

The Christian Connection

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 benefit of all lives.

This purpose statement is nothing new. I discovered it after I arrived at ORLC when I was preparing this column last August. It is always printed just to the right.

The purpose of the congregation is spoken of throughout the New Testament. The word for congregation in the New Testament is *ekklesia* which literally means, “called out.” The congregation is called out of the world, set aside, made holy by Christ Jesus for God’s own glory.

Though the congregation has been called out of the world, we find ourselves still in this world so that we can glorify God. Our purpose statement highlights four core tasks God has given to the congregation in order to carry out this task: Evangelizing, Discipling, Nurturing, and Equipping.

Later this month, we will begin a sermon series that will carry us up to Holy Week called, *The Calling of a Congregation*. In this series, we will be looking at God’s Word to see what exactly does it mean to be “called out” by God? We’ll look at what it means to be a congregation as well as these four tasks God has given the congregation to discover *The Calling of a Congregation*.

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Pastor Schultz



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, call Kristine Dootson @425-753-2020.

Date	Nursery	Sunday School	Lay Reader	Flowers	Coffee
2/3	Christina Malone	Diana Daum	Joe Bottem	Open	WMF Celebration Sunday
2/10	Kristine Dootson	Miriam Schultz	Kristine Dootson	Olson Family in Memory of David	Deaconess Valentine Celebration
2/17	Lesley Wiedner	Helen Long	Duane Leach	Open	Open
2/24	Sue Rosebrook	Diana Daum	Prosper Ruberwa	Open	Open

February Birthdays

Ameeta Chainani	Feb. 1
Kartik Chainani	Feb. 11
Joe Barnhart	Feb. 12
Warren Bosma	Feb. 18
Anita (Benz)Dalton	Feb. 18
John Barnhart	Feb. 22
Bob Swaffield	Feb. 22
Dick Falcone	Feb. 28
Patti Prue	Feb. 29

Anniversaries

Dale & Wanda Lankford
Feb. 1, 1986

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School News

- In house registration for the 2019-20 year will begin February 8th
- Alumni registration will be February 27th starting at 8:00 am
- Open registration will be February 28th starting at 8:00 am
- ORCS will be closed for Mid-winter break February 18-22

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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