



## Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

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## APRIL 2022

### ☩ Mission Statement ☩

“We are called to be a family of faith, sharing the love of Jesus Christ.”

#### Greetings Members and Friends,

Every so often we see signs of spring. The snow is slowly melting. The birds are chirping. And even though it is *officially* spring, we know that it takes a bit longer for us to truly experience it here in the U.P. It will be a while before we see flowers blooming in our yards. However, we *will* be seeing beautiful Easter flowers adorn our sanctuary soon!



I'm looking forward to our first Easter service *in the church* since 2019! Yes, 2019! I pray you will join me in celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord by attending worship this year. Masks are optional so you may wear one if you wish or don't wear one (see page 2).

Mark your calendar for Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Let this Easter Sunday be the day you join us again! We have missed you!

**Have a Blessed Day!**  
**Pastor Melinda**

#### Specially Called Congregational Meeting

Just a brief reminder of the Specially Called Congregational Meeting to be held on Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, to continue the conversation, *what may God be calling us to do.*

Information was previously sent stating there are three ways you may participate in this meeting:

1. The meeting will be held in person in the fellowship hall beginning at 10:00 am (following a brief 9:30 am worship service).
2. A Zoom meeting has been set up.

The link is: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88632746593?pwd=QUdESUpNekx0aUE1Zm5rU3AwdmtOZz09>

3. You may call using this Zoom phone number (meaning we will be able to hear you and you will be able to hear us. We will not be able to see you and you will not be able to see us):

1-312-626-6799

You will be asked to enter a meeting ID number. You will then enter: 886 3274 6593

You will then be asked to enter a Passcode. You will then enter: 065859

You will then be able to hear Pastor Melinda's voice.

Depending on your phone carrier, long-distance charges may apply.

We pray you will be able to join us in this important discussion as we look to the future of the church. Masks are optional.

**Peace in Christ ☩**  
**The Church Council of**  
**Our Redeemer Lutheran Church**



Joint Maundy Thursday Service  
 Held at  
 Our Redeemer Lutheran Church  
 Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>  
 7:00 pm  
 Holy Communion will be celebrated  
 All are welcome!



Good Friday Service  
 Held at  
 Newberry United Methodist Church  
 110 West Harrie Street  
 Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>  
 7:00 pm

All are welcome.

Sponsored by  
 First Presbyterian Church  
 Newberry United Methodist Church  
 and Our Redeemer Lutheran Church



Easter Service  
 w/Holy Communion  
 Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>  
 9:30 am

No Sunday School this day.  
 All are welcome!

A Joint Sunday School is held every Sunday from 10:15-10:55 am for K-6<sup>th</sup> Grade. This is held at Our Redeemer and includes children from both congregations.

We encourage all youth to participate!



Effective March 6, 2022

Due to the decrease in confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the tri-county area, on February 17<sup>th</sup> the Church Council voted on the following:

- Masks are optional for all persons entering the building; vaccinated and unvaccinated. Masks are available inside, if you prefer to wear one.
- Hand sanitizer will still be available at the door.
- Hugging or shaking hands should be upon mutual desire.
- Social distancing is not required at this time. Please be courteous to those who may still wish to social distance.
- Fellowship is still suspended at this time. It is hoped that this will resume in the near future.

Church Council Members

Are you interested in serving on the Church Council?

The Council typically meets once a month, though there are times additional meetings are necessary. If you would like a copy of what the Constitution says are the duties of the Congregation Council, please see Pastor Melinda.

However, during these past two pandemic years, the Council has also:

- Delivered offering envelopes to members
- Delivered Holy Communion elements and bulletins for Christmas and Easter
- Been asked to call members to keep in touch

If you are interested in serving, please contact Paul Gaberdiel or Pastor Melinda. Thank you!

# Worship SCHEDULE

- 4/3** *Fifth Sunday in Lent*  
 9:30 am      Worship  
 10:00 am     Specially Called Congregational Meeting  
 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
- 4/5**   3:30 pm      Christian Education Ministry
- 4/10** *Palm Sunday*  
 9:30 am      Palm Sunday Worship w/Holy Communion  
 10:15 am     Joint Sunday School
- 4/14** 7:00 pm      Joint Maundy Thursday Service AT Our Redeemer  
 Holy Communion will be celebrated
- 4/15** 7:00 pm      Joint Good Friday Service at Newberry United Methodist Church
- 4/17** *The Resurrection of Our Lord*  
 9:30 am      Easter Worship w/Holy Communion  
 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
- 4/21** 6:00 pm      Church Council Meeting
- 4/24** *Second Sunday of Easter*  
 9:30 am      Worship  
 10:15 am     Joint Sunday School



### Utilities/Heating Fund

Due to an increase from Semco, the church's heating supplier, the utilities fund has been depleted. This is very unusual – and especially for this time of the year.

Due to generous contributions from our members, the church rarely has had to tap into the General Fund. However, Semco increased their price from .22 to .45. This, along with experiencing colder temperatures this winter, has led to a 50% higher invoice for the month.

We ask that you prayerfully consider making a special contribution to the Utilities Fund.

Thank you!



Want the ease of online giving? It is very easy!

Go to [www.redeem-me.org](http://www.redeem-me.org) and click on the myEoffering button.

For assistance, please call Paul Gaberdiel and leave a message at (906) 293-8331.

Thank you!



The offering plate will remain in the narthex. You may place your contribution in it before or after the service.

Thank you for your contributions!

### NOISY SUNDAY April 24, 2022

Bring your change and make some noise!  
 The Noisy Sunday Offering helps to  
 end world hunger!



Please Note: Noisy Sunday will be on the fourth Sunday of April since the third Sunday is Easter.



*Evergreen Living Center:* Angie Nelson  
 1140 N. State St. Bldg B  
 St. Ignace, MI 49781

*Golden Leaves Living Center:* Bill Kingren  
 Anna Marie Miller  
 Cris Kihm  
 502 West Harrie Street  
 Newberry, MI 49868

*Gordon Family Home:* Pearl Schnorr  
 6614 Parker LN  
 Newberry, MI 49868-7749

*Newberry Assisted Living:* Lucille Adler  
 Jo Ann Hautala  
 7966 Pamela Lane  
 Newberry, MI 49868

*Robin's Nest:* Arlene Hill  
 13780 CR 438  
 Newberry, MI 49868

*Brookridge Heights Assisted Living:* Lois Anderson  
 1901 Division St.  
 Marquette, MI 49855

Melvina Amble, Wanda Dahn, Evander Green and his parents-Carly & Zachary Green, Mark Hill, Ruth Hill, Art Kanne, Christine Monk, Sharon & Mike Painter, John Rahn, Towanna Rovenko, Trina Schueller, Ken & Jan Uhlbeck, Linda Wacek (Melvina Amble's Daughter).  
 If you would like to add or update anyone on the prayer list, please contact Robynne or Pastor Melinda.

Robynne is in the office three mornings a week. Her contact info is: orlcsec@yahoo.com or (906) 293-8331.

Pastor Melinda continues to work out of the office at Our Redeemer. She may be contacted at: orlcrev@jamadots.com or at (906) 291-0897.

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 Thank you!



- 2 - Frank Spincich, Jr.
- 6 - Taliesan Cox
- 7 - Nora Brow
- 7 - Adam Brown
- 8 - Ashley Tazelaar
- 9 - Penny Obey
- 11 - Jennifer Jordan
- 12 - Nichole Kipling
- 16 - Brettana Salter
- 17 - Art Kanne
- 17 - Kevin Rovenko
- 18 - Darla Mensch
- 20 - Riley Magnuson
- 22 - Ruth Hill
- 22 - Bill Obey
- 28 - Tyler Ducsay
- 28 - Betty Johnson
- 30 - Derek Strong



- 5 - Dave & Lisa Dake
- 6 - Jim & Judy Carpenter
- 8 - Paul & Barb Carpenter
- 30 - Ken & Towanna Rovenko

If you know of any additions or corrections, please contact Robynne or Pastor Melinda.

