



# Redeemer

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

### REDEEMER MONTHLY

### August 2026

A Newsletter for Members and Friends of Redeemer Lutheran Church  
1700 West Fair Avenue, Marquette, Michigan 49855 — [www.redeemermqt.org](http://www.redeemermqt.org)  
Redeemer's Mission...inviting all people to become students,  
believers and followers of Jesus Christ.

### Redeemer Partners with *Five Two* to Continue to Grow



At our June 21 congregational meeting, the people of Redeemer decided to partner with *Five Two Strategic Growth Network*.

Over the next two years, *Five Two* will help our congregation clarify its calling, discover its values and set a 5-year practical growth plan to introduce more people in our community to the love of Jesus Christ. *The Five Two* process is not top-down, but bottom-up as they facilitate workshops, surveys, and listening

sessions from the people in the pew to help our church rediscover how God has uniquely gifted us to reach people with the gospel of Jesus.

Be on the lookout this October for a Saturday workshop to gather the smallest to the largest of leaders in our congregation to kick-off this exciting partnership and ministry direction for our church.

For more information feel free to visit: [fivetwo.com](http://fivetwo.com), or talk to Pastor Chad.

### National Night Out Block Party



Redeemer will host a National Night Out Block Party for neighbors and members on Wednesday, August 5, 5:00-8:00 p.m. Games, food, visits from our local law enforcement agencies, and fun for all ages will highlight the evening.

Volunteers are needed to help in all areas of the event — from games to food preparation to food service, from set up to clean up.

**Volunteer sign-up sheets are in the narthex.**



Join Our  
**BLOCK PARTY**

Please find a time and a job that will work for you and volunteer to help make our  
"Night Out Against Crime" an unforgettable evening.

## Sunday School & King's Kids Teachers Needed

We are currently building our **Sunday School teaching teams** and **King's Kids staff** for the 2026-2027 school year. Have you considered being involved in our Children's Ministry?

**Sunday School** classes for children age 3 through grade six will begin on Sunday, September 13, 10:10 a.m. Bible studies for Junior and Senior High Youth will begin that day also.

**King's Kids**, our children's ministry opportunity on Saturday nights. Plan to join us on September 12. With the beginning of the new school year comes an opportunity for new volunteers to be brought onto the team!

Our Children's Ministry staff utilizes a team teaching approach and has found this to be very helpful both to help our teachers accommodate their busy schedules and to give the children multiple positive role models. Most classes have a team of three teachers who share the class preparation and leadership on a rotating basis.



To volunteer, call DCE Anna Gemar (228-9883) or Amy Martin, King's Kids Coordinator (228-9883).

JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE  
CHILDREN



volunteer with  
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



### Tool Box Guys

The Tool Guys will be meeting on Monday, August 10 at noon for lunch, a devotion and some tooling around.

What are the Tool Guys? They are a group of men volunteering their time to work on projects around the church.

Questions? Call John at 906-235-8160.

### Preschool Registration



### Ruth Pond Scholarship Fund

The Ruth Pond Scholarship Fund continues to assist families with Preschool tuition when it is difficult for them financially.



Memorials received in memory of Ruth Pond, former teacher for Redeemer Lutheran Preschool, are used for tuition scholarships. These monies give us a new opportunity to provide financial assistance to children who might otherwise not be able to attend preschool where they can learn of Jesus and grow in faith.

If you would like to donate to this very important Scholarship Fund please place your donation in an envelope marked "Ruth Pond Scholarship Fund" and place it in the offering or deliver it to the church office.

## End of Summer Women's Lake Day

**JOIN US**

All women of Redeemer, friends, and daughters are invited to the annual

Lake Day open house, this year at a new location at the camp of Liz and Dave McNamee on Wednesday, August 19 from 3:00 p.m. to around 8:00 p.m. Please drop in for a fun time.

The camp has a sand beach on Lake Superior that is good for swimming or kayaking if weather allows. There is a somewhat steep slope to walk down from the house to the beach. There are a few kayaks to use there. Bring a change of clothes to swim or play in the water, bring your favorite game to play, or just sit and enjoy looking at the water. Attendees can sign up to bring an appetizer, salad or dessert to share, but not everyone needs to bring something.

The McNamee Camp is at 809 Lakewood Lane. Consider carpooling with a friend to save parking space. Sign-up sheets will be posted at the Women's Ministry board. Contact Liz at 228-6528 or Amy Gawry at 517-581-5843 with questions.

## VBS Thank You

A HUGE thank you to all those who volunteered their time to help at VBS. Thank you to those who donated items, and those who helped behind the scenes. Without you we would not be able to have such a successful VBS program. The kids had a blast and we loved to see all those smiles throughout the week.

Heartfelt  
**THANKS**  
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

## Confirmation Registration

7th & 8th Grade students who are going to join us for Confirmation Instruction can now register! Follow the QR Code to register!

A video orientation will be sent to you via email and via QR Code in a physical letter in the beginning of August. This will have all the requirements laid out for you. Be on the lookout for that!



## Widows in Fellowship

Widows in Fellowship will meet will be meeting on Thursday, August 13. We will meet in the chapel lounge at 1:00pm for lunch.

The main dish will be provided; bring a dish to share if you would like. The group is open to all widows who would like to share good food, lively conversation, and Christian fellowship.

If you or someone you know might be interested, please call Carolyn Snyder at 906-251-0913 for more information.

## Honduras Mission Trip 2027

Redeemer will be sending a mission team to Honduras in January 2027. There will be another informational meeting Wednesday, August 12 at 6:00pm at church. The mission may include VBS, School supply distribution, food distribution, craft projects, building projects, and a Women's Bible study.

We will go over dates, cost, fundraiser details and answer any questions. We would love for you to join us on our next mission trip to Flower Mountain.

Contact Amy Martin at 906-228-9883 or  
Kyle Martin at 906-250-1091 with any questions.





## August Mission Project



For the month of August, we are looking for Croc style shoes for children and adults. If you have any gentle used shoes or if you would like to donate a new pair, please drop them in the box by the mission board in the back of the Nartex.

Many of the families that you see in the villages in flower mountain do not have shoes to wear or the shoes they have are falling apart and not in good condition. Last year we were able to hand out shoes to many of the children in the villages and even had some for the adults as well.



## Greeting's From The VanOrman's

It seems like summer just got here, and yet it is flying by! James will be finished with his summer classes by the end of July. He has learned a lot in a short period of time and is looking forward to a break from classes. At the end of June James had the opportunity to preach his first sermon at our RFE congregation, Immanuel Lutheran in Olivette. Despite some technical difficulties with the sound system, his sermon went well and he received a lot of positive feedback. He will have a couple more opportunities to preach coming up in August. One at our RFE congregation on the 9th and another at Redeemer when we visit Marquette on the 15th and 16th .

Evangeline and Joy have been having a great summer playing outside with friends almost every day, even though the heat and humidity have been intense. They never want to come inside, but when they finally do they are grateful for it. Summer days leave us longing for Lake Superior and the U.P.!

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places. Ephesians 1:3

## Praise Like Heaven

Periodically, I'll have someone mention a song to me that they really love and think I would appreciate. Even if I'm familiar with the song, the suggestion prompts another listen and looking a bit deeper into the meaning behind the song. Recently, I had a few people appreciating "SO BE IT" by Elevation Worship, Tiffany Hudson, & Chris Brown.

And what a powerful song it is! Unlike the things of our world that are increasing wishy-washy, God's Word is trustworthy and true. The song opens by proclaiming that when God speaks, it's as good as done. The promises and character of God stir up confident declarations that if God says it is done "it is done!"

As I've listened to the song quite a few times recently, I find myself considering whether our mindset is aligned with this truth. Do we treat God's Word as a "maybe" or an "I hope so" or as a certainty? I think this song helps us get to the point of singing "hallelujah to the last and the first, ruler of the universe."

Really, it's a perfect tie in to some of the recent themes from Revelation. The words of Revelation 12 are almost quoted in "SO BE IT": For the accuser of our brothers and sisters has been hurled down. They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony."

This song, then, serves as a wonderful reminder of what God has done, that his promises are trustworthy, because Jesus has paid the price for the sin of the world and "he's alive!" I encourage you to listen to "SO BE IT" with passages in mind like Isaiah 54:17, Isaiah 55:11, and Revelation 12:10-11. Because "if God said it, it's as good as done."

~ Pastor Daniel

# Worship Tech Opportunities

Join the

AUDIO | VISUAL | LIGHTS

## WORSHIP TECH TEAM

One of the exciting opportunities to serve at Redeemer is on the Worship Tech Team. We believe that there is a vast mission field available to us by using media and technology. So, we need you to serve in one of our 5 roles on the tech team: Slides Operator, Video Technician, Live Sound Technician, Broadcast Sound Technician, and Lighting Technician.



You don't need to have any prior experience or vast technical skills. We provide all the training and practical skills you will need. Talk to Pastor Daniel or text Connor Gentz (906-250-5126), our Broadcast Engineer, to get started. You can also visit [redeermgt.org/tech](https://redeermgt.org/tech) for more information.

## Opt Out of Redeemer Monthly Mailing

You may be wondering why you are receiving a paper copy of our Redeemer Monthly. You might even be seeing this for the first time without even realizing we even had a monthly newsletter! Our goal is to give the Redeemer Monthly an audience reset.

For full transparency, our newsletter has two main audiences: physical (what you are holding), and email (a PDF copy of this newsletter). As we have transitioned into new church membership database software we are discovering that our newsletter reach might not be what we wanted it to be, and there are great new tools to help ensure that the Redeemer family is up to speed on all the great things going on in and around their church.

Here's where you come in. We have reset and expanded our mailing address library so that all addressees receive a printed newsletter. If this pleases you, do nothing and you'll continue to receive your newsletter just like this. If you would prefer an email for a PDF newsletter, the QR code/link below will take you to a quick form to set that up. Right now, it's either-or. We hope to expand our email list with an opt-in which would allow an expanded email subscription in addition to the mailings.

We hope you appreciate this reset. Our desire here is to greater fulfill our mission statement: Inviting all people to become students, believers, and followers of Jesus Christ.

<https://redeermgt.churchcenter.com/people/forms/638950>



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**Sunday****Monday****Tuesday****Wednesday****Thursday****Friday****Saturday****2026****Redeemer Lutheran Church**

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*1*  
5:00 PM Informal  
Praise with  
Communion

*2*  
9:06 AM Praise with Communion  
11:00 AM Traditions with  
Communion

*3*  
10:00 AM Staff Meeting  
6:00 PM Elders Meeting  
7:00 PM Church Council

*4*  
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl

*5*  
5:00 PM Block  
Party

*6*  
5:30 PM Praise Team  
Practice

*7*  
5:00 PM Informal  
Praise

*9*  
9:06 AM Praise  
11:00 AM Traditions

*10*  
10:00 AM Staff Meeting  
12:00 PM Tool Box Guys

*11*

*12*  
5:30 PM SHINE  
6:00 PM Honduras  
Mission Meeting

*13*  
5:30 PM Praise Team  
Practice  
1:00 PM Widow's in  
Fellowship

*14*  
5:00 PM Informal  
Praise with  
Communion

*16*  
9:06 AM Praise with Communion  
11:00 AM Traditions with  
Communion

*17*  
10:00 AM Staff Meeting

*18*  
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl

*19*  
3:00 PM Women's  
Lake Day

*20*  
5:30 PM Praise Team  
Practice

*21*  
5:00 PM Informal  
Praise

*23/30*  
9:06 AM Praise  
11:00 AM Traditions

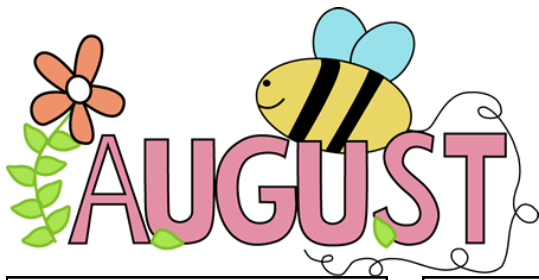
*24/31*  
10:00 AM Staff Meeting

*25*

*26*

*27*  
5:30 PM Praise Team  
Practice

*28*  
5:00 PM Informal  
Praise



# SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE

## August 1, 5pm:

**Ushers:** Kyle Martin,  
Rich Demboski,  
Scott & Melissa  
Hendrickson

**Acolyte:** Brayden Kramer  
**Elders:** Dave Brown, Dick  
Bohjanen  
**Nursery:** Ella Martin

## August 2, 9:06am:

**Ushers:** Ray Kuczwara,  
Nicole Christensen  
Bill & Patti  
Nemacheck,  
Lori Appleton

**Acolyte:** Nathan Bruce  
**Elders:** Chris Jason, Matt  
Wuokko

## August 2, 11am:

**Ushers:** Dorance & Donna  
Brege Chris & Sarah  
Stanley

**Acolyte:** Dorothy Janda  
**Elders:** Jason Welch, Jerome  
LeBoeuf  
**Reader:**

## August 8, 5pm:

**Ushers:** Donna Brege,  
Todd & Karen  
Beckwith,  
Dave & Stacy Brown

**Acolyte:** Sigurd Johnson  
**Nursery:** Kirsi Beglund

## August 9, 9:06am:

**Ushers:** Greg Nelson,  
Arlette Dubord,  
Carl Pace,  
Kelly Stilwell, Robin  
Trembath

**Acolyte:** Sunshine Oelfke

## August 9, 11am:

**Ushers:** Max Holloway, Larry &  
Sharon Carey, Nan  
Seaton, Jason Welch

**Acolyte:** Maddy Miller  
**Reader:**

## August 15, 5pm:

**Ushers:** Mark & Allison Wuori,  
Chris & Val  
Sevegney, Butch &  
Tammy Stipe

**Acolyte:** Holly Johnson  
**Elders:**  
**Nursery:** Jackie & Sunshine  
Oelfke

## August 6, 9:06am:

**Ushers:** Harry & Sue Erickson,  
Amy Salminen,  
Dennis & Mary Yelle

**Acolyte:** AJ Garcia  
**Elders:**

## August 6, 11am:

**Ushers:** Dorance & Donna  
Brege Chris & Sarah  
Stanley

**Acolyte:** Camden Reed  
**Elders:**  
**Reader:**

## August 22, 5pm:

**Ushers:** Kyle Martin,  
Rich Demboski,  
Scott & Melissa  
Hendrickson

**Acolyte:** Autumn Koltvedt  
**Nursery:** Ella Martin

## August 23, 9:06am:

**Ushers:** Ray Kuczwara,  
Nicole Christensen  
Bill & Patti  
Nemacheck,  
Lori Appleton

**Acolyte:** Ella Erickson

## August 23, 11am:

**Ushers:** Max Holloway, Larry  
& Sharon Carey, Nan  
Seaton, Jason Welch

**Acolyte:** Alba Ray

**Reader:**

## August 29, 5pm

**Ushers:** Donna Brege,  
Todd & Karen  
Beckwith,  
Dave & Stacy Brown

**Acolyte:** Levi Pond  
**Nursery:** Kirsi Beglund

## August 30, 9:06am:

**Ushers:** Greg Nelson,  
Arlette Dubord,  
Carl Pace,  
Kelly Stilwell, Robin  
Trembath

**Acolyte:** Kaelyn Hongisto

## August 30, 11am:

**Ushers:** Dorance & Donna  
Brege Chris & Sarah  
Stanley

**Acolyte:** Madeleine Nelson  
**Reader:**