



November 19, 2020

Dear Royal Redeemer Family:

First, I need to share some important news. We are temporarily moving to **ONLINE WORSHIP ONLY, effective immediately**, through 2020. This is in response to the appeal from the Cuyahoga County Board of Health for all organizations to help stem the rise of COVID-19 infections. Out of an abundance of care and concern for our church family, the leadership team feels we need to take this necessary precaution. We will continue to monitor the situation, and after Christmas, will do a re-evaluation based on the information we have at that time.

Traditional worship will be livestreamed at 8:30 AM; contemporary worship at 10:00 AM. Both will be recorded and available for later viewing. We sincerely appreciate your understanding and patience as we navigate this ever-changing situation. Let's hope and pray everyone will do their part to slow the spread of the virus, especially as we head into the holiday season. Please remain vigilant, especially with **Thanksgiving Day** coming up next Thursday. I pray that you and your family find safe and creative ways to celebrate this holiday and take time to praise our gracious God for His abundant blessings!

Attention all Redeemer Kids' families – "**Home Sweet Home**" Advent activity boxes are being sent home with RRLS families before Thanksgiving break. There will also be a link on our website so that all families can reserve a box for pick-up at the church, just outside of the Central Entrance.

A love worth demonstrating...

As a reminder, Advent Generosity is underway. Details for all these opportunities to give can be found on the homepage of our website. ([Advent Generosity link](#)) There are a number of ways you can bless others this Christmas season:

- **Adopt-a-Child** attending North Royalton City Schools or RRLS by purchasing a \$25 gift card to ONLY Marc's, Target, or Walmart stores (mail gift cards to church)
- Virtually sponsor a child with a parent(s) in prison through the **Project Angel Tree** program
- Donate new pairs of underwear in all sizes and styles for people of all ages, as well as men's long underwear for **St. Herman's Men's Shelter** and **Laura's Home Women's Crisis Center** (leave in the basket outside of the Central Entrance)
- Help us meet our **General Ministry Fund** needs (mail donation to church)

A message worth sharing...

This weekend, we will wrap up our three-week Refocus series with, "**Refocused Affluence**," based on 2 Corinthians 9:7. As we experience and celebrate God's love for us in Christ, we seek to live with a sense of purpose and wisely manage the resources He has placed in our care.



A truth worth holding...

“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver” (**2 Corinthians 9:7**). As Christians, it matters to God that giving always be voluntary, thoughtful, and done with an eager heart. The opportunity to give to the glory of God and to help meet the needs of others should always bring us joy. When it does, the Lord shares in our joy and honors our faithfulness.

One last thing...please take note that we have **implemented a NEW, secure online giving portal through Realm, our new, secure integrated database**. If you follow the online giving link on our website, the page will look different. Additionally, we have a new text-to-give number (73256) and key word (royred). That option will also direct you to the new online giving platform. Recurring givers, you'll be receiving a letter in the next few days with additional directions. Thank you for helping us through this transition!

Please continue to check your email, Facebook, and our website for updates. May God watch over you and your loved ones and keep you in His protection and in good health.

In the love of Christ,
Pastor John Zahrte

A journey worth walking...

All services are temporarily ONLINE ONLY; available via livestream and recorded for later viewing.

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| Sunday, Nov. 22 | 8:30 (Traditional)
10:00 AM (Contemporary) |
| Wednesday, Nov. 25 | 7:00 PM, Thanksgiving Eve service
Mark Rein shares a message titled, “Thankful that He is Good”
Based on Ezra 3:11-12 |
| Sunday, Dec. 6 | Drive-up Communion, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM |
| Wednesday, Dec. 9 | Drive-up Communion, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM |



Giving options:

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Online

- Visit **www.royred.org/give** and donate using our secure online giving portal

Text (Standard text message and data rates may apply)

- Text the number 73256
- In the message area, type, royred
- You will receive a text back with a secure link
- Click on the link
- You will be directed to our Realm online giving platform

Mobile App

- Download the free **GivePlus** app from the App Store or Google Play
- Find us by name or zip code (44133)

Mail

- Send your check to Royal Redeemer Lutheran Church

Thank you for your continued sacrificial giving and generosity!