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RLC Newsletter

December 2019

A Message from Pastor Allman

The Apostle Paul writes, *“I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”* (Philippians 1:3-6)

December is the last month of the Roman calendar, so we tend to consider endings at this time of year. December on the church calendar is a month of beginnings. On December first we begin Advent, and the new calendar year for the church. We prepare for the birth of the Son of God, which in itself is a new beginning for our world history. Anno Domini means “in the year of our Lord.” So in January we begin a new decade, 2020 Anno Domini.

Paul gives thanks to God for the Christians in Philippi, because of their partnership in the gospel, noting that God began a good work in them. A little more than forty years ago God began a good work in the people of Redeemer. Maybe you and I were not present for the beginning of Redeemer in Sun City Center. Still we are here now, and we share a partnership in the gospel with those charter members “from the first day until now.”

With the beginning of 2020 A.D. we continue to celebrate forty years of being a Christian/Lutheran presence in Sun City Center “from the first day until now.” The Apostle Paul uses that phrase in a present participle verb format. That indicates that the work began in us “from the

first day until now” is ongoing and is not yet complete.

Will the work be complete in our lifetime? Paul says that we will, “carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.” Whether that will be in our lifetime only God knows. Until then we continue to do the good work that God has done in us from the beginning – from the first day until now – through the power of Jesus Christ and the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

May we all have a blessed church calendar New Year; a blessed Christmas; and a blessed Roman calendar New Year and new decade!

Pastor Allman 

News from the Office Administrator

December 2019

We are in the midst of the Holidays! Hopefully everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday with family and friends and plenty of great food. We are now moving into Advent and Christmas and there is a lot to celebrate! We begin our season with Christmas Cheer & Carols on December 4th at 5:00 PM. A light supper will be provided. Bring your favorite beverage (coffee and apple cider punch will be provided). Please bring a non-perishable food item for the food pantry. On December 5th at 12:00 PM, Mike Joeckel from Thrivent Financial will present a workshop on Legacy Giving. Come and learn about ways your legacy can continue for a long time. On December 16th at 7:00 PM we have the South Shore Concert Band back to play Christmas Music for us! This concert is always well attended. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the food pantry. A freewill offering will be taken for the band. This is a ticket only event; tickets can be picked up in the church office beginning Monday, December 2nd.

At Redeemer we have an active Visitation/Communion Team! They visit and take communion to our many homebound members. Our Parish Nurses help with medical questions and concerns. Helping our people in these ways is a blessing both to the recipients as well as the caregivers. If you are interested in serving with either of these teams, please give me a call or send me an email: Susan 813-634-1292 or carekeepersccr@gmail.com. You will be blessed!

Upcoming Events:

Thursdays at 10:00 AM – Bible Study in Buhr Hall. Refreshments will be served!

Wednesday, Dec. 4th at 5:00 PM- Christmas Cheer & Carols. Please join us for a meal and carols to celebrate Advent. Bring your own beverage of choice along with a non-perishable food item for the food pantry. FREE!

Thursday, Dec. 5th at 12:00 PM– Legacy Workshop with Mike Joeckel from Thrivent Financial. Lunch included and it's FREE!

Wednesday, Dec. 11th at 9:30 AM – Elementary School Musical as part of the WELCA General Meeting. All are invited!

Friday, Dec. 13th at 12:00 PM – Women's Bible Study in Buhr Hall

Monday, Dec. 16th at 7:00 PM – South Shore Concert Band "Winter Wonderland" Christmas concert in Buhr Hall. Free tickets are available starting on Dec 2.

Wishing you a blessed and
MERRY CHRISTMAS

Thank you for donating items for the food pantry in the narthex closet. Please remember, NO open packages or containers.



Support for others

(Collection boxes are on the narthex counter)

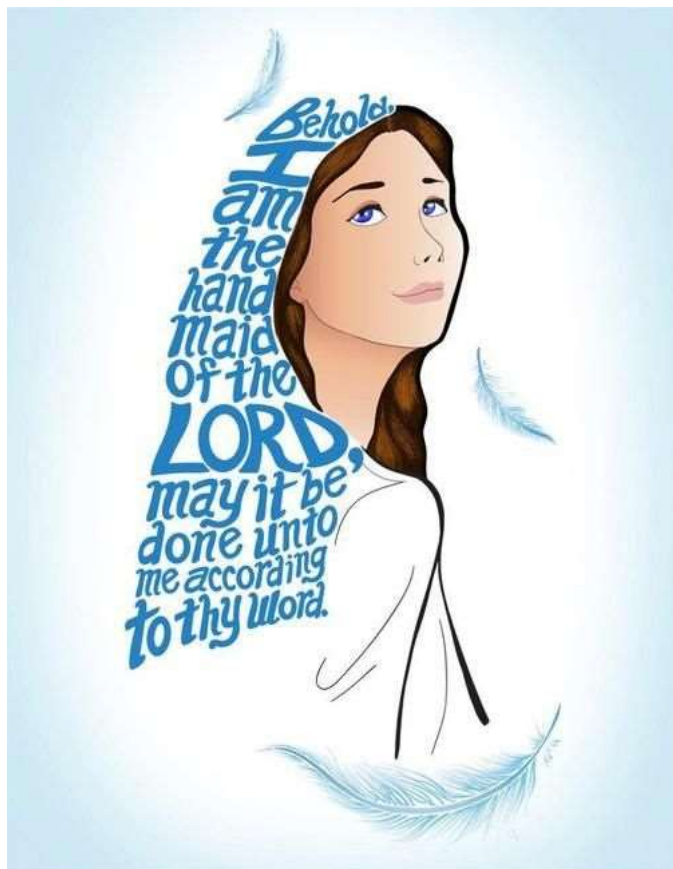
BRING US YOUR



DECEMBER STEWARDSHIP

by Pastor David Allman

What does the Christmas Story have to do with Stewardship? When the angel appeared to Mary and they had a conversation about her being chosen to bear God's child, her ultimate response was one of total stewardship: *Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word."* (Luke 1:38).



We paint pictures and build nativity sets with Mary looking very peaceful. Think for a moment what must have been the reality of her situation. A young, unmarried, pregnant woman, living in a culture which undervalued women anyway, and she is claiming to be carrying the child of God.

Mary's life from the moment of conception forward would have been anything but peaceful.



Mary's life would have been turned upside down. Her pregnancy would have shamed her parents. The people of her village would have shunned her. Joseph, the man to whom she was promised wanted to divorce her quietly. She would have been considered a disgrace and an embarrassment. How many people would have said, "Why me Lord?" rather than, "*Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.*"

In nine months the real beauty and majesty of Christmas was delivered, and God turned the whole world upside down. In the words of the Magnificat, Mary proclaims the hope of every good steward: "*My soul magnifies the Lord*" (Lk. 1:46). God's desire is that we too respond with total stewardship (saying "yes") to God's invitation to participate in God's plan. Are we able, along with Mary, to say, "*Here I am, the servant of the Lord...*"?

Consumerism, gaudiness, and the excesses of our cultural Christmas can be overcome by answering the call to be God's stewards in this world – especially around Christmas. In a world that seems to desire wealth and gratification above all else, the Christian steward finds hope in the stillness – the silent night – which lies at the heart of Christmas. May our souls also magnify the Lord.

Social Ministry & Benevolence Thank you!

October's project and benevolence was a true success. **AMIKIDS staff and students** were overjoyed and so grateful for our generous donation. The Congregation blessed the group with an awesome amount of cash and gifts. The Thrivent team provided a new pair of shoes and a Ziploc bag with 3 pair of socks and toiletries. The young men were so happy with the new products. We have truly enriched the lives of these young men. May God bless the staff who works diligently to educate these young men to have a successful life.



AMIKids director Vernon Pryor accepted Redeemer's donation from Jane Trefren.

Health Kit Thank You Notes From Cypress Creek Students

Recently we received a large envelope of thank you notes from the students who benefited from our health kits. These notes will be on the fellowship tables in Buhr Hall from your reading. What joy they have expressed for these daily items. Great Job Redeemer Folk!!!!

The Social Ministry Team wishes to thank you for your benevolence support of all 2019 projects and benevolences. May God's blessings continue to enrich your life and those you hold dearly.

Blessings, Social Ministry Team

December Social Ministry Project

Recently while delivering school supplies, some of the team were made aware of the need for undies and socks for elementary children. Social Ministry Team has purposed that during the month of December, that we bring a bag of these items to church. Sizes 4-12 for boys and girls are needed. A Thrivent Team headed by Eva Michna has been

formed to purchase the needed items. If you prefer to donate money and allow the team to shop for you, please indicate that information on the memo line of your check or envelope. Local elementary students will benefit from your generosity.



December Benevolence

Disabled American Veterans Chapter 110

Throughout the month of December donations to benevolence will be directed to support the DAV Chapter 110. The SCC Disabled Veterans Chapter 110 provides free Veteran's Service Officer support to all veterans and spouses seeking information or assistance, such as filing claims or van transportation to James A. Haley Veterans Hospital for medical appointments. Commander Bill Adkins, who is well known to the Redeemer congregation, shared that the local chapter is always looking for new members and volunteers (to be trained service officers, certified van drivers, or dispatchers). To make your donation please make your check out to Redeemer and note DAV in the memo line and on the outside of your envelope to ensure your donation will go to this benevolence.

DAV Chapter 110 is located at 1002 Cherry Hills Drive in Sun City Center.

Office hours are Monday-Wednesday-Friday from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. To make an appointment call the DAV office at 813-331-3871. To schedule van transportation for morning appointments at the James A. Haley Veterans Hospital, call 813-642-0302 (must be done in advance). Be sure to leave a message at either number if you get the answering service.

Blessings, Social Ministry Team



December

Evangelism

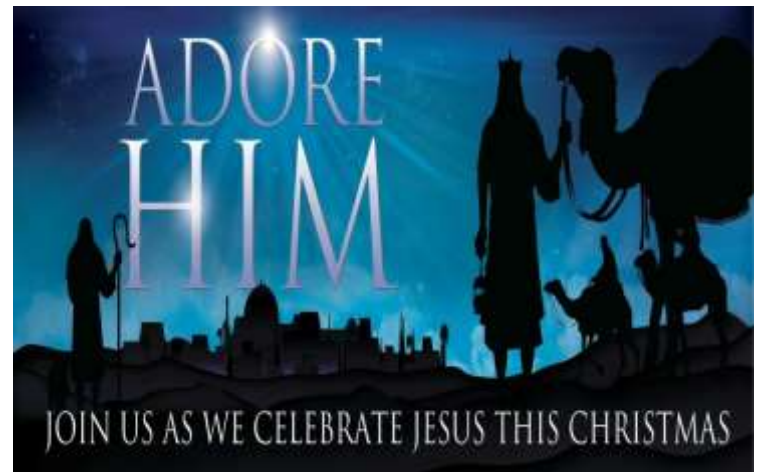
We all know that the “season” of Christmas, which now seems to begin before Halloween and end on Christmas Day, can be one of the busiest and most hectic times of year. It also affords Christians the best time of year to share the gospel with inactive church goers, and especially those who do not attend worship at all.

Christmas Eve or Christmas Day services can be a great opportunity for inactive or non-church-goers to “come and see” for themselves what a wonderful congregation we have at Redeemer. Visiting at one of those services can feel non-threatening because it is “normal” for guests to attend at that time, and even our secular society can appreciate “going to church” during the holidays.

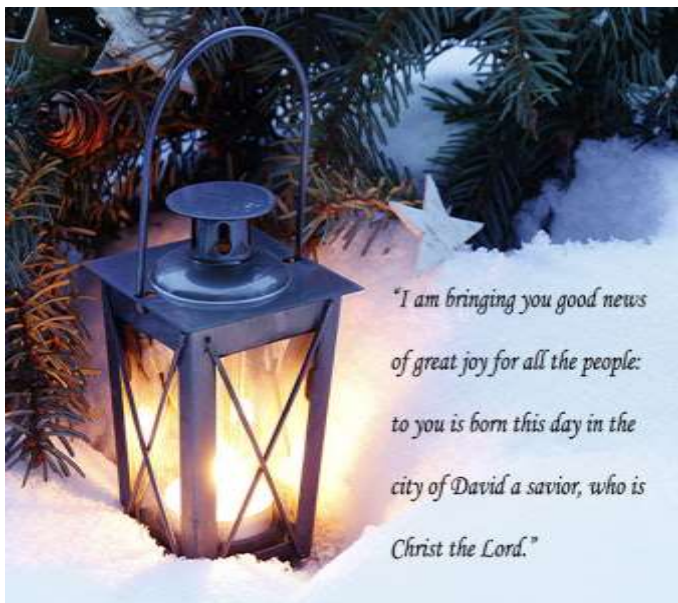
More importantly the story of the birth of the Savior is a gift to the whole world. Jesus came to save the whole world, not some mysterious chosen few. The messenger (angel) says to the people, *“I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord”* (Luke 2:10-11, NRSV).

For years the Gallup Polls have said that roughly 40% of the people in the USA attend (Christian) worship on Sunday mornings. More recent research places that figure closer to 20%. As of the 2010 census, the population of Sun City Center was 19,258. Taking those sets of statistics into consideration would suggest that somewhere between 11,554 and 15,406 SCC residents do not attend Sunday morning worship. The odds are very high that you will encounter someone that does not go or stopped going to church.

This year for Christmas give the gift of Jesus’ Love – invite someone to join us for worship.



Invite a friend to worship this Christmas.



Depression and Older Adults *From Parish Nurse Team*

Depression is more than just feeling sad or blue. It is a common but serious mood disorder that needs treatment. It causes severe symptoms that affect how you feel, think, and handle daily activities, such as sleeping, eating, and working. When you have depression, you have trouble with daily life for weeks at a time. Depression is a real illness. You can't "snap out of" clinical depression. Most people who experience depression need treatment to get better.

Depression is a common problem among older adults, but it is **NOT** a normal part of aging. Studies show that most older adults feel satisfied with their lives, despite having more physical problems. Important life changes that happen as we get older may cause uneasiness, stress, and sadness. For instance, the death of a loved one, retirement, or dealing with illness can leave people feeling sad. After a period of adjustment, many older adults can regain their emotional balance, but others do not and may develop depression.

Get Immediate Help If you are thinking about harming yourself, tell someone who can help immediately. Do not isolate yourself. Call your doctor. Call **911** or go to a hospital emergency room to get immediate help. Call the toll-free, 24-hour National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: **1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255)** or call **211** for the crisis hotline.

Depression Can Co-Occur with Other Illnesses - Depression, especially in middle-aged or older adults, can co-occur with other serious medical illnesses such as diabetes, cancer, heart disease, and Parkinson's disease. Depression can make these conditions worse and vice versa. Some medications taken for these illnesses may cause side effects that contribute to depression.

Common Symptoms of Depression - Depression in older adults may be difficult to recognize. For some older adults, sadness is not their main symptom. They may have other, less obvious symptoms of depression, or they may not be willing to talk about their feelings. Some of the most common symptoms are listed below. If you have several of these symptoms for more than 2 weeks, you may have depression.

- Persistent sad, anxious, "empty" mood, or frequent crying
- Feelings of hopelessness, guilt, worthlessness, or helplessness
- Irritability, restlessness, or having trouble sitting still
- Loss of interest in once pleasurable activities
- Decreased energy or fatigue
- Moving or talking more slowly
- Difficulty concentrating, remembering, making decisions
- Difficulty sleeping, early-morning awakening, or oversleeping
- Eating more or less than usual, usually with unplanned weight gain or loss
- Thoughts of death or suicide, or suicide attempts
- Aches, pains, or digestive problems without a physical cause that do not get better with treatment



Treatments for Depression - Depression can be treated. If you think you may have depression, start by seeing your doctor. Certain medications and some medical conditions can cause the same symptoms as depression. If the doctor can find no medical condition that may be causing the depression, the next step is a psychological evaluation. Treatment choices differ for each person, and sometimes multiple treatments must be tried to find one that works. It is important to keep trying until you find something that works for you. The most common forms of treatment for depression are medication and psychotherapy. **Remember, with treatment, most people will begin to feel better. Expect your mood to improve slowly. Feeling better takes time, but it can happen.**

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3rd – Jim Moyers
 4th – Carole Beltz, Angie Wiechers
 5th – Elfi Nolden
 6th – Carol Crawford
 8th – Sue Kovacik
 11th- Fred Ristow
 12th –Richard Doerfler
 13th – Anna Miner
 14th- Hazel Crosby
 19th – Jim Smeltzer
 22nd – Susan Pearson, Carolyn Stahl
 24th – Dorli Grober
 26th – Irene Brenner
 29th – Delores Turner



DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 3rd – Dietrich & Helen Schaefer
 22nd – Dean & Carole Beltz
 26th – Pete & Carolyn Robinson
 28th – Rick & Debbie Andrews



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



Please remember Redeemer when you are doing your estate planning.



DECEMBER



Time	Acolyte	Communion Assistants	Lector
Sunday, Dec. 1 10:00 AM	Dale Lyndahl	Dale Lyndahl, Kay Lyndahl, Lucy Ann Clark	Kay Lyndahl
Sunday, Dec. 8 10:00 AM	Walter Geissler		Vorin Johnston
Sunday, Dec. 15 10:00 AM	Lucy Ann Clark	Lucy Ann Clark, Dick Fricke, John Minor	Dick Fricke
Sunday, Dec. 22 10:00 AM	Lucy Ann Clark		Dietrich Schaefer
Tuesday, Dec. 24 7:00 PM	John Minor	John Minor, Dick Fricke, TBD	Hal Wold
Wednesday, Dec. 25 10:00 AM	Lucy Ann Clark	Lucy Ann Clark, Debbie Andrews, Walter Geissler	Debbie Andrews
Sunday, Dec. 29 10:00 AM	Walter Geissler		Carolyn Cole



Unable to assist on Sunday or would like to be added to the schedule?

Please call Carolyn Cole so she can make adjustments to the worship assistant schedule. Thanks.

Carolyn can be reached at 813-812-7527.

Dec. Usher Team	December Altar Guild	Sound
Linda Miller's Team	Judy Buskirk, Karin Meredith, Mary Ann Romano, Jean Jackson	Bill Adkins



A note from Diane Brace

Dear Redeemer Family,
I have been absent from church for a while now, but you have remembered me with cards, calls, messages, flowers, food, visits, quilts for me and for Dad, and most importantly prayers. I am most grateful. I feel blessed and uplifted by all you have done to support me through my illness, transitioning Dad to assisted living, and the recent loss of my husband's brother. I wish you all a blessed Thanksgiving and Advent season.

Peace be with you all,
Diane Brace
11/15/19



Visitation team member Linda Miller spends some time with Richard Barr at his new home.

Christmas Sale

Since used Christmas items sell better before Christmas than at the Rummage Sale, we will again be selling them in Buhr Hall. Do you have some decorations you don't plan to use anymore? Please consider donating them to the Christmas Sale.

You can deliver your donated items anytime either on Sunday or during office hours (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM Monday through Friday). Items are available now until December 8th.



Sunshine Christmas Gifts

Gift bags for home bound individuals will be assembled on Tuesday morning, **December 10th at 10:00 AM** in Buhr Hall.

Your assistance in baking cookies, assembling the gift bags, and delivering them is needed. Please sign the sheet on the narthex counter if you will be providing cookies.



South Shore Memory Café

December's South Shore memory cafe will be meeting on Wednesday, December 11 at 11:00 AM at the Denny's in Sun City Center. Purchase brunch and enjoy holiday fun. This replaces the St. Andrew Presbyterian Dec 27th cafe.

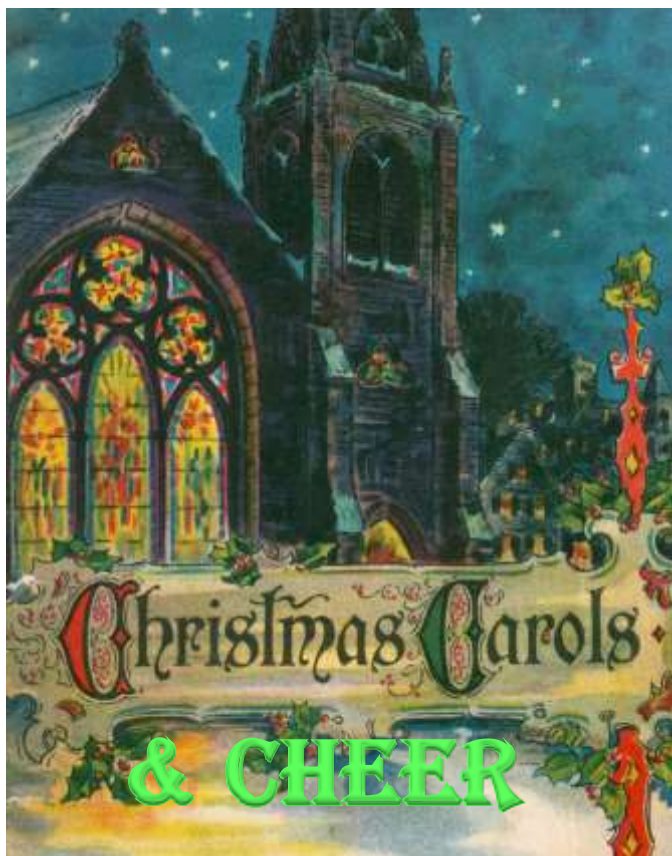
Christmas Cheer & Carols

This year for Advent we will have a light meal along with our Christmas Cheer and Carols event.

On **Wednesday, December 4th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM**, we will do “Cheer and Carols”. Bring your favorite beverage and a non perishable food item for the local food pantry.. A light meal along with apple cider punch and coffee will be provided. We’ll sing Christmas carols and other seasonal songs.

Mark your calendar now to attend this event. Invite your friends and neighbors to come for an evening of fun, food and fellowship. It will be too late for golf carts to be out, so if you know of someone who would need a ride, please offer one.

Sign up sheet can be found on the welcome table in the narthex. This will help us know how much food we need. As always, thank you for your support.



Invite a friend for a night of Cheer & Carols

Wednesday, December 4th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM

South Shore Concert Band Dec. 16

Join us as we gather for an evening of beautiful Christmas music at **7:00 PM on Monday, December 16.**

Rejoice in the spirit of Christmas melodies with friends, family and colleagues. The South Shore Concert Band creates an endearing and impressive performance entitled “Winter Wonderland” fit for the excitement of your friends and family.

The concert will feature traditional Yule time favorites and first time performances by the band. Music will include both spiritual and whimsical pieces such as “Christmas on Broadway”, “A Classic Christmas”, and “A Charlie Brown Christmas”.

You can preview the sound of our 66 member ensemble at www.southshoreconcertband.org.

There will be 150 free tickets available for pick up in the church office weekdays between the hours of 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM starting on December 2.

The concert is open to the public and a **free will offering** will be taken.

We would like our guests to bring a nonperishable food item for the food pantry.

Thrivent Event December 5th

Please join us for **Your Legacy: Family, Church and Charity**, at 12:00 PM on Thursday, December 5th.

If there are people and organizations in your life that you care about and want to help sustain financially, then this is an event you will want to attend.

A signup sheet will be available on the welcome table closer to the event date.



Musical Program

Merry Christmas to all! Students from Cypress Creek Elementary School will present a musical program in Buhr Hall on **Wednesday, December 11th at 10:30 AM**. We invite everyone (men and women) to come and hear the sweet voices of youth and interact with them after their presentation.



Women of the ELCA Meeting

WELCA will meet on Wednesday, December 11th beginning with refreshments at 9:30 am. This will be followed at 10 with a devotion and short business meeting. After the musical program by the elementary school students, we will have a Christmas luncheon. Please bring a cold dish or dessert to share. All Redeemer women are encouraged to attend. Remember to wear your Redeemer name tag if you have one.

WELCA Installation of Board Members

Women of the ELCA (WELCA) Board members were installed during the service on November 24th. These members are:

- Carolyn Cole – President
- Jeanne Potochny - Vice President
- Linda Miller - Secretary and Council Liaison
- Caroline Nensewitz – Treasurer
- Honey Ashley - Sunshine Circle,
- Paula Simenson/Susan Wold - Bible Study Circle
- Mirdza Drengers/ Sally Trenski/ Helga Spitzenberger - Quilters Circle
- Nora Wilhide – Membership
- Lois Hobratschk – Publicity
- Paula Simenson – Hospitality

We thank these women for serving in these positions.

WELCA Presentation

Ann Garrison and Bonnie Doll from the local Campaign Against Human Trafficking (CAHT) presented an informative overview of human trafficking for the WELCA November meeting. Through a Thrivent Action Team, \$250 worth of items to include in backpacks for victims were purchased and donated.



Fellowship Helpers needed

We have such a wonderful time during fellowship drinking coffee and eating treats together. The fellowship crew could use some additional weekly helpers. The team has a great time working together while they set up, serve, and clean up afterwards. Please consider lending a helping hand. There is a signup sheet on the lecture in Buhr Hall. Please signup to help one Sunday, your help will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you

Your Fellowship Team



Welcome New Members Fall 2019



Mike Corbett

Mike lives in Ruskin. He is originally from Rochester, NY. Traudel is his mother.

Welcome to Redeemer, Mike.

John & Noreen Thompson

John & Noreen currently live in Kings Point, but are from Lathan NY. They enjoy golfing, reading and cooking.

Welcome to you both.



Traudel Deeds

Traudel lives in Ruskin, near her son, Mike. She is originally from Kassel, Germany.

Welcome, Traudel.



Cathy Lindsey

Cathy lives in Kings Point and moved here from Brandon. She enjoys music and has already become a member of our choir. She loves to do puzzles in her spare time.

Welcome Cathy!



Steve & Evelyn Stephanic

The Stephanic's live in Kings Point and are originally from Greensburg, PA. Steve enjoys motorcycling, shooting, and going to the gym. Evelyn also enjoys going to the gym.

Redeemer welcomes you both!



Mary Christiano

Mary lives in Sun City Center and is originally from St. Paul, MN. She enjoys sewing, biking, swimming and is a volunteer on the ambulance crew.

Welcome to Redeemer.



Don Schwarz

Don lives in Southshore Falls in Apollo Beach. He is originally from New York. He enjoys boating and bicycling.

Welcome to Redeemer, Don.



Shari Fleming

Shari lives in Kings Point. She grew up in Phoenix, AZ, then moved to Cincinnati, OH. She works at Brookdale Senior Living. She has 5 grown children and 8 grandchildren.

Welcome to Redeemer!



Heidi Jorgensen - Murphy

Heidi is originally from Virginia. She has also lived in MD, PA, & GA. She loves antiques and has always had a shop wherever she's lived.

Welcome Heidi!



We also welcomed new members Jack & Wendy Kitzman, and Portia Conway-- they just aren't pictured.

Welcome
New Members

Bible Study

Members, visitors, guests, and friends, please join us on Thursdays at 10:00 AM for Bible study. The current topic is Proverbs. No prior knowledge of the Bible is required, and you don't even need to bring a Bible. One will be provided for you.

Refreshments are served and it is FREE!



Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study meets at **noon** the 2nd Friday of each month. Women's Bible Study will meet again on **December 13th**. Susan Wold and Paula Simenson co-lead the Bible Study.

A new topic from the Gathering magazine is discussed every month.

This December, visual artist Vonda Drees invites us to contemplate the prophecies of Isaiah through artistic practices. Through meditation, prayer and creative journaling geared toward all ability levels, we will learn to see art as meditation, intercession, devotion and inspiration.

Vonda Drees, a creative contemplative, served as the artist-in-residence for Women of the ELCA's Tenth Triennial Gathering. She and her husband, Jim, are the executive directors of the Grünwald Guild in the Cascade Mountains of Washington.

Lloyd & Carol Thompson

Lloyd and Carol were born and raised in Nebraska. They both enjoy golfing, bowling, reading and spending time with family.

Welcome Lloyd & Carol!



Gerry Harding

Gerry is originally from Seattle, WA. and her husband hails from Queens, NY. Gerry enjoys gardening, line dancing, low impact aerobics and making cards.

Welcome Gerry!



Jackie Moretti

Jackie is originally from Philadelphia, PA. Jackie enjoys quilting and she is a valued helper in our quilting group.

Welcome Jackie!



The Guild is a sanctuary for the exploration of art, faith and community.

All women are welcome to attend, so come join us at noon on December 13th and bring a friend.



Presentation on Medicare

67 people from Redeemer and the community attended the presentation by Diane Daniels on Medicare. She shared her expertise on the various Medicare options and changes for 2020. The information she presented was greatly appreciated and several requested her phone number which is [813-731-1237](tel:813-731-1237). She enjoys educating and helping people select plans that work the best for them.



Shirts available

Two of the red Redeemer shirts are available. One is a new ladies large with *Redeemer Lutheran Church* embroidered on the front. Cost for this one is \$21. The other is a slightly used men's large with *Redeemer Lutheran Church* on the back and the 35th anniversary logo on the front. This one is free. Please see the office if you would like one of these.

Property help needed

I have a favor to ask. Next time you are at the Church, take just take a few minutes to drive or walk around the outside of our buildings. Jot down on paper those things you observe which could use a little extra attention. Do the same at night, if you happen to be coming home late. Please give your notes to me, or any member of Council. It will be greatly appreciated.

We just celebrated All Saints Sunday. You may have noticed there were more names than usual on our list of those who made the transition into their heavenly homes since last year. Also, quite a few of our usual volunteers have suffered health setbacks this past year. I was having coffee with Dave Kiefer and he asked me where we were going to get new members of the Property Team.

You may be thinking, "I did all that when I was younger. It's time for the younger people to take over." Perhaps you may have noticed that we are all of similar age here. The "younger people" do not live in Sun City Center or attend Redeemer. We are who we are by design, and we need to take that into consideration when Redeemer asks for help. Here is some of what we see that is needed; those who can help with minor repairs, electrical, plumbing and painting; those who have an interest in landscaping and flowers around the outside of our Church.

Please let Fred Bastion or I know we can count on your help.

David A. Schierenbeck



Ice is Nice

Do we like ice? Yes, we do! Unfortunately, the ice machine in the kitchen is not working properly and needs to be replaced. The church council liaison to the Fellowship Team, Greg Kiel, researched a replacement and presented the options to the Council.

After much discussion Council voted unanimously to replace the ice maker with one of the same size and capacity. The total cost will be \$2670, which includes the cost of a 3 year extended warranty. We are looking for funds to purchase the ice maker.

As we would like to have ice as soon as possible, council voted to place this item on the "Giving Tree". The "Tree" alerts you to the items the church needs or wants but for which there is no money in the budget. The Giving Tree is to your right as you enter the narthex. Donations in any amount will be appreciated. **The Advent Tree box can be used to place loose dollars or change, or you may use your offering envelopes and on the blank line write "ice maker".**

Thank you!



Arts & Crafts event planners Janice Walsh and Marion Giblin. Thanks for all of your hard work ladies!



Above: Delores Turner makes beautiful handmade cards for all occasions.

Below: Linda Miller sells items made by the Quilters.

Arts & Crafts Fair

The Arts and Crafts Fair was a great success! We raised nearly \$1500.00. The team decided to keep \$500 in the Fundraising account as seed money for the upcoming Rummage Sale. The remaining \$1,000 will be used for ice maker. The Fundraising Team will make a recommendation to the Church Council in the near future. Thank you for your support!



The people of Redeemer believe in the power of prayer.

Bill Allen, Gerry Barnicle, Becky Bergman, Meta Boesel, Marilyn Bohl, Diane Brace, Fran Bullock, Chuck Buskirk, Maggie Byrd, Delores Casper, Lenora Chapman, Roger Clark, Anne Clouser, Carolyn Cole, Peggy Collins, Bill & Katharina Coryell, Betty Corzine, Carol Crawford, Hazel Crosby, Traudel Deeds, Dottie Earl, Audrey & Joe Ercegovich, Patty Fricke, Jim Glass, Bill Giblin, Oliver & Kathie Hackett, Nancy Hayes, Ken Heindel, Mary Jane Hermanns, Jay & Audrey King, Anne Koehler, Jean Kostka, Sue Kovacik, Louise Kunard, Cheryl & John MacPhee, Alice Miller, Louise Neam, Caroline Nensewitz, Sharon Olson, Dick & Dorothy Paulson, Nancy Payne, Nancy Philips, Gerda Regelin, Fred Ristow, Mary Ann Romano, Marlene Scharback, John & Patti Schaefer, Margaret Scott, Mariam Sorby, Myrna Strom, Patrick Sturmer, Sam Thompson, Jane Trefren, Sylvia Wicktor, Ted Wilson.

Our Family and Friends

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

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:00 AM-Holy Communion	2 10:30 AM-AI-Anon	3 10:00 AM-RLC Staff Meeting 1:00 PM-Barbershop practice 3:30 PM-AA Women's Group 6:00 PM-German Chorus	4 9:30 AM-WELCA Board Meeting 5:00 PM-Christmas Cheer & Carols	5 9:00 AM-OA Meeting 10:00 AM-Bible Study 12:00 PM-Legacy Workshop 5:45 PM-Bells Practice 6:45 PM-Choir Practice	6 9:30 AM-Quilters 11:00 AM Memorial Service for Norman Koehler	7
8 10:00 AM-Worship Spending Plan Meeting	9 10:30 AM-AI-Anon	10 10:00 AM-Sunshine Circle 10:00 AM-RLC Staff Meeting 1:00 PM-Barbershop practice 3:30 PM-AA Women's Group 6:00 PM-German Chorus	11 9:30 AM-WELCA GENERAL 5:45 PM-Bells Practice 6:45 PM-Choir Practice	12 9:00 AM-Parish Nurses Meeting 9:00 AM-OA Meeting 10:00 AM-Bible Study	13 9:30 AM-Quilters 12:00 PM-Women's Bible Study	14
15 10:00 AM-Holy Communion Worship	16 10:30 AM-AI-Anon 7:00 PM-SSCB	17 10:00 AM-RLC Staff Meeting 1:00 PM-Barbershop practice 3:30 PM-AA Women's Group 6:00 PM-German Chorus 7:00 PM – Finance Meeting	18	19 9:00 AM-OA Meeting 10:00 AM-Bible Study 5:45 PM-Bells Practice 6:45 PM-Choir Practice	20 9:30 AM-Quilters	21
22 10:00 AM-Worship Lessons & Carols on 12/29	23 10:30 AM-AI-Anon	24 1:00 PM-Barbershop practice 3:30 PM-AA Women's Group 6:00 PM-German Chorus 7:00 PM- Christmas Eve Worship	25 10:00 AM-Christmas Day Worship OFFICE CLOSED	26 9:00 AM-OA Meeting 5:45 PM-Bells Practice 6:45 PM-Choir Practice	27 9:30 AM-Quilters	28
29 10:00 AM-Worship 11:45 AM-BP Check	30 10:30 AM-AI-Anon	31 1:00 PM-Barbershop practice 3:30 PM-AA Women's Group 6:00 PM-German Chorus	OFFICE CLOSED On Jan 1st	