# The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

# Redeemer Reader

# October 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 October

Committee of 100 Banquet-Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00 pm at Grace Lutheran Church in Prosperity. RSVP by September 25. Cost is \$12 per person.

If you want to join the Committee of 100, please reach out to Johnny Lindsay.

October 11-regular monthly meeting. Robert Kneece is the head chef and Bob Montgomery is presenting the program.

All men and boys are encouraged to attend.

#### **AMEN FOR LUTHERAN MEN!**



## **Redeemer WELCA News for October**

WELCA will meet on Sunday, October 2nd at 3:45 PM in the Church library for its business meeting. During that time, we will be preparing special treats for the faculty and staff of Boundary Street Elementary School. At 4:00, Dale Brown

will be presenting her three favorite hymns from our <u>Then Sings My Soul</u> books. We look forward to Dale's presentation. All women and friends of the congregation are invited to attend.

Grace and peace to each of you as we begin the month of October!

September had so much going on at Redeemer – it was good to see us regaining some traction as we continue to move through this continued pandemic-ish world.

We began our second year on the Narrative Lectionary, our Heartland Conference Confirmation classes kicked-off, Youth Group started up in full swing, there's been enough of an uptick for in-person worship attendance that we ran out of bulletins a few times, we gathered together to talk about how we as a community can participate in the work of God at Redeemer, and we – always – continued to point to God's presence and love in our lives.

September was busy. I'm hopeful that October will be just as filled as Confirmation and Youth Group continue, Oktoberfest and Beer & Hymns are just around the corner, and everything else that God has in store for us here at Redeemer. It is good to do ministry and service.

However, I think the most impactful and fun thing that some were able to participate in this past month was to build a ramp at Sydney and Debra Metts' home. Eight members and friends of the congregation got together on September 24th for a couple of hours as we listened to the wise words of Walter Jacobs and we quickly got that ramp built for them. That's good ministry y'all! Thank you!

Let us all continue to live out God's love for others this month and each day of our lives!

I wanted to end this month's Newsletter Article with a thank-you note that we received from the Metts' neighbor, Mrs. Paige.

To: The crew whom built my neighbor a new ramp

I just wanted to make this small gesture out of gratitude.

Sydney, Deb, & Bobby (R.I.P.) have been amazing neighbors to me for the last 20 years.

Please know that Sydney was/is worthy of your blessing.

We are an amazing human race when we work together to take care of each other, especially our most vulnerable (the elderly & children).

We truly are an amazing human race – God has gifted us so very much in our ability to care and love those around us!



Attendance	Sunday School	Online Views	10:30 am	Total Worship Attendance
September 4	27	70	64	134
September 11	27	71	80	151
September 18	31	85	75	160
September 25	24	78	87	165
Average	27	76	77	153

# **AUGUST** Offerings

September 04 - \$4,240.76

September 11 - \$8,071.42

September 18 - \$8,453.73

September 25 - \$7,181.46



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

Hurricane Ian in the Gulf of Mexico has been upgraded to a Category 3 status as of September 27 and so the City of Newberry is keeping a watchful eye on what that may mean for the festivities on Saturday. If Oktoberfest doesn't happen on Saturday, it will be postponed until October 15th. So, please keep on the lookout for more information from the City of Newberry regarding that. An update will be included in the weekly Redeemer e-news on Thursday.

Remember in the 'before times' of pre-2020 and occasionally we would help celebrate birthdays at White Oak Manor? Well, it has been a while, but we have been invited back to do that once more! It is a little short notice, but that celebration of birthdays will be at White Oak Manor on Tuesday, October 4th at 3pm. We need volunteers to come hand out food and drinks to the residents and give gifts (purchased by the church) to the eight folks celebrating birthdays in October. If you would like to volunteer for this fun and fulfilling event, please contact the Church Office ASAP or reach out to PM for more information. We hope to have a list of confirmed volunteers by Sunday. <sup>3</sup>

#### 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 the choir sings an anthem on most Sundays from mid-August thru mid-June. Anyone who is interested in singing is invited to join.

**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 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 the Church office is closed. Anyone is welcome to come and join us for some creative card making. No experience is 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.

The Newberry College Madrigals will be performing during our Reformation service Oct. 30.

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!

#### To meet the monthly Ministry Spending Plan we need:

\$26,918.00

For Aug - Income:	\$ 17,798.15
For Aug - General expenses:	\$ 29,827.03
For Aug - Income is less than expenses by:	\$ (12,028.88)

2022 YTD Income:	\$ 185,036.98
2022 YTD General Expenses:	\$ 201,888.75
2022 YTD Income is less than expenses by:	\$ (16,851.77)

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

# Altar Flowers

October 2 - Gayle Lindley

October 9 - Tommy & Helen Fellers

Octoberber 16 - John & Mary Sue Green

October 23 - Kathy Livingston

October 30 - Denise Reid

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

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!

# Wedding Anniversaries

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

October 01 - Ryan & Shannon Lindsay

October 04 - Marty & Donna White

October 04 - Hugh & Anne Smith

October 08 - John & Mary Sue Green

October 09 - Sabin & Christy West

October 20 - Robbie & Mary Alex Kopp

October 21 - Tony Chapman II & Jessica Drager

October 29 - Brad & Lane Joiner

## **Prayer Concerns**

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

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 Perry Zobel.

# Happy Birthday!



10/1	Danielle Connelly	10/17 Kathy Livingston	10/30 Denise Reid
10/2	Ann Stone	10/18 James Long	10/30 Shayne Harris
10/2	John Wessinger	10/18 John Dennis	
10/3	Hunter Riggin	10/21 Palmer Kopp	
10/5	Bob Hawkins Jr.	10/22 Brad Pitts	
10/5	Cameron McRacken	10/22 Jonathan Irons	
10/6	Rosemary Dominick	10/23 Madeleine Long	
10/7	Jonathan Chapman	10/24 Kevin Dove	
10/8	Clint Harshaw	10/24 Asha Kaikini	
10/9	Rick Livingston	10/24 Reid Amrit Kaikini	
10/12	2 Philip Livingston	10/26 Christy Wilkerson	
10/13	William Binnicker	10/26 Laura Dominick	**These dates are according
10/15	Emma Lindsay	10/26 George Summer Jr.	to our church records. If
10/16	Jeremy Tyson	10/26 Chris Jay	there are any errors or omissions, please notify the
10/16 Bose Kaikini		10/27 Nikki Bruce	church office.

# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER CONGREGATION COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS AUGUST 15, 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: Chelsea Ellisor, Huger Caughman, Pastor Matt Titus, Sarah Bowers, Faith Felix, Robert Kneece, John Green, Mary Maercklein, Ernie Shealy,

Members present on Zoom: Arlo Hill, Nikki Chapman, Kathy Riggin

Members Absent: Mary Alex Kopp Devotions led by Pastor Matt Titus

Celebrations/Prayer Requests: Kathy Riggin and the loss of her father. Chuck Byrd and the loss of his father.

#### Reports

Pastor – Pastor Matt – Confirmation planning with other churches in the area should have about 25 children.

1853 Committee – Ernie Shealy, liaison – New things to place in the archives.

Community Compassion, Endowment, Faith Formation, Family & Social Fellowship, Stewardship, Youth, Staff, President – no report

Finance Committee/Treasurer – Robert Kneece - \$4822.89 in the red for the month of July.

Property Committee – Huger Caughman, Sr., liaison – Electrician contacted about several lights throughout the church. Discussed audio upgrades including placing two new speakers. Working out logistics for the ramp at the FLC. Inquires made about handicap bars in bathrooms.

Worship and Music – Mary Alex Kopp, liaison – Put together a crucifer and acolyte list for a year from 3rd grade and up.

Minutes from July Meeting – Chelsea Ellisor – Motion: Faith Felix. Seconded by Robert Kneece. All in favor.

#### **Old Business**

- A. Covid no update. Plan to remove after this month and can add back to agenda if necessary.
- B. Redeemer Website Continuing to make updates

Calendar – Redeemer website has the up to date calendar.

Stewardship Campaign – Ben Bowers will be in contact with Mary Maercklein

Member Visitations – Will discuss at the potluck on September 11 in getting people back involved visiting members and taking communion to members.

September 11th Congregational Potluck – After service in the FLC.

Oktoberfest Booth Update – T-shirts for congregation due September 18 and money be raised for GAAP. Design to be sent out in the bulletins. Discussions made about other things to have at Oktoberfest. Volunteers needed.

Youth Hall Requests – Discussion has been made with Aubrey about updating youth hall.

Needs & Wants – Annuity to be made for an ELCA related organization, non-Lutheran organization and the greatest need.

**New Business**: Girls Scouts gave a \$200 donation for using the facilities. Kingdom Hearts Inc to hold self-defense class for women and want to use our facilities. Will contact and have someone come to the next council meeting.

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

### Adjournment

Reminders: 2022 Council Meetings

October 17, 2022 November 21, 2022 December 19, 2022 The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer 1515 Boundary Street Newberry, South Carolina 29108

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The next Redeemer Reader deadline is October 20, 2022. Please send submissions to dprice@redeemernewberry.org