

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE AT BLESSED REDEEMER

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 24</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 25</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Worship w/ Communion</b>
		<b>10:15am</b>	<b>Voter's Meeting</b>
		<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>DOK</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>July 28</b>	<b>6:30am</b>	<b>Men of Brandon (MOB)</b>
		<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>All BRLC Kickball, Fire Pit &amp; Pizza</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>July 29</b>	<b>12-6pm</b>	<b>Blood Drive</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 31</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 1</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Worship w/ Communion</b>
		<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>DOK</b>

### OUR RESPONSE LAST WEEK:

**General Offering for Week of 7/18/2021: \$ 6,197.28**

**Church Attendance for Week of 7/18/2021: 103**

*Weekly General Offering Needs: \$5,341.00*

*General Fund Checking Balance as of June: \$67,343.39*

### ALTAR GUILD

**July**– Katie Melius

**August**– Lynn Holm & Maria Coughlin

**Altar Flowers:** You may provide flowers to beautify our sanctuary.

Please speak with the Altar Guild.

### PRAYING FOR THOSE CURRENTLY SERVING/DEPLOYED IN OUR MILITARY:

Nate Holm, Jackie Alberts, Jessica Esterberg, Matt Eigenberg, Sarah Callies, Jarod Ruud, Kyleigh Sorensen, Noah Holm, and Joe Johnson.

### ATTENDANCE RECORD

We ask that visitors please sign the guest book and that both members and visitors fill out the attendance record in the pew rack and pass it to the person next to you so that we may be aware of your presence with us today. If your attendance record is empty, please use one from a nearby pew and alert the Elders after the service. May the Lord, your God, bless your time of worship!

## **In Our Prayers**



Celebrating Birthdays this week: Karla Podhradsky, Allison Rath, Landry Schilling, Austin Pulse, Riley Christoffer, MacKenzie Nelseon, Ivory Rath

Celebrating Anniversaries this week: Duane & Marie Rogers, Dave & Roxy Sorensen

For those ill, hospitalized or recovering at home: Dorothy Warne, Doug Edwards, Dorothy Trolinder (mother of Chris McKeown), Isaiah Uken (Grandson of Beth and Glen Uken)

### **Quarterly Voter's Meeting after Sunday's Service**

Our regular quarterly Voter's Meeting will be held after the 9 am worship service today. It is important that we hear updates on the sound system capital campaign, as well as other pressing improvements being made to our facility. Your interest in the work and mission of Blessed Redeemer is shown by your attendance and participation, and gives encouragement to those serving on our boards and committees.

### **Thank You, Pastor Klatt!**

Our thanks to Pastor Gary Klatt for leading our worship services this weekend. Once again we are privileged to hear him share the Word of God with us while Pastor Deardoff is on vacation. May God make us receptive to the seed of His Word as it is sown into our hearts!

### **Contact Information**

If you need emergency pastoral care while Pastor Deardoff is away, please contact either one of our elders or our head elder, Rick Melius (605-360-7816). You may also contact our Circuit Visitor, Pastor Cory Aker of Faith Lutheran at 605-214-3343.

### **Service Opportunity: Blood Drive**

Be sure to mark next Thursday, July 29th from 12-6 as a perfect time to come and give blood! BRLC is hosting this Red Cross event and are looking for a few assistants as well. If you are able to help



out the RC staff, please let Cathi know. We will share with you the link to sign up for your personal time slot to donate blood as soon as we receive it. Let us know if you have any questions! Your donation is able to help cancer, trauma, sickle cell, burn and chronic illness patients. Thank you for your generous gift!

### **Thank You, VBS Leaders and Helpers!**

It is a gargantuan task to organize and hold Vacation Bible School, especially after a one year hiatus due to Covid. We thank our gracious God that we were blessed with another successful VBS with over 80 students attending during the five evenings. Special thanks go to our leaders from the Board of Ed, Sarah Peterson, Juliana Ruud, and Molly Leopold for all of their advanced planning and organizing. Our thanks also to everyone who helped in the kitchen with the nightly meals, Bella Reif and Sarah Peterson for doing opening and closing and songs, the registration table crew, the story teller and guides, as well as those who helped with crafts, recess, snacks and everything else. Thanks also to all the members of BRLC who provided food and supplies. May God bless you all for these acts of love which benefitted so many children in our congregation and community.



### Have Fun Around the Firepit this Wednesday!

Everyone likes to enjoy a firepit on a summer evening, with s'mores and time with friends. And everyone in the congregation, not just the youth, is invited to the firepit gathering this Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. There will be lawn games and pizza from Pizza Ranch as well to make it an extra fun time. Please sign up on the sheet posted by the office today or call the church office and leave your name and how many are attending by noon on Tuesday so we know how many slices to order, and see you there!



### Confirmation Retreat Coming August 20-21

Our regular yearly confirmation retreat at Camp Okoboji is scheduled for Friday evening Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> through Sat. Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>. It is open to all incoming 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders, and we will meet up again with Pastor Letsche and his confirmation class, our friends from First Lutheran in Kingsley IA. There is no cost to the student other than a fast food meal on the way there and on the way back. Parents please respond to the letter you were sent this last week as soon as possible.



### MOB Considers the Strength of Jesus

It is a strange and curious thing to contemplate that Jesus was strong enough to resist several attempts on His life previous to the crucifixion, yet he allowed himself to be handed over to sinful men. This week's Men of Brandon Bible study will read how Jesus had "Strength to Spend, Strength to Give" as we continue to learn how to "Man Up!" by following the Savior.

### Capital Campaign Update

Thank the Lord for all of your generous donations!! Our church has come together to raise a total of \$13,100! Give yourselves a pat on the back and let's thank God for this amazing achievement! The work has started and we can't wait to see how this new sound systems reaches more people for Jesus in the coming months and years.

### Preschool Corner: HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Hey have you heard the good news? BRLP is celebrating 25 years and we would love to have you join us! We will be celebrating from 1-4pm with birthday cake, music with Phil Baker, inflatables, and Mr. Twister. Bring your neighbors, friends and family to help us celebrate God's amazing mission here at BRLP!

### Mission Trip

Please keep Karissa Ternus in your prayers as she is on a mission trip to Guatemala. BRLC has kindly sponsored Karissa as she is traveling with an LCMS church from Iowa. These servants are helping spread God's love by holding VBS, packing food bags, playing soccer, repairing buildings and other projects. Karissa will return this week and looks forward to sharing more detailed information with the congregation. Thank you for helping Karissa share her talents in Guatemala.

# Opportunities for Prayer and Service

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## July 25th, 2021



## Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

### *Beware of False Prophets*

*“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves”* (Matt. 7:15). Deceit has its strength in masquerading as the truth. False prophets speak a vision of their own heart, not from the mouth of the Lord (Jer. 23:16–29). They deny the judgment of the Lord, speaking peace to the unrepentant, when in truth there is condemnation and wrath. *“You will recognize them by their fruits”* (Matt. 7:20). The *“fruits”* of a true prophet are not outward righteousness or success but faithfulness in proclaiming the Word of the Lord. This is the will of the Father in heaven, that pastors take heed to the flock, the Father’s adopted ones (Rom. 8:12–17), warning them against the wolves and their lies, and shepherding the Church of God which He purchased with His own blood (Acts 20:27–38). For indeed, the cross is that good tree bearing good fruit—namely, the body and blood of Christ, given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.

**Please take this folder with its inserts home today to remind you of opportunities for prayer and service in the upcoming weeks.**

*If you have information for this publication, please submit it to the office no later than the Wednesday prior to the Sunday edition.*