



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

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A Note from Pastor Matt

Grace and peace y'all! It's OCTOBER! How has this year flown by so quickly? There, of course, is a lot still left in the year before we close the book on 2024, but it definitely has felt like we have moved through it so quickly.

As I look forward to all of what October and the fall(ish) season brings to us at Redeemer and Newberry ('cooler' weather, football, and pumpkins), I wanted to lift up a new ministry that we are hopeful to be successful at Redeemer and in the Newberry Community.

Historically, the church has struggled to engage adults between the ages of 18 and 45 effectively. These "young" and "young-ish" adults often face transitions – college, careers, relationships, and personal growth – yet the church hasn't always walked with them on these journeys. Too often, this age group slips away, feeling disconnected from faith communities that don't seem to address their unique needs.

We're introducing YAWAY – "Young Adults Walking Alongside YHWH" – as part of our commitment to changing that. YAWAY isn't just a catchy name. It's a call to meet young adults where they are, understanding that they're already on a spiritual journey. What many are searching for isn't a traditional model of church participation but a space where they can ask hard questions, explore their faith, and connect meaningfully with others. Of course, there is also the need and desire to have fun while exploring those deep journeys. So, this group will also have plenty of 'fun'!

At its heart, YAWAY invites us to rethink ministry. How can we support young adults through life's challenges? How can we create spaces for them to engage faith in real and relevant ways? This is about more than new programs – it's about re-envisioning how we welcome, listen, and walk alongside the next generation.

As an ELCA congregation, we are rooted in grace and hope. Our future and present depend on embracing all generations, including young adults, as essential members of our community. Together, let's ensure that YAWAY becomes not just a ministry but a reflection of our commitment to love and inclusion.

So, join us as we walk together in this journey of faith at Madmax Taphouse on October 3rd beginning at 7 pm!



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..... **Announcements**

Heartland Conference Confirmation Schedule - Classes will be held at Summer Memorial Lutheran Church at 4pm.

Fall/Winter 2024

- October 13 - Communion: Passover to Last Supper
- October 27 - Communion: Taste and See
- November 10 - Worship: Gathering
- November 17 - Worship: The Word
- December 8 - Worship: Meal and Sending

Winter/Spring 2025

- January 12 - Confessing My Faith
- January 26 - Confessing My Convictions
- February 9 - Claiming My Calling
- March 9 - Hear God's Word and Share God's Supper
- March 23 - Proclaim the Good News in Word and Deed
- April 6 - Serve All People, Following the Example of Jesus
- May 18 - Strive for Justice & Peace in the World



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Redeemer WELCA News - WELCA will meet Sunday, **October 6th** at 3:45pm in the church library for its business meeting. At 4pm, we will be looking at the chapter on Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego - "Friendship in the Fire" - in our Love Stories of the Bible book. During our business meeting we will discuss Christmas gifts for our shut-ins and receive a brief report on the September 8th Heartland Conference Meeting.

WELCA Retreats for 2025

- Camp Kinard – February 16-17
- Isle of Palms – May 17-18



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The Heartland Committee of 100 - will meet Tuesday, **October 1st** at Grace Lutheran Church in Prosperity. Letters were mailed out with the details. If you would like to join the Committee of 100, please reach out to Johnny Lindsay or get a form from the Narthex.



Redeemer Lutheran Men in Mission News - will meet Tuesday, **October 8th** at 7pm in the Family Life Center. The head chefs are Tommy Fellers and John Green. All boys and men are invited to attend. **AMEN FOR LUTHERAN MEN!!**

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Choral Scholar Banquet & Bake Sale - Mark your calendars! Our annual Musical Showcase and Banquet will take place on Sunday, **November 17** at 6:00pm in the Family Life Center. Watch the bulletin and weekly e-news for more details about the meal. We will also have a bake sale. If you would like to contribute to the bake sale, please notify the church office. All proceeds benefit the Choral Scholar Program at Redeemer.



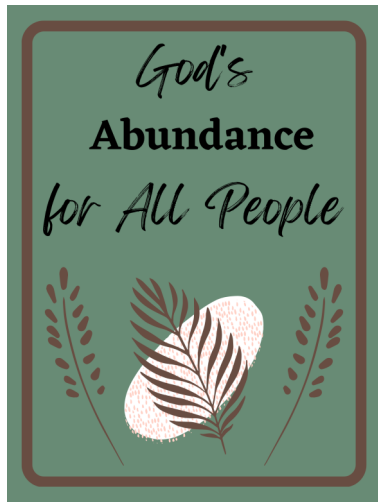


YA-WAY Newberry - In a partnership with Summer Memorial Lutheran Church all young (and young-ish *ages 18+) adults are invited to a Young Adult gathering at Madmax Taphouse in Downtown Newberry **October 3rd** at 7pm.

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SC Faith Youth - Newberry Faith is now SC Faith Youth with the welcome of some new friends from Clinton! SC Faith will meet **October 6th** at 5pm at Bowers Farm for a meal, fellowship, and a Pumpkin Carving Contest! *BYOP - Bring Your Own Pumpkin*

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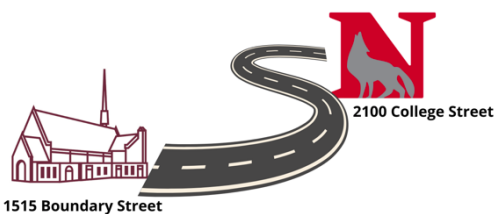
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GAAP - The GAAP Food Pantry is open 10am - 12pm every Saturday for ANYONE who needs it. You are all welcome to volunteer every Saturday, especially **Saturday, October 19th**. Do not hesitate to contact Kevin Dove at (803) 240-9454 for more information.

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Newberry College Choir Tour - Sunday, **October 20th** at 7pm here at Redeemer, the Newberry College Singers and Madrigals will present their Choir Tour. Join us for this free concert!

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Volunteer Drivers Needed - a few students from Newberry College signed up for rides to worship, if you are able to help these students get to worship on Sunday mornings call the church office for their information. Thank you!

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Altar Flower Donation - if you would like to donate your altar flowers to patients at NCMH, Angela Bowers will gladly take them and distribute the arrangements among patients (4-8 small arrangements or bud vases) in order to brighten their day. Reach her at 803-405-7130.



..... Celebrations

*1 Corinthians 16:14 -
Let all that you do be done in love.*

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- October 1 - Ryan & Shannon Lindssay
- October 4 - Marty & Donna White
- October 8 - John & Mary Sue Green
- October 9 - Sabin & Christy West
- October 17 - Kevin & Alanna Boozer
- October 20 - Robbie & MaryAlex Kopp
- October 29 - Brad & Lane Joiner

BIRTHDAYS

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|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 - Danielle Connelly | 17 - Kathy Livingston |
| 2 - John Wessinger | 21 - Palmer Kopp |
| 2 - Ann Stone | 22 - Brad Pitts |
| 3 - Hunter Riggin | 22 - Johnathan Irons |
| 5 - Cameron McRacken | 23 - Madeleine Long |
| 5 - Bob Hawkins, Jr. | 24 - Reid Amrit Kaikini |
| 6 - Rosemary Dominick | 24 - Kevin Dove |
| 8 - Clint Harshaw | 24 - Asha Isabella Kaikini |
| 9 - Rick Livingston | 26 - Laura Dominick |
| 10 - Kevin Boozer | 26 - Chris Jay |
| 12 - Philip Livingston | 26 - George Summer, Jr. |
| 13 - William Binnicker III | 27 - Nikki Bruce |
| 15 - Emma Lindsay | 30 - Shayne Harris |
| 16 - Bose Kaikini | 30 - Denise Reid |
| 16 - Jeremy Tyson | |

**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.

..... **Keep In Prayer**

Christian Sympathy goes out to the families of Danny Price and Rick Nelson upon their passings.

Redeemer Members: Georgette Livingston, Debra Metts, Lloyd Layman, Carolyn Cromer, Mary Lou Weir, Ann Stone

Extended Parish Family: Hayden Wilson, fiancé of Kaitlyn Stone - granddaughter of Ann Stone; Wayne Boozer, father of Kevin & Andrew Boozer; Clayton Smith, son of Clay and Kimberly Smith and friends of the Titus Family; Peach Fralick, friend of Cathy Turner; 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 Dee-dee Westwood; Dean Wise, friend of the Caughman family; Stan Lathren; James Hunter, friend of Jane Moose ***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 |
|------------|---------------|--------------|----------|--------------------------|
| Sept 01 | 22 | 200 | 105 | 305 |
| Sept 08 | 17 | 21 | 100 | 121 |
| Sept 15 | 26 | 338 | 82 | 420 |
| Sept 22 | 20 | 185 | 80 | 265 |
| Average | 21 | 186 | 92 | 278 |

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

Summary Treasurer's report for August 2024

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

For Aug - Income: \$ 19,928.34

For Aug - General expenses: \$ 31,809.47

For Aug - Income is more than expenses by: \$ (11,881.13)

2024 YTD Income: \$ 228,032.79

2024 YTD General Expenses: \$ 207,011.10

2024 YTD Income is more than expenses by: \$ 21,021.69

August Offerings: Sept 01 - \$6,119.80
 Sept 08 - \$4,481.70
 Sept 15 - \$6,168.92
 Sept 22 - \$6,303.53

ONLINE CHURCH OFFERING OPTION: WWW.REDEEMERNEWBERRY.ORG/GIVE

..... **Readings**

October 6 - Exodus 32:1-14; Luke 23:34

October 13 - 1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20, 2:1-10; Luke 1:46-55

October 20 - 2 Samuel 7:1-17; Luke 1:30-33

October 27 - 1 Kings 5:1-5, 8:27-30, 41-43; Luke 19:45-46

..... **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 Riffin, Nikki Chapman, Doggett Whitaker, Dennis Caughman

Altar Flowers

October 6 - Mary Sue & John Green

October 13 - The Kopps

October 20 - Tommy & Helen Fellers

October 27 - Mike & Denise Reid

Worship Assistant

October 6 - Jerry Haltiwanger

October 13 - Deryll Satterwhite

October 20 - Johnny Lindsay

October 27 - Robbie Kopp

Communion Prep

October 6 - Lynn Cary

October 13 - Rosemary Dominick
& Kitty Summer

October 20 - Polly Davis
& Susan Hayes

October 27 - Ann Jacobs & Susan
Thomasson

Acolyte and Crucifer

October 6 - Clyde Miller/Levi Richardson

October 13 - Jacob Chapman/Lawson Bannister

October 20 - Olivia West/Ellie Nguyen

October 27 - Griffin Long/Adam Boozer

..... **The Redeemer Directory**

The Rev. Matthew Titus, Pastor

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

All Members: Ministers in Worship and Daily Life

Jeffrey Truscott, Missionary - Japan

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER
CONGREGATION COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS
AUGUST 19, 2024**

5:45 Devotions

Business Meeting 6:00

Call to Order

Welcome

Members Present: Pastor Matt Titus, Dr. John Green, Walter Jacobs, Denise Reid, Huger Caughman, Sr., Kathy Riggin, Kristin Caughman, Ben Bowers, Chad Cary and Gretchen Haskett

Members on Zoom: Faith Felix

Members Absent:

Celebrations and Prayer Requests- Prayers for community members dealing with challenges and celebrating accomplishments.

Reports

Pastor's Report – Pastor Matt: report was emailed. Will be out on 10/13/2024.

Community Compassion – Denise Reid, liaison: No report

Faith Formation – Walter Jacobs, liaison: No report

Family and Parish Life – Kathy Riggin, liaison: No report

Finance/Treasurer's Report – Dr. John Green, liaison and chairman: Emailed

report. Still ahead for the year. Time to start budget workup for next year, committees should send in budget needs/requests to the finance committee.

Property – Huger Caughman, Sr., liaison: Emailed report.

Stewardship – Jerry Haltiwanger, liaison: No report

Worship and Music – Kristin Caughman, liaison: Emailed report.

Youth – Faith Felix, liaison: No report.

1853 Committee - Chad Cary, liaison: no report

President's Report – President's Report – Ben Bowers: Agenda items for the meeting. Met with Nikki to discuss temple talks, etc. as part of stewardship. Annette has been successful in acquiring help to form the staff support committee.

Minutes from July Meeting - Gretchen Haskett: Emailed report. Motion to approve July meeting minutes by Huger Caughman, Sr., Seconded by Dr. John Green, vote approved

Old Business

- a. Constitution Updated discussed and finalized. Motion to approve changes by Walter Jacobs, seconded by Faith Felix.
- b. Picture Directory - Haley continues to work on updating member information.

New Business

- a. FLC use requests: September 28, 2024 9am-1pm, Church Council of Messiah Lutheran Church from Mauldin, SC.
- b. Church Office Hours: Discussion: Haley's hours as church office hours: Mon-Thurs 8am-2:30pm and Fri 8am-12pm

Executive Session


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

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Comments for the Good of the Order

Adjournment and Lord's Prayer

..... October

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|--|---|--|---|-----|-----------------------------------|
| | | 1 Library Reserved - 6pm Historical Comm - 6pm | 2 Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 6pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 7pm | 3 YA-WAY @ MadMax - 7pm | 4 | 5 |
| 6 Prop. Comm. Mtg - 9am SS - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am SC Faith Youth - 3p @ Bowers Farm WELCA - 3:45pm | 7 Prayer & Care Card Making - 9:30am | 8 Prayer Shawl - 10am Finance Comm. - 6pm Worship & Music - 6pm LMM - 7pm Library Rsvd - 6pm | 9 Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 6pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 7pm | 10 | 11 | 12 FLC Reserved |
| 13 SS - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am Youth Confirmation @ Summer Mem. - 4pm Youth Group - 5:15pm | 14 | 15 Library Reserved - 6pm | 16 Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 6pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 7pm | 17 | 18 | 19 GAAP @ O'Neal St UMC - 10am |
| 20 SS - 9:30am Worship - 10:30am Youth Group - 5:15pm NC Choir Tour - 6pm | 21 Prayer & Care Card Making - 9:30am Congregation Council - 6pm | 22 Prayer Shawl - 10am Library Reserved - 6pm | 23 Handbell Choir Rehearsal - 6pm Senior Choir Rehearsal - 7pm | 24 Newsletter Information Deadline Homework & Hang @ Genesis - 5pm | 25 | 26 |
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