



Royal Redeemer

LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

January 2026

Dear Royal Redeemer Family:

HAPPY 2026!

At the onset of this new year, I ask you to be mindful of those the Lord places in your path and how He may be using you to share His Love with others. Our new sermon series, "Faith at Work: Connecting Your Work to God's Word", reinforces this idea. A relationship with Christ isn't something that should be confined only to the weekend, but should easily flow over into our work, as well as every other area of our life. As Christ-followers, we are called to use our work, or whatever we may be doing, as an opportunity to live out our walk with Christ, aware of the fact that He can use what we do and how we live to impact others for Him.

WRAPPING UP SEASON OF HOPE

As we wrap up our Season of Hope, I'd like to thank you for your overwhelming generosity in support of Operation Christmas Child, St. Herman's, HeavenTrain, and Night to Shine. We're continuing to lift up **Night to Shine**, taking place Feb. 13. We still need buddies to accompany our guests. You may also make a financial gift online at royred.org/give. Select "Night to Shine" from the drop-down menu.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Moving forward, I will be sharing periodic capital campaign updates. Based on contractor availability and current market pricing, here is the latest:

- New fire suppression system installed
- Mortgage has been paid off, saving us interest
- Two more phases of the HVAC system controls have been upgraded and two more are being engineered
- Over Christmas break:
 - Gathering Room floor is scheduled to be installed
 - PA system upgrades
 - Contemporary tech lighting upgrades
- Other security upgrades are also being planned

Because of your generosity, you will continue to see improvements like these taking place around our beautiful campus!

Wishing you a blessed, happy & healthy 2026!

Pastor John

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Weekend Worship Services

- 5:00** Blended - Sanctuary (Saturday evening)
- 8:30** Traditional - Sanctuary ^
- 9:30** Contemporary - CAC ^
Redeemer Kids (dismissed during worship)
- 10:00** Traditional - Sanctuary
- 11:00** Contemporary - CAC

^ Livestream | * Registration required | + Volunteer

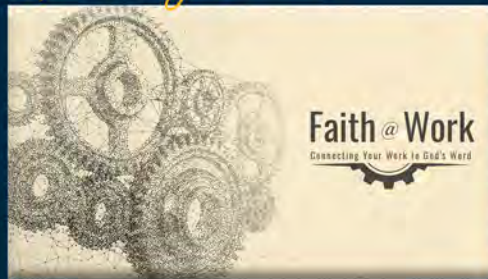
JANUARY

- 4** HS youth group, 7-8:30pm
- 8** Royal Seniors game day, 1-4pm
- 9** Last day to donate formal wear for NTS Prom Boutique
- 10** Night to Shine Prom Boutique
- 17** We to Me event, 12:30, Rm. 102
- 18** Life with God Sunday session begins, 11:15am
HS youth group, 7-8:30pm
PickleBall & Jesus, 5:45 - 8pm
- 20** Life with God Tuesday session begins, 7pm
- 22** Royal Seniors game day, 1-4pm
- 24** Couples date night, 6-8:30pm, CAC
- 25** Last day to return baby bottles
National Lutheran Schools Week begins
RRLS students sing at all services
- 28** 5th & 6th Summit Night, 7-8:30pm
- 30** RRLS PTO dinner & game event

FEBRUARY

- 1** HS youth group, 7-8:30pm
- 4** LEGO Club, 6pm
- 8** "Soup-er" Bowl Sunday fundraiser event
- 12** Royal Seniors game day, 1-4pm
- 13** Night to Shine
- 13-15** High School & Confirmation WinterWave retreat, Beulah Beach
- 15** DR mission team commissioning, 11am
HS youth group, 7-8:30pm
- 26** Royal Seniors game day, 1-4pm

Upcoming Series



Happy
New
Year!

MISSION SPOTLIGHT

Cornerstone Pregnancy Services

In January, Royal Redeemer will be supporting Cornerstone Pregnancy Services with our annual Baby Bottle Campaign. Cornerstone's Mission is to care for women by providing life-affirming services. Clients are treated with compassionate, non-judgmental, medical and support services.

Baby bottles will be handed out the first three Sundays in January. You can fill the bottles with change, bills, or checks payable to RRLC, and return the bottles by **Jan. 25**. If you'd like your donation to be credited to your charitable giving account, include a slip of paper in the bottle with your printed name & contact info. We are also collecting:

- Wipes
- Diapers sized 3, 4, or 5
- Baby shoes
- Winter clothes, sizes 12 months to 2T
- Bath supplies
- Winter boots & coats
- Dreft or All Free Clear laundry detergent

All items must be **NEW** and clothes **must have tags on them**. Place donations in the large wooden storage cabinets labeled Cornerstone.

DID YOU KNOW...

If you are 70 ½ or older, you can make your offering as a "Qualified Charitable Distribution" (up to \$108,000 for 2025) from your IRA directly to RRLC. It will not count as taxable income. If you are age 73 or older, it can also satisfy your "Required Minimum Distribution". Always check with your Financial Advisor. Other questions? Contact Chris Robertson at 440-897-9944 (chris.robertson2@gmail.com) or Dave Kaldy at 440-503-3007 (davekaldy@outlook.com).

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Thank you for your continued support of the Food Pantry. Current needs include:

- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Bars of soap
- First aid items
- Toothpaste
- Health & beauty items
- Toothbrushes

As a reminder, **we CANNOT distribute expired food or any other items** (clothing, school supplies, etc.) so please **do not** drop those items in the bins located outside the Central Entrance. Thank you!

FAMILY MINISTRY & YOUTH

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Plans are underway for VBS! Kiddos will step into **Rainforest Falls**, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees, and colorful creatures. This week of wonder explores the powerful nature of God. Through Bible stories, the coolest animal buddies, and joyful worship, they'll discover who God is and how to stay rooted in His love. Sign-ups open in March.

For other events, please see the calendar on the front of the newsletter or email familyministry@royred.org

LIFE WITH GOD

Membership classes begin in January
Sign up at royred.org/upcoming

SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

- Blessings on the start of 2026! We're getting ready for a new school year, too. Application is open for new families. (Re)enrollment opens for: current RRLS families, January 5 & community families January 20. Visit rrls.org/admissions.
- Stop by our **Open House on January 7** from 2 - 6pm to tour & meet the teachers. Tell a friend about RRLS!
- **National Lutheran Schools Week** starts on Jan. 25 -- hear our students sing in worship and attend our PTO Family Game Night (build a game board with your family) on Jan. 30.
- Through the **LSGOO**, you can convert your 2025 tax dollars into scholarship dollars to benefit Christian education at RRLS. You have until April 14, 2026, but we encourage you to participate by the end of March to allow time for processing & for sending the receipt necessary for filing. Grab a "Quick Guide to Donating to the LSGOO" located outside either worship space.



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