

A Little Bit of History

Redeemer Lutheran Church was established in 1957. It is part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and the Southern Ohio Synod.

Redeemer's members strive to be followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all. In 1992 Redeemer became the first Lutheran congregation in Ohio to be identified as Reconciling in Christ, a designation that affirms our welcome of all people—regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression—as well as our commitment to racial equity.



Throughout the years, Redeemer has partnered with the surrounding community in many ways. Early on, we provided a preschool for ten years and then shared our space with a Montessori program, followed by Head Start and an ESL program of the Community Refugee & Immigration Services. Currently, we house Suzuki Music Columbus during the week and make other space available for scout troops, civic associations, support groups, and more. In addition, in 2002 we installed two basketball backboards in our parking lot so that neighborhood youth would have a safe place to play, and we now offer a free skills camp in the summer. (See SERVE for descriptions of Redeemer's current involvement in the broader community.)