

# The Christian Connection

## Why Lutheran?

### The Word Made Flesh

*“You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life.” (John 5:39–40, ESV)*

*“For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me. But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?” (John 5:46–47, ESV)*

The Evangelist and Apostle, John makes one thing very clear in his Gospel and in his writings, there is a very clear and inescapable connection between Jesus and the Word of God.

*“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14, ESV)*

Jesus is the incarnate Word of God. He is everything that God wants us to know about Him, in the flesh. This is a big deal. It shows us, finally and ultimately, that God comes to rescue His people. This is a theme throughout the Old Testament but culminates in the incarnation of Christ. God does the work of salvation. God is motivated by Himself, not because there is anything in us.

Jesus' incarnation is the climax of God's saving work. Jesus is the center of the Scriptures. We read the Scriptures through the lens of Christ at the center. The Old Testament is interpreted in light of Jesus' life, death, resurrection, and ascension. Because of this, we see how God's plan of salvation grew and budded and finally blossomed into the work of Christ. We look forward from our place in time now in light of Jesus life, death, resurrection, and ascension and so we see that though terrifying and awesome events happen in our lives and are depicted in scripture, we see that God has been steadfast and true to His Word throughout history and so we can trust him. God's Word is true and stands forever.

We can ultimately trust in God's Word because God is not far off. He is near. He came and walked amongst people not so very different than you and me. He ate with them. He lived with them. He talked with them. We separate ourselves from God through sin, but he draws near to us in sending his Son. That is God's model for ministry to us. He draws near. He is incarnate.

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The purpose of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church is to worship God in a Bible-based, Christ-centered ministry, evangelizing, discipling, nurturing and equipping people for the spiritual well-being of every life.

### Pastor Schultz



## Church Chat!

- **Margit (Obsitos) Trickett** will be having a baby shower at ORLC Saturday October 6th from 1-4 pm
- The ORLC **pumpkin party** will be October 27th from 2-4. Come carve pumpkins have treats, and join in the costume parade!

If you have a submission for church chat, please send it to [orlckirkland@hotmail.com](mailto:orlckirkland@hotmail.com)

### Sunday morning schedule starting on 9/9

9 am-Prayer at the front of the sanctuary

9:30-Worship

10:45-Fellowship

11:00-Children's Sunday School and Music

11:15-Adult Bible Study

12:00-Choir Practice

## Sermon Text

### October 2018

9:30 AM each Sunday

#### October 7

Psalm 84

#### October 14

Ephesians 5:15-21

#### October 21

John 4:46-54

#### October 28

Psalm 46

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### It's Christmas Child "Shoe Box" Time!

*"All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children."*  
Isaiah 54:13

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church is collecting items for the Samaritan's Purse "Operation Christmas Child" shoe box distribution. The gifts will be shared with children around the world. The last day for dropping off is Friday, November 2nd. A container will be located in the narthex. If instead you would like to pack a box individually, boxes are available in the church office. Donations accepted for postage, which is \$9 per box.

The most important ingredient in these shoeboxes is PRAYER. Shoeboxes are a great blessing, opening children's hearts to the love of Jesus.

Suggestions for donation:

- **School supplies:** pens, pencils & sharpener, markers, pads/paper, rulers, spiral notebooks, solar calculators, erasers, staples, glue sticks.
- **Hygiene items:** toothbrush, bar soap, washcloth, hand towel, hair brush, comb, nail file, nail clippers, deodorant.
- **Small toys:** coloring books, crayons, dolls, small cars, dominoes, playing cards, jump ropes, yo-yos, marbles, stickers, stuffed animals, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries)
- **Other items:** Hair accessories, costume jewelry, sun visors, caps, flashlight with batteries, harmonicas, scarves, socks

Please do not include used or damaged items, war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures, food, liquids, lotions, medicines, vitamins, breakable items, toothpaste or candy.

Any questions, please call 425-821-2424 or Darlene Olson at 425-483-5013

Thank you for taking part in this ministry.

## Volunteer Schedule

Please mark your calendars and if there are any conflicts with your schedule, please find someone to fill your spot and let Kristine Dootson know of the substitution. If you are unable to find someone to switch with you, substitute volunteers are Betty Halvorson @425-821-6477 and Kristine Dootson @425-753-2020.

Date	Nursery	Sunday School	Lay Reader	Flowers	Coffee
10/7	Nancy Ostlund	Kristine Dootson	Cheri Sorenson	Open	WMF Celebration Sunday
10/14	Sue & Cristina Moland	Diana Daum	Pam Jussel	Open	Open
10/21	Helen Long	Sue Rosebrook	Duane Leach	Open	Open
10/28	Kristine Dootson	Helen Long	Patti Prue	Open	Open

### *October Birthdays*

Alex Crowther	Oct. 2
Danelle Hall	Oct. 5
Esther Schultz	Oct. 8
Bob Rieth	Oct. 9
Marlene Varnes	Oct 11
Eva Leach	Oct. 12
Victoria Stedman	Oct. 16
Jan Barnhart	Oct. 16
Leanne Hatch	Oct. 16
Harlan Ostlund	Oct. 19
Molly Marcus	Oct. 19
Katie Carlson	Oct. 26
Nancy Walden	Oct. 28
Leslie Weidner	Oct. 31

### **Anniversaries**

Paul & Kim Bottem	10-6-79
Jason & Julia Watson	10-9-93
Lee & Nancy Gould	10-11-71
Marvin & Helen Long	10-11-56
Doyle & Janet Watson	10-22-66
Todd & Victoria Stedman	10-28-95

## School News

- ORCS will be having their 40th anniversary open house October 13th from 3-4:30.
- Pastor Schultz will start having chapel time with the ORCS kids the first Wednesday and Thursday of each month.
- The school will be having their off-site Pumpkin Patch visit on October 10th and 11th.
- The kids will have their costume parade on October 30th and 31st during the first 15 minutes of class time.

Our Redeemer Christian School is a non-discriminatory, non-denominational educational institution. Our Redeemer Christian School serves as an extension of the Christian ministry of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and an outreach program to our neighborhood community.

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