

December Altar Guild

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YTD Cash Receipts (8/1/11—12/19/17) \$632,031
YTD Cash Disbursements(8/1/17—12/19/17) \$637,241
\$-5210

*If you honor Me with your first fruits, you will overflow with abundance.
Proverbs 3:9-10*

Worship Attendance

12/17/17
183 8:15
243 10:45



HAPPENINGS

Sunday Worship Services
8:15 AM and 10:45 AM

December 2017
24 & 25

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Ring in the New Year by joining a Small Group

You're invited for dessert and a short info session on Wednesday, January 10 from 6-7 pm in the Gathering Room to find out more about connecting with others in fellowship, study, and service. Contact Deb Wagner at thewagners@comcast.net for more information or to register.

Thrivent Funds—We are pleased to let you know that we have deposited to your account on behalf of Thrivent Financials Thrivent Choice(R) program. We hope this gift helps to further support your missions work.- Amount of deposit: \$175.00.

Sunday School / Shine Helpers Needed—Redeemer is seeing growth in the Sunday morning children's education classes during 2nd service (Shine) and between the first and second services during the adult education hour (Sunday School). There is a need for a helper to support this activity in areas including: communication, scheduling, teaching, or curriculum. Persons interested in any of these areas, please contact the church office or Tim Hanson cell: 763.449.8691 email: tjbh2705@yahoo.com for more information. —Thank You, Tim Hanson.

Sunday, Adult Bible Study—*The Odyssey of St. Paul* (8 sessions - Dr. Paul Maier) Filmed entirely on location in Israel, Syria, Asia Minor, Greece, and Italy, this tour covers the life of the Apostle Paul from his birth in Tarsus to his schooling in Jerusalem and conversion on the road to Damascus. All the stations on his mission journeys follow, as well as his arrest in Jerusalem, imprisonment, and shipwreck voyage to Rome. A running commentary by Dr. Paul Maier makes this both a visual delight and an extremely vivid learning experience. Two Sessions remaining, 12/17— Arrest & Imprisonment; 1/7—The Voyage to Rome.

Our next Study, Lutheranism 101—(1/14 through 3/4) Here you stand, wondering what Holy Baptism is all about! Baptism is not a mere symbol of rebirth. It is not a choice or a prize for attaining a certain amount of faith. Lutheranism 101: Holy Baptism gives an overview of what Baptism is, what it does, and how it does it, and what it means for our lives now and into the future. Throughout, it emphasizes that the One doing the baptizing makes all the difference. Like the original book, **Lutheranism 101: Baptism** will never get too far away from the reality that it is all about Jesus.

New Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study starts January 3rd. Who are your role models? The world desperately needs role models today--people who are fully human yet who exceed human expectations and point others toward God. David is such a role model. His struggles with sin are infamous, and the Psalms reveal his anguish and doubts. Yet he is also described as "a man after God's own heart"--the champion of Israel. This study introduces you to David the servant and the leader, the sinner and the redeemed, the man and the instrument of God's creative purposes. As you explore David's tumultuous story, you too will discover what it means to have a passionate heart for God. We invite you to join us Wednesday mornings at 10:00 in the Gathering Room. For more information contact Linda Krantz at 763-476-0587 or Mary Sund at 763-233-2417.

LifeLight Bible Study--Come study God's Word in the book of **Acts** beginning **January 11th** from 9:30--11:30am in the Conference room. Luke, "the companion of Paul," and author of the book of Luke, also wrote Acts, which tells us how the Gospel of God's grace, and the early church were spread abroad by the apostles and disciples of Jesus, under the influence and direction of the Holy Spirit. Bring a friend. Everyone is welcome. Questions? Ask Eva McAtee (763-476-1827) or Judymae Bowers (763-476-0913.)

Men's Bible Study Purpose of Christmas (December)—Saturday Mornings at Folkestone Auditorium from 7:00 to 8:00 a.m. Questions contact Gordy Engel cell: 612-709- 4879 or email: gordye@thefoursome.com

Mark your calendars—

Small Group Kick-Off—Jan 3

Diaper and Wipe Service Project—Jan 3

Craft Day—Jan 6, March 3, Apr tbd

Remove Christmas decorations—Jan 6

Christmas Day, one Service at 10:00, No Bible Study or Coffee Hour.

Church and School Office Holiday Hours:

12/25 **Closed** 12/26 **Closing at noon** 12/28 **Open** 8-4PM 12/29 **Closed** 1/1/18 **Closed**

All offerings and donations dated 12/31/17 will be processed on 1/2/18 and applied to 2017 records.

For Sale—**Snowblower** and **Stainless double sink**. The Redeemer walk behind snow blower is no longer used and is available for sale. It is a John Deere 10 horsepower, 32" model with a cab. We have purchased a triple sink to meet health code requirements. It measures 8 ft long, 27 inches wide and has telescope legs. Great for a workshop, garage, our a hunter for dressing their game. Inquiries will be accepted through January 8, 2018. Please contact Hank Radintz for further information, 612-865-2130.

Thank you! Compassion Circle would like to offer a heartfelt thank you to all who contributed so generously by baking extra Christmas cookies to share several ice cream pails full, and 140 clam-shell boxes of cookies with IOCP and Vicksburg Commons families, Meals on Wheels, Home Free, a local shelter for battered women and children, Redeemer's Shut-ins and others. Your generous support of this outreach project was very much appreciated. Thank you also to the students of Redeemer Christian Academy for the beautiful Christmas cards that were included with the cookies.

Altar Flowers—thank you to Jan and Arnie Hilgenkamp for the poinsettia on the altar throughout December.

Lost and Found—a ring has been found in the Sanctuary, contact Stacy if you think it may be yours

Coffee Hour and Fellowship—thank you to Rie Schibilla, June Radintz, and Wendy Krause for host last Sunday! No coffee hour this Monday after the 10:00AM Christmas Service.

Gold Star Wishes—in the event you feel like being even more generous to Redeemer church, teachers or staff than you already have been, stop by the Christmas tree in the church lobby to select a gold star and fulfill a wish. Make your purchase or leave a contribution towards the wish and be sure to return the star to the church office to be hung with all the received wishes so far. Thank you to our members, school families and friends of Redeemer that have given so generously already!

Youth Retreat—We are now only, **\$260** short for the fall youth retreat. If the Lord leads you to support this shortfall, please drop off your donation in the church office and tag it with Fall Youth Retreat in the memo line. Thanks to those sending in donations to cover the cost over the past few weeks!!

Diaper Drive—During the month of December, Redeemer is seeking 5000 diapers (sizes 4, 5, & 6) and wipes for our January 3 Service Project. On that night, WINGS kids, student ministry (youth group) participants, and adults will work together to: a) bundle the diapers, b) mark verses in Bibles provided by New Life, c) kids will write encouraging notes on 4 x 6 cards that will be put into the package of diapers, wipes, and Bibles. A staff member from New Life will speak at the event and show a video of the organization's services. Dinner will be served at 5:30, followed by music and the service project. If you have questions or wish to help please contact Marianne Dewey at 763-550-0529

Prayers

As a family and body of Christ, we are to bear each other's burdens. Call the Church office to inform us of your pastoral, human care or prayer needs. Throughout the week, please include the following in your prayers:

Staff Member: Pastor Steve Ferber
Officer: Linda Wiebold, School Admin/Teacher
Ministry: Music Ministry

Prayer Requests for healing and strength for:

Mark Waldrep	Dorothy Robinson
Paula Lindberg	Megan Gustine
Carmen Melendez	Jan Waldrep
Minnie Ann Klone	Anna Gerber
Arlene Beavers	Phil Allmon
Scott Robinson	Ruth SeEVERS
Emeila Howe	

Wishing the following Members a Blessed Birthday

Please let the office know if we've missed your birthday.

December

1 Julie Kerber	1 Kiefer Miskiw
3 Andrew Solstad	4 Gabrielle Howe
4 Derikk Zbacnik	6 Adrian Johnson
7 Sandra Tutka	8 Glen Grave
8 K-Lynn McKeVitt	9 Kris Anderson
10 Marlain Elling	11 Claudia Kroll
14 Lindsay Kuphal	15 Christian McAtee
16 Robert Helsing	16 Eric Jensen
16 Eden Kuphal	16 Ben Oie
16 Julie Ruchti	18 Lorraine Solstad
19 Kyra Miskiw	21 Vera Johnson
23 Kai Kroll	23 Abigail Vetse
25 Dale Lemmerman	26 Vetta Kreger
28 Duane Senneseth	31 Kami Miskiw

Altar Flowers—are a way to call attention to someone's birthday, wedding anniversary, passing, confirmation, Baptism, etc. The 2018 Flower sign-up chart can be found on the church bulletin board.

This Week at Redeemer

Sunday, December 24

Christmas Eve

3PM Candlelight Service
5PM Candlelight Service

Monday, December 25

Merry Christmas Office Closed

10A Communion Service

Tuesday, December 26

Office Closed No School

Wednesday, December 27

Office closing at noon No School

9AM Monday Morning Crew

Thursday, December 28

No School Office Open

6:30 AM Men's Basketball, gym

Office Closed

Friday, December 29

No School Office Closed

Saturday, December 30

7 AM Men's Bible Study—Folkstone

8:30 AM Men's Basketball, gym

11AM JoySound Practice

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Office Hours

Monday—Friday 8:00 to 4:30

Closed Holidays

Web: Redeemerwayzata.org

Facebook: Wayzata Redeemer Lutheran

Christmas Eve December 24

Elders 3:00 Loren Krantz
5:00 Steve Jantzen

Ushers 3:00 Tim Anderson
5:00 Nick Dahlheimer

Acolyte 3:00 Denny Dzubay
5:00 Drew Bjork

Readers 3:00 Marion Kelley
5:00 Doreen Sullivan

Music 3:00 Handbells, Harp & Strings
5:00 Choir, Harp & Strings

Christmas Day, December 25

Elders 10:00 Stephen Kaminski

Ushers 10:00 Kaminski & Fretheim

Acolyte 10:00 Kees Van Oosbree

Reader 10:00 Arnie Hilgenkamp

Music 10:00 Redeemer Brass
Carolyn Allmon

Sunday December 31

Elders 10:00

Ushers 10:00

Acolyte 10:00

Readers 10:00 Sue Past

Music 10:00 JoySound
Kseniya Khvoshchinsky, violin

*Time to build the **January 2018** schedule. Please reach out to Tom Heinecke to Elder or Usher, Linda Krantz to be a Reader, and Herb McAtee to be a Greeter, if able to serve. **Thank you!***