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Voice of Redeemer

Redeemer Lutheran Church

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OBSERVANCE OF ALL SAINTS DAY



The festival of All Saints was retained after the Reformation in the liturgical calendars of the Evangelical-Lutheran Churches. In the Lutheran churches, such as the Church of Sweden, it assumes a role of general commemoration of the dead, though a special emphasis is placed on the martyrs for the faith (cf. *Saints of Evangelical-Lutheranism*). All Saints Day is a public holiday in Evangelical Lutheran countries, such as Sweden and Finland. In some Lutheran congregations, its observance is moved to the first Sunday of November. In the Lutheran churches, the liturgical color for All Saints Day is white and Mass is offered on All Saints Day. The festival honors the saints of Evangelical-Lutheran Christianity, in addition to all those who have died in the Christian faith (the 'faithful departed'), though in certain congregations, the latter is given more emphasis on the following day, All Souls' Day. As such, in the Evangelical Lutheran tradition, the faithful "rejoice in the confession of martyrs unto death on All Saints, and in all the faithful departed, who are in the Church Triumphant, on All Souls." In some places, the names of those within the congregation who have died in the last year are read during worship and each name is marked with the tolling of a bell or the lighting of a candle. The faithful visit cemeteries to place flowers and candles on the graves of their loved ones, along with cleaning them.

Halloween which began as All Saints Eve, evolved into what we know as Halloween. All Saints Day is observed throughout the world with each country having their own observation rituals . For more information , I urge you to tap into *Wikipedia, All Saints Day.*



REDEEMER LUTHERAN
CHURCH

2025 Financial Report

		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept.	O	N	D	Total
Receipts		11,945.00	19,753.00	17,244.00	18,093.37	18,486.40	15,984.03	25,910.00	18,484.29	17,512.00				163,412.09
Budget		16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00				145,314.00
Difference		(4,201.00)	3,607.00	1,098.00	1,947.37	2,340.40	(161.97)	9,764.00	2,338.29	1,366.00	0	0	0	18,098.09
Expenses		8,509.31	12,044.73	6,930.35	9,888.87	12,491.64	9,618.86	11,805.71	9,846.60	10,589.33				91,725.40
Budget		16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00	16,146.00				145,314.00
Difference		7,636.69	4,101.27	9,215.65	6,257.13	3,654.36	6,527.14	4,340.29	6,299.40	5,556.67	0	0	0	53,588.60
Total		3,435.69	7,708.27	10,313.65	8,204.50	5,994.76	6,365.17	14,104.29	8,637.69	6,922.67	0	0	0	71,686.69

Compared to Budget

Loan Receipts		1,480.00	1,530.00	1,720.00	1,400.00	1,450.00	1,300.00	1,400.00	1,705.00	1,450.00				13,435.00
Loan Pay-ments		1,085.00	6,420.00	1,085.00	1,085.00	1,085.00	1,085.00	1,085.00	1,085.00	3,550.00				17,565.00
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Difference		395.00	(4,890.00)	635.00	315.00	365.00	215.00	315.00	620.00	(2,100.00)	0	0	0	(4,130.00)
Total All		3,830.69	2,818.27	10,948.65	8,519.50	6,359.76	6,580.17	14,419.29	9,257.69	4,822.67	0	0	0	67,556.69

Loan **$ 20,614.97**

A WORD FROM OUR TREASURER

Praise God! Good news Redeemer! The long road of paying off the loan is nearing the end. About 10 years ago we took out a $100,000 loan for much needed repairs/ upgrades to the church property. Through faithful and obedient giving, particularly in the last year, we are nearing paying off the balance. There is just a little more than $15,000 left. Let us continue our steadfastness to see this project to the end. Continue to give as able.

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NOVEMBER HAPPENINGS

COFFE HOUR SERVERS NEEDED

workday

Sat. November 8th
Please help if possible.

Church Council

November 16
11 am



LUNCH BUNCH: is Wednesday 11-4-26 11am at Sugar Mill, 2523 North Chester Avenue. Please make reservations with Judy Olson-Peterson.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY & QUILTING will meet on Wednesday, 11/11/26; 9 am— 3 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to join us for knitting/crocheting prayer shawls, blankets or quilts. Bring a sack lunch and enjoy fellowship with friends. Judy Olson-Peterson will provide snacks.

AFTERNOON CIRCLE: is Wednesday 11-18-26 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will discuss Encountering God in the Wilderness from Genesis 16 & 21 & Gather maga-

WINE & DINE: will not meet in Nov. & Dec. due to the holidays. We will resume in January.



SENIOR GAMES are Wednesday 11-25-26 Noon for Bring Your Own Lunch & 12:30pm for games.

Remember to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday night— after mid-night November 1







Leo Olson	**01**
Jillian Uecker	**02**
Maia Olson	**04**
Becky Grove	**13**
Hudson Hairfield	**13**
Benny Thomas	**20**
Mark Smith	**22**
Taryn Grove	**24**



Pastor & Katy Christenson	**10**
Mark & Louise Hall	**17**
Mark & Tammy Smith	**21**
David & Christa Schroeder	**27**



THE SEASON OF ADVENT BEGINS NOVEMBER 29
Soup suppers 6 pm
Wednesdays prior to
Evening Vespers 6:45
Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23

Christmas Eve is Thursday, Dec. 24

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
Sign up sheets in the Narthex

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
Sunday, December 20th 9:30 am



Performing at Redeemer on Saturday, November 21:
Solas Strings by Candlelight.

Eagles vs Billy Joel by Candlelight | Bakersfield, CA

Copy the website address below and paste in your browser for more information:

https://us.solaspresents.com/events/

IN HIS SERVICE—NOVEMBER

ALTAR GUILD: Louise

PASTOR'S ASS'T: Laura

FLOWERS:
Nov. 2—Olson family
Nov. 9— Julie Griffith
Nov. 15– Bruce
Nov. 23—Smith family
Nov. 30—Sue

READER:
Nov. 1—Louise
Nov. 8—Maia
Nov. 15—Rodney
Nov. 22—Laura
Nov. 29— Karen

COFFEE HOUR:
Nov. 1— Julie
Nov. 8— Nate
Nov. 15— Karen
Nov. 22— Tammy
Nov. 29—

ACOLYTE:
Nov. 5—Maia Olson
Nov. 9 —Darynne
Nov. 16—Leo
Nov. 23—Leith
Nov. 30—Emily

Annual Fall Faire Luncheon and Craft Faire

Hosted by the Grace Lutheran Ladies Guild

2530 Drake St., Saturday, November 7, 2026 - Lunch served from 11:00— 2:00

Donation: Adults $15.00—Children under 12, $10.00

Following is a list of our friends who have been lifted up in prayer by our faithful Prayer Warriors.

Sept. 27, 2026  Oct. 25, 2026

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Dianne Ladd	Caroline	Ken Beccas
Karen	Ruben	Louise
Mike	Sara & Kelly	
Mickey	Jennifer's Mom	

Please know that your prayers are so very much appreciated. Thanks and Blessings to all!





Pictured above: Pastor Bryan blesses the pets October 4th. As we commemorate the life of St. Frances of Assisi.



BUNCO

Members and friends enjoy their prizes and raffle ticket winnings at our recent BUNCO night.

Make sure you don't miss the next one!









★ December 19, 2026 ★

National Wreaths Across America Day



Help Sons of the American Revolution, Kern Chapter honor local heroes!

Sponsor a wreath today to be placed on a veteran's grave this December at Bakersfield National Cemetery

Scan the QR code to make a donation online or visit www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/CA0802P

REMEMBER ME
WREATHS across AMERICA
Honoring 250 Years of American Heroes

#RememberMe

November 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			 November 29th			
1  9:30 worship Fellowship 10:30 S.S. 11:00-11:30	2	3 Sing A-long Riverstone Terrace 3 pm	4 Lunch Bunch 11 am Riverstone Terrace 10-11 am	5	6	7
8 9:30 worship Fellowship 10:30 S.S. 11:00-11:30	9	10 Al-Anon 6:30 Sing A-long Riverstone Terrace 3 pm	11 Prayer Shawl Quilting 9 am—2 pm 	12 Worship & Music 10 am	13	14 Work day 9 am Garden Club 9am—noon
15 9:30 Worship Fellowship 10:30 S.S. 11:00-11:30	16	17 Sing A-long Riverstone Terrace 3 pm Al-Anon 6:30	18 Afternoon Circle 1:30 pm Riverstone Terrace 10-11 am	19	20	21 Glass Club 11am—2 pm
22 9:30 Worship Fellowship 10:30 S.S. 11:00-11:30 	23	24 Sing A-long Riverstone Terrace 3 pm Al-Anon 6:30	25	26 No Karate 	27	28
29 Worship 9:30 Fellowship 10:30 S.S. 11:00-11:30 1st. Sunday of Advent	30 					