for your 4 to 10-year-old on the calendar! This 9am-12 noon event includes Christmas lessons, crafts, games, cookie decorating, a nativity play, and a complimentary hot dog lunch. Register today using the QR code and invite someone else to join us using the invitations that have been printed and are sitting by the office window.

We are looking for volunteers to help in various ways to make the morning the best it can be (for example~ baking cookies, assisting with various activities, etc.) Sign-ups for volunteers can be found on the gym or church bulletin boards.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING -We'll gather on Sunday, December 13th after Bible Hour. There'll be light refreshments for carolers. See the sign-up sheet for more details.

HOLDING CALLS TO REDEEMER are the following men:

- Benjamin Melott, serving at St. John's Lutheran School in Wauwatosa, to teach 7th grade, serve a vice principal, and become principal the following year.
- Brad Hengeveld, serving at St. John's Lutheran School in Dakota, MN, to teach 5th-6th grade and serve as Athletic Director.

Please add them and their families to your prayers as each deliberate the two calls before them.

~ ADVENT & CHRISTMAS WORSHIP & CONCERTS~

MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP begins this Wednesday, Dec. 2nd, and continues the 9th and 16th. These brief devotional services begin at 3:30 and 6:30 with a meal served in between, beginning at 4:15.

WINTER BAND CONCERT The WLA Winter Band Concert will be held on Saturday, Dec 5, in the Gym at 4:00 pm. The concert will consist of performances by both the WLA and Grade School bands. Mrs. Abby Kurth concludes her ministry as director of bands in order to welcome her baby in the New Year.

JOYFUL WITNESS CONCERT Joyful Witness is pleased to proclaim Christ's birth in their 2026 concert, Friday, December 11 at 7:00 pm and Saturday, December 12 at 2:00 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, NFDL.

WLA CHRISTMAS CONCERT The Winnebago Lutheran Academy Sacred Christmas concert will be presented at WLA Thursday, December 17 at 7:00pm and Friday, December 18 at 1:00 pm.

REDEEMER SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE – Friday, December 18 at 10 AM the Preschool students will have their Christmas service in the sanctuary.

At 6 PM K-8 will have their Christmas service in the gym. All are invited for this favorite tradition as our students lead us to marvel again at the miracle at the manger.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP begins at 4pm and 6pm, as we celebrate the birth of our Savior.

CHRISTMAS DAY LESSONS & CAROLS will be held Christmas Day morning at 9:00 AM. Consider adding this unique and beautiful service to your family traditions of how you celebrate God becoming a human to save you.

POINSETTIAS for our church Christmas decorations will be ordered on Dec. 7th. If you wish to give a plant as a memorial for $20 each, fill out one of the envelopes on the table in the gathering area. You can take them home after the Christmas Day Lessons & Carols service.

SEMINARY CHRISTMAS GIFTS - The Fond du Lac area WELS churches are again giving Gift Card Christmas Gifts to the married students at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Thiensville. Special offering envelopes for these gifts are available by the office window, through December 6th. Redeemer member Roxanne Pieper is coordinating this program. Her email is: braillepins@yahoo.com.

LADIES SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY—All ladies of Redeemer are invited on Tuesday, Dec. 8th, to attend the Ladies Society Christmas Party. The party will be at Sunset on the Water (N7364 Winnebago Dr. FDL). Fellowship begins at 5:30pm. We will be ordering our meal, ala carte at 6:00pm.

VOTERS' MEETING on Sunday, December 13th at 11:45 AM will be held for election of leadership positions at Redeemer.

WLA NEW CAMPUS UPDATE

- Church Councils are being visited and are considering options for how their congregations can participate.
- Some congregations are holding forums and voting on congregational commitments/pledges to the Amazing Grace! Amazing Gifts Capital Campaign.
- The WLA Plenary Board approved a timeline to receive and accept bids. They'll meet again on 1/13/2027 and vote on whether to break ground this Spring.

IMMEASURABLY MORE
TO GOD BE THE GLORY

SCHOOL PHASE – The gym contractor is returning to Texas but will be back in early December when the rafters above the school lobby are completed.

FAITH-FRAMING EVENT – On Sun, Dec 6 from 1:00-3:00 PM, we're invited to the site to write Bible passages or other encouraging messages on the wood framing.

RESPECTING WORK IN PROGRESS – Please do not drive onto the site. You can view progress from nearby roads.

REDEEMERFDL.ORG/DESIGN has regular updates. Email the Design Team at design@redeemerfdl.org anytime with comments or questions.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN REVIEW will happen in January, inviting commitments toward the sanctuary project, but you don't have to wait to give a special gift.

YEAR-END GIVING - If you have a RMD for this year, consider using it as a QCD to our sanctuary project or the new campus at WLA to reduce your tax basis.