

# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Redeemer Reader

**June 2024**

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  
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## Redeemer Lutheran Men in Mission News for June

The Lutheran Men in Mission will travel to Blue Ocean in Clinton on Tuesday, June 11. We will meet there at 7:00 pm for supper and fellowship. If you plan to attend, please let Huger, Jr. know by Sunday, June 9 in order to have enough space for

our group.

SCLMM Committee of 100 forms are in the narthex. If you want to join or renew your membership for 2024, please fill out a form and mail it to Kevin Wicker (his address is on the form). All men and boys are invited to attend.

**AMEN FOR LUTHERAN MEN!!**



## Redeemer WELCA News for June

WELCA will be meeting on Sunday, June 2nd, at 3:45 PM in the church library for its business meeting. At 4:00, we will be looking at the chapter of Ruth and Boaz, from the book of Ruth, in our *Love Stories from the Bible* book. All women and friends of the congregation are invited to attend.

**News on our She-Shed Project** - So far, we have raised \$200.00 toward the She-Shed for the ladies in Tanzania. Thank you to those who have contributed to this project. **Thursday, June 19th**, was the last scheduled day for collecting donations, but we are going to have to change that to **Monday, June 16th**, since the convention begins on June 20th. Any checks should be made to SCWELCA or The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer WELCA. If your donation is cash, please place your name on the envelope so that we can give you credit for your donation.

Aubrey Guyton will be representing The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer at the convention as one of the Young Women Guest.

Grace and peace y'all!

Summer is *finally* here.

It is one of my favorite times of the year – but it isn't because the weather is hot. I don't love this time of year *just because* the MLB season is in full swing. Having my girls home (while enjoyable...) isn't the sole reason that summer is awesome.

No, what I love about summer is that I get to go to *camp*. I love going to Lutheridge. Last year, I received my 10-year patch, and I was just as proud at 40 to get that patch as it was for those less than half my age to receive theirs.

I love camp. Full stop.

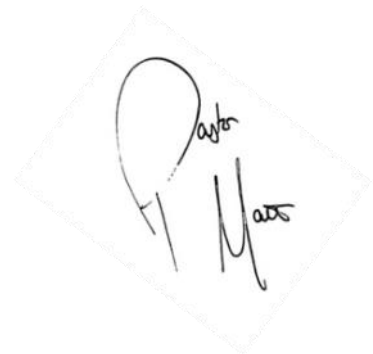
I love camp because I get to share what I love about our faith with not only the youth and children at Redeemer, but I get to do so with so many other youth, their adult leaders, and my fellow colleagues and friends. It was at Lutheridge that I truly fell in love with ministry. It was during my time as a camp counselor that I felt a call to be a pastor. It was upon that wonderful mountain that I began to know who and whose I was – God's.

I love that I get to share that joy of camp not only with my family, but with each of you as well. On June 16 the confirmation youth, Aubrey, and I will head up to Arden, NC for another week of formation, fun, and faith. I can't wait.

What I love most about Lutheridge is that in the work of the counselors, the songs, the trees, and more we get to see God at work in ways we might have overlooked before. We get to *slow down* a bit and listen for God's voice and presence in all that we do. We get to know – even more fully – that we are a part of God's great creation.

I love to share that message of hope and love with the youth of our church and all communities. No matter who you are – God loves you. Fully. Completely. Without end.

May each of us spend time this summer knowing that truth for ourselves and sharing that message of hope and love to all around us!



Attendance	Sunday School	Online Views	10:30 am	Total Worship Attendance
May 5	17	85	76	161
May 12	10	175	83	258
May 19	19	179	81	260
May 26	19	39	68	107
<b>Total</b>	65	478	308	786

**May Offerings:**

May 05 - \$6,110.71

May 12 - \$6,127.64

May 19 - \$5,862.61

May 26 - \$2,911.16

**Calling all Singers and Handbell Players.** If you have an interest in joining either the Senior Choir or Handbell Choir, please contact Nicholas Shumate, Senior Choir & Handbell Director, for more details. This is a great time to come and check out what we are all about!

Nicholas Shumate-(803) 448-7361 or [nshumate@redeemernewberry.org](mailto:nshumate@redeemernewberry.org)

Handbell Choir-Wednesdays 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

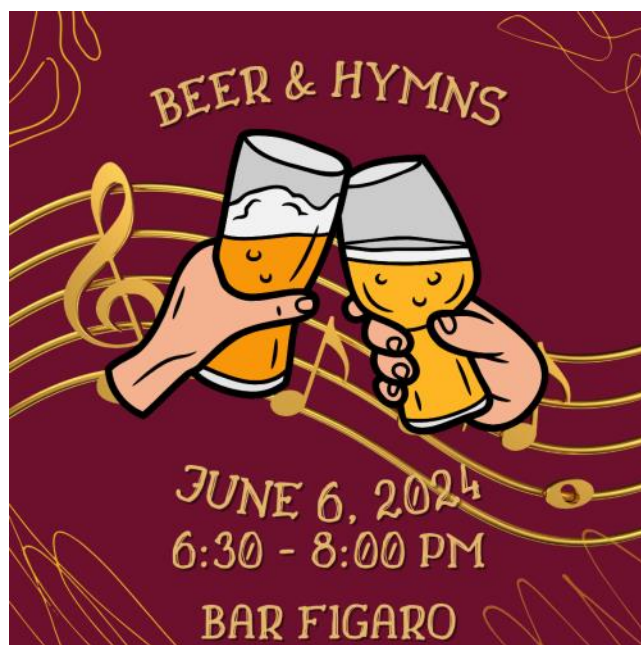
Senior Choir-Wednesdays 7:00 pm-8:00 pm

**New Office Assistant!** We give thanks for our new Office Assistant - **Haley McBride-Stuhr!** Haley will begin working in the office on Monday, June 3rd.



Hi! I'm Haley McBride-Stuhr. I am married to Jason Stuhr, we have three sons; Wyatt, 15 and 4 year old twins, Finn and Max. I own a small photography business and enjoy musicals. I'm excited to become part of the Redeemer family, look forward to meeting you and serving you as

Office Assistant. God's Peace, Haley



**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.

**Time Change!! The Prayer & Care Card Class** - will meet on Monday mornings from 9:30 am - 11:30 am on June 3, June 17, July 1, July 15, July 29, August 12, and August 29. 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 cart in the narthex or outside the church office. Thank you! Redeemer will be volunteering at Manna House; dates will be announced soon.

**HELP NEEDED!** Help is needed with the audio/visual operations. If you are able to assist with this, please contact the church office or Annette Belcher.

**Altar Flowers** are needed on the following Sundays: July 7 and December 8. Please sign up on the chart in the narthex or contact the church office.

**GAAP** - God's Abundance for All People is open to all in need from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm each Saturday at O'Neal Street UMC. GAAP is a free clothing and food pantry which also provides a meal (beginning at 11:00 am).

Redeemer has been helping GAAP quite a bit on the THIRD Saturday of each month, you are all welcome to come volunteer every Saturday, but especially SATURDAY, June 15, don't hesitate to get in touch with Kevin Dove or the church office for more information.



**Jessica and Henry** - have been so thankful for all of your prayers, thoughts, and love during Tony's sickness, his death, and the year since. They invite each of you to Tony's internment at Newberry Memorial Gardens at 10am on June 29th.

## TREASURER'S REPORT APRIL 2024

Summary Treasurer's report for Apr. 2024

<u>To meet the monthly Ministry Spending Plan we need:</u>		\$28,810.00
For Apr. - Income:	\$	33,801.13
For Apr. - General expenses:	\$	<u>23,765.39</u>
For Apr.- Income is more than expenses by:	\$	10,035.74

2024 YTD Income:	\$	110,300.21
2024 YTD General Expenses:	\$	<u>100,844.76</u>
2024 YTD Income is more than expenses by:	\$	9,455.45

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

### Altar Flowers

June 2 - Westwood Family

June 9 - David & Vickie Wiseman

June 16 - Nikki Chapman

June 23 - Robert Kneece

June 30 - Denise Reid

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

### Wedding Anniversaries

June 1 - Doggett & Christie Whitaker

June 3 - Slade & Amanda Richardson

June 5 - Jeremy & Stacy Tyson

June 11 - Robert & Carol Montgomery

June 11 - Mark & Lisa Senn

June 15 - Allan & Robin Vance

June 16 - John & Carolyn Hammond, Sr.

June 16 - Stan & Linda Renwick

June 17 - Tom & Carolyn Gilson

June 18 - Benji & Deedee Westwood

June 24 - Matthew & Erin Titus

June 28 - Joseph & Margaret Bucher

June 30 - James & Janet Long

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

**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)



### Prayer Concerns

**Redeemer Members:** Georgette Livingston, Debra Metts, Lloyd Layman, Carolyn Cromer, Mary Lou Weir, Cindy Mills, Ann Stone.

**Extended Parish Family:** Maxine Koon, cousin of Debra Metts; Kent and Mary Beth Richardson, cousins of Debra Metts; Reese Burdette, great-niece of Ernie Shealy; Danny Burden, friend of Jessica Draeger; Terri McMurtury, niece of Debra Metts, Mia Stabile and family, great-niece and family of Ann Jacobs, Walter Jacobs, and Susan Jacobs Thomasson; Kerry Frick, friend of Ann Stone and Deedee Westwood; Dean Wise, friend of the Caughman family; Stan Lathren; James Hunter, friend of Jane Moose; Jodie Hazel, sister of Debra Willingham.

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

**Congregational sympathy** is extended to the family of Margery “Sis” Williamson upon her death on May 4, 2024.

## *Happy Birthday!*



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|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 6/1 Beth Hipp        | 6/13 Steven Senn       | 6/23 Jeremy White         |
| 6/2 Cathy Cannady    | 6/13 Margaret Flynn    | 6/23 Becky Miller         |
| 6/4 Gayle Lindley    | 6/15 Frances Williams  | 6/23 Trista McRacken      |
| 6/7 John Hammond Sr. | 6/17 Vickie Wiseman    | 6/25 Carolyn Cromer       |
| 6/7 Trey Willingham  | 6/17 Ryan Lindsay      | 6/25 Jessica Wheeler      |
| 6/8 June Lominack    | 6/17 Emma Chapman      | 6/26 Elizabeth Coppock    |
| 6/10 Sally Groce     | 6/18 Stan Renwick      | 6/29 Georgette Livingston |
| 6/12 Betty Ferguson  | 6/19 Mary Maercklein   | 6/29 Taylor Newell        |
| 6/12 Weston Vance    | 6/19 Debra Southerland | 6/30 Susan Thomasson      |
| 6/13 Anne Holland    | 6/23 Eve Kneece        | 6/30 Robin Vance          |

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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER  
CONGREGATION COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS  
APRIL 15, 2024

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5:45 Devotions

Business Meeting 6:00 PM

**Call to Order**

Welcome

Members Present: Paster Matt Titus, Annette Belcher, Dr. John Green, Be Bowers, Walter Jacobs, Denise Reid, Huger Caughman Sr., Kathy Rigglin, Kristin Caughman, Chad Cary, and Gretchen Haskett.

Members on Zoom:

Members Absent: Faith Felix and Jerry Haltiwanger.

Guest: Dr. Elmer Long (Endowment)

Celebrations and Prayer Requests- Prayers for community members dealing with challenges.

**Reports**

Pastor's Report – Pastor Matt: emailed the report. April 28<sup>th</sup> new member Sunday

Community Compassion – Denise Reid, liaison: Emailed report. GAAP April 20 & Manna House July 16th & 18th

Endowment Committee (quarterly) – Dr. Elmer Long, chairman:

Current Value: \$3,549,425.00.

Recently gone down due to overall market.

19 grants totaling \$107,200.00.

Request who and amount requested; investment portfolio overview.

½ million given out over the last 5 years

Faith Formation – Walter Jacobs, liaison: no report.

Family and Social – Kathy Rigglin, liaison: no report.

Finance Committee /Treasurer's Report—Dr. John Green, liaison and chairman: Emailed the report. March expenses were slightly over revenue, but the last Sunday of March was deposited in April.

Property Committee – Huger Caughman, Sr., liaison: Additional information shared about roof and they are continuing to get more information.

Stewardship – Jerry Haltiwanger, liaison: no report.

Worship and Music – Kristin Caughman, liaison: Emailed report. Lent & Easter went well. Next meeting May 7<sup>th</sup>.

Youth – Faith Felix, liaison: no report.

1853 Committee—Chad Cary, liaison: no report.

President's Report – Ben Bowers: no report.

Minutes from March Meetings- Gretchen Haskett: Emailed report. Motion to approve March meeting minutes by Huger Caughman, Sr., Seconded by Annette Belcher, vote approved.

**Old Business**

Administrative Assistant Position

The position is still open, and we will continue to look for a replacement for Donna.

Donna is helping with Sunday preparations.

Picture Directory: no update.

**New Business**

FLC use requests:

Salkehatchie Camp July 14-19, 2024; set up July 11-13<sup>th</sup>; breakdown July 22-26.

Motion: Huger Caughman. Sr 2<sup>nd</sup>: Walter Jacobs. Vote Approved.

**Executive Session**

Motion: Huger Caughman. Sr 2<sup>nd</sup>: Walter Jacobs. Move into Executive Session.

Motion: Annette Belcher. Sr 2<sup>nd</sup>: Walter Jacobs. Move out of Executive Session.

**Comments for the Good of the Order**

**Adjournment and Lord's Prayer**

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The next Redeemer Reader deadline is  
May 23, 2024. Please send submissions to  
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