

Redeemer  
Lutheran  
Church  
Newsletter  
March 2025


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CHRIST

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**“One of the criminals who were hanged railed at Him, saying, ‘Are You not the Christ? Save Yourself and us!’ But the other rebuked him, saying, ‘Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.’ And he said, ‘Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.’ And He said to him, ‘Truly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in paradise.’ It was now about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour, while the sun’s light failed. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, ‘Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit!’ And having said this He breathed His last. Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, saying, ‘Certainly this man was righteous!’”**

**Luke 23:39-47**

A faint, artistic illustration of three crosses on a hill, with the central cross being the largest and tallest. The background is a soft, light blue and yellow gradient.

It is not a coincidence that the event in our Lord’s life I chose to discuss in this month’s article is His death on the cross. The season of Lent happens to begin this month with Ash Wednesday falling on the 5th, and a lot of the focus of the Lenten season is on the cross of Christ, and what His death means for us as Christians. Of course, the cross is the center of our faith year round, but there is a big focus on the cross in this Church season because on the cross we see our sins swallowed up in victory. This is why we repent of our sins because we see that in Jesus there is forgiveness, and our sins do not belong to us anymore. Paul writes in Romans 6, “The death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God (v. 10).” Jesus bore all of your sins on the tree so that in Him you have forgiveness for your sins and everlasting life. There is no greater proclamation of the Gospel than Jesus died for you, and He forgives you. The promise is even there while He is dying on the cross. One of the thieves who came to faith in Jesus said to our Lord, “Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.” Jesus responds, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in paradise.” Imagine the joy that thief is experiencing now in heaven. For Jesus laid down His life for sinners such as him and us. This means the promise of Paradise is for you too.

Even though you are not in heaven yet, paradise is yours today. It is freely given to you in the forgiveness of your Lord Jesus Christ because of His blood shed for you. Every event in the life of Christ, from His conception to His birth to His baptism and ministry, has led up to this point on Golgotha where salvation was accomplished for you. Your sins are atoned for. The wrath of God does not hang over you anymore. You have been received into the arms of your heavenly Father through His Son Jesus Christ. The death of Jesus on the cross has given you new meaning in life. You are free from sin, free from death, and free from the devil. You are covered in the righteousness of your Savior, and nothing or no one, not even yourself, can separate you from that truth. Amen.

Pastor Nemeč



## Wednesday Bible Study

We meet every **Wednesday at 11 am**. We are studying the **Gospel of John**.

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### *Men's Breakfast and Bible Study*

Join the men Saturday, **March 1st at 9:00 am**. If you would like to help cook or just want to keep the cooks company, please show up around 8 am. Men of all ages are welcome! Bring your appetite and your cooking skills.

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### Young Adult Bible Study

We are studying the **Gospel of Matthew March 3rd and 17th at 7pm**.

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### Apple Core Care Group Bible Study

Ladies mark your calendars! We are meeting again **March 10th at 6:30pm** at Marcia Earley's house. Please contact Patty Perkins 806-473-7333 for more information.

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### Braille

Braille will meet every **Tuesday at 1:30pm**. If you want more information on this project please contact Barbara Davis for details at 806-790-7267. More volunteers are welcome!!

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### Daylight Savings Time

Remember to move your clocks forward **March 9th**.

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### Board Meetings

The Board of Elders will meet March 2nd at noon.  
The Board of Directors will meet March 9th at noon.

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### Nurturing Center Fundraising Banquet

Coming **March 13!** The Nurturing Center will be having their Annual Fundraising Banquet at the Lubbock Civic Center. Cocktails begin at 6pm. Dinner and the speaker begins at 7pm. There is no charge for the dinner, but at the end there will be an opportunity to make a private donation. If you would like to attend the banquet or have questions, please contact Patty.



**WE PROVIDE**  
PREGNANCY TESTS  
ULTRASOUNDS  
PARENTING CLASSES  
BABY ITEMS  
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
AND RESOURCES

**OUR MISSION:**  
TO PROVIDE INDIVIDUALLY TAILORED  
COMPASSIONATE AND CONFIDENTIAL  
ASSISTANCE TO PREGNANT WOMEN

**STARTING 2024 NEW PROGRAMS**  
MEN ONLINE CLASSES  
MOM SUPPORT GROUP  
PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR LICENSE

WE ENVISION A CULTURE WHERE WOMEN AND MEN FACED  
WITH PREGNANCY DECISIONS ARE SUPPORTED AND  
EMPOWERED TO CHOOSE LIFE FOR THEIR UNBORN CHILD.

Confession & Absolution - Awaiting the Messiah  
Gloria in Excelsis - The Birth & Baptism of our Lord  
Readings & Sermon - Ministry of our Lord  
Sanctus - The Triumphal Entry  
Words of our Lord & the Agnus Dei - The Death of our Lord  
Nunc Dimitis & Benediction - The Resurrection & Ascension of our Lord

### Lenten Services

The Life of Christ in the Divine Service  
Ash Wednesday - March 5 - 7pm  
Lenten Midweeks - 7pm  
March 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9  
Maundy Thursday - April 17 - 7pm  
Good Friday - April 18 - 7pm  
Easter - April 20

# Redeemer Lutheran Women's Missionary League

## *Mission Statement*

The mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League is to assist each woman of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is enabled to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world.

## Ladies Quilting Group

The Quilting Group meets regularly on the First and Third Monday of each month at 9 am to prepare quilts for various local non-profit organizations. The group would like to thank all of you who have previously donated to this project and ask for continued support.

If you like to quilt, please come join them.



## MITES!

If you would like to be involved in the good works that our Mites do, you can pick up a box from the LWML table in the Parish Hall. It is amazing what these small amounts will do. At the end of the day, you can put your loose change in the box, then bring your full box to church and give it to Krista Holder.

## Altar Flowers

We encourage members to help us adorn the Altar every Sunday. The 2025 Flower Calendar is posted on the Sacristy door in the Parish Hall. If you would like to honor an occasion with flowers, please sign up. The cost of the flowers is based upon the size and number of arrangements. Please contact the church office for further information.

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### Sunday Announcements

If you have an item of information you wish to share with the congregation, please write it down and give it to Pastor prior to the Sunday service so that it may be included in the announcements.

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### Bulletin & Newsletter

Please contact Rebecca concerning any meetings or other events that you wish to have published in the bulletin or the monthly newsletter. The

deadlines for these are:

Bulletin - Wednesday at noon

Newsletter - 20th of every month

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### 2025 Church Calendar

The calendar is on the desk in the office. If you have an event that needs to be on there, please let Rebecca know so the date is reserved.

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### Online Giving

We have a **“Give Now”** option on our Website **“rlcms.org”**. You can give a one time offering or set up a recurring offering. Just go to the website and hit the “Give Now” option on the menu and

follow the directions. If you have any questions you can contact Patty Perkins 806/473-7333 or Rebecca 806/744-6178.



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### Lutheran Hour

Remember to tune to KFYO 790 AM at 8:00 am each Sunday morning to hear the Lutheran Hour broadcast. If you are outside the Lubbock broadcast area, the Lutheran Hour is also broadcast on KPET 690 AM in Lamesa at 11:30 am You can also listen live on Facebook **@lutheranhourministry** Or the Website **LHM.org**

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### Facebook

The Sunday bulletin and newsletter are available on the Redeemer Lutheran Church website: **www.rlcms.org**

**SERVICES ARE BEING STREAMED LIVE ON FACEBOOK**

**@Historic Redeemer Lutheran Church Missouri Synod**

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### Parking

Please let the church office know if you need to park your vehicle in the parking lot for a period of time so we do not tow it.



## Our Staff

**Pastor Charles Nemeč**  
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**Secretary** Rebecca Clark

**Organist** Cynthia Merrell

**Custodian** Krista Holder

## MEETING DATES

### BOARD OF ELDERS

**March 2, 2025**

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**March 9, 2025**

### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**To Be Announced**



## ELDER SERVING

### March

**Richard Holder**

Counters	Judy Lingnau Richard Holder
Altar Circle	Krista Holder

Date	Usher
March 2 <b>Holy Communion</b>	Isaiah Clark Clifford Gruetzner Harvey Fleischhauer
March 9	Clifford Gruetzner Harvey Fleischhauer
March 16 <b>Holy Communion</b>	Isaiah Clark Steve Platten Clifford Gruetzner
March 23	Isaiah Clark Steve Platten
March 30	Clifford Gruetzner Harvey Fleischhauer

### BOARD OF ELDERS

#### **Chairman**

Harvey Fleischhauer  
Richard Holder  
Steve Platten

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### **Chairman**

Clifford Gruetzner

#### **Vice Chairman**

Empty

#### **Treasurer**

Patty Perkins

#### **Secretary**

Barbara Davis

### TASK FORCE LEADERS

#### **Maintenance**

Empty

#### **Publicity & Evangelism**

James Clark

#### **Human Resources**

Empty

#### **Keeper of the Keys**

Cynthia Merrell

#### **Sunday School Superintendent**

Rieka Obenhaus

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
2 9:30am Worship w/ Comm. Ushers: Isaiah, Clifford, Harvey 10:45am Bible Study Noon Board of Elders	3 9am Quilting 7:00pm Young Adult Bible Study <b>Birthdays:</b> Allen McRorey	4 1:30pm Braille	5 11am Bible Study 7:00pm Ash Wednesday w/ Comm.	6 <b>Birthdays:</b> Mallory Roberts	7	8 <b>Birthdays:</b> Briggslee Carpenter
9 9:30am Worship Ushers: Clifford, Harvey 10:45am Bible Study 10:45am Board of Directors 	10 6:30pm Apple Core Ladies Bible Study	11 1:30pm Braille	12 11am Bible Study 7:00pm Lenten Service	13 14	15	
16 9:30am Worship w/ Comm. Ushers: Isaiah, Steve, Clifford 10:45am Bible Study	17 9am Quilting 7:00pm Young Adult Bible Study	18 1:30pm Braille <b>Birthdays:</b> Cheryl Gruetzner	19 11am Bible Study 7:00pm Lenten Service <b>Birthdays:</b> Joyce Williams	20 21	22 <b>Birthdays:</b> Holly Roberts	
23 9:30am Worship Ushers: Isaiah, Steve 10:45am Bible Study	24	25 1:30pm Braille	26 11am Bible Study 7:00pm Lenten Service <b>Anniversary:</b> John & Diane Mann	27 28	29	
30 9:30am Worship Ushers: Clifford, Harvey 10:45am Bible Study Noon 5th Sunday Potluck 	<b>ELDER SERVING</b> <b>Richard Holder</b>					

- March 1<sup>st</sup>  
*Ecclesiastes 10*
- March 2<sup>nd</sup>  
*Ecclesiastes 11*
- March 3<sup>rd</sup>  
*Ecclesiastes 12*
- March 4<sup>th</sup>  
*Song of Songs 1*
- March 5<sup>th</sup>  
*Song of Songs 2*
- March 6<sup>th</sup>  
*Song of Songs 3*
- March 7<sup>th</sup>  
*Song of Songs 4*
- March 8<sup>th</sup>  
*Song of Songs 5*
- March 9<sup>th</sup>  
*Song of Songs 6*
- March 10<sup>th</sup>  
*Song of Songs 7*
- March 11<sup>th</sup>  
*Song of Songs 8*
- March 12<sup>th</sup>  
*Isaiah 1*
- March 13<sup>th</sup>  
*Isaiah 2*
- March 14<sup>th</sup>  
*Isaiah 3*
- March 15<sup>th</sup>  
*Isaiah 4*

- March 16<sup>th</sup>  
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*Isaiah 16*
- March 28<sup>th</sup>  
*Isaiah 17*
- March 29<sup>th</sup>  
*Isaiah 18*
- March 30<sup>th</sup>  
*Isaiah 19-20*
- March 31<sup>st</sup>  
*Isaiah 21*



Let the word of Christ  
dwell in you richly.

*Colossians 3:16*