

The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

Redeemer Reader

September 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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Office Hours:
Mon.– Thurs: 9:00-4:30pm
Fridays: Closed



Redeemer Lutheran Men in Mission News for September

The Redeemer LMM will meet on Tuesday, September 13 at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center. Ben Bowers is the head chef. All men and boys are invited to attend.

Redeemer's LMM will be feeding the Newberry High School football team on Friday, September 16 after school (approximately 4:00 pm). If you would like to help, please notify Walter Jacobs.

If you would like to join the Committee of 100 or would like more information, please contact Johnny Lindsay. The Committee of 100 banquet will be held on Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00 pm at Grace, Prosperity. If you would plan to attend, please notify Walter Jacobs or Huger Caughman, Jr.

Women ^{of the} ELCA

Redeemer WELCA News for September

WELCA will meet on the second Sunday in September, September 11th, at 3:45 pm in the church library for its business meeting. At 4:00 pm, Helen Fellers will present her three favorite hymns from our Then Sings My Soul books. We look forward to Helen's presentation. All women and friends of the congregation are invited to attend.

For the first day of school, WELCA treated the faculty and staff of Boundary Street with cookies shaped like a foot with a note saying, "Best Wishes as You Step Into a New School Year."

Hello Redeemer family!

It's September. It's still hot. But, things are moving in our little neck of the woods for God!

Ministry continues to ramp up at Redeemer as we begin Confirmation and more full slate of Youth Group activities this month. We've got a potluck lunch soon to arrive where we will get to hear and share about the numerous ministries at Redeemer. We continue to welcome Newberry College students into our community as classes have recently begun. We look forward to all the ways that God is at work in this place and where we can jump into that ministry!

This past Summer, we have been fortunate to be able to hear a deeper dive into some stories that we don't normally get to hear about. We moved through three sermon series on The Ten Commandments, 1 Peter, and Ruth. What joy it was to dive a bit more into those texts as we continue to learn all the ways that God is at work in our lives and has been at work throughout our collective histories.

Each of those stories highlights a God who is faithful, loving, and constantly present (even when circumstances don't always appear that way). That promise and hope still rests with us today as God – even in those moments that don't seem like it – is always close at hand with us. That closeness of the one who has created us is shown in love and ministry in so many ways.

Our community of faith in Newberry continues to proclaim this faith that God is always with us. This faith in the fact that God always loves us. This hope in the truth that we are good enough for God to be with us, to redeem us, and to send us out to proclaim that love.

That love and hope was present as God gave the gift of the Ten Commandments, that faithfulness and 'stick-with-it-ness' was apparent in Ruth's love and devotion to Naomi, and that promise that we are not alone as we are connected to one another and connected to God was shared through the words and message of the writer of 1 Peter.

God's love continues to guide us and call us. We are good enough because God is with us. Let us proclaim that love and renewed life – in and through the salvation won through Jesus' victory over sin and death – to all who we get to interact with every day!



Attendance	Sunday School	Online Views	10:30 am	Total Worship Attendance
August 7	19	82	62	144
August 14	17	72	62	134
August 21	24	150	71	221
August 28	22	150	60	210
Average	21	114	64	178

AUGUST

Offerings August 07 - \$4,240.76 August 21 - \$2,295.25
 August 14 - \$4,800.71 August 28 - \$2,709.37



Church Offering - Every person at Redeemer is encouraged to give as they are able. Your offering helps make ministry happen not only in and through the community of faith at Redeemer, but throughout the SC Synod and Churchwide through the ELCA. If you are able, you may place your offering in the tray each Sunday morning or you are welcome to use the online giving option on our church website -

www.redeemernewberry.org/giving.

	Redeemer Newberry Youth September Events
4	Acolyte training at 11:30
6	Homework and Hang at Genesis from 3:30 to 5:00
11	Church Meal at 11:30 Confirmation at 4 at Redeemer Youth Group Kick-off from 5:30 to 7:00
17	GAAP Ministry at O'Neal Street United Methodist at 10
18	Youth Group from 5:30 to 7:00
20	Homework and Hang at Genesis from 3:30 to 5:00
24	Lutheran Youth Day at Newberry College from 1:30 to 7:00
25	Confirmation at 4 at Redeemer Youth Group from 5:30 to 7:00

SENIOR CHOIR

The Senior Choir has resumed rehearsals. The Senior Choir is open to anyone 13 and up. You do not have to read music to be in The Senior Choir. Rehearsals typically last from 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm in the McCullough Music Room and sing an anthem on most Sundays from mid-August thru mid-June. Anyone who is interested in singing is invited to join.



Redeemer's 50+ Ministry!

50+ will resume meeting on Sunday, September 11 at 6:00 pm in the Family Life Center. The meal will be hamburger steaks, mashed potatoes, green beans, cole slaw, rolls, dessert, and tea/coffee. The cost is \$10 per person. Our new County Administrator, Christopher Inglese will be presenting the program. If you plan to attend, please notify the church office (info@redeemernewberry.org or 803-276-2003) by Wednesday, September 7.

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 Derryl Satterwhite or Gayle Lindley.

The Prayer & Care Class will start meeting on Monday, September 12 from 2:30 - 4:30 in the Fesperman classroom upstairs in the educational building. We will meet each Monday afternoon except when church is closed. Anyone is welcome to come and join us for some creative card making. No experience required.



GAAP - God's Abundance for All People is open to all in need from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays at O'Neal Street UMC. GAAP is a free clothing and food pantry which now also provides a meal (beginning at 11am). Please contact Kevin Dove or the church office for more information.

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!

Treasurer's report for July 2022

Summary Treasurer's report for July 2022

<u>To meet the monthly Ministry Spending Plan we need:</u>	\$26,918.00
For July - Income:	\$ 21,093.86
For July - General expenses:	<u>\$ 21,116.93</u>
For July - Income is less than expenses by:	\$ (23.07)
2022 YTD Income:	\$ 167,238.83
2022 YTD General Expenses:	<u>\$ 172,061.72</u>
2022 YTD Income is less than expenses by:	\$ (4,822.89)

A detailed treasurer's report is available in the Church office during regular office hours.

Altar Flowers

- September 4 - Ben Bowers
- September 11 - Angela Reid
- September 18 - Anna Hope
- September 25 - Vickie Wiseman

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

Wedding Anniversaries

These dates are according to our church records. If corrections need to be made, please notify the church office.**

- September 8 - Bobby & Debra Willingham
- September 11 - Michael & Denise Reid
- September 15 - Todd & Harriett Guy
- September 18 - Stevie & Tonya Sligh

All are welcome, no exceptions.



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Cards are in! You can pick up a batch of cards from the narthex or from the church office!



Prayer Concerns

Redeemer Members: Tony Chapman II, Georgette Livingston, Dean Mayer, Debbie Metts, Lloyd Layman, Carolyn Cromer, Mary Lou Weir.

Extended Parish Family: Maxine Koon, cousin of Debra Metts; Kent and Mary Beth Richardson, cousins of Debra Metts; James Conley, brother of June Seymour; Reese Burdette, great-niece of Ernie Shealy; Danny Burden, friend of Jessica Draeger; Tom Phair, friend of June Seymour; Pastor Dick and Jeannie Webber, friends of congregation; Chris Cleveland, father-in-law of David Metts, Jackie Perry, friend of Ann Stone; 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; Jeanne Simmons, friend of Verna Cavanaugh.

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



Congregational Sympathy is extended to the families Tom Riffin, father of Kathy Riffin; and Willard Byrd, father of Chuck Byrd.

Happy Birthday!



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| 9/1 Susan Bowers | 9/9 Stacy Tyson | 9/21 Cullen Binnicker |
| 9/2 Tim Owen | 9/9 Amelia Long | 9/24 Judy Hill |
| 9/2 Jamie Adams | 9/9 Foster Bruce | 9/24 Kathryne Wiseman |
| 9/2 Kadyn Miller | 9/11 Bryan Derrick | 9/25 Doug Riffin |
| 9/3 Von Dennis | 9/12 Preslea Coleman | 9/26 Hugh Smith |
| 9/4 Heidi Cole | 9/13 Sullivan Flynn | 9/26 Angela Reid |
| 9/4 Stevie Sligh Jr. | 9/16 Joey Westwood | 9/29 Mary Lou Weir |
| 9/5 Catharine Summer | 9/16 Evan Connelly | 9/29 Brad Joiner |
| 9/5 Marty White | 9/17 Gaillard Smith | 9/29 Will Mature |
| 9/5 Carson Moody | 9/17 Julianna Smith | 9/30 Jimmy Ray Pruitt |
| 9/6 Bobby Lominack | 9/17 Olivia West | 9/30 Jennifer Nguyen |
| 9/7 Jerry Haltiwanger | 9/18 Christopher Kemper | **These dates are according |
| 9/7 Cameron Doolittle | 9/18 Ashleigh Titus | to our church records. If |
| 9/8 B. L. Brown Jr. | 9/20 Patty Davis | there are any errors or omis- |
| 9/8 Brantlee Coward | 9/21 Lynn Cary | sions, please notify the |
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CONGREGATION COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

JULY 18, 2022

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

Call to Order

Welcome

Members Present: Faith Felix, Robert Kneece, Huger Caughman, Pastor Matt Titus, John Green, Ernie Shealy, Mary Maercklein, Chelsea, John Green. Zoom: Sarah Bowers, Mary Alex Kopp, Arlo Hill, Nikki Chapman, Kathy Riggin

Members Absent: NONE

Celebrations/Prayer Requests: : Tony Chapman had a good report following scans and a break from Chemo for 6-8 weeks. Ernie's sister Patricia recovering from back surgery well and welcomed a new grandchild. Ernie also paid off his mortgage. Seven youth going to Lutheridge this coming week. Faith and Justin Felix's new baby boy. Prayer request – Mary Maercklein has an employee whose wife had a bike accident on vacation and suffered a traumatic brain injury. Central Methodist Church had an outbreak of COVID and many members are sick including Mary Alex's grandparents.

Reports

Pastor – Pastor Matt – Lutheran Men in Mission at Blue Ocean with 25+ people in attendance.

GAAP food ministry with 7-8 members from Redeemer.

1853 Committee – Ernie Shealy, liaison - no report.

Community Compassion – Chelsea Ellisor, liaison– no report

Endowment Committee – Bob Montgomery, chairperson - no report

Faith Formation – Arlo Hill, liaison; – no report

Family and Social Fellowship – Kathy Riggin – no report .

Finance Committee/Treasurer – Robert Kneece - \$6,424.04 negative for the month of July.

Last distribution of the Endowment Fund -\$17,289.33 to distribute.

Property Committee – Huger Caughman, Sr., liaison – no report

Stewardship Committee—Robert Kneece, liaison – no report

Worship and Music – Mary Alex Kopp, liaison – no report

Youth – Faith Felix; no report

Staff – Nikki Chapman; no report

President Mary Maercklein – no report

Minutes from May Meeting – Chelsea Ellisor – Motion: Huger Caughman, Seconded – Faith Felix. All in favor.

Old Business:

COVID: Calendar Review:

Redeemer Website Update: working to give individual access to update items.

Needs and Wants: Discussed some proposed items and will follow-up with the next meeting.

New Business

Stewardship Campaign Update: Setting meeting for this committee.

FLC Usage Request-Dorothy Parks - Motion Huger Caughman. Second Robert Kneece. All in favor.

Member Visitations – a class to help aid in ways to visit church members. Example: members taking communion to shut-ins. To publicize in the bulletin and newsletter.

Next Congregational Potluck: Sept 11 -To plan re-starting committees and getting people to volunteer during the potluck.

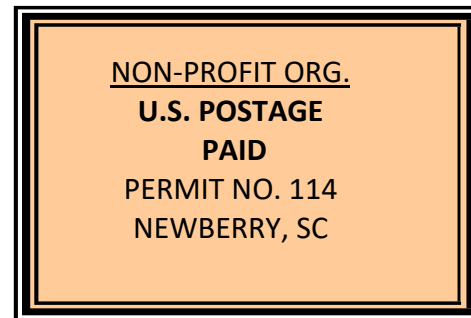
Oktoberfest: Booth has been secured. Encouraging the youth to get involved.

Needs & Wants – Ramp money. Handrails in all the bathrooms. Nikki and Faith working with Aubrey to come up a list of needs for the Youth Hall.

Executive Session: – Motion in – Ernie Shealy. Seconded by Mary Alex Kopp. Motion out – Huger Caughman. Seconded by Ernie Shealy. All in favor.

Next Council Meeting will be Monday August 15, 2022 in the Youth Hall or via Zoom.

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Return Service Requested

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The next Redeemer Reader deadline is
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