



# REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

To be followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...

An adventure for *life!*

## Reflections

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### **VISION: *It is time to take some 'next' steps***

#### OUR CONGREGATION

Ministers - All who gather here  
in the name of Jesus

Pastor - F. Allan Debelak

Secretary - Dolores Brannigan

Lay Ministry Coordinator -

Kelley Scott

Organist/Senior Choir Director -

Kathy Rapp

Chimes/Young Saints Choir

Director - Karen Kent

Youth REJOYsing - Julie

Larson

Youth Director -

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President - Margie Frazier

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Secretary - Kay Ernsthause

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Evangelism - Jon Disbro

Fellowship - Becky Fisher

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Property - Maureen Callahan

Stewardship - Judith Bird

Worship - Wendy Stoica

Youth - Jennifer Young

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Chairman - Robin Stokes

Treasurer - David Reinoehl

Secretary - Ashley Bird

Member - Ashley Bird

Member - Helen Brunston

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Superintendent - Michele Disbro

#### MIC STUDENTS

2<sup>nd</sup> year - Jared Witt

From all the ideas collected during the Day of Vision in 2008, the Vision Team has come up with a small handful of areas we plan to investigate with people who have expressed an interest in digging deeper into the way to make some of these ideas a reality. One thing we all noticed is that the activities or ministry/mission ideas at which we are looking all involve Redeemer members' reaching out to serve in many and various ways. In that reaching out, it is also our thinking that whatever we do for others, we too benefit from lives of serving others.

As we focus on how we will begin to implement some of this vision, some items involve planning teams that will put more flesh on the visions along with practical steps of discernment. Others will simply be able to move out with the leadership of one or two people. Here are some examples of areas of planning that will take place in the upcoming months.

1. **Child Care.** This is a broad area that could move RLC into designing and then implementing some type of preschool learning environment. There are a number of directions in which we can go. The team looking into these concerns will be under the leadership of **Heidi Stover** (252-0274 - if you would like to join her work group). Heidi has been involved in several pre-schools and child care facilities and there has been no preferred direction laid upon this group.

2. **Community Food.** Another area of interest was around the issue of food. This is presently centered on ideas around actual food production and the use of that food. We started with the idea of a community garden on our property and a possible Farmer's Market on the parking lot one day a week. These ideas triggered the idea of "victory gardens" and teaching members and friends and neighbors to grow specific foods in home gardens and then opening up a weekend stand for neighbors or pooling the food to be given to the LSS mobile food pantry. I will be calling together this work group. With our VBS program and the Basketball Camp, we realized that summer could be a very busy time that gives Redeemer high visibility through serving.

3. **And then ...** There are individuals who may be willing to be the catalyst for very specific areas of service. For example, we had a number of people express interest in a summer feeding program. We also had a large group ready to be led into some mission trips to serve others. Participating in a prison ministry may be another action that starts with one or two people.

4. **Worship.** Worship has always been a strong part of our life at Redeemer. It is our plan to work with the Worship Committee to look at various ways to enhance what is already at hand.

So, don't be surprised if you are invited to share your skills and talents within the vision of our congregation.

Christ's Peace! pastoral

## GETTING READY FOR SUNDAY

ALL SAINTS DAY

### LESSONS

Isaiah 25:6-9; Revelation 21:1-6a; John 11:32-44

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, You have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### ORDER OF WORSHIP – EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP

8:30 AM Holy Communion (Setting 2)

11:00 AM Holy Communion (Setting 2)

### INTERCESSIONS & THANKSGIVINGS

+ For the people of Zion Lutheran Church in Groveport.

+ For Redeemer members Jeff and Rita Jenkins.

+ *Each week we remember in our prayers in worship those who cannot be with us and those with special needs and concerns:* Doris Bell, Jan Bouman, Rose Varga, Doretha Holland, Georgia Wegmeyer, Lois Monett, Barb Atkinson, Betty Hoops, Bebe McCoy, Ellen Kunce, Evelyn Fitch, Estella Kuemmel, Theresa Frazier, Vernon Schleppe, and Redeemer visitors.

### WORSHIP LEADERS

	<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Michele Disbro	Jared Witt
<b>Acolyte</b>	Jill Disbro	Dayson Billingsley
<b>Reader</b>	TBA	Tom Rabenold
<b>Cantor</b>	Katie Kent Smith	
<b>Coordinator</b>	Dick Kautz	Bruce Collins
<b>Ushers</b>	Becky Fisher	Thea and Seth Harms
<b>Welcoming Team</b>	Jon Disbro	Tamara Gosnell
	Linda Williams	Carol Heacock
<b>Hospitality</b>	Michelle Clemence	John Caron/Chad Eberle
<b>Nursery</b>	Renee & Caty McFarland	Seth and Thea Harms
	Julie Larson (9:45)	
<b>Communion Set-up</b>	Kay Ernsthause & Dave Curtis	

### RESPONSE TO VISITORS

<b>Baked Goods Baker</b>	Bonnie Hegreness
<b>Baked Goods Deliverer</b>	Leslie Sorg
<b>Note-writer</b>	Kelley Scott
<b>Food Pantry Delivery</b>	Nancy and Kathie Ehrich

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

*Hunger Drama –*  
Youth Sunday School

## THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

OCTOBER 28-NOVEMBER 3

### Wednesday

- 7:00 PM First Light
- 7:00 PM Beacon of Hope SDA – Room 2
- 8:30 PM OCA (Obsessive Compulsive Anonymous)

### Thursday

### Friday

### Saturday

- 9 AM-3 PM Beacon of Hope SDA

### Sunday

- 8:30 AM Holy Communion
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 10:45 AM Parish Education Committee
- 11:00 AM Holy Communion

### Monday

- 3:30-8:30 PM Cello Lessons
- 6:00 PM Knitting Circle
- 6:00 PM Brownie Troop – Room 3
- 6:30 PM Juniors – Room 4

### Tuesday

- 1:00 PM First Light
- 5-7 PM Youth Expressions – Rm. 4
- 6:15 PM Chimes Choir
- 7:30 PM Berwick Civic Association
- 7:30 PM Senior Choir

## PRAYERS & PERSONALS

### Membership Directory Update

**Norman and Georgia Wegmeyer** have a new address and phone numbers: 935 N. Cassidy Avenue, Columbus, OH 43219; Georgia (614) 507-8516, Norman (614) 507-8514.

### November Birthdays

- 1-Don Williams 2-Barb Connors
- 2-Neil Hoddinott 2-Abigail McFarland
- 3-Bryce Harms 3-Chris Schroeder
- 4-Gage Gosnell 7-Mel Wick
- 9-Ruth Murray 11-Heidi Wick
- 12-David Powell 14-Meredith Yanchak
- 16-Karen Collins 17-Geraldine Stokes
- 18-Carla Baldogo 19-Carolyn Klopfer
- 23-Chelsea Gordon
- 23-Carolyn Moehring 24-Judy Bird
- 25-Dereck Stewart 29-Josh Battiste

*(If your name was omitted from this list, please call the church office, ASAP, at 237-1263. Thanks.)*

## REDEEMER COMMUNITY NEWS

### Turn Clocks BACK Saturday Night

Daylight Savings Time ends this weekend so that means it is time to turn clocks BACK one hour Saturday night.

### Blood Drive Set for Nov. 7

Redeemer will hold its next blood drive on Saturday, Nov. 7 beginning at 8 a.m. and running through 2 p.m. It will be held in the Narthex.

To schedule an appointment, sign up on the sheet that will be available in the Narthex, call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE or call the church at 237-1263.

Persons who last donated blood on or before September 12 may be eligible to donate.

Those who participate will also be eligible to enter a drawing for two tickets to the November 21 OSU-Michigan football game.

### Two Volunteers Needed ...

... to help serve dinner at First English Lutheran Church Thursday, October 29. If this is something you can do, please call **Pastor Al** at 237-1263.

### CROP Update

From **Kathy Zwanziger**: "Thanks to our walkers and all of you who contributed to the CROP Walk, Redeemer members raised \$947 to help overcome poverty."

### Sharing the Warmth

During November, the Redeemer congregation will again collect NEW mittens, gloves, scarves, hats, and socks for the clients of the Breathing Clinic. Gently used coats and jackets may be contributed as well. Deposit the items in the designated place in the Narthex.

### You're Invited to a Bead Party!

Two parties, actually, sponsored by FRIEDE, both at Redeemer. BeadforLife eradicates extreme poverty by creating bridges of understanding between impoverished Africans and concerned world citizens. Ugandan women turn colorful recycled paper into beautiful beads, and people who care open their hearts, homes and communities to buy and sell the beads. The beads become income, food, medicine, school fees – and hope. It is a small miracle that connects and enriches everyone in the Bead Circle.

BeadforLife is a Fair Trade Federation member, and all net profits are invested in community development projects that help people work their way out of poverty.

*Be inspired* by hardworking Ugandan women lifting themselves from poverty! *Learn* how you can make a difference and have fun doing it! *Help* others a world away! *String* your own jewelry from loose beads with the FRIEDE group! (Non-Ugandan beads will also be available at this event.) on Saturday, November 7, from 7 – 9 p.m.

*Purchase* Ugandan-made jewelry (necklaces, bracelets, earrings) on Sunday, November 8, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. (before and after worship). Preview items at [www.beadforlife.org](http://www.beadforlife.org).

### World Café Goes to Exotic South India

The November outing of World Café will be to the **Udipi Cafe**, 2001 E. Dublin-Granville Rd., on Sunday, November 8 following the late service at 1 p.m. Please let **Ashley** or **Judy Bird** know (239-9380 or [jambird@aol.com](mailto:jambird@aol.com)) by Wednesday, November 4 that you will be participating so that we can make reservations to ensure enough seating for all.

### Fair Trade Orders in November

Redeemer will be taking orders for fair-traded coffee, tea, chocolate, and snacks through *Equal Exchange* on November 1, and 8. To support this ministry which provides fair wages and prices for coffee, tea and cocoa growers in developing countries as well as almond, pecan and cranberry growers in the U.S., please stop by the table in the narthex **before** and **after** worship on those Sundays to place orders for the following:

- Percolator Grind, Fellowship Blend 1 lb. \$ 5.80
- Drip Grind, Decaf, Columbian Full City Roast 12oz. \$ 6.25
- Whole bean, Organic Medium French Roast 12 oz. \$ 5.80
- Whole Bean, Full City Roast 12 oz. \$5.80
- Organic English Breakfast Tea 25 bags \$ 2.75
- Organic Green Tea 25 bags \$2.75
- Organic Earl Grey 25 bags \$2.75
- Caffeine Free Tea 25 bags \$3

#### Snacks

- Organic Tamari Roasted Almonds 5oz. \$4.65 bag
- Organic Dried Sweetened Cranberries 5oz. \$4 bag
- Roasted Salted Pecans 5oz. \$4.10 bag

#### Organic Chocolate

- Dark chocolate bars with almonds 3.5 oz. \$2.60
- Very dark chocolate bars \$2.60
- Mint chocolate bars \$2.60

#### Other Items

- Equal Exchange/Lutheran World Relief travel mug \$ 2.25
- Fair Traded 100 percent cotton shopping bags with Redeemer's logo at \$5 each will be available for sale.

### H1N1 Flu update

**Jenny Young** provided the following information: Many people have had questions about availability of H1N1 vaccine for yourselves or family members. Please refer to this website for the latest information: <http://www.columbuspandemicflu.com/>

Note that the H1N1 vaccine is being distributed in order of priority groups. These risk groups have been identified by the CDC because they are more vulnerable to H1N1 and are at an increased risk of severe complications. Additional clinics will be offered for the other high risk groups as soon as local public health receives additional vaccine. Please check this website frequently as information and opportunities are added daily. You can also call the Franklin County and Columbus Flu Hotline -- 2-1-1 (221-2255).

### Sister Act to Meet Nov. 11

Sister Act will meet next on Wednesday, November 11 at 7 p.m. at Redeemer (downstairs in the Youth Room off Fellowship Hall). This month's gathering will focus on a study led by **Sabine Lamar**.

Sister Act is a new kind of Women of the ELCA congregational unit, meeting monthly and rotating activities of study, service, and spiritual growth. Women of ALL ages are

welcome to join! If you have any questions, contact **Kelley Scott** at [kelleynotez@yahoo.com](mailto:kelleynotez@yahoo.com) or by home phone at (740) 756-4817.

## **Time to Order Cookie Dough, Popcorn**

Lutherans Concerned will continue taking orders for its gourmet cookie dough, popcorn, and cakes through Sunday, November 1. Any LC member can share further information, and an order form will remain available in the Narthex.

## **'Journey' Heads to Hanby House**

The Interesting Journey for November is a tour of the Hanby House in Westerville. It is scheduled for Sunday, November 15. More details to follow.

## **Advent Craft Day: Nov. 22**

Sunday, November 22 is the date for the annual Advent Craft Day for Redeemer kids and their families. If you have an idea for a seasonal craft that can be enjoyed by young children, and you are interested in helping out, please contact **Jennifer Young** at 614-235-4570 or [jyoung@columbuslibrary.org](mailto:jyoung@columbuslibrary.org). The event will run from 12:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and will include lunch.

## **Responses to Legacy Gifts**

Responses to Redeemer's *Legacy Gifts*, the tithe portion of the mortgage reduction campaign, are posted on the kiosk in the Narthex.

## **Member Profile**

**Mandi Schwaderer** grew up in Marion and then Sunbury, where her mom and stepdad still live. Mandi graduated from Big Walnut and Delaware JWS, specializing in auto mechanics. But she ended up working mostly in restaurants before becoming a home health aide. Ultimately, she'd like to work in a hospital and become an LPN.

**Leah**, Mandi's daughter, is 4 years old, full of life, and spends most of her days at the Children's Academy. Mandi and Leah live in the Obetz-Groveport area with their cat and a very young kitten.

Mandi and Leah especially like outdoor activities – hiking, camping, and fishing.

Mandi had a Lutheran background and spotted Redeemer when driving by. She and Leah were needing a church home, and lo and behold, Redeemer was needing Mandi and Leah. How perfect!

## **THE WIDER CHURCH**

### **Seminary Presents Haydn Mass**

The Trinity Seminary Choir will sing Haydn's Mass in D Minor during its All Saints Choral Evensong on Friday, November 6 beginning at 8 p.m. in the Gloria Dei Worship Center. Parking is free; a freewill offering will be taken.

### **LSS to Provide Thanksgiving Meals**

Lutheran Social Services (LSS) needs help in providing **Thanksgiving meals** to families in need. Last year, the LSS food pantries provided more than 7,100 Thanksgiving meals to hungry individuals and families. This year, with the help of Redeemer and other congregations, it hopes to collect 8,000 bags filled with everything needed for the perfect Thanksgiving dinner. These bags should include: 2 boxes of stuffing mix, 1

can of chicken broth, 1 jar of gravy, 1 can of sweet potatoes, 1 box of cornbread mix, 2 cans of fruit, 2 cans of vegetables, 1 can of cream of mushroom soup, 1 can of French fried onions, and 1 package of cookies.

An alternative is to donate \$20 to cover the cost of filling a bag. Please make checks out to Lutheran Social Services, write "Thanksgiving Meal" in the memo line and mail to 750 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43205.

For more information on how to help, please contact **Barb Packer**, director of food pantry services at 614-586-1350.

## **Updates from Thrivent**

Thrivent reports that it is nearing the completion of the fifth and sixth Thrivent Builds homes in Columbus. Funding for these homes comes 65 percent from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, 25 percent from Habitat for Humanity and that the remaining 10 percent or roughly \$30,000 from the local Lutheran community.

To help raise these funds, the Mike Furrey Foundation recently announced that it will match contributions received, dollar-for-dollar, through the end of the year up to a cumulative total of \$10,000! This is a fantastic opportunity to make the donations go twice as far, and to help the local Thrivent chapter provide a safe, warm place to call home this winter for two more families in need. The Mike Furrey Foundation ([www.mikefurrey.net](http://www.mikefurrey.net)) is a nonprofit organization designed to improve the lives of those who are hungry, homeless, hurting, and hopeful. The organization, founded by Hilliard native and Cleveland Browns wide receiver Mike Furrey, advocates for the basic needs of all families and children in Franklin County.

To contribute, send tax-deductible donations to: Thrivent Builds, c/o **Mark Keller**/treasurer, 30 E South St, Worthington, OH 43085 or online through Habitat for Humanity-Greater Columbus at [www.firstgiving.com/tbcolumbus](http://www.firstgiving.com/tbcolumbus).

### **Dedication**

The two new Thrivent Builds homes are near completion and will be dedicated on Saturday, November 7 at 10:30 a.m. Please join the Thrivent Builds and Habitat for Humanity communities, and the partner families for a morning of celebration at 133 & 137 N. Guilford Ave., Columbus, 43223. Members of Redeemer have helped in the construction of these two homes.

## **THE COMMUNITY BEYOND**

### **ELCA Hunger Director to Lead Workshop**

**David Creech**, ELCA director for hunger education, will lead a workshop, "Taking Root" which is geared to Sunday School teachers, youth leaders as well as outreach and hunger committee members from 7-9 p.m. on Tuesday, November 17 at Bethel Lutheran Church, 4501 Hoover Rd., Grove City.

### **Berwick Alternative Fundraiser**

Berwick Alternative School needs help with its fundraiser. Members are asked to clip the "Box Tops for Education" coupons which can be found on any number of products such as Cheerios, Hamburger Helper and Kleenex. Bring the coupons to church, putting them in the marked box in the Narthex. **Heidi Wick** will see that they get to Berwick.

You can also visit <http://www.boxtops4education.com/> to learn about more ways to help Berwick. The goal is \$500.