



The Newsletter of
Redeemer Lutheran Church
Sep 2014

The Witness

Brothers' Prayer Breakfast

Saturday September 6 @ 8:00 am at Three Brothers
Restaurant

Children's Sunday School Resumes

Sunday September 7 @ 9:10 am

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Starts Tuesday September 9 @ 10:00 am

Rotary Food Distribution

Friday September 19 @ 12:30 pm

Car Show and Hot Dog Festival Fundraiser

Saturday September 20 @ 10:00 am

Haiti Team Rummage Sale

Friday September 26 from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm

Saturday September 27 from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm

Open Grill & Campfire Night

Every Friday @ 6:00 pm through October

Capital Appeal

Drive for the Matching Five



Our effort to raise \$10,000 by October 31 so we can receive an additional \$5,000 from the Thrivent Foundation will continue until October 31. We are eligible for this grant because of our work with the homeless, hungry, and those in need. We hope to raise the money through direct donations, grants from various groups and agencies, a Car Show fundraiser, and a Crandall's Chicken Dinner fundraiser.

Car Show and Hot Dog Festival September 20 @ 10:00 am

Everyone is urged to support our Car Show and Hot Dog Festival on Saturday September 20 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Do you know someone who owns a vintage car or is a member of a car club? Please invite them to display their car! The entry fee is only \$15.00 and there will be trophies, ribbons, and goodie bags!

Admission to the public is free. Volunteers are needed to help set up, sign people up, serve the food, oversee the event, and clean up. We also need donations for the raffle and goodie bags.

It should be a great event!! The coordinator for this event is Anne Johnson.

Crandall's Fundraiser

October 27 @ 4:00 pm

Our Crandall's Chicken Dinner Buffet Fundraiser will be on Monday October 27 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. It's an ***all-you-can-eat buffet*** for only \$15.00, and children ages 10 and under are \$12.00. It's a great bargain and you don't have to leave a tip. The buffet includes delicious broasted chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, coleslaw, and cinnamon rolls.

We need your help to sell tickets for the event!! Redeemer gets \$7.00 for every ticket sold. **We are committed to selling at least 300 tickets.** If we don't sell 300 tickets the church will be required to pay for the unsold tickets. We believe we can sell many more than that! On the day of the event we will also need people to help greet people and bus the tables.

Tickets are available in groups of 10. Pick up one or more packets today! For more information see Debbie Dechant.

[Christian Education](#)

Children's Classes Resume

Children's Sunday School will resume on Sunday September 7 at 9:10 am. Deb Story has graciously volunteered to teach again this year, but she needs helpers!

We hope that everyone will consider helping Deb out at least one Sunday during the church school season. There is sign up sheet at the Welcome Table. Also...this is a "Know Your Church Challenge" activity

so you can get a punch on your card by helping out.

First Communion Class

We will be offering First Communion instruction on Sunday October 5 and 12 at 9:10 am. Children around age 5 and older are invited to attend with their parents. The children will receive their First Communion on October 19 at the 10:00 am service. If you have any questions about First Communion class please contact Pastor Tom.

Morning Bible Study

Pastor John Hudson will lead a six week Bible Study called "Take a Walk with the Prophets" starting Tuesday September 9 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. each week in the Fellowship Hall.

This is a time to take a walk with Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel to receive intimate knowledge of God's presence. We will also walk a bit with other prophets including five women, Miriam, Deborah, Huldah, Noadia, and Isaiah's wife.

The gatherings will be interactive using art, music, drama, videos, and moving around to get a greater feel of the walking along life's road with these persons who have shaped our religious heritage.

These sessions are particularly directed to persons who are retired or who have a flexible schedule and can meet on weekday mornings. If this a good option for you please sign up at the information table.

Worship and Music

Healing Service

September 21 @ 8:00 and 10:00 am

On September 21 at both services there will be a time of healing for our bodies, minds, and spirits. Jesus sent out his disciples to continue his work of healing through prayer, the laying on of hands, and anointing with oil. All are invited to come forward and receive a sign of healing and wholeness in the name of the triune God.

New Musical Group

September 28 at 10:00 am

On Sunday September 28 at the second service, music will be provided by our new "Praise & Prayer" worship ensemble which includes Dave & Laura Byers, their son Dave, Roger Oberman, Susan Hudson, and others. We are excited that they are willing to share their musical gifts with the congregation on the fourth Sunday of every month at the late service.

The singing at these services will begin at about 9:50 am so you might want to stop in a little early for the full experience. There will also be an extended time for singing after the formal conclusion of the service.

We can use more singers!! If you are interested in volunteering please see Dave Byers or Susan Hudson

RINGS

(Redeemer Intertwined with Nativity, Grace, and St. John's—Our HS youth group)

Upcoming Events

September 14—5-7:30 Food Scavenger Hunt at Grace, Richmond

September 28—5-7:30 Bonfire & Hay Ride in Harvard

October 12—5-7:30 HarvestFest Planning at Redeemer

October 18—3-7:00 HarvestFest at Redeemer

HarvestFest

This year RINGS will host a new fundraiser called **HarvestFest: Hope for a Change** that includes games, food, music, and fun on Saturday October 18 from 3-7 pm at Redeemer. Proceeds from the festival will support both the 2015 mission trip and childhood cancer research, a decision that was made after Deb Fuller, whose daughter Hope died from a brain tumor, presented the group with information about the shocking lack of research conducted in this important area.

Tickets are \$5.00 in advance and \$7.00 at the door. Come out and support two important causes!

Council Report

Council President Anne Johnson gave the Council Report on Sunday August 17. She reported that plans are well underway for our car show and she urged everyone to help. At this time we especially need donations for the

raffle and goodie bags. Also, flyers are available to pass out at upcoming area car shows.

The Council approved an online giving system on a trial basis that enables people to use credit and debit cards when giving money to the church.

She also announced that there will be special music at the late service every fourth Sunday.

Pastor Tom thanked Anne for her hard work and asked everyone to pray for good weather for the car show!

Stewardship

In October we will launch a new three-year stewardship program called **First We Give of Ourselves**. This program is designed to help us grow in our understanding of stewardship as a spiritual and discipleship practice. The three yearly themes are "Giving in Grace," "Giving in Gratitude," and "Giving in Generosity."

In addition to a special sermon series on each year's topic, there will be an annual four-week Bible study series to explore the Biblical foundations of that year's theme and provide opportunities for sharing stories of discipleship and giving. Each year will end with a Celebration and Commitment Sunday which celebrates God's gifts and how we share these gifts for ministry whether they be time, abilities, spiritual gifts, or financial resources.

Pastor Ann Rogers

Birthdays and Anniversaries

We try to create an accurate listing of members' birthdays and anniversaries. If your important date isn't listed, please email the church office at info@rlcw.org and we will make sure that we get it right next time. We hope you enjoy this feature and appreciate your patience with any (unintentional) errors or omissions!

Birthdays

September 5	Kimberly Zinke
September 16	Bill Schultz
September 17	Curt Bruce
September 18	Liz Henniges
September 20	"Teener" Philipp
September 21	Mabel Bulava
September 23	Charlotte Scholpp
September 27	Carol Knudsen

Anniversaries

Ray & Ami Lucich
September 1, 2006

Prayer

Thursday Night Changes

Starting September 4 we are changing the name of our Thursday night "Harp and Bowl" gathering to "**Praise and Prayer**". We will also be changing the starting time from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Praise and Prayer is a time to relax and connect with God through contemporary praise and worship music. We have projection available so you can choose whether not to sing along.

Outreach

Open Grill & Campfire Night

Grill Night continues through September. We continue to average between 15 and 20 people each week, double the number from last year. We will continue into October as long as the weather permits. This is a "Know Your Church Challenge" activity! Come and get your card punched.

Snow Angels Craft Fair

There are only 8 spaces left for our Snow Angels Craft Fair on December 6. All applications must be received no later than October 4. You can buy a 9x6 foot space for only \$40. Applications are available in the church office.

Thanks to Arne Olsen and the Outreach Team for coordinating this annual outreach and fundraising event.

Know Your Church Challenge

On July 6 we launched our ‘Know Your Church Challenge.’ By now you should have at least one or two punches on your card. This month you should be sure to attend Friday Night Grill Night before the season ends. We continue into October only if the weather is good, so September may be your last chance to attend.

Be sure to bring your card with you to church. Susan Hudson, our office administrator, is ready to punch your card. She is usually available between the services to punch it.

Haiti Team

Rummage Sale

September 26 & 27 @ 7:00 am

Save your gently used items! The Haiti Team will be hosting a Rummage Sale on Friday September 26-27. All appliances or electronics must be in good working order, and all clothing must be clean and in good repair.

In the News

The Haiti Team was featured in an article in the Woodstock Independent August 13-19 edition. Copies of the article are available at the Welcome Table.

Latest Pictures

Pictures from the latest Haiti trip are posted on the Haiti Team bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Check it out!!

Web Team

This month we put a Car Show ad

out on Facebook and so far it has reached 12,536 people. Of those people, 82 of them followed the link to our website. We are up to 93 likes for our Facebook page. 52% are women and 36% are men.

During the month of August we were visited by 371 unique people. The most frequently visited pages were the Car Show, Worship Styles, Facilities, and Serving.



We have had excellent participation at our Drive for the Matching Five planning meetings.



The Four Hoarsemen Gospel Quartet performed at the 10:00 service on August 17.

Letters of Thanks

Dear Redeemer Quilters,

On behalf of some Lakota children who will sleep with more warmth this winter, Thank You. I very much appreciate your support of a cause very dear to me.

Blessings, Lloyd Mueller

Dear Friends of the Woodstock Food Pantry,

The Board of Directors and Volunteers of the Woodstock Food Pantry would like to thank you for your continued support.

Hundreds of families benefit throughout the year from your assistance through food and monetary gifts. Your ongoing

support and generosity enable the pantry to continue its mission of collectinn and distributing food to the needy in Woodstock.

Sincerely, Faye Todd (2nd Vice Pres.)

For the Latest News...

Become a **Redeemer Fan** by liking us on Facebook. After you like us, turn on “Notifications” to get all the latest Redeemer news. If you need help with this please see Arne Olsen or Susan Hudson.

Also remember that you can also get more information about Redeemer programs and activities our website.

Our Leadership Team

<u>Team</u>	<u>Team Leader</u>	<u>Council Liaison</u>	<u>Team Members</u>
-	-	-	<i>(at least 2 members needed — in addition to chair and liaison)</i>
Parish Education		Curt Bruce	Deb Story
Parish Fellowship	Laura Byers	Anne Johnson	Ginger Johnson Liz Henniges Jerry Sanato
Social Justice		Owen Wilson	Carol Knudsen <i>(Food Pantry rep.)</i> Charlotte Scholpp <i>(WACM rep.)</i> Arne Olsen <i>(WACM rep.)</i>
Outreach/Evangelism	Dave Byers Arne Olsen	Joe Scholpp	The entire congregation!
Worship and Music	Carolyn Jurisch	John Van Fleet	Gloria Peetz Anne Johnson Susan Hudson
Stewardship	Pastor Tom	Dick Peterson	
Finance	Bill Lapp	Deb Story	Bruce Friedman
Property		Debbie Dechant	Don Range, Dan Sychowski
Prayer	Susan Hudson	Pastor Tom	The entire congregation!

September 2014 Sunday Servants

8:00 AM

Curt Bruce
Kris Victory
Joe & Tracy Cubert
LeRoy & Carol Knudsen
Danny Cubert

7-Sep

Communion
Reader
Usher
Greeter
Acolyte

10:00 AM

Bill Schultz
Robert Jablonski, Jr.
Rich & Ginger Johnson
Anne Johnson
Christi Schultz

Altar Care: Dick & Pat Peterson

8:00 AM

n/a
Kimberly Zinke
L Henniges & M Nikitovich
Don & Irene Range
n/a

14-Sep

Communion
Reader
Usher
Greeter
Acolyte

10:00 AM

John & Kelly Van Fleet
Deb Story
Dick & Pat Peterson
Carolyn Jurisch

Altar Care: Mary Laidig

8:00 AM

Phyllis Ule
John Hudson
Nick & Jamielynn Wedoff
Brian & Britt Lee
Nathaniel Rogers

21-Sep

Communion
Reader
Usher
Greeter
Acolyte

10:00 AM

Dave Byers
Laura Byers
Joe & Charlotte Scholpp
Steve Ujka & Betty Frank
Maggie Griffin

Altar Care: Dick & Pat Peterson

8:00 AM

n/a
Gloria Peetz
Dylan & Irene Berger
Jim & Phyllis Ule
n/a

28-Sep

Communion
Reader
Usher
Greeter
Acolyte

10:00 AM

Dick Peterson
Ginger Johnson
John & Kelly Van Fleet
Linda & Aimee Podgorski
Zoe Friedman

Altar Care: Mary Laidig

Sept 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9:00a Quilters 6:00p Girl Scouts	2 7:00p Evening Prayer	3 4:00p Bulletin Deadline	4 8:45a TOPS 7:00p Praise & Prayer 7:00p Outreach Team 7:30p 4-H	5 6:00p Grill Night	6 8:00a Men's Prayer Breakfast at 3 Brothers
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