

Service opportunities are highlighted in yellow.

Thank You for Your Support, Parents!

As we near the end of our 40th school year we are aware more than ever that it takes parents and teachers partnering together to help a child to be the best he can be. Thank you, thank you, thank you so much for partnering with us. The many volunteer hours you are giving make our job so much easier. Thanks again! Need more hours? See the article a few sections below.

Gr. K-3 Are Taking Their Show on the Road This Sunday, April 29, 8:30a

The grades K-3 Kingdom Kids choir will sing Sunday, April 29, for the service at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Mound. Please meet Mr. Oie in the church, by their piano at 8:30a. As Mr. Oie has already indicated in his note, the children will be providing music throughout the whole service so we hope you can stay. See the red note sent home with your children for detail.

Social Event Tues., May 1, 5-8p at BrewWorks

We are kicking off the Redeemer Christian Academy silent auction fundraiser at Wayzata BrewWorks on Tuesday, May 1st, 5-8pm. Join us to socialize and connect with other Redeemer parents! This is a casual event, and is open-house style, so stop in and stay as your schedule allows. Start bidding on your mobile device, and enjoy an evening on beautiful Lake Minnetonka. Delicious appetizers will be provided and craft beer is available for purchase on site. Childcare will be available at Redeemer; [register using this link](#). Please note there will not be dinner provided for the children.

Spring Auction Fundraiser

We are so excited about the awesome donations that are rolling in! Exclusive teacher experiences, including mini-golf and a Twins game outing, darling thumb-print and photo artwork from students, huge themed classroom gift baskets, gift cards to various restaurants and stores, tickets to sporting events, and much more will be auctioned off to the highest bidder, with all the funds raised supporting the 2018-19 school year! NOW, pre-shop the items online [here](#), register to begin bidding next week, and stop by the school lobby to see many of the items. Please share the auction and bidding website, www.32auctions.com/RCA2018 with other Redeemer supporters, your friends, neighbors, and grandparents! Bidding opens on 5/1 at 1pm and closes on 5/4 at 4pm
Please contact us with any questions: Christina Ridgeway, Pcridgeway@gmail.com, RCA mom, or Keri Rouen, Kerirouen@gmail.com, RCA mom

Midterm Grades for Gr. 1-8 Students Sent Home Wednesday, May 2

Please sign the envelope and return. Make an appointment to chat with a teacher if needed.

PS/PK/K Bike-a-Thon Friday, May 4

PS/PK/K students will be taking part in a ride round and round the lower level parking lot to help provide funds to cure JMS, an illness which one of our preschoolers has contracted. The Bike-a-Thon is Friday, May 4. Students learn bike safety and the importance of helping others—all while having fun! Proceeds will go toward finding a cure.

Choir and Band Concert Tuesday, May 8, 6:30p

Mr. Oie, Music Director, will lead the K-8 students in a choir concert, and Mrs. Hendershot, Band Director, will lead the band students in performing on Tuesday, May 8, 6:30p. Band students are requested to be in the bandroom by _____. All other students are requested to meet in their homeroom class by 6:15.

Moms and Muffins Wednesday, May 16, 8:05a

Purpose: to connect moms with God, each other, and our school

8:05 - Drop your school child(ren) off at their classrooms

8:15 –Come to the cafeteria for muffins and coffee, along with a short devotion. Non-school age children are welcome!

8:45 - You're invited to join the school children in chapel or have your non-school age child play in the gym under your supervision until 9:15.

Questions? Contact Amanda Dehmer at adehmer@redeemerwayzata.org or Amy Rosckes at rosckesa@csp.edu.

Breakfast Buddies Friday, May 18, 7:30a

It's our last one of the year! Don't miss it! Mrs. Penn, grade 2 teacher, will be serving a continental breakfast. We thank her making breakfast for us this year. Breakfast Buddies is a program to promote PS-gr. 8 students and a significant male to join together for breakfast and also to come together to support each other in making a Godly difference in the children's lives. It brings about 50 people together each month. A freewill donation is accepted to cover the cost.

Need Service Hours?

Here are some ways we need your help:

- Sat., May 5: All school families and church members are invited to help spruce up Redeemer's grounds and building on Saturday, May 5, from 8:30 to noon -- just half a day of your time. This is a service opportunity for our Lord that benefits the children in our school, our members, and visitors! Questions? Contact Hank Radintz @ 612-865-2130. Sign up on the sheet in the school lobby to help. Bring buckets, squeegees, small ladders to help wash windows, bring gloves and hand tools to work outside.
- School picnic May 30: serving food to K-8 students, providing games for K-3 students
- Mon., June 4, 9a: All-staff brunch, pick up food, set up and clean up
- June 11-15: Help with VBS
- Ask a teacher how you can help

Service Hours/End of Year Billing Reminder

Service hours not fulfilled will be added to the last school autodebit bill in June at the rate of \$10/hour not served. Please make sure that you have reconciled your other school accounts for lunch, overdue

library books, and ESC by paying any outstanding balances by Friday, June 3, our last day of school for K-8.

The service hours and the per family service fee are based on the oldest child enrolled and are as follows:

K-8 full day – 25 service hours or \$250

K-half day – 12 service hours or \$120

Pre-K4 half day and full day – 7 service hours or \$70

PS3 – 5 service hours or \$50

Each family that completes their service hours will have their service fee for the school year waived. Those completing partial requirements will be charged a prorated service fee commensurate with the hours served. If a family does not complete and send in their documented service hours by the end of VBS, June 15, the service fee will be deducted with the June tuition automatically debited from your account. Service hour documentation is done online at www.school.redeemerwayzata.org by looking at the Parent/Student drop-down menu and clicking on “Service (volunteering)”.

Report cards will be mailed out in mid-June only if we have received all outstanding monies. The report card will be held until those monies are received. For those transferring to another school, transcripts will not be sent until all Redeemer financial obligations are met. Contact: Steve Swanlund (financial manager) sswanlund@redeemerwayzata.org or Linda Wiebold (school administrator) lwiebold@redeemerwayzata.org.

Before School Care Needed for Next School Year? Need to Know ASAP

Several families have toured who are interested in before-school care next school year. To address this potential need, we are planning on offering before-school care from 7:00a – 8:05a, at which time students may be in the classrooms.

If you are interested in contracting for before-school care, please let Linda Wiebold know at 952/473-5356 ext. 219 or www.lwiebold@redeemerwayzata.org. ASAP, as I need to ensure we have a caregiver. If you're interested in doing the caregiving, or know someone who may be interested, please contact Linda Wiebold also.

Dress Code for Footwear

Sturdy shoes, sandals and other safe footwear are essential for the student's safety. Flip-flops are deemed unsafe. For health and safety reasons, socks need to be worn by students at all times. The Principal of the Day (as determined by the auction winner), in conjunction with the School Administrator, may declare a special day when flip-flops may be worn. 😊

Dates to Note

- Wed., May 2 – Gr. 1-8 midterms sent home
- Fri., May 4 – Gr. 5-8 track meet at Mayer Lutheran and the Bike-a-Thon for preschool, prekindergarten, and kindergarten students
- Tues., May 8 – 6:15p K-8 Students need to arrive for the Spring Choir and Band Concert in the gym
- Thurs.-Fri., May 10-11 – Gr. 5-6 at Camp Omega and gr. 3-4 track and field day, Bike-a-Thon alternative date if rained out on May 4

- Wed., May 16 to Fri., May 18 – Gr. 7-8 class trip to Wisconsin Dells
- Wed., May 16 – 8:05a Moms and Muffins in the cafeteria
- Thurs., May 17 – no study hall
- Fri., May 18 – 7:30a Breakfast Buddies
- Tues., May 22 – 2p Gr. K-3 sing at Meridian manor
- Thurs., May 24 – Last day of preschool
- Fri., May 25 – Last day of pre-kindergarten, 1:30 awards ceremony

Thank You Art Adventure Leaders!

Thank you to Danielle Engholm, who headed up this program, and all the volunteers who showcased specific artworks found at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts (MIA) to all students during the month of March under the auspices of the Art Adventure program.

Piano Recital Wed., May 23, 7p

Mr. Dan Oie, Redeemer's Director of Music, will offer a piano recital for those students who took lessons with him during the school year. You are welcome to come and listen! Mr. Oie offers summer lessons June through August, and will again be offering lessons this next school year. Interested? Contact him at doie@redeemerwayzata.org.

Band Introduction Wednesday, May 25, for Gr. 3 Students

On Friday, May 18, Mrs. Hendershot, band director, will be showcasing instruments for gr. 3 students, in order to help them choose what instrument they may be interested in. Mrs. Hendershot gives band instruction during the school day. Look for more information from Mrs. Hendershot coming home with your 3rd grade child.

Got Diplomas? Graduation Events May 29 and 30

Kindergarten graduation takes place Tuesday, May 29, 9:00 am. It will take the place of our usual chapel service that week, and all students and teachers attend. A special reception will be held afterward for graduates, parents and their guests. Come and be a part of this important event in the kindergartner's lives.

The 8th grade graduation is scheduled Wednesday, May 29, 6:30 pm. Please join us as we celebrate their past learning and send them on to the next learning phase of their lives. A special reception will be held afterward for students, parents and guests. All are welcome to attend this celebration.

Awards Assembly Friday, May 25 1:30p

Mark your calendars for the all-school awards assembly on Friday, May 25, 1:30 pm in the sanctuary. Attendance, worship, sports and other awards will be given out to students. Contact: Mrs. Wiebold at lwiebold@redeemerwayzata.org

K-8 Picnic Thursday, May 30

Grades K-8 and teachers will travel to Baker Park, leaving by bus at 9:15a. All-beef hot dogs, chips, carrots/ranch dressing, Oreos, and bottled water will be provided. Should your child need different food, please feel free to send a lunch in a disposable bag. **Parents will help lead games. Please consider joining us for at least part of the day. It's a great time to have fun with the kids.**

Student footwear for the day is shoes and socks for safe play. No sandals, please. Redeemer blue t-shirts are encouraged for ease in identifying our children. Contact: Mrs. Wiebold at lwiebold@redeemerwayzata.org

K-8 Last Day of School Thursday, May 31 is a Half Day

It's a half-day closing day! Dismissal is at 11:00.

8:30a - Classes begin, and parent fellowship coffee will be hosted by PTL in the cafeteria

10:00a – Praise and celebration chapel by Pastor Steve and the official closing of our 40th year of school

11:00a - Dismissal. There is neither bus transportation nor ESC following the dismissal. Parents need to pick up or arrange for the pickup of children. Celebration cake will be served on the sidewalk!

Spring Cleaning? Redeemer's Garage Sale August 1-2-Bring in Items First Week in May

Redeemer's Garage Sale is August 1-2. You may bring in your items starting the first week in May. We cannot accept mattresses, TVs or exercise equipment. We ask that you hold off bringing in large furniture items until a week or two before the garage sale, as we have limited storage.