

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Eblast

September 5, 2024



SUNDAY WORSHIP RESUMES AT 11 AM

Although the calendar may say otherwise, summer is over and we are resuming our typical schedule. We've said a temporary "good-bye" to our St. John Lutheran Church partner (although we hope you know each of us are welcome at the other church, anytime.) Sunday services resume its starting time at 11:00 AM.



The Vestry would like to restart a very simple coffee hour, with a "Coffee Time" once a month. As our worship service ends around noon and people want to get to lunch, so the thought is that we would have a social time beginning at **10:30 a.m.** in the atrium. What do we mean by simple—well, simply coffee and maybe some cookies or doughnut holes. If you can host the first "Coffee Time" on Sunday Sept. 22nd please let the office know.

LOOKING FOR A GOOD READ?

Have you been waiting for our books to go on sale? Well, now is your chance! We're having a **Book Sale, Friday, September 6th from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.** on the Park side of the church.

Rummage Sale Items We aren't quite ready to start accepting gently used goods starting **September 16th -October 5th.** We **WILL NOT** be accepting books. Please make sure any items that you donate are **CLEAN** and is good condition. The Rummage sale will take place on **October 11th & 12th from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.** on the 11th and **9 a.m. - 12 p.m.** on the 12th.



Readings for September 7& 8th

First Reading: Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

Psalm 125

Second Reading: James 2:1-17

Gospel: Mark 7:24-37

Scripture Reflection

“Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor” (Jas. 2:5–6a). In the not too distant past a UNICEF study reports that the United States has the second-highest child poverty rate in the industrialized world, with more than one in five children living in households that fall below the poverty line (http://www.unicef-irc.org/publications/pdf/rc10_eng.pdf). More recently the Child Care Tax Credit that was expanded during the COVID crisis brought the child poverty rate to historic lows. Regrettably, the tax credit is no longer available erasing the gains made over a two year period. (Source <https://www.cbpp.org/press/statements/record-rise-in-poverty-highlights-importance-of-child-tax-credit-health-coverage>) What does this mean to you as a person of faith? How might God call the church to respond to this situation?





Church of the Redeemer, 201 S Wilbur Avenue, Sayre, PA 18840

September 1, 2024

You Are Invited

On September 15th we are having a get-to-know you Sunday School Kickoff Breakfast starting at 9:30 AM. There will be food and games for you to enjoy. You and your family and friends are invited to come and join in the festivities. Then on Sunday, September 22nd, the Sunday School program will start with another one of *Camp Firelight's* adventures. It will be awesome! If you would like to bring a friend or two, please do just that. We'd love to have you all.

Here's the information:

Sunday School Kickoff Breakfast

Date: September 15, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM

Sunday School Program

Date: September 22, 2024

Time: 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM

Location -Both Events: Church of the Redeemer - Parrish Hall
201 S Wilbur Avenue, Sayre, PA 18840

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

The Sunday School Teachers

Contact: Bonnie Garrity 570-888-1850 \ f.garrity@yahoo.com or
Church Office 570-888-2270 \ parrishadmin@redeemersayre.org

Sunday School Organizational Meeting

On Monday, September 9th at 6:30 p.m. we will be holding an organizational meeting for the 2024-2025 Sunday school program. We will be discussing the programs and scheduling dates for the classes. The Sunday school does need helpers, so if you can help please let us know. There are many different things to help with, such as crafts, games, snacks, parties...the list goes on. Consider sharing your talents with us. For more information please call Bonnie Garrity at (570) 888-1850

**The Valley United Presbyterian Church
presents
Tribute Quartet**



September 13, 2024

7:00 PM

Valley United Presbyterian Church

459 Park Avenue

Waverly, NY 14892

Tickets are not required.

Freewill offering will be collected.

Serving in Worship at Redeemer

September 8th

Reader: Rose Carpenter

Usher: Bruce Carpenter

Greeter: Phoebe Marshall

September 15

Diane Siebecker

Bruce Carpenter

Diane Siebecker

Bruce Carpenter	9/9
David Marshall	9/10
Mary Rhodes	9/12
Bob Cole	9/13



The Wildcat closet continues to collect donations of Sweat pants, Sweat shirts, socks and toiletries. The box is located in the atrium . Linda Murrelle will pick up your donations and make sure they are delivered to the proper locations.



There will be a blood drive at St. John on September 19th from 12 p.m.-4:30 p.m. The need is always great, so please consider stopping by and giving the gift of life.

For the month of September we will be collecting cereal for our local food pantries. Thank you for your continued generosity!!





Welcome

Playing Favorites



My brothers, as believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, don't show favoritism. James 2:1 (NIV)

Enter the correct words in the boxes based on the shape of the letters.

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believers	clothes	shabby	neighbor	right
rich	poor	love	yourself	guilty

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Choose the word that best matches the definition.



- ___ 1. A yellow metal often used in making jewelry
A. gold B. judge C. poor D. favoritism
- ___ 2. Articles of dress; wearing apparel; garments
A. clothes B. poor C. ring D. rich
- ___ 3. Deserving of blame
A. guilty B. clothes C. ring D. gold
- ___ 4. A small band of precious metal worn on the finger
A. favoritism B. poor C. judge D. ring
- ___ 5. Having great material wealth
A. gold B. guilty C. rich D. clothes
- ___ 6. Having little or no wealth and few or no possessions
A. judge B. poor C. gold D. favoritism
- ___ 7. To form an opinion about something or someone
A. ring B. poor C. rich D. judge
- ___ 8. Showing partiality toward a person or group
A. favoritism B. clothes C. ring D. guilty