



SOME OF REDEEMERS QUILTERS AT THE 2020 RUMMAGE SALE

RLC Newsletter

March 2020

A Message from Pastor Allman

As I write this article Valentine's Day is just two days away; and, because of the current gospel readings from Matthew, chapter five, I have been thinking a lot about relationships. For some, Valentine's Day will be a time to have a "date night" in whatever shape that takes. For some, Valentine's Day will be lonely because, for whatever reason, a loved one is no longer in their lives. A few will contend that the holiday was created by marketers to boost retail, movie and restaurant sales.

The readings from Matthew, chapter 5 do not sound like fairy tale adventures where everyone lives happily ever after. From a surface perspective they sound more like law than gospel – a list of rules, regulations, dos and don'ts. Jesus sounds more like a 'buzz kill' than someone seeking

a close personal relationship with us.

At the end of the twentieth century (1980 to 2001) the Army used the slogan, "*Be all that you can be,*" and it was "*one of the most successful advertising campaigns ever,*" according to Sergeant Major Daniel Dailey (26 June 2018). Jesus' message in the Sermon on the Mount was also encouraging Christians to be all that we can be.

When we stop focusing on what Jesus says we cannot do and focus on what Jesus says will be the outcome of discipleship, the Sermon on the Mount makes much more sense. The outcome would be daily enjoying a loving relationship with God and one another; knowing God's Will and Word even better than the religious leaders; being less angry; a loving, intimate

relationship with one other person; reconciliation with "enemies" (i.e. peace); contentment; spending time in prayer; healthy food and life choices; freedom from worry; being treated the way we want to be treated, and treating others the same; etc. Is there anything in that list that makes you think, "*I would hate that?*"

It is the human ego that causes us to rebel against what Jesus says; because, it is the ego that causes us to believe that we know better what would make us loving, happy, content, healthy, secure, etc. Isaiah 55:2 asks why we "*...labor for that which does not satisfy?*" And Isaiah 55:3 gives us a better option, "*Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant.*"

I encourage you to read and re-read, again and again, with new eyes Matthew, chapters 5, 6, and 7. Consider what a difference it would make if everyone lived a life laid out by God and modeled by Jesus.

Pastor Allman 

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)

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News from the Office Administrator March 2020

March will be another busy month at Redeemer! Our Rummage Sale was a huge success thanks to all the wonderful volunteers that made things happen and those who came and shopped for treasures. Every year the Rummage Sale is a big event that raises money for many projects.

Beginning on March 4th, and continuing through Lent, there will be a Wednesday evening class based on the book How Happiness Happens by Max Lucado. There will be video presentation followed by a discussion time beginning at 7:00 PM and ending at 8:00 PM. What a nice Lenten gift to give yourself!

The Grief Support group that began in February is continuing with sessions on Friday, March 6, 13, and 20 in Buhr Hall with Donna Maso. These sessions run from 3:00 PM-4:00 PM. It is a guided discussion led by a counselor with over 30 years' experience assisting clients who are grieving a loss.

March 22nd is our New Member Sunday! If you have been thinking about joining us here at Redeemer, now is a golden opportunity! We would love to have you. Please see Susan or Kadie to get a new member form.

At Redeemer we have an active Visitation/Communion Team! They visit and take communion to our many home bound 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 at Redeemer:

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

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

Wednesday Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25 & Apr. 1 - 3:00 PM Lenten Service

Wednesday Mar. 4, 11, 18, 25 & Apr. 1, 8 – 7:00 PM Video/Book Study; *How Happiness Happens*

Friday, Mar. 6, 13, 20 – Grief Support from 3:00 PM -4:00 PM in Buhr Hall

Sunday, Mar. 22 – New Member Sunday during the worship service

Friday, Mar. 27 at 11:30 AM – Humor presentation in Buhr Hall. Lunch is included.

Monday, Mar. 30 at 7:00 PM – South Shore Concert Band concert.

MARCH STEWARDSHIP

by Pastor David Allman

Here are five things to know about Lent.

1. What is it? Lent is observed beginning Ash Wednesday by many Christian denominations. The season is about 40 days long (it's technically 46 but Sundays are always days of celebration of the Resurrection) leading up to Easter Sunday, and the celebration of Christ's resurrection from the dead. Lent is a time to pray and read Scripture, sacrifice by giving up food and material wants, and offer time, talent and treasure to those in need. The number 40 is significant because 40 is the number of days Jesus spent in the desert, and Israel spent 40 years in exile after Exodus.

2. Who observes it? Lent is observed by many Christian denominations. In some communities churches have joined to take turns offering a special community worship service on Wednesdays during Lent. It can be unique opportunity to have a variety of denominations worship together.

3. Why do people give up something? Christians believe that Jesus sacrificed himself so followers give up something or do something that is a small sacrifice. It could be giving up a daily can of soda or cup of coffee, or giving up Facebook or TV. People can pray more, read the Bible more, or find other ways to increase their spiritual life. If there is a particular sin a person struggles with, one can make a conscious effort to abstain. If someone "gives something up", the money that normally went to that thing could be given away to a church or a charity. There is a focus on renewing one's personal experience with God.

4. What is Ash Wednesday? Lent starts with Ash Wednesday and ends with Easter Sunday. The purpose of the ashes is to remind us that we sin and we are in need of repentance and renewal. When ashes are placed on the forehead in the sign

of the cross, the clergy or lay minister will say: "Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return." During a person's funeral at the committal, the clergy will say "ashes to ashes, dust to dust." It reminds Christians to be humble. It is a reminder of our mortality and our need for repentance before we leave this earth.

5. Why do some people eat fish on Fridays? Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. Meat from warm-blooded animals is a reminder of Jesus' flesh being sacrificed and crucified. Fish is allowed (that's why you see some churches advertising fish fries on Fridays) although it does not mean one can go all out and enjoy a lobster meal covered with butter. Fasting in the church can be one of the spiritual disciplines we take on for God; and, it helps us remember the temptation Jesus experienced when he was in the desert. One does not live on bread alone. Fasting reminds us of our dependence on God. (Check with you doctor before you commit to fasting).

I encourage everyone to make the special effort, as you are able, to come to worship Sundays and Wednesdays during Lent. Another Wednesday option would be to come to the evening book study beginning at 7:00 PM, March 4th through April 8th.



Sunday Worship 10:00 AM

**Wednesday Worship during Lent 3:00 PM
March 4,11,18,25 & April 1**

**Wednesday Book Study 7:00 PM
March 4,11,18,25, April 1 & 8**

Social Ministry & Benevolence Thank you!

Once again THE PEOPLE of Redeemer have made a difference in our community and worldwide.

Samaritan Services was delighted to receive our donation for the Alzheimer Respite Program. This service is so important in our community.

The soap drive was a success. The soap was packed by the Social Ministry Team and delivered to Tampa for shipment. Many people will benefit and give thanks for caring donors. May we continue to share with and care about all people.

Social Ministry Team

JANE



March Social Ministry & Benevolence

In the month of March the Social Ministry Team project and benevolence will support CC Free Medical Clinics, with Sr. Sara Proctor who is a PA and program coordinator. In the spirit of the Gospel, medical care is provided to the indigent, low income families, those without health care and the under-served people in our communities. The services are provided in a fully-equipped medical bus, and at three stationary clinics. They are staffed by volunteer doctors, nurses, social services and bilingual interpreters. Types of medical services provided are Family Practice, Internal Medicine, Dermatology, and Ophthalmology.

Sister Sara has health fairs each year to screen for hypertension and diabetes, which is on the rise. "Health education and promotion is a very important part of our work" Sister Sara said. "You may not lay hands on a patient, but by your hands they are healed."

Our motto is "A walk into the clinics or medical bus avoids a walk into the ER." Sr. Sara will speak at the Lenten service on March 11 at 3:00 PM.

Thanks for your support of this much-needed program.

Social Ministry Team



Companions

Do you have an occasional few minutes to stay with a member who is lonely or may just need someone present? This won't require a regular commitment, but your name would be on a list we could call and ask when the need arises. If so, please contact the church office.



New Member Sunday

Our next new member Sunday is scheduled for March 22. We are always welcoming new members, and it's a great time to join. Please see Susan or Kadie for additional information.

March

Evangelism

by David Allman

Jesus calls us to be fisher of people, although we would rather watch.

“Jesus came and told his disciples, ‘...go and make disciples of all the nations...’” (Matthew 28:18-19). If we were in school and a teacher had to grade us on how well we are “making disciples,” we would flunk. Most Christians would. What excuses do people give for this?



There is so much else to do in any given day. We have to take care of our families and plan schedules. Retired people are busier now than when they worked (everyone says so). There are the bills that have to be paid. Cooking, cleaning, shopping, returning calls, writing emails, reading, praying—I could go on and on about all the good things we need to do. It is legitimate for us to make and fulfill many commitments in life other than evangelism. Yet do our other commitments become so numerous, or do we interpret them as such so to leave no time for evangelism? If we are too busy to do what Jesus said, what things are we making time for?

Isolation from unbelievers may be the most common excuse for a lack of evangelism. This is the excuse of choice for mature Christians. When I

am honestly reflecting on my own life, I see that I have few significant relationships with non-Christians. I am a pastor. I am not around non-Christians very often as part of my job. I am busy writing sermons, counseling, planning, teaching, returning phone calls, attending meetings, visiting people, even writing evangelism newsletter articles. I am generally unavailable to people except for church members during the day or my family in the evening. I am really absorbed with Christian relationships, and I think that I am expected to be.

If you have been a Christian (and church goer) for a while, then you are probably busy with ministry in the church and busy spending your time serving somewhere. How do we make time to pray and how can we legitimately fulfill our roles in the church, in our family, and in our job while also getting to know and speak with non-Christians?

Another set of excuses has to do with problems you and I think that others will have with our witnessing to them. *“People don’t want to hear.” “They won’t be interested.” “They probably already know the gospel.” “It probably won’t work. I doubt they’ll believe.”* I don’t think about how powerful the gospel is. I focus on how weak I am, and I get myself in a hopeless mindset.

None of us will leave that hopeless mindset behind unless and until we surrender that attitude to God. The power to surrender something we do not really want to do (if we are honest with ourselves) can only come about through prayer. Take the first, and most important step, and talk with God about your fears.



From Parish Nurse Team

GASTRITIS

What is gastritis?

Gastritis is inflammation of the stomach lining. One of the most common causes is the presence of a bacteria known as *H. pylori*. Other possible causes include alcohol or excessive use of aspirin or ibuprofen. Gastritis can even develop as the result of bowel surgery or other diseases.

How is gastritis diagnosed?

Gastritis can often be found through a procedure called an endoscopy where a tube like device is used to examine the lining of the stomach for changes that may indicate gastritis or peptic ulcer disease. Biopsies (small pieces of tissue) may be taken during the procedure and reviewed by a pathologist to determine if gastritis is present.

What are the symptoms of gastritis?

Individuals with gastritis from *H. pylori* often live with this condition without having significant symptoms. However, those with inflammation or ulcers can experience any range of symptoms from mild to severe. The severity of symptoms is dependent on the amount of time the inflammation has been present and on its acuity. During acute phases, an individual may experience abdominal pain, nausea and vomiting. During more chronic phases, the abdominal pain will likely be more dull and there may be loss of appetite.

Who is at risk for developing gastritis?

The following factors can increase the risk of developing gastritis:

- Heavy smoking or alcohol use
- High caffeine intake
- Improper diet including spicy, greasy foods
- Use of drugs such as aspirin and anti-inflammatories
- Stress



What are treatment options?

Treatment will vary depending on the cause of gastritis. Only a physician can determine the most appropriate treatment. For individuals where it is caused by a reflux of bile into the stomach from the duodenum and from aspirin and other anti-inflammatory drugs, medications are available to protect the lining of the stomach and can help relieve symptoms.

Individuals whose gastritis is caused by *H. pylori* infection can also be effectively treated with medication. Antibiotics are used to treat the infection, either alone or in combination with other drugs designed to reduce stomach acid. This therapy should help alleviate symptoms and heal the inflammation.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 1st – Jackie Moretti**
- 3rd – Mary Ann Addleman**
- 6th – Don Erickson, Betty Mack,
Lucas Dehne**
- 9th – Dottie McKenzie**
- 10th – Barbara Kately**
- 11th – Connie Berry, Elaine Domroes,
RC Fernon**
- 13th – David Kiefer**
- 14th – Jim Schwartz**
- 15th – Patrick Sturmer**
- 16th – Harold Fisher**
- 18th – Judy Buskirk, John Mostoller**
- 19th – Dick Paulson**
- 20th – Don Detar, Loriann Fox, James
Grill**
- 24th – Marjorie Kost, Mary Jane
Hermanns**
- 25th – Jeanne Goodman**
- 26th – Margie Adair, Vern Bartz, Nancy
Carrier**
- 30th – Chuck Buskirk**
- 31st – Joe Plaskon, Karl Wessinger**

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 4th – Greg & Judy Kiel**
- 14th – Lee & Janine Johnson**
- 20th – Linda & Jerry Miller**
- 21st – Roger & Chris McCann**
- 26th – Richard & Vorin Johnston**
- 27th – Cal & Gerry Adams**



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





Time	Acolyte	Communion Assistants	Lector
Sunday Mar. 1 10:00 AM	Debbie Andrews	Debbie Andrews, Denise Fitzpatrick, Arlene Hansen	Denise Fitzpatrick
Wednesday Mar. 4 3:00 PM	Carolyn Cole		
Sunday Mar. 8 10:00 AM	Walter Geissler		Nancy Frey
Wednesday Mar. 11 3:00 PM	Carolyn Cole		
Sunday Mar. 15 10:00 AM	Kay Adkins	Kay Adkins, Arlene Hansen, Wendy Kitzman	Wendy Kitzman
Wednesday Mar. 18 3:00 PM	Carolyn Cole	<p>Unable to assist on Sunday or would like to be added to the schedule?</p> <p>Please call Carolyn Cole so she can make adjustments to the worship assistant schedule. Thanks.</p> <p>Carolyn can be reached at 813-812-7527.</p>	
Sunday Mar. 22 10:00 AM	Lucy Ann Clark		Nancy Frey
Wednesday Mar. 25 3:00 PM	Carolyn Cole		
Sunday Mar. 29 10:00 AM	Walter Geissler		Rosalie Kelleher
Wednesday Apr. 1 3:00 PM	Carolyn Cole		
Sunday Apr. 5 10:00 AM	Lucy Ann Clark	Lucy Ann Clark, Walter Geissler, Arlene Hansen	Hal Wold

March Usher Team	March Altar Guild	Sound
Robert Turner's Team	Gail Lawley, Karin Meredith, Honey Ashley	Bill Adkins



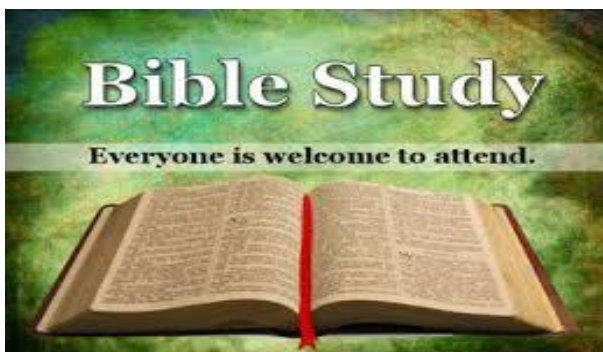
GRIEF SUPPORT

FREE 4-week guided educational support group led by a licensed counselor with over 30 years of experience. Grief and loss may be due to: death, terminal illness, suicide, loss of dreams or purpose, estranged children, marriage/ partner, loved one's dementia, pet loss, veteran battles, etc. **WHEN: FRIDAYS 3:00-4:00 PM, until to March 20** in Buhr Hall (no late entry after 3 pm.) Open to Redeemer members and the community, and not linked with any religion or philosophy. **GRIEF:** "The loss of anything important to you can cause feelings of grief. Grieving well is to value what we have lost." No registration required. For more information, see Lois Hobratchsk.

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 **March 13th**. Susan Wold and Paula Simenson co-lead the Bible Study.

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



We are called! By Kathryn A. Kleinhans

Reformer Martin Luther used the word "vocation" or "calling" to refer to all aspects of human life. We are called to respond to God not just in our personal relationship with God but in our relationships with family and friends, in our work, and in our communities. This four-part Bible study will explore stories from both the Old and New Testament. As we reflect on how our biblical forebears heard and responded to God's call, we will gain insight into how God is calling us—and how God may be calling others through us.

Session 3: Called to Serve

Jesus is clear that one of the central ways we respond to God's call is by serving others. When we serve others, we are recognizing Christ present in their need. When we serve others, they see Christ visible in our loving service. This session engages scriptural texts that help us focus on the questions, "Who is my neighbor, and what does my neighbor need?"

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



Laughter is the Best Medicine

Whether you know it or not **-smiling**, even if you have to fake it, is some of the best medicine you can naturally take!

Come and hear about the science of why this is so and enjoy a little fun to get all your chemistry working for you instead of against you.

Maureen 'Mo' Chiodini is an Instructor in the Exercise Science Program at the University of South Florida. She is a native Floridian and has spent her adult life living and playing in the Tampa Bay area. Her life's challenge has been to get people to enjoy activity as much as she does and to recognize that health is contagious. After a 20-year career in the YMCA, she is now enjoying a teaching career trying to influence the leaders of tomorrow.

Come to her presentation in Buhr Hall on Friday, March 27th at 11:30. Since a lunch will be served, please sign up on the sheet on the narthex counter if you will be attending.



Ami Kids Tour

WELCA is arranging a tour of AMI Kids - YES on Wednesday, March 18th. We will car pool and leave from the church at 10:15. Founded in 1994, AMIkids Y.E.S. is a private nonprofit, staff-secure residential facility in Wimauma, Florida. Their program serves kids who have committed a variety of non-violent offenses and are involved with Florida Department of Juvenile Justice. The kids live in dormitories on campus in a remote location, which is ideally structured to help them work through their issues and gain the needed skills to return to their families and communities. They

have helped over 1,000 kids transform their lives, and despite the kids averaging over 14 arrests prior to enrolling in their program, 63% of the kids do not re-offend within the first year of completion.

This is your chance to see the facility and learn more about their program. It is open to the congregation and friends and is an opportunity that you do not want to miss. If you plan to join us, please sign the sheet on the counter in the narthex by March 15th.



Women of the ELCA Meeting

WELCA will meet on Wednesday, March 18th beginning with refreshments at 9:30 AM. Following a devotion and short business meeting, those taking the tour of AMI Kids will leave at 10:15 AM. Remember to wear your Redeemer name tag if you have one.



Thrivent Choice Dollars

For those Thrivent members who are eligible for Choice Dollars, you must direct your 2019 dollars by **March 31st** or you will lose them. You can direct your dollars by going to www.Thrivent.com/thriventchoice or by calling Thrivent at [1-800-847-4836](tel:1-800-847-4836) and saying "Thrivent Choice" when prompted. For questions or help, see Lois Hobratschk. This is an opportunity to support Redeemer.



Wednesdays in Lent (2020) Evening 7:00 PM Video/Discussion Series.

How Happiness Happens: Finding Lasting Joy in a World of Comparison, Disappointment, and Unmet Expectations by Max Lucado.

In a world searching for happiness, bestselling author Max Lucado provides a personal plan for a life filled with lasting and fulfilling joy, supported by Jesus' teaching and modern research. Do you feel happy? How long has it been since you felt a level of contagious, infectious, unflappable, unstoppable happiness?

Each video will begin at 7:00 PM and small group discussion will follow until 8:00 PM. You do not need to read the book first.

Video topics are as follows:

March 4, 2020:

Accept One Another (Romans 15:7).

March 11, 2020:

Bear with One Another (Ephesian 4:2)

March 18, 2020:

Serve One Another (Galatians 5:13)

March 25, 2020:

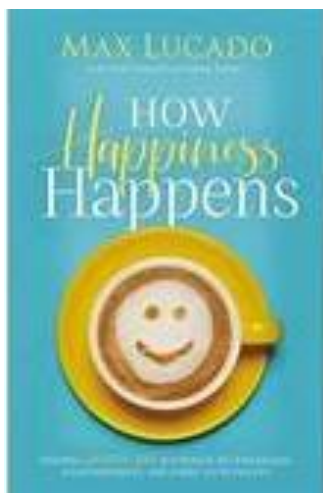
Forgive One Another (Ephesians 4:32)

April 1, 2020:

Carry One Another's Burdens (Galatians 6:2)

April 8, 2020:

Love One Another (1 John 3:11)



Sensing the Gospel: A Five-Part Series for Lent, by Matt Skinner, Professor of New Testament, Luther Seminary St. Paul, MN.

We encounter God and God's salvation in embodied ways – in our bodies' abilities to perceive familiar realities and to interpret new ones. Lent provides opportunities to acknowledge this. The season begins with smelly and greasy ash as a stark liturgical reminder of our flesh's dusty finitude. It will end with feet washed in cool water or a bittersweet taste of wine in mouths as we imagine the horrible sight of a man's body mangled on a cross. In between, Lent allows us to consider together who we are and how we encounter an incarnate God.

Week One (Touch): March 4, 2020

Texts: Psalm 118:15-17; Revelation 21:1-4; and Luke 7:11-15

All the action in Luke 7 ceases when Jesus' hand contacts the bier carrying the son's corpse. Palpably, his touch injects life and renewal into desolate conditions.

Week Two (Sight): March 11, 2020

Texts: Psalm 36:1-2, 7-9; 1 Corinthians 13:12; and Mark 8:22-25

This unique healing story, which only Mark tells, symbolizes that Gospel's emphasis on mystery and delayed disclosure. It is also a story about a Jesus who never gives up on myopic disciples and who alleviates human suffering whenever it presents itself.

Week Three (Taste): March 18, 2020

Texts: Psalm 34:4-8; 1 Peter 2:2-3; and, John 2:1-10

Imagine the expression on the chief steward's face when he tastes the sample of Jesus' private reserve to determine whether it will be appropriate for consumption. Jesus' first miracle in John, changing water into wine, announces that Jesus' time indeed has begun, a time bursting with the flavors of fulfillment and abundance.

Week Four (Hearing): March 25, 2020

Texts: Psalm 62; Romans 10:14-17; John 5:25-29
Authority resides in the Son of God's voice because of its innate ability to accomplish what it says. When Jesus discusses judgment in John, he

places more emphasis on life than on condemnation. His ministry reverberates with sounds that beckon people toward life and safety.

Week Five (Smell): April 1, 2020

Texts: Psalm 141:1-2; 2 Corinthians 2:14-16a; and, John 12:1-3

A pound of ointment, equal in value to a laborer's annual salary, spreads its aroma throughout the house. Some smells permeate everything. Our brains process scents in close proximity to our emotion and memory centers. God's grace may operate in similar ways.

Service times during Lent

The Lenten worship theme this year will be *Sensing the Gospel*. Wednesday service times will be at 3:00 PM. Pastor Allman will lead a special Lenten study titled *How Happiness Happens*. There will be a sign-up sheet on the welcome table mid February. This study will be held for six Wednesday's, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, and 8 at 7:00 PM. Easter Sunday we will have one service at 10:00 AM.

Holy Land Trip

This Educational Opportunities Tour is scheduled from November 16-25, 2020.

Join The Rev. and Mrs. David (Candy) Allman and The Rev. and Mrs. Kevin (Susan) Warner as Redeemer Lutheran Church and St. John Divine Episcopal Church travel to the Holy Land. Nov. 16-25, 2020.

Please see the office for more details.

Rummage Sale 2020:

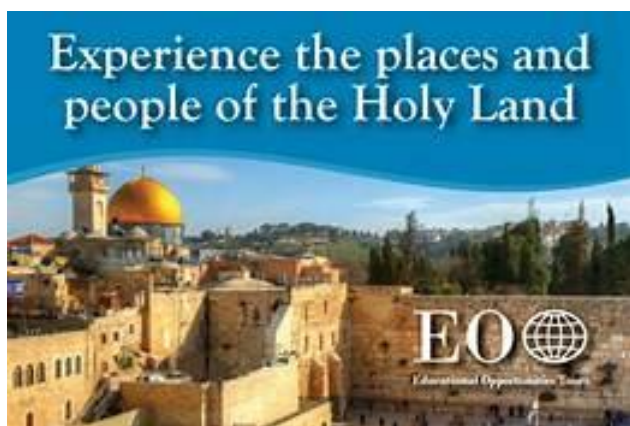
The Annual Rummage Sale was a great success. We began collecting and pricing items in January. Items were stored in a POD rental and in our storage shed. We had many volunteers who came to help on the collection days throughout the month of January. Prior to that, we collected Christmas items and sold them the last three Sundays in November. Publicity fliers were sent all over Sun City Center, Valencia Lakes, and the Ruskin area.

The week before the sale, we began unpacking clothes and hanging them on racks. Boxes were emptied and items were placed on tables. We unboxed bins of jewelry, crafts, books, and children's items. Linens and other similar items were folded and placed on tables. Things came together very nicely thanks to all of the many volunteers we had.

The first day of the sale, we opened at 8:00 AM. People patiently waited in line on a chilly morning to get in, and the line continued until 10:30 AM. Even after the long line was gone we had a constant flow of shoppers. The tables of merchandise slowly thinned out. We had lots of good food and marvelous baked goods.

This is what a church is all about, dedicated families and friends coming together to make this a wonderful place of worship. With all of our dedicated and tireless volunteers, we were able to make over \$10,000 for church projects and the benevolence fund. Thank you and God bless you to all who made this event a real success.

Tina Schwartz and the Funding Raising Committee



Tina Schwartz is ready to make some money for Redeemer!



Carolyn Cole ran the raffle table



Jewelry table helps Jeanne Potochny & Mariam Sorby.



Rick Nelson and 50/50 Raffle and quilt raffle winner Connie Berry.



Laura Akins balances bags at the rummage sale.



JoAnne Owens & Rosalie Kelleher at the rummage sale book table.



Kay Lyndahl, Deb Pollert, and Eva Michna help at the 2020 rummage sale.

Thank you to the rummage sale team!

The rummage sale crew received a thank you note on behalf of the International Mission Partnership Committee.

Dear Members of Redeemer Lutheran Church,

As secretary of the International Mission Partnership Committee of the Presbytery of Tampa Bay, I would like to thank you for contributing the unsold items from your rummage sale to our sale. The proceeds will all be used to provide scholarships to high school children in Honduras. Bless you and thank you!

Peace, Margaret Shaw



Council Installation

On February 23 the new council was installed. Our President - Jim Schwartz, Vice President - Mike Sigler, Secretary- Linda Miller, Edie Moose, Marion Giblin, Nancy Carrier, Greg Kiel, Jeanne Pruett, and Pastor Allman



Choir

We are welcoming new members to our choir, especially altos. If you are interested in joining, please stop by and practice with us Thursday at 6:45 PM.

Fellowship Time

We always have a great time after the service during Fellowship. We are in need of treats and coffee to serve during fellowship. If you are willing to bake some finger food type treats or donate decaf or regular coffee, we would greatly appreciate it. We always have a list going of those who can bake and serve.

If you are interested in helping in the kitchen on Sunday's with fellowship or with memorial services, please see Jackie Flynn She is compiling a list of those who can bake and serve.

Thank you for your donations or considering to volunteer for this important church ministry.

Fellowship Team

Southshore Concert Band Performance

The Southshore Concert Band will present a concert on Monday, March 30th at 7:00 PM. The band will play "A Tribute to the Legends" concert which will feature songs from artists we all remember. Songs will feature Michael Jackson, Whitney Houston, Marvin Hamlisch, Ray Charles, Paul Simon, Carole King, Frank Sinatra, and The Beatles.

There will be 150 free tickets available for pick up in the church office weekdays between the hours of 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM, beginning on March 9th. Our doors will open at 6:45 PM to anyone waiting if there are still seats available.

You can preview the sound of the band ensemble at www.southshoreconcertband.org. There will be a freewill offering at intermission. **Please bring a nonperishable food item for donation to the local food pantry.**

March 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:00 AM-Holy Communion Worship	2 10:30 AM-Al-Anon	3 10:00 AM-RLC Staff Meeting 1:00 PM-Barbershop practice 3:30 PM-AA Women's Group	4 9:30 AM-WELCA Board Meeting 1:00 PM-Social Ministry Meeting 3:00 PM-Lent Service 7:00 PM-How Happiness Happens	5 9:00 AM-OA Meeting 10:00 AM-Bible Study 12:00 PM-Alpha 6:45 PM-Choir Practice	6 9:30 AM-Quilters 3:00 PM – Grief Support	7
8 10:00 AM-Worship	9 10:30 AM-Al-Anon	10 10:00 AM-RLC Staff Meeting 1:00 PM-Barbershop practice 3:30 PM-AA Women's Group	11 11:00 AM-Worship & Music 3:00 PM-Lent Service 7:00 PM-How Happiness Happens	12 9:00 AM-Parish Nurses Meeting 9:00 AM-OA Meeting 10:00 AM-Bible Study 12:00 PM-Alpha 6:45 PM-Choir Practice	13 9:30 AM-Quilters 12:00 PM-Women's Bible Study 3:00 PM – Grief Support	14 11:00 AM –Memorial Service for Traudel Deeds
15 10:00 AM-Holy Communion Worship	16 10:30 AM-Al-Anon	17 1:00 PM-Barbershop practice 3:30 PM-AA Women's Group 7:00 PM-Finance Meeting	18 9:30 AM-WELCA General 3:00 PM-Lent Service 7:00 PM-How Happiness Happens	19 9:00 AM-OA Meeting 10:00 AM-Bible Study 12:00 PM-Alpha 6:45 PM-Choir Practice	20 9:30 AM-Quilters 3:00 PM – Grief Support	21
22 New Member Sunday 10:00 AM-Worship	23 10:30 AM-Al-Anon 1:00 PM-Council Meeting	24 10:00 AM-RLC Staff Meeting 1:00 PM-Barbershop practice 3:30 PM-AA Women's Group	25 11:00 AM – NARFE (1) 3:00 PM-Lent Service 7:00 PM-How Happiness Happens	26 9:00 AM-OA Meeting 9:00 AM-Golf Cart Registration 10:00 AM-Bible Study 12:00 PM-Alpha 6:45 PM-Choir Practice	27 9:30 AM-Quilters 11:30 AM-Humor Presentation	28
29 10:00 AM-Worship 11:45 AM-BP Check	30 10:30 AM-Al-Anon 7:00 PM-SSCB Concert	31 10:00 AM-RLC Staff Meeting 1:00 PM-Barbershop practice 3:30 PM-AA Women's Group	<div data-bbox="829 1247 1451 1500" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="1465 1252 1892 1484" data-label="Text"> <p>Turn your clocks forward 1 hour on Saturday night before bed so you don't miss worship on March 8.</p> </div>			

