THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer is a community of diverse people called and guided by the Holy Spirit to nurture with God's love those within and beyond our congregation.

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Friday 8:00 am - 1:00 pm



Redeemer Lutheran Men in Mission News

Redeemer's Lutheran Men in Mission will meet on Tuesday, August 13 at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center. Huger Caughman, Jr. is the head chef and Anne Smith will present a program about the Opera House and updates it is receiving. All men and boys are invited to attend.

The Heartland Conference Lutheran Men in Mission will meet on Thursday, August 15 at Macedonia at 7:00 pm. The meal will be hamburgers, hotdogs, slaw, chips, dessert, and tea/water and the cost is \$10.00 per person. Eddie Seigler, former pro football player for the Chicago Bears, is presenting the program. This is Youth Night for the Heartland Conference. Please RSVP to Huger, Jr. by Sunday, August 11 if you plan to attend. (If any youth want to attend, the cost will be covered for them.)

AMEN FOR LUTHERAN MEN!!



Redeemer WELCA News

WELCA will meet on Sunday, August 4th, at 3:45 pm in the church library for its business meeting. At 4:00 pm we will be moving to the section of our <u>Love Stories of the Bible Speak</u> book entitled "Friendship Love". Our first story in that section will be about David and Jonathan. All women and friends of the congregation are invited to attend!

As reported in the July 11th "What's Going On At Redeemer" edition, \$39,000 has been raised for the SCWELCA Convention She Shed Project. Since that time, probably more funds have come in. Thirty thousand dollars is to be used to purchase a tractor for the ladies in Tanzania, and then plans are to begin to build the She Shed. We hope there will be an update in regards to this project as we have an investment in it. To all who made a contribution, we "Thank You". You have made a difference in the lives of the ladies in Tanzania.

A Note from Pastor Matt

Grace and peace to each of you as we move into August!

As we move into August, our minds are filled with anticipation for the upcoming school year. Everybody eagerly looks forward to the beginning of school, but truthfully, I think parents are the ones who anticipate it the most. Teachers and administrators are preparing for a new year of students, classes, and memories. Elementary Schools through college are gearing up for another wonderful year of learning, growing, and thriving.

When thinking about a new school year, I always think about the children, youth, and young adults entering those classrooms: those rising into middle school, high school, and college, those venturing into a classroom for the first time, and, of course, those who will be entering their final year in required schooling. It is an amazing, if not chaotic, time in all of our lives.

While I think of those new ventures, I cannot help but think about the ELCA Youth Gathering that just ended this past month. Every day, stories, pictures, and more were shared about the wonderful work that went on in New Orleans as participants and volunteers were reminded that they were 'Created to be..." They heard stories of how God has led people to be brave, authentic, free, disruptive, and ultimately disciples of the one who loves us all.

I went to the 2000 Youth Gathering that was held in St. Louis, and I still remember the fun and formative time I had with my friends. So, I cannot wait to bring a new group from Redeemer (and our friends) to Minneapolis in 2027 for the next Youth Gathering.

And yes, that Gathering is a mere 1000+ days away, but in the meantime, there are things we can do as a community of faith at Redeemer to embolden, strengthen, and learn from our Youth as they learn, grow, and are prepared for service and ministry. Where can we support those youth not only in the church, but in our communities as well? Where can we teach these young people with almost limitless energy? Where can we sit down and listen to them as they are full of honest and earnest questions about faith and life? How can we be taught by our young(er) friends to see where God is at work in places we are reluctant to take notice?

We may be three years out from the next Youth Gathering, but we have so many opportunities to strengthen and grow our Youth Program so that our entire community can thrive and be more full! We have so much to offer and learn from those younger than us. God is at work in all of it!

June 28-July 2, 2027, can't come soon enough!

Keep In Prayer

Christian Sympathy is extended to Elizabeth Willingham on the death of her brother-in-law, Dr. Jim O'Bosky.

And also with Helen Fellers on the passing of her brother Joseph Tony Black. **Redeemer Members:** Georgette Livingston, Debra Metts, Lloyd Layman, Carolyn Cromer, Mary Lou Weir, Cindy Mills, Ann Stone.

Extended Parish Family: Maxine Koon, cousin of Debra Metts;

Kent and Mary Beth Richardson, cousins of Debra Metts; Reese Burdette, great-niece of Ernie Shealy; Danny Burden, friend of Jessica Draeger; Terri McMurtury, niece of Debra Metts, Mia Stabile and family, great-niece and family of Ann Jacobs, Walter Jacobs, and Susan Jacobs Thomasson; Kerry Frick, friend of Ann Stone and Deedee Westwood; Dean Wise, friend of the Caughman family; Stan Lathren; James Hunter, friend of Jane Moose; Rick Nelson.

If you have updates to the prayer list, please notify the church office.

The Numbers

| Attendance | Sunday School | Online Views | 10:30 am | Total Worship Attendance |
|------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| June 30 | 19 | 152 | 82 | 234 |
| July 7 | 20 | 241 | 79 | 320 |
| July 14 | 19 | 59 | 62 | 121 |
| July 21 | 21 | 77 | 74 | 151 |
| July 28 | 16 | 80 | 62 | 142 |
| Total | 95 | 609 | 359 | 968 |

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JUNE 2024 *A detailed copy of the treasurer's report is available in the church office

Summary Treasurer's report for June 2024

To meet the monthly Ministry Spending Plan we need: \$28,810.00

For June - Income: \$ 50,957.30 For June - General expenses: \$ 23,704.76

For June - Income is more than expenses by: \$ 27,252.54

 2024 YTD Income:
 \$ 181,109.18

 2024 YTD General Expenses:
 \$ 147,970.14

2024 YTD Income is more than expenses by: \$ 33,139.04

July Offerings: June 30 - \$ 4,419.23

July 07 - \$ 5,379.64 Online Church Offering option: July 14 - \$ 5,833.48 www.redeemernewberry.org/give

July 21 - \$ 8,478.37

Announcements



Newberry College Community Fair - Newberry College is hosting a community fair on August 21st from 5:30-7:30pm. Contact PM if you are interested in helping provide baked goods, your time at the table, or ideas on ways to welcome these new students.



Youth - Grades 6th and rising are invited to a Pool Party hosted by Central UMC at 5pm on August 4th. On Sunday, August 11th at 2pm, St. Luke's Lutheran Church invites all to join in some Cornhole FUN *indoors!*.

Contact Aubrey or PM.





Back to School!

August 11th - Join us for a Back to School Breakfast in the FLC during Sunday School. August 11th - bring your backpacks for the Backpack Blessing during worship.



The Senior Choir and Handbell Choir will resume rehearsals on Wednesday, August 7. If you have any interest in joining either the Handbell Choir or Senior Choir, please contact Nicholas Shumate for more details (803) 448-7361 or nshumate@redeemernewberry.org

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets in the Church library each 2nd and 4th Tuesday beginning at 10:00 am. New members are invited to join this group of knitters to make baby caps and prayer shawls. For more information contact Derryll Satterwhite or Gayle Lindley.

The Prayer & Care Card Class - will meet on Monday mornings from 9:30 am - 11:30 am August 12 and August 29. Everyone is welcome to come and join us for some creative card making. No experience required!

Celebrations

Wedding Anniversaries!

| Aug 1 - Matthew & Kelly Loignon |
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| Aug 1 - Sonny & Stewart Layman |
| Aug 4 - Ben & Nikki Chapman |
| Aug 4 - Jimmy Ray & Patsy Pruitt |
| Aug 5 - Benji & Jenny Chapman |
| Aug 5 - Molly Fortune & Christopher Kemper |

Aug 12 - Sandy & Joanne Fretwell Aug 13 - Davy & Tammy Wilson III

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Aug 20 - Barry & Peggy Richardson

Aug 21 - Zeb & Angela Reid

| Birthday! | |
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| 8/1 | Kate Moose | 8/8 | Chrissy Sligh | 8/20 Melissa Mays |
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| 8/1 | Andrew Livingston II | 8/9 | Jimmy Wessinger | 8/22 Allen Pitts |
| 8/2 | Lisa Senn | 8/11 | Bootsie Cousins | 8/23 Henry Chapman |
| 8/2 | Brent Wilson | 8/12 | Jill Chapman | 8/25 Les Hipp |
| 8/3 | Chuck Byrd | 8/12 | Chris Coward | 8/25 My Anh Nguyen |
| 8/3 | Faith Felix | 8/13 | Ginger Weir | 8/26 Donna Franklin |
| 8/3 | Noel Goodwin | 8/16 | Martha Dominick | 8/26 Ainsleigh Gray |
| 8/3 | Jason Long | 8/17 | Jeannie Webber | 8/27 Claire Doolittle |
| 8/3 | Annie Reynolds | 8/18 | Ann Felker | 8/27 Connor Doolittle |
| 8/5 | Nick Grosshuesch | 8/18 | Kathy Long | 8/29 Jane Moose |
| 8/6 | Steven Moose | 8/18 | Reese Long | 8/29 Ellie Nguyen |
| 8/7 | Phoebe Lockyer | 8/18 | Zeb Reid | 8/30 Mary Nance Joseph |
| | | | | 8/31 Richard Mann, Jr. |

^{**}These dates are according to our church records. If there are any errors or omissions, please notify the church office via telephone (803) 276-2003 or email info@redeemernewberry.org.

Readings

August 4 - Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15; John 6:24-35

August 11 - 1 Kings 19:4-8; John 6:35, 41-51

August 18 - Proverbs 9:1-6; John 6:51-58

August 25 - Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18; John 6:56-69

Worship Volunteers

Ushers

1st Sunday - Chad Cary, Norris Long, Zeb Reid, Dennis Caughman

2nd Sunday - Susan Thomasson, Walter Jacobs, Justin Guy, Dennis Caughman

3rd Sunday - Tommy Fellers, Joey Nicosia, Aubrey Guyton, Dennis Caughman

4th Sunday – Elmer Long, Mack Garner, Robert Kneece, Dennis Caughman

5th Sunday – Kathy Riggin, Nikki Chapman, Doggett Whitaker, Dennis Caughman

Altar Flowers

August 4 - Kathy Riggin

August 11 - Eve Kneece

August 18 - Zoe & Zarek Reid

August 25 - Michelle Bedenbaugh

Communion Prep

August 4 - Lynn Cary

August 11 - Rosemary Dominick & Kitty Summer

August 18 - Polly Davis & Susan Hayes

August 25 - Erin Titus

Worship Assistant

August 4 - Clint Harshaw

August 11- Anna Miller

August 18 - Robert Kneece

August 25 - Nikki Chapman

Acolyte and Crucifer

Aug 4 - McKenzie Garner/Adam Boozer

Aug 11 - Lawson Bannister/ Dennis Caughmam

Aug 18 - Elin Cary/Piper Haskett

Aug 25 - Amelia Long/Miriam Titus

The Redeemer Directory

The Rev. Matthew Titus, Pastor pastor@redeemernewberry.org

Aubrey Guyton, Youth Director youth@redeemernewberry.org

Haley McBride-Stuhr, Office Asst. info@redeemernewberry.org

Woody Cornwell, Bookkeeper finance@redeemernewberry.org

Nicholas Todd Shumate, Sr. Choir Director *music@redeemernewberry.org*

Dr. Huger P. Caughman, Jr., Music Director and Organist organist@redeemernewberry.org

All Members: Ministers in Worship and Daily Life

Jeffrey Truscott, Missionary - Japan

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER CONGREGATION COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS JUNE 17, 2024

5:45 Devotions

Business Meeting 6:00 PM

Call to Order

Welcome

Members Present: Dr. John Green, Walter Jacobs, Denise Reid, Huger Caughman, Sr., Kathy Riggin, Kristin Caughman, Jerry Haltiwanger, Ben Bowers, and Gretchen Haskett

Members on Zoom: n/a

Members Absent: Pastor Matt Titus, Annette Belcher, Chad Cary, and Faith Felix Celebrations and Prayer Requests- Prayers for community members dealing with challenges.

Reports

<u>Pastor's Report</u> - Pastor Matt: report was emailed.

Community Compassion - Denise Reid, liaison: No report.

<u>Faith Formation</u> - Walter Jacobs, liaison: No report.

Family and Social - Kathy Riggin, liaison: No report.

<u>Finance Committee / Treasurer's Report</u> – Dr. John Green, liaison and chairman: Emailed the report.

<u>Property Committee</u> – Huger Caughman, Sr., liaison: Still waiting on roof. However, we're speaking to a different vendor, which seems promising. We're looking at converting the phone system to IOP with fiber.

Stewardship - Jerry Haltiwanger, liaison: no report.

<u>Worship and Music</u> – Kristin Caughman, liaison: the committee did not meet but completed Beer & Hymns on June 6th. The next Beer & Hymns is on Sept 5th.

Youth - Faith Felix, liaison: Report was emailed.

1853 Committee - Chad Cary, liaison: no report. Nothing new.

<u>President's Report</u> - President's Report - Ben Bowers: No report.

<u>Minutes from May Meeting</u> - Gretchen Haskett: Emailed report. Motion to approve May meeting minutes by Walter Jacobs, Seconded by Kathy Riggin, vote approved.

Old Business

Administrative Assistant Position

Donna is still helping and welcoming Haley. Ben will talk to the pastor to find a date and suggest a

covered dish and love offering.

Picture Directory: check your information in the narthex is correct.

New Business

FLC use requests: no information

Executive Session

Motion: Walter Jacobs 2nd: Denise Reid. Move into Executive Session.

Motion: Huger Caughman, Sr. 2nd: Walter Jacobs. Move out of Executive Session.

Comments for the Good of the Order

Adjournment and Lord's Prayer

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Youth - Pickleball 3-4:30pm | | | | | | |
| Prop. Comm. Mtg 4 9am SS - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am WELCA - 3:45pm Youth Pool Party - 5pm | 5 | 6 OT Bible Class - 11am Worship & Music Committee - 6pm | 7 Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 6pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 7pm | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| Back-to-School Breakfast - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am Backpack Blessing Youth - 2pm Cornhole @ St. Luke's | Prayer & Care Card Making - 9:30am | OT Bible Class - 11am Finance Committee - 6pm LMM - 7pm | Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 6pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 7pm | 15 | 16 | GAAP @ O'Neal St UMC - 10am |
| 18 SS - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am | Congregation Council Mtg - 6pm | 20 | Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 6pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 7pm NC Community Fair - 5:30-7:30pm | Newsletter Information Deadline | 23 | 24 |
| SS - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am Jacobs Family Reunion - 1pm | Prayer & Care Card Making - 9:30am | 27 | 28 Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 6pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 7pm | 29 | 30 | 31 |