

# The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

## *Redeemer Reader*

### August 2023

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 August**



LMM will meet on Tuesday, August 8, in the FLC at 7:00 pm. Walter Jacobs is the chef and Pastor Matt will present the program.

**AMEN FOR LUTHERAN MEN!!**

### **Redeemer WELCA News for August**



WELCA will meet on Sunday, August 6th, at 3:45 PM, in the church library for its business meeting. At 4:00, Eve Kneece will present the program. We look forward to Eve's presentation of her 3 favorite hymns from our Then Sings My Soul books. All women and friends of the congregation are invited to attend.

At the SCWELCA Convention in June, Redeemer WELCA turned in \$500.00 for the Camp Kinard Project. Thank you to all who made a contribution. This will certainly make a difference in helping purchase needed supplies.

The total collected for the Camp Kinard Project was \$9,557.46. Then half of the convention offering, \$1,024, was added to that. Thus making the total check presented to Dallas Shealy for the Camp Kinard Project \$10,581.46. What a blessing for Camp Kinard!

Grace and peace to each of you as we enter into the month of August. It has been a whirlwind of a summer. In my household it has been nonstop of church, travel, sports, and camps. Erin and I commented as we drove home from Lutheridge after dropping Ashleigh and Miriam off about where the summer has gone. It is as if we 'blinked' and it flew past!

However, that doesn't mean that summer hasn't been amazing! It has! We've been able to see God's beauty throughout creation, especially as we were able to visit Wyoming, Idaho, and Colorado for almost two weeks at the tale end of July.

Y'all. We live in a beautiful and mind-bogglingly large world. And believe it or not, in other parts of the country it is not nearly as hot and sweaty as lil' ol' Newberry during the summer. Who knew!

I love to travel and see new sights, meet new people, and experience different cultures and customs – even if those cultures and customs are 'what's sweet tea?' I think one of the most heartbreaking things I've heard from any member of a church I've served is when I heard of lifelong members who had never traveled outside their respective county in their entire lives.

When we limit ourselves to only what is around us, we miss out on so much of what God has created and gifted us to be good stewards of. Our world is brimming with life, nuance, and love in so many ways!

If you're given an opportunity to travel – I encourage you to do it. Even if you start small and check out our local county and state parks, you'll be amazed at what God has created.

Finally, being able to travel and see all of creation helps give each of us a better understanding of what it means to be a good steward which God has called each of us into. God has granted us dominion over creation, but this 'dominion' should not be seen as a way to exploit what we have power over, but to care for what God has given us responsibility over.

There are some incredibly beautiful, majestic, and awe-inspiring places within our world – some just as close as Lynch's Woods, Sumter National Forest, and Lake Murray, but also as distant as Yellowstone's eerily beautiful prismatic pools, the majestic peaks of the Grand Tetons, and far valleys of Idaho.

We truly live in a beautiful world. May each of us be drawn to God's creation to behold its beauty and to care for it so that others might be awed by God's creative power as well. Amen!



Attendance	Sunday School	Online Views	10:30 am	Total Worship Attendance
July 2	15	80	67	147
July 9	24	75	77	152
July 16	23	80	57	137
July 23	23	146	54	200
Average	21	95	64	159

## JULY

### Offerings:

July 02 - \$2,591.56

July 09 - \$3,045.73

July 16 - \$9,817.94

July 23 - \$2,292.25



**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 plate each Sunday morning or you are welcome to use the online giving option on our church website:



[www.redeemernewberry.org/give](http://www.redeemernewberry.org/give)



The Handbell and Senior Choirs will resume regular rehearsals on Wednesday, August 2. The Handbell Choir rehearses at 6:30 pm and the Senior Choir rehearses at 7:30 pm. Both groups rehearse in the McCullough Music Ministry Room. You do not have to read music to be a member of either group, although it helps. Anyone

**Updated Contact Info** - If your address, phone number, or email address has changed in the past year or so, please contact the Church Office so that we might update our information. Thank you!

**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** meets on Monday afternoons 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. Everyone is welcome to come and join us for some creative card making. No experience required.



### **Manna House**

You can always donate food to Manna House by placing those items in the shopping carts in the narthex or outside the church office. Thank you! Redeemer will be volunteering at Manna House on the following days

**November 14 and 16**

We need at least two volunteers each day! For more information, please contact Annette Belcher.



The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer celebrates with Pastor Matt who was voted #1 Best Pastor/Spiritual Advisor for the 2nd straight year by the readers of the Newberry Observer!

## TREASURER'S REPORT MAY 2023

Summary Treasurer's report for May 2023

<u>To meet the monthly Ministry Spending Plan we need:</u>		\$27,408.00
For Apr. - Income:	\$ 25,696.37	
For Apr. - General expenses:	\$ 18,862.41	
For Apr. - Income is more than expenses by:	\$ 6,833.96	
2023 YTD Income:	\$ 114,275.84	
2023 YTD General Expenses:	\$ 120,004.49	
2023 YTD Income is less than expenses by:	\$ (5,728.65)	

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

### Altar Flowers

August 6 - Kathy Riggin

August 13 - Tom & Carol Gilson

August 20 - Denise Reid

August 27 - Vickie Wiseman

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

### Wedding Anniversaries

August 1 - Sonny & Stewart Laymon

August 1 - Matthew & Kelly Loignon

August 4 - Jimmy Ray & Patsy Pruitt

August 4 - Ben & Nikki Chapman

August 5 - Benjie & Jenny Chapman

August 5 - Molly Fortune & Chris Kemper

August 12 - Sandy & Joanne Fretwell

August 13 - Davy & Tammy Wilson

August 20 - Barry & Peggy Richardson

August 21 - Zeb & Angela Reid

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



### Prayer Concerns

**Redeemer Members:** 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; Terri McMurtury, niece of Debbie Metts, Mia Stabile and family, great-niece and family of Ann Jacobs, Walter Jacobs, and Susan Jacobs Thomasson; Risa Long Nolting, friend of Kathy Livingston; Kerry Frick, friend of Ann Stone and Deedee Westwood; Helen Campbell, sister of Huger Caughman; Dean Wise, friend of the Caughmans.

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

**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 August 19th!

## *Happy Birthday!*



8/1	Andrew Livingston	8/12	Jill Chapman	8/26	Ainsleigh Gray
8/1	Kate Moose	8/12	Chris Coward	8/27	Claire Doolittle
8/2	Lisa Senn	8/13	Ginger Weir	8/27	Connor Doolittle
8/2	Brent Wilson	8/16	Martha Dominick	8/29	Jane Moose
8/3	Chuck Byrd	8/18	Ann Felker	8/30	Mary Nance Joseph
8/3	Jason Long	8/18	Kathy Long	8/31	Richard Mann Jr.
8/3	Annie Reynolds	8/18	Janet Long		
8/3	Faith Felix	8/18	Zeb Reid		
8/3	Noel Goodwin	8/18	Reese Long		
8/5	Nick Grosshuesch	8/20	Melissa Mays		
8/6	Stephen Moose	8/22	Allen Pitts		
8/7	Phoebe Lockyer	8/23	Henry Chapman		
8/8	Chrissy Sligh	8/25	Les Hipp		
8/9	Jimmy Wessinger	8/25	My Anh Nguyen		
8/11	Bootsie Cousins	8/26	Donna Franklin		

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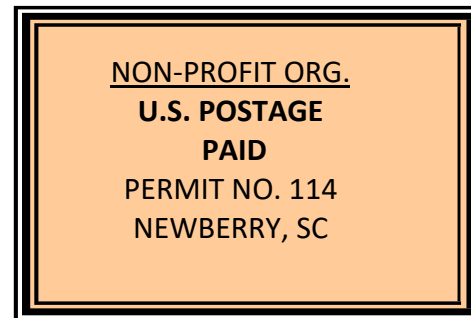
THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER  
CONGREGATION COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS  
JUNE, 2023

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NO MEETING JUNE 2023

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The next Redeemer Reader deadline is  
August 24, 2023. Please send submissions to  
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