



REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

An adventure for *life!*

Reflections

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Summer Worship is Central to Our Life Together

OUR CONGREGATION

Ministers - All who gather here
in the name of Jesus

Pastor - F. Allan Debelak

Secretary - Kurt Goshen

Lay Ministry Coordinator -

Kelley Scott

Organist/Senior Choir Director -

Kathy Rapp

Chimes Choir Director - Karen

Kent

Youth REJOYsing - Julie

Larson

Youth Director -

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Treasurer - Eileen Day

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Collins

Secretary - Kay Ernsthause

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Secretary - Ashley Bird

Member - Helen Brunston

Member - William McCulley

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Superintendent - Michele Disbro

MIC STUDENTS

2nd year - Jared Witt

1st year - Joe Brosious

The summer worship schedule really begins this Sunday, June 13. That means we will all gather for one liturgy on Sunday mornings - **10 a.m.** A number of people always comment about the spirit of worship when we all leave our usual worship time and assemble under one roof at one time. We all know that our favorite seats might not be available because one of those folks from the *other* worship time has taken our place.

The other remark that I hear is that there are so many people who are not known by sight. There are a few Sundays when you might think we have a whole boat load of visitors. And then, you realize that those *other* people are also members - in fact, some have been at Redeemer longer than you! So the summer gives us all time to see more of who we are at Redeemer.

Summer is also a time to enjoy before and after worship fellowship. We encourage people to sign up to be responsible for hospitality on a Sunday. **Jon Disbro** can explain what that means if you choose to sign up. It also provides an opportunity for groups of members to team up to put on something special for no good reason except that we are all together for worship! Within a few weeks, there will be a fence put up at the eastern edge of the vegetable garden. This will mean that the garden space will become a place for overflow hospitality and conversation. (Some people may even be out there weeding!)

In worship, our music staff (**Karen Kent** and **Kathy Rapp**) have been given the task of lining up "special music" throughout the summer. We like variety. We like children involved. There is nothing like hearing a budding musician play for a prelude. A simple selection on an instrument becomes a concert of joy. We also like to hear new voices take on solos or join in a duet or ensemble. Offerings of music during the summer can be the launching pad for music offered throughout the rest of the year. If you are able and willing to offer a talent, please notify Kathy or Karen.

Throughout the summer we also change up the liturgy. For example, the "Hymn of Praise" toward the beginning of the liturgy is optional. This is also the case with the creed and the confession and forgiveness. Therefore, you can expect to see each Sunday liturgy change up - just a bit. The summer lessons are filled with wonderful texts that will invite us to use our faithful imaginations to see how in the world we are to be the followers of Jesus.

Finally, remember that the sanctuary is never too full so don't ever think that combining two groups of people will create an uncomfortable crowd. We can fit - all of us. With the choir not using their usual seats, we have extra seating! Summer vacations spread folks out so your place in worship helps to make us a comfortable gathering. When it comes to parking, if the lot looks full, park on Ivanhoe - or watch to see how we have learned how to park from north to south right down the center of parking lot. We fit. We expect you will be one of the people who help to make the room full of voice and spirit and gift and life and vitality. Christ's Peace! pastoral

GETTING READY FOR SUNDAY

3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

LESSONS

2 Samuel 11:26-12:10, 13-15; Galatians 2:15-21; Luke 7:36-8:3

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, throughout the ages you judge your people with mercy, and you inspire us to speak your truth. By your Spirit, anoint us for lives of faith and service, and bring all people into your forgiveness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

ORDER OF WORSHIP – EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN WORSHIP

10:00 AM Holy Communion (Setting 6 & Rite of Healing)

INTERCESSIONS & THANKSGIVINGS

+ For the people of St John Lutheran Church.

+ For Redeemer members Tom and Kathy Mimplitch.

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

WORSHIP LEADERS

10:00 AM

Assisting Minister	Jon Disbro
Acolyte	Jasmin McFarland
Reader	Bob Eakin
Healing Team Prayers	Michele Disbro Jared Witt Peder Johanson
Healing Team Assistants	Jill Disbro Nikki Tournoux Tamara Herring
Coordinator	Kathy Zwanziger
Ushers	Neil Hoddinott Kathy Zwanziger
Welcoming Team	Merl Hoops Mike Benis
Hospitality	Jennifer Young
Nursery	Krista Pawlowski
Communion Set-up	Kay Ernsthause & Michele Disbro

RESPONSE TO VISITORS

Baked Goods Baker	Linda Johnson
Baked Goods Deliverer	Kathy Zwanziger
Note-writer	Bonnie Hegreness
Food Pantry Delivery	Barb Connors

SUNDAY SCHOOL

FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS RESUMES IN THE FALL

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER

JUNE 8-15

Tuesday

10 AM-8 PM Cello Lessons – Room 9

Wednesday

11:30 AM Central Ohio Conference
5-7 PM Youth Expressions – Rm. 4
7:00 PM Beacon of Hope/Seventh Day Adventists – Rm. 2
8:30 PM OCA (Obsessive Compulsive Anonymous)

Thursday

7:30 PM Church Council

Friday

Saturday

9 AM-3 PM Beacon of Hope/Seventh Day Adventists

Sunday

10:00 AM Holy Communion & Rite of Healing
12 PM World Café – Acropolis Restaurant

Monday

5-7 PM Youth Expressions – Rm. 2
6:00 PM Brownie Troop – Rm. 3
6:30 PM Juniors – Room 5

Tuesday

8:00 AM ROMEO
10 AM-8 PM Cello Lessons – Room 9
6:30 PM Basketball Camp – Information Night

PRAYERS & PERSONALS

Thank you to all the musicians who participated in Sunday's Choir Sunday! It was a glorious offering of music and praise!

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Congratulations to **Forest Christenson** who graduated this spring from Capital University! He now heads to New York University to study film and composing. Congratulations also to **Zoe Christenson** who graduated Sunday from Bexley High School! She will attend St. Olaf's in the fall.

Please call Kurt in the church office at 237-1263 if there are other graduations to announced in *Reflections*.

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Congratulations to **Amelia Vivens** who was named to the Valparaiso University Dean's List during the fall semester! She is a political science and theology double major.

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Prayers are asked for **Edwina Bradley** who is having hip surgery on Tuesday.

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REDEEMER COMMUNITY NEWS

VBS Seeks Donations

With Redeemer's Vacation Bible School fast approaching June 27 – July 1, organizers **Kelley Scott** and **Trina Thornton** are seeking assistance with a variety of supplies. Want to see how you can help? Check the Baobab Tree in the Narthex for what is needed and sign up on the sheet provided.

Now is also the time to register to attend this year's VBS. It is for children 3 years old through sixth grade. It runs from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m., Sunday through Thursday.

Registrations Open for Basketball Camp

Registrations are now being taken for Redeemer's 2010 Basketball Camp. It is for youth ages 8 to 14 and will run from June 29 through August 5. Sessions are Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

There will be one court for younger players and one for more seasoned players.

The camp, which is run by Berwick resident and former NBA player **Larry Jones**, is free. Funds are provided by RLC, paper recycling by the community and a Neighborhood Partnership Grant.

Congratulations on 50 years!

Martin Luther once said, "There is no more lovely, friendly and charming relationship, communion or company than a good marriage."

In this spirit of love, the congregation is invited to celebrate with **Karen** and **Bruce Collins** as they mark 50 years of a good marriage.

Please join the happy couple and family for cake and lemonade during hospitality time after worship on Sunday, June 13.

World Café Heads for Greece

The June outing of World Café will be to the Acropolis Restaurant, 5328 N. High St., on Sunday, June 13 at 12 p.m. (Note time change.) Please let **Ashley** or **Judy Bird** know (239-9380 or jamnbird@aol.com) by Wednesday, June 9 that you will be participating so that we can make reservations to ensure enough seating for all.

The World Café small group eats once a month (usually the second Sunday unless there is a conflict) at a different ethnic restaurant after the late service. New participants are always welcome to join.

Sister Act to View Hotel Rwanda

Sister Act will meet next on Wednesday, June 16 at 6:30 p.m. downstairs in the room off the Fellowship Hall. This month, the group will be watching and discussing the movie *Hotel Rwanda*, the true story of one man's brave stance against savagery during the 1994 Rwandan conflict.

They will also discuss the efforts of the Rwanda Women in Action, a local organization working to improve the social, economic, and physical security of women and children in Rwanda.

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 us! If you have any questions, contact

Kelley Scott at kelleynotez@yahoo.com or by home phone at (740) 756-4817.

RLC Supports Food Pantry

During the month of May, Redeemer members donated 308 food and personal care items to the Lutheran Social Services (LSS) Food Pantry. According to **Kathie Ehrich**, the pantry was delighted to receive all of the plastic grocery bags as well.

David Drumm, manager of the pantry, said, "We can always count on the generosity of Redeemer."

There continues to be a great need for tea, coffee, shampoo, deodorant, toilet paper, tissues, paper towels, soap, dishwashing detergent and laundry detergent.

Sunday Brunch on the Lawn

On Sunday, June 27, the Fellowship Committee is sponsoring a Sunday Brunch on the lawn after the 10 a.m. worship service.

The committee asks that you bring a brunch side dish to share. Also you can bring a lawn chair and your own table service, if you'd like.

The Fellowship Committee will provide breakfast casseroles and drinks.

In case of rain, the event will be moved to the Fellowship Hall. Plan to come!

Volunteers Sought to Pick up Flowers

Redeemer has an immediate need for volunteers to pick up altar flowers for Sunday worship.

While the church has a standing order for altar flowers at Market Blooms in the North Market downtown, flowers must be picked up on Friday or Saturday and the brought to Redeemer, arranged in a vase and placed in the chancel.

Anyone who could help with this important service is asked to contact **Pastor Al** at 237-1263 or **Karen Collins** 939-0730.

The more people on the rotation, the fewer weeks each will have to serve.

RLC Receives Grants

Redeemer was recently notified that it will receive funding from the 2010 Neighborhood Partnership Grant program for its "A Between Space" and "Making Room – to Feed Neighbors" projects.

According to the grant letter, a total of more than \$520,000 in requests was received by the partnership which includes Bob Evans, the Columbus Foundation, PNC Bank, the Osteopathic Heritage Foundations and United Way of Central Ohio. In total, 61 grants were funded for a total of \$264,510. Redeemer will receive a total of \$10,750.

RLC's Habitat Work Days Set

This year the "Thrivent Builds with Habitat for Humanity" houses are located at 970 and 984 Lockbourne Ave. in Columbus. A signup sheet has been posted with Saturdays, June 19, July 24, and August 21 opportunities to join Redeemer's crew to help with these homes.

Building also takes place on Tuesdays and Thursdays, as well as on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. To volunteer on a construction site, one must be at least 16 years of age (with accompanying guardian if not yet 18) and able to commit to the full day.

Folks can volunteer for days other than those identified for Redeemer's crew by contacting **Ethan Beiler** at ebeiler@habitat-columbus.org or 364-7015.

Remember, no experience is necessary – just a willingness to assist the families in obtaining a home. Trained house and crew leads will volunteers through the various tasks.

Please sign up by Wednesday, June 9 for Redeemer's June 19 date so that Thrivent Builds can be informed of the number coming.

More from the Mission Trips Ministry...

Are you interested in doing something about hunger? Then consider a Harvest of Hope mission work camp this October 22-24 in Palmyra, Pennsylvania! The mission trips ministry at Redeemer is planning to participate in this intergenerational weekend of gleaning, study, worship, fellowship, and nutrition.

Tuition for the weekend is \$75 per person, which includes lodging, all meals and snacks, and educational materials. Participants should be in reasonably good shape, be willing to get hot and sweaty, and be ready to work for 4-5 hours on Saturday.

Those interested in participating, should sign-up on the sheet on the kiosk. A meeting of all interested participants will occur on Sunday, June 20 at 9 a.m., at which time completed application forms and a \$25 per person deposit will be collected.

More information about this program and the Society of St. Andrew, can be found online at www.endhunger.org.

Questions about Redeemer's involvement in this weekend can be directed to **Kelley Scott** at kelleynotez@yahoo.com, (740) 756-4817 - home or (740) 475-8498 - cell.

Summer Golf Returns

A sign up sheet is now on the kiosk for those who would like to participate in Redeemer's once-a-month Sunday golf outings. Questions should be directed to **Mike Benis** at 864-1506.

Time to Sign Up for Summer Hospitality

There is a sign up sheet on the kiosk for hosting summertime hospitality refreshments after worship once Redeemer moves to one service on Sunday, June 13.

The Evangelism Committee notes that after worship time is a great chance to mingle and connect with folks you don't always see throughout the rest of the church year.

It also encourages groups from the congregation (small groups, committees, etc.) or groups of families to host a Sunday.

Community Gardens: Here, Abroad

Even as Redeemer has planted a garden to benefit the neighbors in our community, it is also possible to help others around the world raise fresh vegetables. For the next several months, the "loose change" offering (which is provided through the offering plates located in the front of the sanctuary) will go to help establish a community vegetable garden through the ELCA's "Good Gifts" program in Cambodia, Kenya, or perhaps Peru. A "good gift" of \$200 helps establish a community vegetable garden.

Most recently, the "loose change" offering resulted in \$152 being contributed to cover the shipping costs of the health

kits to the Lutheran World Relief warehouse for distribution throughout the world.

Building Use Reminder

Members are asked that when they use the building to return the areas in use to the way they were found. This also means picking up any messes and making sure the doors are locked and – if they are the last out of the building – the alarm is set.

RLC Sponsors Good Pennyworths Quartet

Redeemer will present New York City's Good Pennyworths Quartet, a Renaissance vocal ensemble with lute accompaniment, performing their staged concert "Songs from Shakespeare: True Love Never Did Run Smooth" on Monday, June 21. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. here at Redeemer. The Good Pennyworths have plucked songs and dialogue straight from Shakespeare's plays and woven them into new musical tales about fools, lovers and life in these "giddy-paced times."

The concert is open to the public. A freewill offering will be taken; a donation \$10 is suggested.

Member Profile

Regina Brantley grew up in Chicago, Oklahoma and St. Louis but ended up in Florida after graduating from Howard University in Washington, D.C. She majored in health management and went on to get her master's degree, but it was a job in employee relations that brought her to Columbus. She's now a human resources analyst on contract with Nationwide.

Keeping Regina busy when she's not at work is her son, **Aiden**, who's 5 and who just finished his kindergarten year at Berwick Elementary School. He's into animals, insects, sports of all kinds and just life in general.

Regina especially enjoys spending time with both her grandparents here in Columbus. In fact, it's Grandmother **Doretha Holland** who gets the credit for introducing Regina to Redeemer – many years ago, when Regina was visiting and participated in Redeemer's Vacation Bible School. Regina and Aiden now live out by Mt. Carmel East but are use to the drive to Berwick – and we're glad!

Personals *cont'd from p. 2*

Fair Trade orders are in and ready for pick up.

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Directory Update

The **Yanchak Family** has moved! Their new address is: 1057 Caroway Blvd., Gahanna, OH 43230; phone 614-269-8929.

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Trinity Sponsors Summer Music

Trinity Seminary's "Tuesdays at Trinity" Summer Music series begins June 8 at 7:30 p.m. with **Jeni Fleming**. The concerts are held in the Gloria Dei Worship Center and are free. Other concerts will be held on Tuesday, June 15 (Brass Band of Columbus); and June 22 (Columbus Symphony Brass Quintet).

Men in Mission

Lutheran Men in Mission of the Southern Ohio Synod invites men to join the group on Saturday, June 19 at 8 a.m. at Lutheran Memorial Camp for a Volunteer Day. Questions? Contact **David Drumm** at 443-5130 or at dadrumm@yahoo.com.