

The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

Redeemer Reader

November 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

Monday – Thursday

9:00 am – 4:30 pm

Friday

Closed

Redeemer Lutheran Men in Mission News for November



Redeemer Lutheran Men in Mission will meet on Tuesday, November 8 at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center. Tommy Fellers and John Green are the head chefs. Steven Knapp, director of The Newberry Museum, will lead the group on a tour of the museum and the new "Coming Home to Newberry" exhibit. All men and boys are invited to attend.

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AMEN FOR LUTHERAN MEN!!

Redeemer WELCA News for November



WELCA will meet on Sunday, November 7th, at 3:45 PM in the church library for its business meeting. During the business meeting, we will be discussing gifts for our shut-ins. Please bring any suggestions with you. At 4:00, Eve Kneece will present the program. We look forward to hearing about Eve's three favorite hymns from our Then Sings My Soul books. All women and friends of the congregation are invited to attend.

Grace and peace to each of you as we begin the month of November. What joy, fun, and service we've been able to be a part of throughout the month of October.

Again, Confirmation and Youth continue to shine and thrive. We have averaged 20 youth at our Heartland Conference Confirmation classes as we all continue to learn about what it means to view the world and proclaim Christ through a Lutheran lens. That partnership continues to bring myself and Aubrey so much joy as we get to work with not only our youth, but with the youth of the other churches in our group.

Redeemer's Youth Group continues to thrive as well as we have jumped from a dedicated and faithful one or two participants, to almost 10 faithful participants in our youth program. Aubrey has done a wonderful job to build those relationships as she walks with our youth in their faith formation.

I think the most fun (and tiring) experience I had this past month was helping out with Oktoberfest on October 15. There are many things that I have always enjoyed about that festival (the food, drinks, and fellowship being at the top of that list), but this year, I think the most uplifting moments were those who offered up prayers.

The Prayer Loom (which we borrowed from the SC Synod Office) helped every person visualize how their prayers look to God. All of our prayers are a diverse and beautiful tapestry of lament, joy, and hope.

Each of us gets to lift up our prayers to a God who listens and acts.

My prayer for Redeemer continues to be that this is a place that all people know that they are loved – fully and completely – and they get to live out that love for everyone in their lives. Jesus, our Christ, has modeled that life and invited us into that faith.

May we all continue to raise up our prayers – in all their varied beauty – as we serve and walk with God's people.



Always remember, God loves you and so do I!

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Attendance	Sunday School	Online Views	10:30 am	Total Worship Attendance
October 2	25	68	74	142
October 9	28	82	67	149
October 16	19	67	60	127
October 23	30	103	70	173
October 30				
Average				

OCTOBER

Offerings

October 02 - \$3,258.26

October 09 - \$3,459.03

October 16 - \$6,536.64

October 23 - \$3,184.55

October 30 -



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/give



Redeemer's 50+ Ministry!

50+ will meet on Sunday, November 13 at 6:00 pm in the Family Life Center. The meal will be ham, green beans, macaroni and cheese, fruit salad, rolls, tea/coffee, and dessert. The cost of the meal is \$10.

The Newberry Museum director, Steven Knapp, will present a program on the German settlers of the 18th century.

Please RSVP to the church office (803) 276-2003 or info@redeemernewberry.org by Wednesday, November 9.

MUSICAL SHOWCASE DINNER - Please plan to join us for dinner and entertainment in the Family Life Center Sunday, November 20 at 7:00 pm. The menu will be pork tenderloin, green beans, cheese pie, sweet potato casserole, rolls, banana pudding, and beverages. Entertainment will be provided by our Choral Scholars with Newberry College friends and members of our congregation. Tickets for the meal and entertainment are \$15 for adults and \$7.50 for students. If you would like to attend only the entertainment beginning at 7:30 pm, you may make a donation at the door. Tickets may be purchased in the Narthex after services, in the church office, or from Gayle Lindley. The deadline for purchasing tickets is Sunday, November 13. No tickets will be sold at the door.

The Choral Scholar program began in 2014 and provides scholarships for Newberry College students. It is funded totally through donations. Proceeds from the Showcase Dinner will supplement this fund.

Make plans to join us for an entertaining evening.



The Annual Meeting of the Congregation will take place following worship on November 13. Be on the lookout next week for the 2023 Budget Proposal, council, nominating team, and endowment team nominees.

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 began meeting on Monday, September 12 from 2:30 - 4:30 in the Fesperman Classroom (Room 212) 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 12 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.

The Community at Redeemer gathers to help at GAAP on the third Saturday of every month. This means, members at Redeemer are encouraged to volunteer on **November 19th**.

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!

Summary Treasurer's report for Sep 2022

<u>To meet the monthly Ministry Spending Plan we need:</u>		\$26,918.00
For Sep - Income:	\$	29,696.36
For Sep - General expenses:	\$	<u>26,377.99</u>
For Sep - Income is more than expenses by:	\$	3,318.37
2022 YTD Income:	\$	214,733.34
2022 YTD General Expenses:	\$	<u>228,266.74</u>
2022 YTD Income is less than expenses by:	\$	(13,533.40)

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

Altar Flowers

November 6 - Geoge & Donna Franklin

November 13 - Ben Bowers

November 20 - Kathy Riggin

November 27- Martha Dominick

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.**

November 14 - Johnny & Kathy Lindsay

November 20 - Steve & Leslie 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, Cindy Mills

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; 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; Jeanne Simmons, friend of Verna Cavanaugh; Risa Long Nolting, friend of Kathy Livingston.

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



Congregational Sympathy is extended to the family of Verna Cavanaugh upon the death of her 99 year old sister, the Reverend Deacon Mary Birge Kohn Hicks; and to the family of Jimmy Weir upon his death.

Happy Birthday!



11/1	Alexis Lockyer	11/10	Misty Cooper	11/26	Peggy Richardson
11/1	Janna Longshore	11/13	Mary Linda Hill	11/26	Beth Lominack
11/5	Juliette Nguyen	11/16	Lauren Flynn	11/27	Anne Caughman
11/6	Mark Senn	11/16	Robbie Kopp	11/28	Britany Alexander
11/6	JD White	11/18	Ernie Shealy Jr.	11/29	Billy Davis
11/7	Lee Ringer	11/18	Morgan Harshaw		
11/7	Claire Grosshuesch	11/20	Betty Cummings		
11/8	Cindy Mills	11/20	Anne Epting		
11/8	Mary Beth Pease	11/20	Danny Abrams		
11/8	Jordan Cary	11/21	Jane Doolittle		
11/8	Sophia Lockyer	11/21	Jamie Newell		
11/9	Ann Jacobs	11/22	Lib Rodelsperger		
11/9	Sheryl Fincher	11/22	Kelly Loignon		
11/9	Erika Crayne	11/25	Patsy Pruitt		
11/10	Karen Krouse	11/25	Vanessa Harshaw		

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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER
CONGREGATION COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS
SEPTEMBER 19, 2022

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

Members Present: Nikki Chapman, Pastor Matt Titus, Mary Maercklein, Chelsea Ellisor, Robert Kneece, Arlo Hill, John Green, Sarah Bowers, Huger Caughman

Members on Zoom: Faith Felix, Kathy Riggan Members Absent: Mary Alex Kopp, Ernie Shealy
Devotions led by Pastor Matt Titus

Celebrations/Prayer Requests: Prayer for Jim Hockett who is hospitalized with COVID. Nikki Chapman's grandmother who is having a hard time with severe dementia . 2 baseball players from Union in a car accident. Emma Chapman's softball coach's family were in a wreck yesterday. Cade Roberts and Keith Rankin who were recently in wrecks.

Reports

Pastor – Pastor Matt – Wedding in November. 4 Sunday services and 2 funerals this past month
1853 Committee, Endowment, Faith Formation, Family & Social Fellowship, Stewardship, Staff, President – No report.

Community Compassion - Chelsea Ellisor, liaison - Oktoberfest

Finance Committee/Treasurer – Robert Kneece - \$12,028.88 is behind for the month of August. Yearly income is behind by \$16,851.77

2023 Budget – Some minor changes to the 2023 budget that will be approved at the Annual Meeting. Increase of \$4,386.00 for the 2023 year. Motion approved by Nikki Chapman and seconded by Arlo Hill. Abstained from voting – Sarah Bowers. All other present council members in favor.

Property Committee – Huger Caughman, Sr., liaison – Member of the church has volunteered to pay for additional hand rails. Sound system upgrades upcoming. Ramp to FLC remains in discussion.

Worship and Music – Mary Alex Kopp, liaison – Beer and Hymns upcoming on October 20. Next meeting will be in November.

Youth - Faith Felix – A locked closet and cabinet for storing items for the Youth. Updates to be made to the youth hall such as painting and putting covers on furniture.

Staff – Nikki Chapman – no report this month. Will look into job description for Secretary and Book keeper along with looking at the hours of the Youth director and will report back for next council meeting.

Minutes from August Meeting – Chelsea Ellisor – Motion to approve Robert Kneece. Seconded by Nikki Chapman. All in favor.

Old Business

Covid-Pending Approval – Motion made to remove COVID from the agenda. Seconded by Huger Caughman. All in favor.

Stewardship Campaign – Good turnout at Covered Dish Luncheon with people interested in signing up for committees. Stewardship campaign being planned.

Member Visitations – Paper to be placed on the offering table in the Narthex to sign up for member visitations.

Oktoberfest Booth Update – Volunteers needed for Oktoberfest.

Youth Hall Requests – Based off of gift policy from Legrand, youth has been given \$2800 for updates to the youth hall

Needs & Wants – None this meeting.

New Business:

Annual Meeting Planning – Nominating committee to reach out to church members for council, nominating, and endowment committees. Annual meeting to be November 13, 2022.

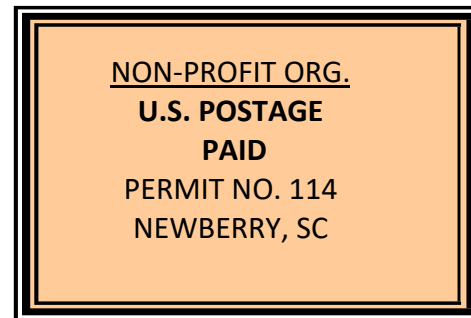
South Carolina Lutheran Retreat Centers – Holding a capital campaign for Camp Kinard and Coastal Retreat at Isle of Palms.

Final portion of Legrand's gifts- Council decided to fulfill the gift entity of Legrand's gift by giving 25% to each organization: Lutheran Church of the Redeemer Youth, Project Nectar, Lutheran World Relief to assist with damages from Hurricane Fiona. Motion made by Nikki Chapman. Seconded by Robert Kneece. All in favor.

Executive Session – Motion in Huger Caughman. Seconded Robert Kneece. Motion out: Robert Kneece. Seconded Ernie Shealy

Adjournment

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The next Redeemer Reader deadline is
November 21, 2022. Please send submissions
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