

The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

Redeemer Reader

February 2022

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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Fridays: Closed



Redeemer Lutheran Men in Mission News for February

Lutheran Men in Mission will meet on Tuesday, February 8 at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center. Huger Caughman, Jr. is the head chef.

The SCLMM Convention will be on Saturday, February 19 from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm at St. John Lutheran Church in Beaufort. For more information, please contact Walter Jacobs or visit www.sclmm.org.

AMEN FOR LUTHERAN MEN!!

Women ^{of the} ELCA

Redeemer WELCA News for February

WELCA will meet on Sunday, February 6th at 3:45 PM in the church library for its business meeting. We will be making plans for BOLD Women's Sunday. At 4:00, Deryll Satterwhite will be sharing her favorite hymns from our Then Sings My Soul books. All women and friends (including men) are invited.

On Sunday, February 27th, WELCA will be celebrating BOLD Women's Sunday. This is going to be a very special service, so you won't want to miss it.

Grace and peace to each in this the upcoming shortest month of the year. Though, I hope that this month – for me at least – will feel a little longer than January did. January rushed by with no slow down whatsoever. I'd like to say that it was because we at Redeemer were incredibly busy, and life was full of ministry and service. Which, of course, ministry and service did occur, but it seemed what sped this month along was the fact that COVID made it's turn to be an unwelcome guest in the Titus household.

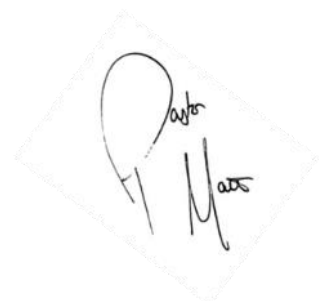
One kid was a close contact, then Erin turned positive, school went virtual, and the girls had to stay in at-home quarantine the last week of January. We weren't the only household with this unwanted pest either, I heard from a number of families within our congregation that had to maneuver, adjust, and deal with COVID as well. Even two years after it's thrust into our way of life, we are still having to be on our toes, nimble to adjust at a moment's notice.

My hope and prayer is that February presents us an opportunity breathe and separate ourselves a bit from the frustrations that COVID presents us. May this month afford us the opportunity to put this pandemic more firmly in our review mirror and that we continue to do the things we as a community and a society need to do in order to let it firmly stay in that position as we move forward. I continue to pray for our medical and education workers who have to wade through this pandemic in more ways than anyone else has to (or wants to).

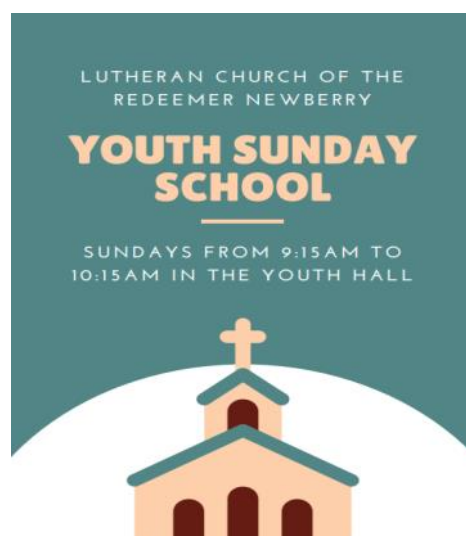
So, in February, I'm hopeful for a new new start to 2022.

Yet, let us all continue to be nimble and agile in our adjustments, our care, our service, and our ministry. Finding those ways to continue to proclaim God and the truth of God's love seen and known in Jesus Christ – shown through our words and actions. Even though at times our ministry together has needed to take adjustments and detours this past month, God's love and grace was still present, Jesus Christ was still doing the good work, and the Holy Spirit continues to blow and drive us to see where not only God is at work, but where that love needs to be proclaimed and shared.

We have a number of opportunities to see that ministry and love be shared and made known with all. Each of those opportunities gives us a chance to serve and be with those in the community. May we all find those moments to proclaim God's love, to serve those in need, and to have fun in the midst of that ministry. Amen!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pastor Matt", is written inside a faint, light-colored diamond-shaped border.

Opportunity - The Bereavement team needs volunteers to assist with preparing and serving meals to bereaved families. Young, young-at-heart, male, female, all are encouraged to volunteer for this mission. Please contact Eve Kneece or the church office if you are willing and able to join this great team. Also, a sign-up sheet is in the narthex.



GAAP -- God's Abundance for All People -- finished a month of Saturdays in October handing out and delivering food and other supplies for needy Newberry families.

GAAP is made of individuals from multiple Newberry County churches, including The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer. GAAP operates a food pantry complete with refrigerator and freezer at O'Neal Street United Methodist Church, 501 O'Neal Street. In addition to the food ministry GAAP also provides common household items and a free-clothes closet for those who need them.

People in need are encouraged to shop for free items from 10am 1pm each Saturday. GAAP volunteers will also deliver food to the elderly and those unable to drive.

Monetary donations and volunteer time are always needed. Harvest Hope Food Bank in eastern Columbia provides much of the food served. GAAP also is a Redeemer endowment recipient.

If you are interested in volunteering with GAAP, there will be a brief training session for new volunteers on Tuesday, November 16 at 6pm at O'Neal Street United Methodist Church. This training session is less than an hour long and is a requirement for GAAP to work with Harvest Hope Food Bank.

If you would like to donate items to GAAP, the current emphasis now is on diapers, other baby items, and Thanksgiving food. For more information you may contact the church office or The Rev. Darlene Kelly who is the pastor of O'Neal Street United Methodist Church.

Attendance	Sunday School	Online Views	10:30 am	Total Worship Attendance
January 2	34	79	45	124
January 9	26	73	40	113
January 16	No Service	No Service	No Service	No Service
January 23	16	91	33	124
January 30	29	69	67	136
Average	26	78	46	124

JANUARY

Offerings January 2 - \$2,887.24
 January 9 - \$6,050.92
 January 16 - \$6,370.24
 January 23 - \$2,889.55.
 January 30 - \$5,872.68

To help those who do not have internet access at their homes, a DVD of each Sunday’s worship service will be available in the church office. Those DVDs *should* be available no later than the Tuesday following the service. You may call the church office to put your name on the list to receive a copy of the service on DVD!

Drive-Up Communion Changes - With a combination of the temperature increasing and more people attending worship in-person (and less people driving up for communion), there will be a slight change to how Redeemer will offer communion to those who - for whatever reason - are not able to gather in-person with the community of faith at Redeemer. A basket will be in the church office every day with communion kits. Please stop by the church office to pick-up these blessed kits. You are encouraged to use them when the entire community receives the sacrament during worship each Sunday!





Redeemer's 50+ Ministry!

50+ will meet on Sunday, February 13 at 6:00 pm in the Family Life Center. The meal will be BBQ pork, baked beans, cole slaw, pork skins, and dessert. The cost of the meal is \$8. A musical program for Valentine's Day will be presented. Please RSVP to the church office (803) 276-2003 or ino@redeemernewberry.org by Wednesday, February 9 if you plan to attend.

Senior Catering - a non-profit company chartered in South Carolina in 1984 has one of its four commercial kitchens in Newberry. They are in desperate need of cooks and drivers to continue their mission of serving meals for the elderly and disadvantaged in our community.



If you are interested in volunteering or applying for a position (\$11/hour) please call them at **803.345.1835**. They would be open to job-sharing, working only a few hours per day, working one day per week or even being a sub on driving a delivery route. There are many options for work in this needed service!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY has resumed and meets in the church's library every 2nd and 4th Tuesday beginning at 9:30 am. New members are invited to join this group of knitters to make baby caps and prayer shawls. For more information, contact Derryl Satterwhite or Gayle Lindley.

Souper Bowl of Caring - Who do you think will win the big game on February 13? Will the Bengals with young duo of Burrow and Chase finally get their first Super Bowl win, or will the sensational Cooper Kupp continue to steam roll every team he's played? No matter who wins, we can help our community win by donating food for those in need. Place your donations in the bin of who you think will win!



Free Concert - Lane Hill and Huger Caughman, Jr. will present a piano and organ concert at The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer, 1515 Boundary Street, Newberry (TONIGHT) Sunday, February 6 at 7:00 pm. The recital is free and open to the public.

Lenten Drama Series - For our Wednesday Lent services, our messages will be short plays involving around two people each week. Please contact PM if you'd like to participate in this new and interesting way to share the story of God's love for all creation. Our first Wednesday Lenten service will be on March 9.

Treasurer's report for December 2021

Summary Treasurer's report for Dec. 2021

<u>To meet the monthly Ministry Spending Plan we need:</u>	\$26,740.00
For Dec. - Income:	\$ 26,968.70
For Dec. - General expenses:	\$ 25,967.30
For Dec. - Income is more than expenses by:	<u>\$ 1,001.40</u>
For Dec. - Amick Gift Funds income	\$ 1,575.07
2021 YTD Income:	\$ 255,049.71
2021 YTD General Expenses:	\$ 284,609.02
2021 YTD Income is less than expenses by:	<u>\$ (29,559.31)</u>
2021 YTD Amick Gift Funds distributions	\$ 119,523.89

Altar Flowers

- February 6 -
- February 13 -
- February 20 - **ANNE CAUGHMAN**
- February 27 - **EVE KNEECE**

If you would like to sign up for any of those dates, please notify the church office.

Wedding Anniversaries

- February 9 - Ray & Misty Cooper
- February 15 - Billy & Patty Davis
- February 21 - Robert & Becky Livingston
- February 26 - Austin & Kristian Longshore

These dates are according to our church records. If you see a correction, please notify the church office.**



Prayer Concerns

Redeemer Members: Tony Chapman II, Georgette Livingston, Dean Mayer, Debbie Metts, Heather Montgomery Kaikini, Lloyd Layman.

Extended Parish Family: Vernon and Maxine Koon, cousin of Debra Metts; Kent and Mary Beth Richardson, cousins of Debra Metts; Robert Johnson, brother-in-law of Ernest Shealy; James Conley, brother of June Seymour; Patricia Stiles and Reese Burdette, sister and great-niece of Ernie Shealy; Stuart Harmon, husband of Adele Saylor Harmon; Danny Burden, friend of Jessica Draeger; Donnie Brown, friend of congregation; Tom Phair, friend of June Seymour; Cheryl Bedenbaugh, friend of Polly Davis; Harriett Kinard, friend of Dale and B. L. Brown; Pastor Dick and Jeannie Webber, friends of congregation; Chris Cleveland, father-in-law of David Metts, Jackie Perry, friend of Ann Stone; Karen Chasteen, sister-in-law of Jane Moose; Stephanie Neel, friend of Mary E. Hammond; Terri McMurtury, niece of Debbie Metts, Mia Stabile and family, great-niece and family of Ann Jacobs, Walter Jacobs, and Susan Jacobs Thomasson, Rev. Ron Hamm; cousin of Jerry Haltiwanger, Cathy Turner, and Curtis Haltiwanger; William Mature, friend of Jamie Adams; Sean Montgomery, son of Bob & Carol Montgomery.

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

Supper Club will not meet until further notice. Stay safe!

Happy Birthday!



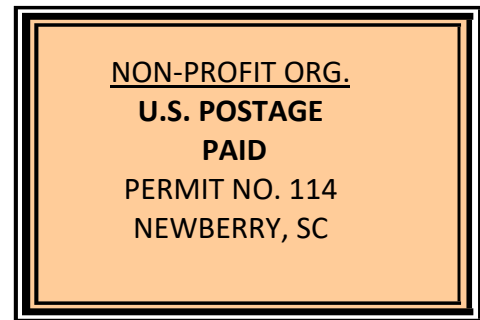
2/3 Charlie Lockyer	2/12 Cayse Dowd	2/20 Brian Pitts
2/4 John Cromer	2/12 Nick Layman	2/21 Lee Davis
2/4 Lori Justice Gray	2/13 Kerri Moose	2/21 Laurel Keen
2/4 Jacob Chapman	2/14 Pat Kelly	2/23 Kristin Caughman
2/5 George Franklin	2/16 John Hammond Jr.	2/23 Lawson Cooper
2/6 Amelia Vance	2/16 Deedee Westwood	2/24 Rey Lominack, Jr.
2/7 Nancy Riggin	2/17 Cynthia Lominack	2/27 Elizabeth Willingham
2/7 Mallory Matthews	2/17 Robert Kneece Jr.	2/27 Jeff Spotts
2/7 Dylan Sligh	2/17 Jared Abrams	2/27 Stewart Layman
2/8 Dennis Caughman	2/18 Ben Bowers	
2/9 Cathy Turner	2/18 Matthew Bowers	
2/9 Walter Jacobs	2/19 Molly Fortune	
2/9 Jessica Cole	2/19 Sabin West	
2/11 Andy Senn	2/19 Bryson Mack	
2/11 Andrew West	2/20 Chad Cary	

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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER
CONGREGATION COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Note that after officially approved, the full minutes of the Congregation Council meetings will be available for review in the church office

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The next Redeemer Reader deadline is
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