

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Worship: 8:15 & 10:45 AM

9:30 ÅM

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NOVEMBER 2022



A Letter From The Pastor

BY PASTOR BURMEISTER

Fellow Redeemed,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.In the beginning God created (bara in Hebrew) the heavens and the earth. In the Septuagint (the Greek translation of the Old Testament) that word translates as poieo, to make. The creeds both confess this reality, when they say, God the Father "maker" of heaven and earth. Want to know something very interesting, our English word poet is derived from this Greek word for maker, and or creator. So, God is a poet. He is the poet of heaven and earth, and with a word He created everything that is. So, the heavens and the earth are a poem, spoken into existence by God. Each and every stanza of this poem, by God, is our life lived in the beautiful diction of God's thought, word, and deed.

True we confess in thought, word, and deed, that we are sinful. Sin is any attempt to change, control or alter God's narrative. God, as the poet that he is, comes down to us and changes our narrative and brings us into His wonderful story by the sacrifice of His Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

This has become our beautiful story, and is our beautiful poem, written by God, and played out on the stage of time, right here, and right now. There is nothing in creation more beautiful than God's Word. It is like honey on our lips. It is the fresh morning dew that brings life to the earth. It is the life-giving water that washes us clean through Holy Baptism. You are God's masterpiece, of faith, through His grace, by the power of His beautiful poetic, creative and restoring Word. Amen.

Strengthening the saved, saving the lost.

Rev. Scott Burmeister

Pastor

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Outreach

The Lutheran World Relief (LWR) warehouses are located in St. Paul, MN and New Windsor, MD. LWR sends a truck through the midwest to collect donations of quilts and kits put together by congregations and delivers them to St. Paul where they are packaged and shipped all over the world.





Using Thrivent Action Funds and donations, the Tulsa Zone of Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) rents a truck and loads it (at CTR) with donations from the Miami and Tulsa Zones of the LWML. This includes northeastern Oklahoma congregations from McAlester to Tahlequah to Adair and Bartlesville. The truck is driven the next day by volunteers and meets the LWR truck at Messiah Lutheran Church in Oklahoma City where donations are loaded and taken away to St. Paul.



An interesting part of packaging is the use of box labels enabling the donors to track where in the world the quilts and kits are shipped. CTR has done this so stay tuned to see where the help is sent!

Christ the Redeemer this year shipped 279 Quilts, 57 Hygiene kits, 305 School Kits and 43 Sewing Kits. We pray that these will bless those who receive them and show God's love and care for them. God has blessed us richly in order to help and serve His children.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
**	November	ALL SAINTS Rev. 7:9-17 Psalm 149 1 John 3:1-3 Matt. 5:1-12	• 1 Chron. 12:1-18 • Psalm 115 • Mark 12:28-44	• 1 Chron. 12:19-40 • Psalm 116 • Mark 13:1-23	• 1 Chron. 13 • Psalm 117 • Mark 13:24–14:2	• 1 Chron. 14 • Psalm 118 • Mark 14:3-21
1 Chron. 15:1-15 Psalm 119:1-8 Mark 14:22-42	• 1 Chron. 15:16-29 • Psalm 119:9-16 • Mark 14:43-72	• 1 Chron. 16:1-36 • Psalm 119:17-24 • Mark 15:1-20	1 Chron. 16:37-43 Psalm 119:25-32 Mark 15:21-47	• 1 Chron. 17:1-15 • Psalm 119:33-40 • Mark 16	• 1 Chron. 17:16-27 • Psalm 119:41-48 • 1 Cor. 1:1-17	1 Chron. 18 Psalm 119:49-56 1 Cor. 1:18-31
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1 Chron. 19:1-9Psalm 119:57-641 Cor. 2	• 1 Chron. 19:10-19 • Psalm 119:65-72 • 1 Cor. 3	• 1 Chron. 20 • Psalm 119:73-80 • 1 Cor. 4	1 Chron. 21:1-17 Psalm 119:81-88 1 Cor. 5	• 1 Chron. 21:18-22:5 • Psalm 119:89-96 • 1 Cor. 6	• 1 Chron. 22:6-19 • Psalm 119:97-104 • 1 Cor. 7:1-16	• 1 Chron. 23:1-23 • Psalm 119:105-112 • 1 Cor. 7:17-24
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27	28	29	30	4		



Be sure to join us
Sunday, October
30th as we return to
the Sanctuary for
worship services.
See the beautiful
renovations!
This is also
Reformation and
Confirmation Sunday!

Cornerstone 2 Cornerstone 19

FOOD TRUCKS:
ANDOLINI'S
HOT MESS BBQ
PITA PLACE

FREE EVENT

OCT 30, 4-7 PM

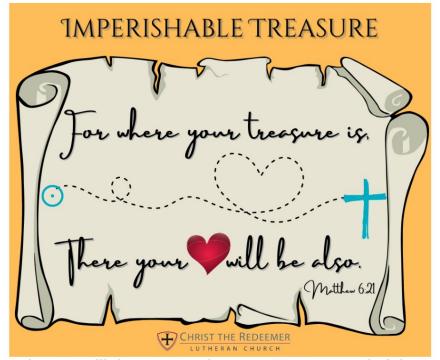
FALL FESTIVAL

BRING YOUR FRIENDS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!!



BINGO
INFLATABLES
FACE PAINTING
CIRCUS TRAINING
PONY RIDES
PETTING ZOO
TRUNK-OR-TREATING
AND MORE!

SPECIAL GUEST- METEOROLOGIST, STEPHEN NEHRENZ CHANNEL 6



There's still time to turn in your 2023 general giving pledge! Please return a pledge card to the office asap. Extra cards are available at reception. Thank you!





President: David Ross

President-Elect: James Holt Past President: John Meinders Secretary: Suzanne Beauchamp Treasurer: Janet Jamison Director-at-Large: Cheryl Davison Director-at-Large: Alex Goossen Director-at-Large: Melissa James Director-at-Large: John Campbell Personnel: Paul Wilkening Communications: Dean Butler Education: **⊠OPEN** Elders: Jim Holt Evangelism: Steve Short Family & Children: Carri Cline Finance: Mary Ann Meckfessel Outreach: Patti Ross Parish Life: Danita Cockrell Property: Brad Young Stewardship: Debby Brauer Strategic Planning: Tim Kuehnert Worship: Terry Cast Youth: Jaime Bowlin





You can now sign up online to receive the CTR E-blast! This gives you access to the weekly news and events email as well as special announcements.

Sign up today at http://www.ctrtulsa.org/emailsignup/

to receive it if you have not done so already.

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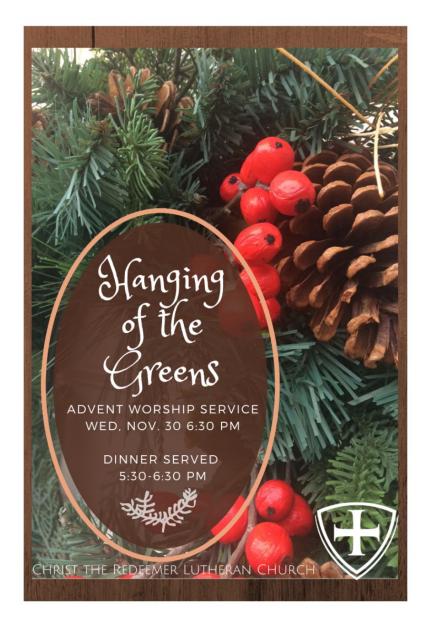
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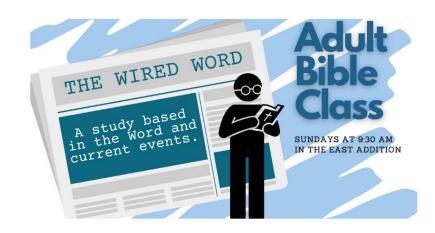
@PastorBe_CTR





Scott & Denise Burmeister	Nov 3	32 yrs
Ed & Anja Johnson	Nov 5	33 yrs
David & Stacie Edwards	Nov 11	22 yrs
Brad & Janice Young	Nov 17	43 yrs
Jim & Rosemary Holt	Nov 24	43 yrs
Timothy & Katie Michaels-Johnson	Nov 29	14 yrs





STRATEGIC PLANNING

We are looking for members to serve on the committee. The CTR manual designates 9 members representing a broad cross section of the congregation; including Senior Pastor, President Elect, the SP&D chairman, and 6 members representing youth, young adult, young family, family with teen, mature adult and senior. If you would like to be on this committee please let me know. I know many people are already committed to other committees and time is scarce. Our meetings will be 30 minutes, via Zoom or before CTR U, monthly.



naQUILTS

What brings warmth and shelter to families by becoming a bed, room divider, backpack, and at times even a home???

HOW CAN YOU HELP??

We need help in purchasing the fabric to make the quilt tops. Each quilt costs approximately \$25 to make. Donations marked "LWML quilts" can be dropped in the mite box or put in the offering plate.

Prayers for our quilt program are needed plus prayers for the recipients of our quilts. These quilts are sent all over the United States, as well as the world!



Faith



STEWARDSHIP & GIVING

For the Month of September	2021	2022
September Giving	\$58,142	\$69,357
Monthly Income Budget	\$60,983	\$81,087
Year to Date Actual Giving	\$647,814	\$701,427
Year to Date Expense Budget	\$608.720	\$887,327
Actual YTD Expenses	\$511,006	\$750,715



Questions about E-Giving? Stop by the Church Office and speak to Deva Beebe or email her at dbeebe@ctrtulsa.org to learn more.



You can visit www.ctrtulsa.org/on-line-giving to sign up through Vanco for one time or ongoing offering or donations. This allows you to set up weekly, bi-weekly or monthly offering. Setting up an account is easy, all you need is an email address to get started. You choose your own login information. When you create an account, you can also securely and conveniently store debit/credit card or bank account information, manage donations and review your giving history.



For our smartphone users, you can contribute through Vanco Mobile, our mobile giving app. It's a convenient solution whenever you have a smart phone. You can give anytime, anywhere, any day. Go to the App Store or Google Play and search for "Vanco Mobile" to quickly find the app and download it for free. You can easily make donations anytime, or create an account to schedule recurring weekly or monthly offerings. When you create an account, you can also securely and conveniently store debit/credit card or bank account information, manage donations and review your giving history. You choose how you prefer to login- Touch ID/Fingerprint, PIN or password.



Visit our church office during the week or use the offering basket during worship services.

We will now be able to accept donations and payments for Family & Children's Ministry events and Youth Ministry events through the app and online giving webpage. To visit our online giving page simply put the web address https://www.ctrtulsa.org/online-giving/ into the search bar of any browser.

When giving online, please consider making donations with your bank account instead of a debit/credit card as it saves CTR the additional credit card fees.

And whatever you do,
in word or deed,
do everything in the name
of the lord Jesus,

giving thonks

to God the Father through him.

Colossians 3:17





During the past year, it has been my goal to broaden the repertoire of hymns that we sing together in worship here at Christ the Redeemer. To that end, I have selected a series of Hymns of the Season, similar in concept to the appointed Hymns of the Day that we sing each Sunday. It is my hope that, through the singing of each of these hymns repeatedly over the course of several weeks, these great hymns of the faith have begun to be ingrained more deeply in our communal memory.

This month, we will conclude our mini-series of Hymns of the Season that are hymns of praise and adoration. The Hymn of the Season for November is "Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices" (LSB 811), one of the great chorales of the Lutheran tradition. Since its initial publication in Johann Anastasius Freylinghausen's highly influential "Spiritual Hymn Book" in 1704, this hymn has remained a fixture in Lutheran hymnals.

"Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices" was written by Johann Mentzer (1658-1734), a Lutheran pastor who was heavily influenced by Pietism. Pietism arose within the Lutheran Church in the 17th-century and emphasized, among other things, the personal piety and private devotional lives of individual believers. The shift of theological and spiritual focus within many Lutheran church bodies that resulted following the rise of Pietism also heralded a change in the Lutheran chorale. Earlier chorales of the Reformation tended to use primarily objective language with a didactic thrust, highlighting the desire of Martin Luther and other early hymnists of the Lutheran Church that the Church's song should proclaim the truth of the Gospel and teach the Christian faith through the medium of music. By contrast, the hymnody of Pietism was often marked by far more subjective language and an emphasis on the personal Christian experience of the individual.

Despite Mentzer's Pietistic leanings, the theology of the first stanza of "Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices" stems from a deeply orthodox Lutheran understanding of the Divine Service. In the Divine Service, the Lord serves His people through Word, Sacrament, and the forgiveness of sins, and His people respond with prayer, praise, thanksgiving, and song.

Oh, that I had a thousand voices To praise my God with thousand tongues! My heart, which in the Lord rejoices, Would then proclaim in grateful songs To all, wherever I might be, What great things God has done for me.

In the final stanza, we find a shift to an eschatological focus, pointing toward the day when Christ will come again in glory to judge both the living and the dead. In this stanza, we anticipate that day when, in the words of Saint Augustine, "all shall be Amen and Alleluia," and we shall join our voices in song around the throne of the Lamb in His kingdom which shall not end.

Creator, humbly I implore You To listen to my earthly song Until that day when I adore You, Together with the angel throng And learn with choirs of heaven to sing Eternal anthems to my King!

Alleluia! Amen.

Cornerstone 16
Cornerstone 5

Youth Ministry

Jr High 6th-8th Grade High School 9th-12th Grade

CONTACT DCE SUZANNE WATT TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION ON EVENTS





Open to youth and their friends age 14-18 in high school. Registration cost is \$110 each for retreat cabins (those serving on the committee pay \$100 and must complete registration forms and medical packets as well).

Retreat cabins include bedding and towels. Due by December 12, then add-ons can be done as space allows.

After January 1 the price is \$170 a person if there is space. Cost includes transportation, meals and housing for the weekend as well as all programming and a t-shirt.

You should be at church no later than 6:30 PM on the 13th. Please eat. dinner prior or bring a sack meal with you! We will return on the 15th at approximately 1:00 PM.

Register now for Journey in January High School Retreat by completing the



online form and returning your registration payment to DCE Suzanne. We will also need a new 2023 CTR Medical and Permission form for each attendee filled out in early January to reflect changes in medical insurance as well as update medications and permissions.

You may complete the forms now and pay later. The registration fee can be submitted by cash or check made payable to "Christ the Redeemer" with "Journey" in the memo or you can now pay online at https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z1V1/home



High school students! Are you interested in being part of the annual YouthLead! training done by LCMS Youth Ministry. This event equips students with leadership skills, shows them how to prepare a devotion, and teaches them how to lead a pre-written bible study in addition to fostering Christian servant attitudes. We are limited to 4 students, so please contact DCE Suzanne ASAP to sign up.



Registration Forms for all youth events as well as 2022 Medical & Liability Forms are all online through Planning Center. Please set up a family account and use this platform to register for all youth events. If you have difficulty, please contact DCE Suzanne. Forms will have to be updated as of 1/1/23 for all 2023 events.



As a follow-up to the May presentation in May by Phil Armstrong, executive director of Greenwood Rising, we are taking a field trip to the Greenwood Rising Museum on Thursday, November 17th. We will have a docent led tour through the museum starting at 1:00. Cost per person will be determined by the size of our group and will be between \$10 and \$15. We also plan to schedule an optional lunch in the area around 11:30.

Specific details will be announced soon. Please sign up as soon as possible as we may have to limit the size of the group to 20-25.



IN SEPTEMBER, BRAD YOUNG WONDERFUL PRESENTATION TO THE OWLS DESCRIBING THE BUILDING PROJECT. SUZANNE PROVIDED ALL THE PICTURES **CONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT FUND



Pursuing a career in service to the Lord through the church is a fulfilling opportunity, but it is not an inexpensive choice. Those who pursue professional church work many times incur educational debt, just like anyone else may do. Repayment of educational debt is often made more difficult by the more modest salaries of church workers, compared to other professions.

In order to encourage and retain our professional church workers here at Christ the Redeemer, several years ago the congregation established a fund to assist our Pastors, DCEs and other synodically-trained church workers in repaying their student loans. This fund relies on the donations of our members here at CTR. The fund is currently in need of additional funds. Please prayerfully consider a designated donation to this cause. You may place your gift in the weekly offering with a designation of "Student Loan Fund" or you may give your gift directly to one of the Elders, and we will ensure that it is deposited in the correct fund.

Thank you for your past generosity and for ongoing support.

– Jim Holt, Elder Chair



Will be observed Sunday, November 6

Cornerstone 6 **Cornerstone 15**

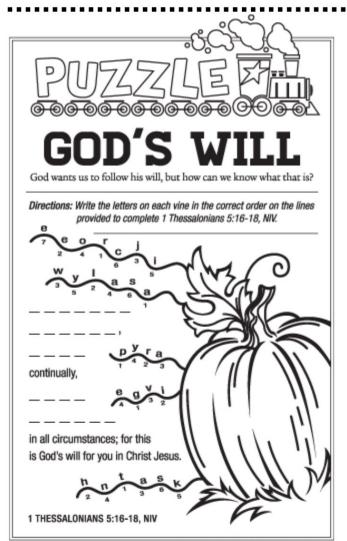


LWML is again collecting shoes!



Collection box will be in shelved cabinets behind the member name tag wall. LWML is collecting now until January 31, 2023. Men's, women's and children's shoes are being collected. Dress, athletic, sandals, flip flops, boots, etc. in clean and good condition will be accepted. NO roller skates or ice skates.

Shoes should be paired and rubber banded or laces tied together.



Wednesday, November 23 6:30 PM



LET US GIVE THANKS

Answer: rejoice, always, pray, give, thanks

YOUTH MINISTRY





November 18-20- Fall Force at Camp Lutherhoma

January 13-15-Journey in January High School Retreat at Camp Lutherhoma

January 27-29- Higher Things Retreat

February 3-5- CTR Club 345/Jr High Retreat at Camp Lutherhoma

February 19-20-Incredible Lock-in for 6-12th grades

March 16-19-YouthLead! Training for High School Students



Wednesday

5:00-5:30 PM Fellowship & Games

5:30-6:30 Confirmation Classes w/ Pastor B Youth Small Group & Games w/ Suzanne

6:00-6:45 Music with Jacob on 2nd & 4th Wednesdays for post-confirmation students

6:15-7:15 Dinner in FHW

7:15-8:00 Youth Rooms Open

Join us every week & bring your friends!





Cornerstone 14

FALL & WINTER 2022

CTR-U Dinner Schedule Fall 2022	MENU Salad Bar and Dessert every week	
October 26	Italian Night, Bread	
November 2	Hot Soup Bar	
November 9	Raising Cane's, Mac/Cheese, Chips	
November 16	Chicken Pot Pie, Roll	
November 23	NO CTR-U- Thanksgiving Break	
Advent November 30	Lasagna, Bread	
Advent December 7	Taco Bar	
Advent December 14	Hot Soup Bar	
December 21	NO CTR-U- Christmas Break	
December 28	NO CTR-U- Christmas Break	
January 4	Raising Cane's, Mac/Cheese, Chips	
January 11	Taco Bar	
January 18	Italian Night, Bread	



Weekly Schedule

5:00-5:30 PM Open for Games & Fellowship

5:30-6:30 PM Classes for All Ages

6:15-7:15 PM Dinner in Fellowship West

7:15-8:30 PM Choir

7:15-8:30 PM Young Adult Group

Youth Music Schedule

1st & 3rd Wednesdays 6:00-6:30 PM Elementary Students

2nd & 4th Wednesdays 6:00-6:45 PM Jr High & High School Students



MORE INFORMATION

Use this QR code to access SignUp Genius and volunteer to assist with the CTRU meal prep/service!



https://www.ctrtulsa.org/ctr-u/



TULSA AREA LUTHERAN MESSIAH 100TH PRESENTATION

TulsaMessiah.org

The 100th presentation of the Christmas portion of Handel's Messiah by Tulsa area Lutheran churches is planned for Sunday, December 11, 2022. Although COVID-19 delayed the 100th presentation for the last two years, this milestone event is now fully moving ahead.

Two presentations will take place on Sunday, December 11th at 3:00 PM and 5:30 PM at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Broken Arrow. With the large seating capacity in Immanuel's sanctuary, for this year we believe that having only the two presentations will make it easier on the chorus, orchestra and soloists while still allowing ample opportunity for attendees of the presentations.

Chorus members, orchestra members and soloists are needed.

Soloist (at Immanuel-Broken Arrow):

- AUDITIONS: November 6, 1:00-3:00 pm sign up required; see link below
- · Rehearsals: TBD as required
- DRESS REHEARSAL: Friday, Dec 9, 6:00-8:00 pm

Chorus Member Rehearsals (at Immanuel-Broken Arrow):

- November 13, 3:00-4:30 pm
- November 20, 3:00-4:30 pm
- ·December 4, 1:00-2:30 pm
- DRESS REHEARSAL: Friday, Dec 9, 6:00-8:00 pm

Orchestra Rehearsals (at Immanuel-Broken Arrow):

- ·Thursday, Dec 1, 7:00-8:30
- ·Thursday, Dec 8, 7:00-8:30
- · DRESS REHEARSAL: Friday, Dec 9, 6:00-8:00 pm

Please plan to participate or attend. Please encourage any and all former participants to come back and join us for this 100th presentation!

Please sign up to sing a solo or in the chorus or play with the orchestra at tulsamessiah.org. Please contact John Meinders at jhmeinders@cox.net with any questions.

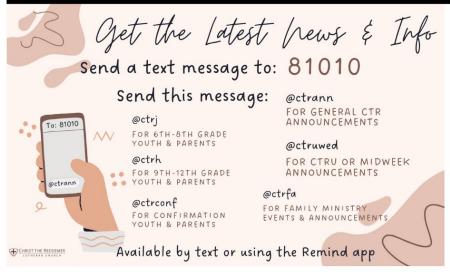
Cornerstone 8





After sitting in silence for over two years, the Zimmer pipe organ is once again filling the Sanctuary at CTR with music. The final checklist is being completed to return to the Sanctuary October 30: Brackets installed to hold pews down, floor vents put in, new pew cushions, dusting, cleaning and return hymnals and Bibles to racks.







FAMILY & CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



HAPPY FALL

Watch the December newsletter and the church website for photos from Fall Festival,





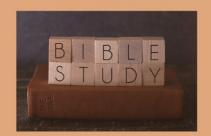
FALL FORCE

November 18-20

All kids, ages 8-12, are invited to join us for this retreat at Camp Lutherhoma in Tahlequah. Kids will enjoy camp activities, get to know the camp staff, connect with old friends and make new friends, too.

Cost is \$65 for kids. Adult chaperones may attend free of charge. To register go to the Family and Children page of the church website, or talk to DCE Nikki.

CONTACT DCE NIKKI FOR MORE INFORMATION. NBOYD@CTRTULSA.ORG 918-859-8575



Young Adult Bible study

The young adults are meeting for Bible study on Wednesdays @ 7:15 PM and Sunday mornings at 9:40 AM.

Mark your calendars and invite friends!
Contact Nikki if you have questions:
918-859-8575

Women's study

Every Tuesday at 10am we are doing a Bible study based on the book Joining Jesus on His Mission: How to be an Everyday Missionary.

Come join us!

Contact Nikki if you have questions or need a book: 918-859-8575

Cornerstone 12







The Young Adults had a great time during Fall Break, eating pizza, carving pumpkins and making s'mores!
So much fun and we can't wait to get together again!!







NEW YOUNG ADULT CLASS

Following Sunday school opening, young adults are invited to join us for a Bible study in the fishbowl.

Faith Sunding School



THE BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

This month in Sunday School, we will be covering the stories of Moses and the Israelites, including the 10 Commandments, as they wandered in the desert before entering the Promised Land. They will learn how God's chosen people were not always obedient to God and neither are we. Thankfully, we have a Savior that died for our sins so we can some day make it to our Promised Land, Heaven. Talk to your family about the 10 Commandments, God's forgiveness and what that means for us.



Sunday School Schedule for Children & Youth

9:20-9:40 Opening Music in Fellowship West 9:40-10:40 Class Time

1st & 3rd Sundays- 6th-12th grade 2nd & 4th Sundays- Elementary Kids will have music with Jacob from 9:40-10:00 followed by class at 10:00 until 10:40. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Meet our Sunday School teachers

Pre-K/K- Jenny Wendelbo

Sarah Wendelbo

1-2 grade- Diane Fager 3-5 grade- Carri Cline

Melissa James



Join us for Sunday
School Opening
in the new
West Fellowship
Hall at 9:20!
Everyone is
welcome!

