

# Redeemer REVIEW



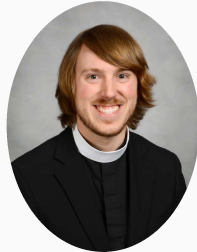
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from the Pastor...

Rev. Brennan DeForest

Dear Saints of Redeemer,

I have been blessed to be your pastor for about a year and a half now. (An opening like that makes it seem like I am about to share bad news. Rest assured, I have no bad news to share, I am simply truly blessed to be your pastor!). And a year and a half is plenty of time for you to get to know me and me to get to know you.



Which also means there's been plenty of time for you to notice some weird things I do or just things I do differently in the Divine Service. Although, after a year and a half, most of those things you've probably grown accustomed to and do not even notice anymore. Nonetheless, in case you do have questions or still aren't sure why I do something a certain way, I thought I'd take these newsletter articles for this upcoming year to discuss some of those things I do. We'll be discussing why and when I make the sign of the cross on myself, why and when I bow, why I kneel during the Words of Institution, why I add "and great joy" to the communion dismissal, and other things like that. My hope is that by reflecting on some of these things, your regular worship experience will be enhanced, and you might even consider doing some of these things yourself to strengthen your worship experience.

But before we get into any of those topics and practices, we must discuss the matter of "Adiaphora." Adiaphora is a Greek word meaning "things indifferent." Adiaphora refers to practices or rites that are neither commanded nor forbidden by God in Scripture, but have been introduced into the Church for the sake of good order and propriety. You see, all the things we'll be reflecting on in this year-long series are matters of true Adiaphora. For example, God neither commands nor forbids in Scripture that I make the sign of the cross on myself. Since such a

thing is Adiaphora, why do it, and how do you know when to do it? Such questions are why it is worth having a series of articles about matters of Adiaphora.

Now the great thing about Adiaphora is that, according to our Lutheran Confessions (Formula of Concord, Article 10), we are free in Christ to decide what Adiaphora to observe and what not to observe. Adiaphora are not ways to earn our salvation, and so matters of Adiaphora cannot be forced upon us since Christ has set us free. Thus, I can't force you to make the sign of the cross upon yourself by saying it is required for your salvation, since it's not a requirement for salvation. Additionally practices, ceremonies, and rites which are true matters of Adiaphora are not divine worship, and so no one should be condemned or exalted for observing more or less practices which are Adiaphora.

Now, unfortunately the teaching and confession about Adiaphora has been abused by some in our synodical church body. Our confessions are clear that divine worship, the Divine Service, is not a matter of Adiaphora, but is required by Scripture and should have a uniform and steadfast practice by all who follow our confessions. Sadly this teaching has been forgotten by those who change the Divine Service or eliminate the Divine Service altogether. Yes, here I am saying that "creative" worship goes against our confessions. And it is my hope and prayer that all the churches of the Lutheran confession might return to a uniform and steadfast practice of the Divine Service.

And at this point you may be thinking, am I contradicting myself? On the one hand I've just said divine worship is not an Adiaphora and should have a uniform practice throughout our churches. On the other hand, I've said that some

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 Adult Sunday Bible class is 8:45 a.m.  
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**REDEEMER FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

**CHURCH INCOME/EXPENSE – ACTUAL:**

January 1 - November 30, 2024

OFFERING INCOME	157,202.53
SCHOOL LEASE (5%) GENERAL FUND	4,162.71
REDEEMER HOUSE INCOME (includes 2023 income of \$8,526)	26,676.00
FACILITY USE INCOME	835.00
INTEREST INCOME	<u>5,095.32</u>
TOTAL INCOME	193,971.56
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>178,974.53</u>
NET INCOME	14,997.03
RETAINED EARNINGS	<u>73,406.31</u>
CURRENT BALANCE	88,403.34

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- 14 BRI LOFINK
- 16 BERYL COTTER
- 20 LINDA ROWE
- 30 TODD THOMPSON

FEBRUARY

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- 06 THERESA BURCH
- 11 AMANDA SIEMENS
- 14 DUSTIN SIEMENS
- 15 MICHELLE SWEET
- 28 JULIE McCANN



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JANUARY

- 01 LINDA ROWE
- 14 JERRY BRANDT
- 14 BRANDON SIEMENS
- 19 DIANE SCOTT
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- 01 KATHY SWEET
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- 06 LAYLA HOFFMAN
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March/April  
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February 20



## 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!



Mark your calendars for Redeemer's 100th year celebration coming October 12, 2025.

Plans are being made for multiple events during 2025 to mark this auspicious occasion.

If you would like to contribute ideas, historical information, photographs, newspaper articles, etc. contact the office at [redemerchicooffice@gmail.com](mailto:redemerchicooffice@gmail.com) or 530-342-6085.

### WOMEN'S KAFFEEKLATSCH

December 7th was the first meeting of the Women's Kaffeeklatsch. Twelve women gathered in the Fireside Room to discuss ideas for future women's event.

A cookie exchange was held and surplus was donated for Christmas gift bags for the home bound.



It was suggested that another meeting in February would be welcome. Watch for future announcements. It is a great way to get acquainted.

### 2024 QUARTERLY MISSIONS

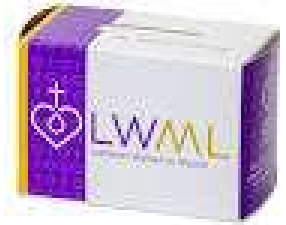
- 1Q Redeemer Charity Fund, \$4,092.98 Faith Lutheran Church, Ukiah, California , 4,092.98
- 2Q Missionary Dennis Meeker, Kenya - \$3,740.80; Missionary Daniel Conrad, Mexico - \$3,740.80; Pamela Boehle-Silva, Always Mercy Kenya - \$3,740.79
- 3Q Lutheran Heritage Foundation - \$3,657.28; Luther Classical College, Casper, Wyoming - \$3,657.28; CNH District - \$3,657.28
- 4Q Women's Resource Clinic; KKXX Sermons; The Lutheran Hour; Issues, Etc.

## LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE



Mite Box offerings continue as we come in to the new year. The past year, mite box offerings provided funds to support many mission projects.

Locally, Redeemer was the recipient of a sizable grant to fund outreach to local college students. The Lutheran Women's Missionary League district includes Northern California, Nevada, and Hawaii.



Thank you to all who support this mission.

### FROM THE PASTOR...CONTINUED

of the things I do differently in the Divine Service are matters of Adiaphora, and therefore I'm free to do them or not. And that's why it's good to start by discussing Adiaphora, so that we can know what's truly a matter of Adiaphora and what's not. Notice that I wrote the things we'll be reflecting on in these articles are things "in" the Divine Service; they are practices and rites that enhance or add to the Divine Service. They are not divine worship itself. Thus, the things that we'll be reflecting on are true matters of Adiaphora since they are rites and practices that can be added to the Divine Service to strengthen our faith. I hope it's clear that I'm not contradicting myself given that our confessions allow divine worship to have more or less ceremonies in various places, as long as the overall structure of divine worship is uniform throughout our churches. So come along this year, and together we'll reflect on those ceremonies I do and why, in Christian freedom, I do them as part of the Divine Service. And my hope is that you'll have the opportunity in your own Christian freedom to possibly add them to your own worship. If you have any questions or want me to discuss something specific, please do let me know.

Until next newsletter, the Lord be with you,

*~Pastor DeForest*

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Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Dear Rev. DeForest,

*For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law. (Romans 3:28, ESV)*

That Reformation message continues to resound, all the more so in an increasingly dark world. The hope of the Gospel by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone, is where we stand and will continue to stand. As the Lutheran Heritage Foundation celebrates its 32nd year of translating, publishing, distributing and introducing books that are Bible-based, Christ-centered and Reformation-driven, we thank you for your steadfast support of this mission.

What began in Russia thirty-two years ago after the fall of communism has now expanded to 170 languages in 96 countries. It is by God's grace alone that this work has spread because we know His desire is that all would come to faith in His Son, Jesus Christ.

God's peace and grace be with you all this Reformation season,

*Matthew Heise*  
Rev. Dr. Matthew Heise  
Executive Director of the Lutheran Heritage Foundation


*Thank you so much, Redeemer Lutheran and Pastor DeForest, for your very generous support of LHF missions! We are truly thankful for your!! missions partnership! God bless you!*

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*Rev. Heise*

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Rev. R. Rahn, Founder*

# MISSIONS - REV. DANIEL & KATHY CONRAD, LATIN AMERICA

November 19, 2024

Dear Members of Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Grace mercy and peace be with all of you from God the father and our Lord Jesus Christ Amen. The Thanksgiving holiday is quickly approaching. Accordingly, our missionary team in the Dominican Republic is preparing for the joint worship service and Thanksgiving meal. We look forward to a great time of sharing and fellowship.

Dan and I arrived in the Dominican Republic in January of this year after serving for nine years in Mexico. Little by little we are getting used to the Dominican culture. Spanish is the predominant language in both Mexico and the Dominican Republic. Nonetheless there exist many differences in the pronunciation and local idioms. We give thanks to God for the support that has made our transition possible. Dan's responsibilities include teaching at the seminary and serving as the regional chaplain for the Spanish speaking missionaries. During this semester he is teaching Biblical Greek and Hebrew. His seminary students hail from: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Haiti, and Mexico. Remember these future pastors in your prayers as they prepare to serve the Lord in their respective countries.

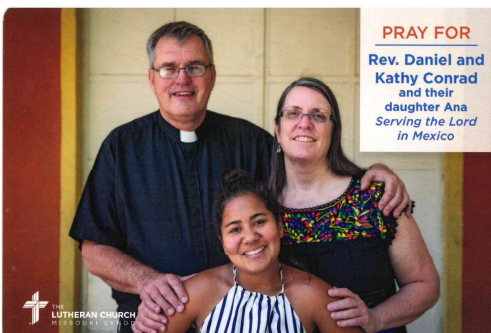
Last August Dan slipped on the sidewalk and broke his ankle. He underwent surgery to reattach a bone and a ligament. Since that time, he has had to use crutches and a wheelchair. The therapy was successful and he is improving little by little. During this down time, Dan has been teaching his seminary classes in our home. We give thanks to God for the great effort that the seminarians are making this semester as they complete their studies.

The Dominican Republic does not celebrate the American Thanksgiving Day. The people are very busy preparing for the upcoming Christmas and New Year's celebrations. We pray but all of you have blessed Thanksgiving, Advent, Christmas, and New Year's celebrations. Thank you again for your support and prayers. Enclosed please find our prayer card photo of the two of us posing with seminarian Francisco, His wife, and three children. Francisco is from Chile. Your ongoing financial support and prayers assist Francisco in his preparation for the Holy Ministry. God's richest blessings to all of you!!

*"...To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen."* (Revelation 1:5,6)

In Christ,

*Rev. Daniel & Kathy Conrad*  
Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad



## Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad

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Kathy - July 30  
Ana - Oct. 10

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May 13  
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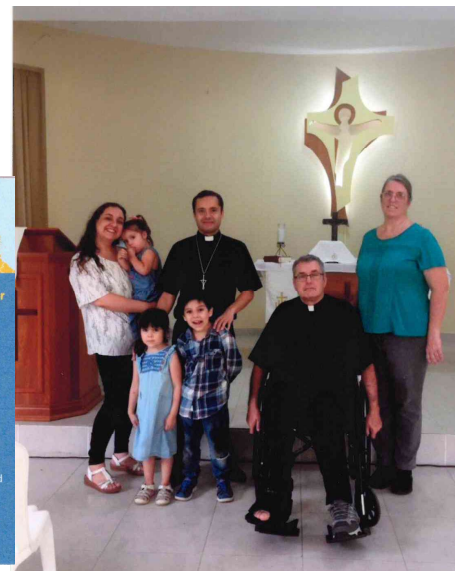
The Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad serve the Lord through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in the Dominican Republic. In this role, Daniel serves as a professor at Concordia the Reformer Seminary in Palmar Arriba, Dominican Republic. The seminary provides theological education to future pastors who come from 11 countries in Latin America. By the grace of God, Daniel helps prepare pastors who will serve throughout the region.

Pray for the Conrads as they serve in the Dominican Republic. Ask God to give Daniel strength and wisdom as he teaches future pastors, as well as to raise up more pastors to serve His people throughout Latin America. Let us give thanks that the Conrads are serving God's children in this part of the world.

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Pastor and Members, Thank you for the generous Christmas gift and cards. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. It is a blessing to serve you as organist. *David Bunting*

Thank you to Redeemer members for your generosity. I am truly blessed. *Jackie Vieira, office manager.*

Thank you to all who blessed us this Christmas season with monetary gifts, gifts of food or other items, cards, and prayers. We are overwhelmed by your generosity and cannot thank you enough for all the care you show us and ways that you bless us. But most especially, we give thanks for all your faithfulness to this church and to Christ our Lord. With love, *Pastor and Abby DeForest*

## THANK YOU FROM WRC



Dear Friends,

**MERRY**  
*Christmas*

We'd like to say thank you for sowing seed in to this ministry over the years. Enclosed are "Forget Me Not" seeds for your garden. We pray you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Blessings,

Bobbi, Ciera, Kim, Melissa and Brenda



## THANK YOU



Robert Engelken wishes to express his heart felt appreciation to all who sent cards, called, and prayed for him during his recent illness.

Linda Sweet says, "Thank you to all for their love, concern, and prayers for her recent surgery. She is on the road to recovery and for a time can be visited at California Park Rehab, Room #104B."



## THANK YOU FROM CORY WILLWEBER SEMINARY STUDENT, CONCORDIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, FT. WAYNE

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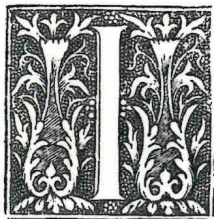
Thank you for your continued support. It has been very generous and greatly appreciated.

Vicarage is going well here in Danville and I've been enjoying all the preaching, teaching, and visiting.

I pray God's richest blessings to you!  
Blessed Advent-tide and In Christ,  
Christmas. Cory Willwiber



## The Oldest Image of King Jesus



In our last issue (Summer 2023), Adam Carnehl wrote:

Early in 1522, angry crowds in Wittenberg broke stained glass, burned paintings, and toppled statues of Mary and the child Jesus.

Inspired by the iconoclastic rhetoric of scholar and reformer Andreas Bodenstein von Carlstadt, the rabble believed they were upholding the ancient commandment against idolatry by smashing the sacred art of the city church. When Luther returned in early March, he put an immediate end to the violent destruction by preaching a series of powerful sermons in which he condemned the unruly violence.

This Carlstadt was not the first to destroy imagery in the Church in the name of God, and the first Lutherans were not the first to resist such destruction and misuse of God's name. Two major waves of iconoclasm washed over the Christian East during the first millennium of Christianity, the first in AD 726-787 and the second in AD 814-842. Far from being a fringe movement, the widespread destruction of religious imagery in churches and other public places during these times was encouraged and enforced by some Christian imperial and episcopal authority, and it included persecution of those who supported the use and veneration of Christian iconography. During these times, a great deal of Christian artwork was lost in precisely those places where it was born and flourished, the eastern centers of Christianity.

However, some very ancient works survived. One such survivor is the artwork here, called "Christ Pantokrator," that is, "Christ Almighty." It is located at St. Catherine's Monastery at Mount Sinai. The monastery was founded

under the Emperor Justinian I (c. AD 482-565) toward the end of his reign. This icon dates from that same period, and Justinian may have been the one who gave it to the monastery.

It is the "first icon" or image of Christ in several senses. It is one of the oldest depictions of Jesus Christ that survives to this day, and it is the oldest depiction of the Christ Pantokrator motif. This motif, in turn, is one of the earliest consistent ways of depicting Christ in the early Church. It aims to grasp, display, and confront the viewer with the central truth of the cosmos: Jesus has conquered and now reigns over all. The elements of the motif include the face of Christ pointed directly toward the viewer, with the Lord dressed in kingly clothing. In His left hand He holds a book, and with His right hand He gestures. The book can be variously interpreted as the Gospel or as the Book of Life, mentioned many times in the Revelation. In some images the book is open, and text, often a passage from the Gospels, is present; in other cases the book is closed, as in this image. The gesture He makes with His right hand is either of teaching (following the gesture conventions of the Roman oratorical tradition), or of blessing, or of both. Many Lutheran pastors use a similar hand posture today when tracing the sign of the cross over the congregation at the conclusion of the Divine Service.

When looking at this particular icon, perhaps the first thing that jumps out is the asymmetry of Jesus' face. His eyes don't point in the same direction. His eyebrows, mouth, and facial hair are not balanced. His right side is soft and lit, while His left side is shadowy and harsh. What is the artist's purpose in this?

Cover up the left half of the icon so that the left side of Jesus' face is showing. Notice that he is entirely angry. His eye rages and His mouth curls in disgust. This is Christ condemning the goats whom He will place on the left in

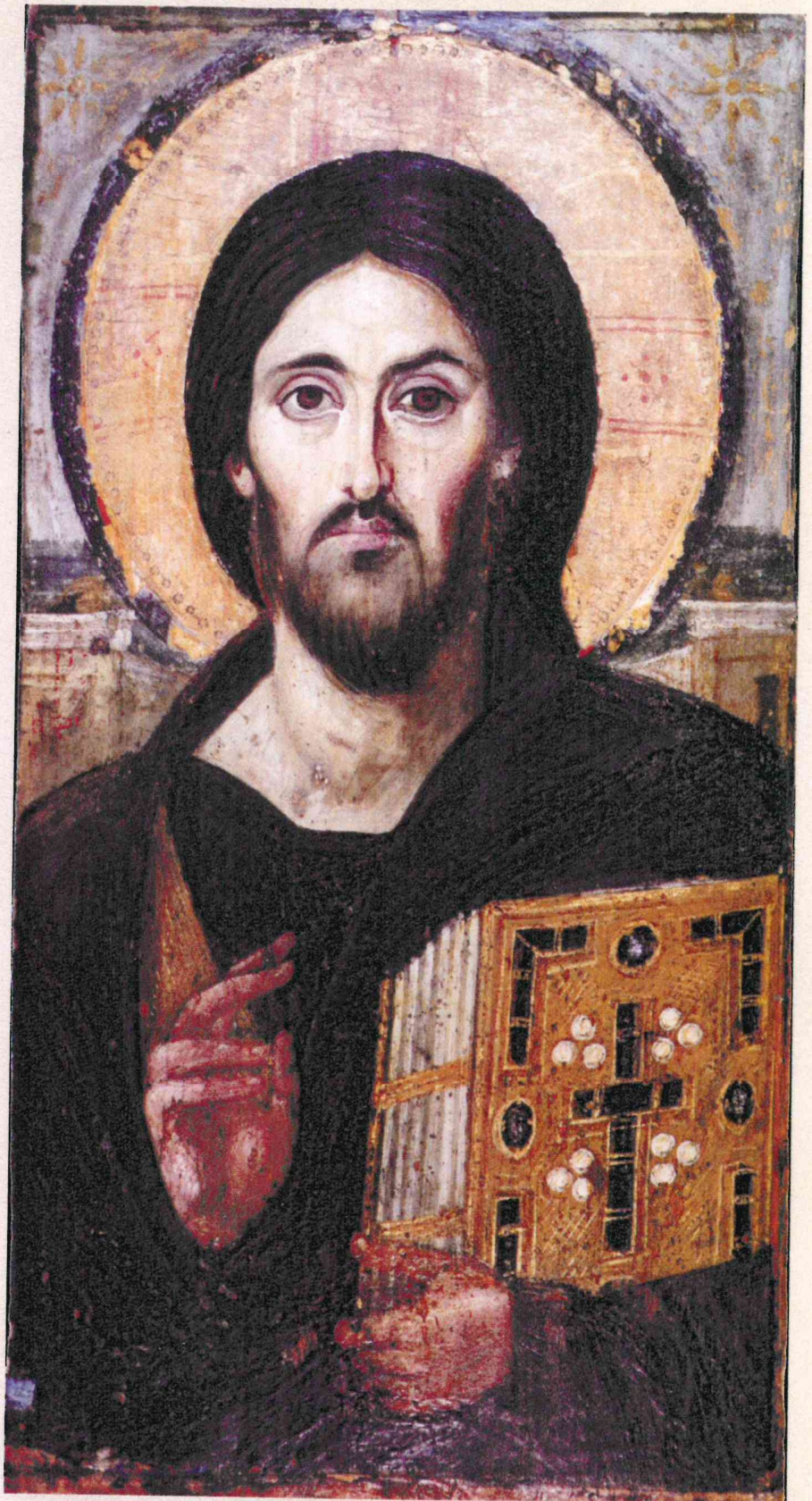
the Judgment (Mt. 25:33, 41-45). The book that He holds in His hand is shut to them, for they rejected the Gospel. And note well: Jesus is not looking at you.

Now cover up the right side of the icon so that Jesus' right side is showing. Notice how meek and kindly Jesus looks. His face is peaceful, and He holds up His right hand in blessing. This is Christ welcoming the sheep into the kingdom that was prepared for them from the foundation of the world (Mt. 25:34-40). And notice His eye! He isn't looking off to His right, as if you, the viewer, were somehow neither a sheep on the right nor a goat on the left. But He looks at you! His left eye looks at the goats over there somewhere, but His right eye looks at His sheep, His dear little lambs, and there you are, held in His gaze.

This is a call for steadfastness. On the Last Day we know which eye we want looking at us. The artist has given us a taste of what we desire, inspiring us to press on toward the goal, to go to church, to listen to God's Word, to love our neighbor and not the things of this world. May the Lord preserve us steadfast in the true faith to life everlasting. ☞

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Welcome to Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church, a community of believers saved by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

As a people enabled by the Spirit, we are committed to regular worship and the use of the sacraments, studying and teaching the Bible, praying, using our gifts and talents in God's service, for the caring and nurturing of others and sharing the message of God's salvation so that God is glorified and all people may know Jesus as their Savior and Lord.

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