

# **RLC** Newsletter

# June 2017

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# A Message from Pastor Allman

by Pastor David Allman

One day, during the first week in May, I saw a comic strip that showed one woman asking another, "Can you believe March is over already?" and the other woman responded, "It's May!" Apparently I am not the only one feeling like 2017 is racing along too fast. One positive thing I can say about June is that Heather will finally be home, along with her "friend" Dean. It has been a I-o-n-g two years for Candy and I, and we are very excited to have her home for a while, at least until they find jobs which will mean moving again.

I do not know how your 2017 has been going, although I can say from Redeemer's perspective it has been busy. We finished our second Alpha Series, with the addition of a

third SCC church - St. Andrew Presbyterian - teaming up with St. John Divine and us. Our third session begins September 11th and goes through November 20th the Monday before Thanksgiving. Now is the time for those who have gone through Alpha to invite someone to come along with them to the next one - especially someone who is not already attending a Church somewhere. Do not invite them to all eleven weeks. Invite them to the first night, to enjoy good food, a good video and good community - all for free. After that first night then the person can decide whether to come back for the rest.

Along about this time each year I look forward to a summer slowdown, although I am not sure we have experienced one in

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the four years that I have been here. It seems like the only thing that slows down is attendance with the "snow birds" returning to their northern homes and others taking extended vacations. Is it still a vacation if one is retired? Our summer as a staff and Council will be busy looking ahead to how we will best lead the people of Redeemer into God's preferred future for us.

As the people who make up the Body of Christ here at Redeemer. please keep us all in your who have prayers: those returned North: those traveling for the summer; those who remain here in SCC; the Council; the staff; and, remember to pray for yourselves. You are an important part of the Mission of Redeemer - To proclaim Jesus Christ. To grow in Faith. To love all people.

Pastor Allman





Support for others (Collection boxes are on the Narthex counter)







News from the Parish Administrator June 2017

by Susan Warner

Here in the office, Kadie and I are looking forward to the summer! Things typically slow down as programs stop and our snowbirds fly away north. We have some special projects to work on and we are excited about having the time. In early July look for mid-year (January-June) contribution statements. Please review and if there are any issues please contact me so we can get them resolved.

Our Visitation/Communion Teams continue to reach out to our members in need with companionship and communion. Our parish nurses are providing support to our members with medical issues. If you know of anyone who needs visiting or help with a medical question, or if you would like to be one of our volunteers providing care, please feel free to contact me at carekeepersccr@gmail.com or call the church office at 813-634-1292. Our list of folks who are homebound keeps increasing and we could use more team members to visit them, particularly men to visit other men. If you have a couple of hours a month to reach out to one of these members please consider joining us. It makes such a difference in their lives as many are lonely and craving human interaction; I often receive feedback from those visited saying how much it meant to them. Believe me; you will be even more blessed by the visit!

### **Upcoming Events**

Thursdays at 10:00 AM – Bible Study in Buhr Hall. FREE!

Friday June 9 12:00 PM - Women's Bible Study

Thursday August 3- 1:00 PM- "BEING MORTAL" AWARENESS CAMPAIGN. For more info on this free event see page 13 for details.

Thursday August 10 11:30 AM – Presentation on Balance by Linda Eargle. Lunch will be provided and it is FREE!

Monday September 11 – Alpha Begins at 6:15 with dinner and best of all it is FREE!

Monday September 18 - Health Fair, more information coming!

Monday October 2 - Lifeline screening will return

Monday November 6 – Pink Boutique (for women only), begins at 11:30 AM. Products for women including mastectomy items, lunch will be provided and it is FREE!

### RECYCLE

Don't forget to use the paper/cardboard recycling bin in the corner of the church parking lot.





Boxes being shipped to the United States. It will most likely take a month to arrive in Florida.



## **Hello Redeemer Family!**

#### by Heather Allman

I'm writing you with a very excited (and tired) heart, as I'm getting ready to leave Korea at last! In two days, I'll be departing this beautiful country that I have been so lucky to call home for the past two years. Time is going so fast, and everything around me feels like a whirlwind I just can't grasp or control. Luckily, I'm slowly getting there, but it's a lot of work. This last month has been so busy trying to get ready to go, while trying to take in and enjoy a lot of things for the last time. This month, Dean and I were asked to star in a promotional video for the city of Jeonju promoting one of the traditional markets here. We went to the Jeonju International Film Festival (with press passes from the magazines that we write for!) We visited a market at dawn and bought some produce from local farmers. Dean left for London about two weeks ago, and since then I've spent my time enjoying the city that has been so kind to me while I've lived here. I've eaten so much Korea food, drunk traditional Korean tea, and have tried to enjoy every moment of every day that I can. I even made sure to stock up on the infamous South Korean cosmetics.



Heather and Dean with their press passes at the Jeonju International Film Festival.

Now that my time here is ending, it's time to go traveling, and I cannot wait! Thank you all for following my travels and experiences over the last two years, and for everything you do to reach out to me through my parents and the mail. How much you care really means a lot to me, and I know that God has kept me safe, happy, and healthy here. I have learned a lot, I met Dean(!), I taught some incredible kids I'll never forget, I traveled to countries I never dreamed of seeing, and now it's time to come home. I can't wait! I'm sorry to cut this short, but I still have a lot of packing to do! Thank you again for everything, and I look forward to seeing all of you very soon!

God's Love,

Heather



South Korean cosmetics are supposed to be the best in the world, and I had them right at my fingertips for two years!



Bossam (Korean pork) meal out in the mountains



Heather at a beautiful mountainside café she visited with friends on a rainy day.



The opening ceremony at the Jeonju International Film Festival.



A woman working at the Dawn Market.



The Dawn Market.



by Pastor David Allman

Leadership. We have all used the word at one time or another. What does it actually mean? Especially, what does it mean in the Church? For some, the Council is the leadership of the Church. For others, the Pastor is the leadership of the Church. The truth is, those few people cannot possibly provide all of the Leadership necessary for the operation of a Church, even the size of Redeemer.

Perhaps it is not surprising then that leadership development is picking up steam as a hot topic in The Church. From top to bottom, the shortage of leadership is becoming so apparent that some are calling it a crisis. In more and more places, we do not have enough clergy and lay leaders who can envision, organize, evangelize, preach, teach, financially support and do everything in between.



In our community of Sun City Center I often hear people say "I am retired now. It is someone else's turn." The hard truth is, 99.9% of the people at Redeemer are retired, and although many (if not all) have already had "their turn," there is no "someone else" who has not already taken their turn. Each and every one of us is called to be a follower, imitator, disciple of Jesus Christ. Developing leaders here at Redeemer is essential to the future of this congregation. The Letter of James says, "But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers" (1:22). Some of you may remember a man by the name of Harry S. Truman who once said, "In periods where there is no leadership, society stands still." All groups and organizations, including Redeemer, require leadership if we are to continually move forward.



Leadership author and speaker, John Maxwell, said, "Leaders who develop followers impact this generation. Leaders who develop leaders impact the next generation." That describes the men and women who are named as Charter Members of Redeemer. Let us also look for ways that we can make an impact for generations to come.



#### Social Ministry and Benevolence Thank you!

The Social Ministry Committee wishes to thank you on behalf of Pastor Bill and Teresa Cruz at the Good Samaritan Mission. They were overwhelmed by the generosity of Redeemer's congregation. The baby products and health supplies will be used to enrich their clients. Over 500 items were delivered and we also gave them a check to restock their shelves when necessary. The Thrivent Action Team supplies \$250 in products for the mission.



Pastor Allman was blessed to receive the large sum of money to help our members. His discretionary fund will help him when the need arises. Our congregation has a big heart and truly adds God's blessing to many people.

Social Ministry Committee.

### **June Social Ministry**

#### School Supplies

Believe it or not we are already looking to the new school year. We are asking for your support for local school students by providing school supplies. The most needed supplies are wide rule notebook paper, #2 pencils, erasers, Crayola crayons, and colored pencils. Scissors are also a needed item. We will supply a list for your shopping pleasure. If you would like to donate money, please write school supplies on your check. Children in many of our schools have parents on very limited budgets and the startup cost for school is overwhelming. We hope to provide the schools with some needed supplies.

Thank you for your help, Social Ministry Committee

#### June Benevolence

Lutheran Services of Florida

Lutheran Services Florida (LSF) is a leading, life changing human services organization. They work to transform the lives of people regardless of age, background, or belief. They generously serve children and families, youth and teens, adults and elderly, refugees and immigrants, and victims of natural disasters through various programs ranging from substance abuse and mental health to education. LSF helps to build healthier, happier, and hope-filled tomorrows.

We hope you will consider supporting this group who do so much good in the name of the ELCA

Thank you for your support, Social Ministry Committee

Information on Lutheran services of Florida came from their website www. lsfnet.org





### What is Evangelism?

Americans are fed up, searching, and drifting: fed up with church or their perception of church, searching for spiritual guidance. As Christians, we know that we hold the good news of Jesus, who is the way, the truth, and the life that the whole world needs. We know that humanity will be "restless," until it finds rest in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The term evangelism stems from the New Testament Greek word euangelion, meaning "good news." Evangelism is the sharing of the life giving Gospel of Jesus Christ in word (proclamation) and deed (actions). The same Jesus that said he came to preach the good news and "to seek and save the lost" (Mark 1:38; Luke 19:10) also said that he came as the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." (Luke 4:16-21, Isa. 61: 1-3)



There are three aspects of evangelism that we all must follow:

<u>Proclamation</u>: Jesus said, "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation." (Mark 16:14)

<u>Social Action:</u> We must show our good news by helping others who are in need, by caring for our sick and lonely, and by welcoming visitors to our church.

<u>Invitation</u>: We need to invite our friends and neighbors to church.



In all of our work, we must especially remember that God is the great evangelist, and yet he graciously allow us, his Body, to be "his ambassadors, making his appeal through us". (2 Corinthians 5:20) Evangelism wasn't a dreaded task in the early Church, it was a joy to share the good news: of salvation for the world through Jesus Christ. The Church will experience joy and abundant life as it stretches beyond its walls. We must, though, take heed to hold together, equally, proclamation, social action, and invitation in our evangelistic efforts.

### Source

http://livingchurch.org/covenant/2016/02/02/th e-episcopal-churchs-e-word-what-is-evangelism/

# EARLY DETECTION OF CANCER CAN SAVE LIVES Know the 10 warning signals



From the Parish Nurse

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# **June 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> Chem Dry Floor Cleaning ALL DAY	<b>2</b> 9:30 AM- Needlers	3
<b>4</b> 10:00 AM- Holy Communion Worship 11:15 AM Pentecost celebration	<b>5</b> 10:30 AM- Al-Anon	<b>6</b> 3:30 PM- AA Womens Group	<b>7</b> 6:30 PM- Barbershop practice	8	<b>9</b> 9:30 AM- Needlers 12:00 PM- Women's Bible Study	10
<b>11</b> 10:00 AM- Worship	<b>12</b> 10:00 AM- Diabetes Group 10:30 AM- Al-Anon	<b>13</b> 3:30 PM- AA Womens Group	<b>14</b> 11:00 AM- Worship & Music Mtg 6:30 PM- Barbershop practice	<b>15</b> 10:00 AM- Bible Study 6:45 PM- Choir practice	<b>16</b> 9:30 AM- Needlers	<b>17</b> 10:30 AM- Memorial Service for Joe Abrams
<b>18</b> 10:00 AM- Holy Communion Worship	<b>19</b> 10:30 AM- Al-Anon	<b>20</b> 10:00 AM- RLC Staff Meeting 3:30 PM- AA Womens Group	<b>21</b> 6:30 PM- Barbershop practice	<b>22</b> 10:00 AM- Bible Study	<b>23</b> 9:30 AM- Needlers	24
<b>25</b> 10:00 AM- Worship 11:15 AM- Blood Pressure Check	<b>26</b> 10:30 AM- Al-Anon 1:00 PM- Council Meeting	27 10:00 AM- RLC Staff Meeting 3:30 PM- AA Womens Group	<b>28</b> 6:30 PM- Barbershop practice	<b>29</b> 10:00 AM- Bible Study 6:45 PM- Choir practice	<b>30</b> 9:30 AM- Needlers	

## JUNE

## BIRTHDAYS

- 5<sup>th</sup> Karen Munford & June Pohl
- 6<sup>th</sup> Juanita Cunningham
- 7<sup>th</sup>- Gerri Julian and Evan Dehne
- 8<sup>th</sup> Norman Koehler and Tina Kotek
- **10<sup>th</sup> Esther Geissler**
- 11<sup>th</sup> Roger Clark, Cheryl Green, and Herb McKittrick
- 14<sup>th</sup> Kathleen Zaucha
- 16<sup>th</sup> Ellen Vargo
- 17<sup>th</sup>- Guy Merskin
- **18th Ralph Johnson, Marjorie Mingst,** and Sieglinde Obernesser
- **19th Fred Bastion**
- 22<sup>nd</sup>- Elizabeth Guglielmetti
- 25<sup>th</sup> Sandy Gundacker
- 28<sup>th</sup>- Ann Miller and Mary Moquin
- 29th John Burness and Sally Trenski
- **30th- Walter Geissler**



## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 1<sup>st</sup>- Homer & Betty Morrison
- 5<sup>th</sup> Lucy Ann & Buddy Clark
- 15<sup>th</sup> Ed & Tina Kotek
- **18th Robert & Delores Turner**
- 19<sup>th</sup> Jim & Tina Schwartz
- 20<sup>th</sup> Vern & Renate Bartz
- 25<sup>th</sup> Jim & Sandy McCaw
- 29th Marty & Bob Viohl
- 30<sup>th</sup> Margaret & Ed Miller



We ask if you notice information is missing or incorrect please let us know. Thank you!

Time	Acolyte	Communion Assistants	Lector
Sunday		Lucy Ann Clark	
June 4	Lucy Ann Clark	Al Alderman	Jim Moyers
		Martha Alderman	
Sunday			
June 11	Kay Adkins		Kay Adkins
Consideration		Walter Oalaster	
Sunday		Walter Geissler	
June 18	Walter Geissler	Dick Fricke	Dick Fricke
		Arlene Hansen	
Sunday			
June 25	Debbie Andrews		Debbie Andrews

Usher Team	Altar Guild	Sound
Jan Glass's Team	Marge Adair Martha Alderman	Bill Adkins



*Alpha* is coming Fall 2017

## Join the Usher Team

The Usher team is in need of some new ushers. This is a great way to serve, please contact Jim Schwartz at 813-633-0346 if you would like to volunteer. Your help is greatly needed and appreciated.

### **Fellowship Time**

Good times and great snacks are definitely a way to describe the after church gathering. Many of the regular kitchen helpers have flown north. We need some new helpers. Set up starts at 9:00 AM, serving coffee is at 11:00 AM and cleanup is usually done by 11:45 AM. We are always in need of snacks. There is a sign up tablet near the kitchen window. Please consider signing up to help on a Sunday. Thank you!



### Synod Assembly

### **Caregiver Support**

Gannon University students are hosting a Caregiver Support Group at Prince of Peace on Thursdays at 1:00 PM through June 8th. You do not need to pre-register. Since each session covers a different topic, you can attend one session or all. If you a caregiver, this is an opportunity to find support through the class as well as from other caregivers present.

The Florida Bahamas Synod will meet in Assembly beginning Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 1:00 PM and will continue through Saturday, October 14, 2017 (approximately noon) at the Embassy Suites in Kissimmee. FL. This year's theme will be "Freed and Renewed in Christ." Observing the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation.

In additional to the Pastor we are allowed to send two voting members, one male and one female. Redeemer has a budget for assembly registration, room and board. We ask that you provide your own transportation. The main purposes for the assembly will be:

(a) Conducting the elections of a Bishop, synod council members and other offices as necessary,

- (b) Adopting the Synod's ministry spending plans,
- (c) Receiving and acting on reports from ministry areas, and
- (d) Conducting other business as deemed necessary.

The following assembly information is available online at <u>www.fbsynod.com</u> under the Events tab:

- (1) Online Assembly & Hotel Registration Information
- (2) Proposed Agenda
- (3) Travel Equalization Guidelines.
- (4) Nomination Form & Biographical Information.

Please prayerfully consider attending as voting members from Redeemer, and speak with Pastor or someone from the office or Council soon. Registration opens July 1<sup>st</sup>.



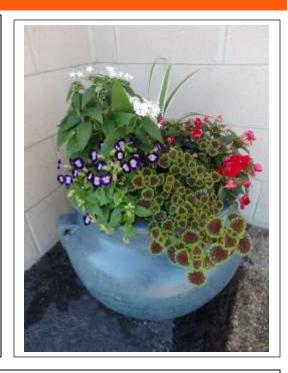
### **Thrivent Legacy Event**

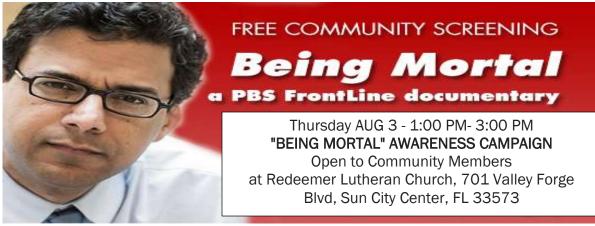
Thrivent financial consultant Richard Steinbrueck gave a presentation on leaving your legacy on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Food was provided courtesy of Thrivent Action team. A huge thank you goes out to the kitchen helpers that served and cleaned up for this event.





We have new planters in front of the church courtesy of a Thrivent action card. My husband Jon and my son Evan helped pick out the plants for this project. We had a lot of fun planting them too.





Panelist Speakers:

Jose M. Fernandez, MD., Staff physician at Chapters Healthcare, Fellowship: Palliative medicine at University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Kyle J. Belz, Esq., Attorney, All Life Legal, P.A., Riverview, Florida

Kathy Bridges, Director of Case Management, South Bay Hospital, Sun City Center, FL

Michelle Sprow, BSW, MPH with Lifepath Hospice

David R. Allman, Pastor, Ordained Clergy in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Currently serving as Pastor of Redeemer, SCC. Past Chaplain (2009-2013) Suncoast Hospice, Pinellas County.

This event is sponsored by South Bay Hospital, Sun Towers Retirement Community and Lifepath Hospice. Of medical and healthcare professionals in the Being Mortal audiences, 100 percent report that the event will help them talk with their patients about matters related to advance care planning and end-of-life care. Perhaps more importantly, close to 90 percent of these professionals say that they are now more likely to talk with patients about care options and preferences earlier in the course of serious illness or the aging process. Light refreshments provided. To rsvp call the church at (813) 634-1292 – Open to All - The events include a screening of the PBS FRONTLINE film, Being Mortal, followed by a guided and reflective audience discussion that ends with participants understanding the concrete steps they can take to start having conversations with their loved ones and healthcare professionals. The Emmy-nominated film is based on the best-selling book of the same name by Atul Gawande, MD.

# The people of Redeemer believe in the power of prayer. Members

Ginny Acker, Mary Ann Addleman, Al Aderman, Rev. Donald Beal, Marilyn Bohl, Fran Bullock, Lenora Chapman, Anne Clouser, Carolyn Cole, Dottie Earl, Dorothy Erickson, Kitty Fogt, Patty Fricke, Irene Griffin, Ken Heindel, Mary Jane Hermanns, Art Jarvela, Bev Johnson, Lee Kesler, Norman & Anne Koehler, Jean Kostka, Harvey & LaVern Lentz, Jim McIntosh, Tillie McMahon, Herb McKittrick, Lynn & Phyllis Mead, Alice Miller, Homer Morrison, Thyra Nagel, Louise Neam, Caroline Nensewitz, Sharon Olson, Nancy Payne, Paul Pruett, Gerda Regelin, Irv Rothman, Ron & Marlene Scharback, John & Patti Schaefer, Deya Schierenbeck, Martin & Helene Schwartz, Harold & Margaret Scott, Mary Shelton, Mariam Sorby, Linda Strohfus, Ingrid Thompson, Sylvia Wicktor, Edna Williams, Ted Wilson.

## Our Family Members and Friends

Mark, Gerry Albert, Ashley & Zach Allen, Heather Allman, Roman Amon, Jessica & Lea Babcock, Sally Ann Barclay, Donna Barnett, Abigail Bayless, Richard Bergin, Tim Berns, Bill Bierce, Lore & Max Bokma, Julie Boos, Mark Bordwine, Steve Bullock, George Clark, Julia Cox, Reanna Diaz, Chuck Dyer, Steve Evans, Cindy Freeman, Robin French, Katherine, Austin & August French, Meg Gallagher, Lynn Golden, Marie Grazino, Ernestine & Bob Greenslate, Matt Gunter, Donna Hallman, Jack Hambrick, Mary Ann Hanson, Christa & James Harkins, Mary Hayes, Leonard Hermanns Jr., Diane Heindel, Michael Hillard, Linda Hilt, Cindy Hyland and family, Sandy & Bob Janicek, Sherry Janovec, Joe Kanoza, Jim Key, Gary, Joan, & Mike Kollerman, Kay Lewis's grandson Michael and his wife Kelly, Nell Lucas, Ron Lumme, Annie Mangen, Zoe Marcus, Adam Marks, George Martin, Terry Mattia, Shannon McCormick, Judy McElvy, Dennis Michel, Elizabeth Milligan, Lori Moore, David Nuchols, George Perkons, Kelly Powell, Neil Rich, Julie Rio, Ed Robb, Lori Robb, Velma Roberts, Bob Roettger, Mary Rollins, Liz Rollins, Lynne Rome, Joe Ruckert, Pam Goldy-Rudy, Kathy & Steve Sanfilippo, Dan Schierenbeck, Joan Schollmeyer, Lynn & Patrick Sheridan, Mary Soja, Cindi Sommers, Sharon Taylor, Sharon Toth, Maria Veiazquez, Agnes Wagaman, Donna Weber, MaryAnn Winters.

# God bless our country, our first responders, and our military men and women.

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