# **United in Baptism**

### by ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton

There is an Irish saying: "It is in the shelter of each other that the people live."

I am writing this at the end of March. I don't know what the world will look like when you read this at the beginning of May. COVID-19 has the world sheltering-in-place. We've learned new concepts such as "social distancing" and "flatten the curve." We have stopped physical contact – no handshakes, hugs or high fives. We even wear gloves. It is a strange new world we live.

There is fear in this new world. Over a million people have been infected and thousands have died. We can't see the virus. We don't know where or when it will strike next. Our lives have been disrupted – restricted travel and closed churches, schools, businesses, parks and stores. Health care workers, those dedicated to healing, find themselves as soldiers on the front line. Pray and give thanks for them.

In this highly anxious time, some – individuals, communities and countries – are seeking safety and certainty by stockpiling as many provisions as they can and walling off others. Barricaded behind rolls of toilet paper and Clorox wipes, fortified with generators and Spam, some will try to wait this out by themselves. There has been a spike in sales of firearms and alcohol. Not a good combination. Taking precautions is wise. Believing that it is possible to isolate and cut off from neighbors and nations so that one will never be touched either by the virus or the fallout of this pandemic is unreasonable.

For me, one of the cruelest effects of this pandemic is that we cannot gather. Our natural inclination in a time of crisis is to draw together, hold on to each other, support each other. Life passages, births, birthdays, weddings, baptisms, funerals, holy days, holidays, will be remembered as times of isolation and absence.

And yet, in the deepest, truest sense, we are connected to one another. In baptism we are united with Christ and are members one of another. Baptism makes a difference and makes us different. We are no longer lone travelers making our way through this life. We don't have to go it alone. In fact, we cannot, because, in Christ, we are knit into one body. And just as surely as Father, Son and Holy Spirit are one – this wildly mysterious community of the Trinity – so are we one.

Jesus clearly stated this and daily fulfills this promise: "My sheep hear my voice. I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one." (John 10:27-30).

Baptism makes us different. The immutable gracious truth that we are God's makes it possible for us to feel the connection with each other, even, and especially, when we are separated from each other, the deeper our connection to each other becomes. I find myself thinking about family and friends more often now that we can't be physically together.

And here is another paradox – when we are alone, when "the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done" (*Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, p. 325), then, in the stillness and solitude, we feel the presence of God.

When life gets back to "normal," I pray that I do not slip back into casual encounters with people and God. We can't think of ourselves as islands. Because we belong to God, we belong to each other. The author of Hebrews puts it this way: "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us." (Hebrews 12:1)

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# **The Redeemer Community**

## **RLC to Serve at First English on May 14**

Redeemer will be serving dinner at First English on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>May 14</u>. According to **Kay Ernsthausen**, who coordinates these dinners, "Now more than ever these dinners are needed."

To accommodate the times, the menu will include a pasta bake casserole, dinner roll with butter, fruit cup and a dessert. Donations of the individual fruit cups as well as individually wrapped cookies such as Nutter Butters, HoHos, DingDongs, Whoopee pies or Little Debbies are needed – anything **individually wrapped**. For the rolls, they are seeking packages of 12 "ready to serve" rolls.

A total of **eight** casseroles are needed. Volunteers will pick up **hot** casseroles on Thursday so if you are going to prepare one or two let Kay know at email below.

A basket has been placed by the front door in the Narthex. Any time from now till May 14 the fruit cups, rolls, and desserts can be dropped off when **Office Manager Becky Trover** is in the office. It is suggested calling before coming over to make sure she is there. Or if you have a code to get in, you can come anytime.

If anyone would like to donate but doesn't want to drive to church, let Kay know. She can pick up items on **Saturday**, **May 9** from whoever needs them picked up.

"During this uncertain time, we need to take all precautions to serve food that is healthy and safe. That is why the individually wrapped is important. As for the casserole, we were asked for a hot dish. Most of the people don't get a hot dish and they so like getting one. I thank you all in advance for your donations and service."

Since sign up at church is not possible, please email <u>Kernie032000@yahoo.com</u> with those items you plan to donate.

#### **Recipe for Pasta Bake**

1 lb. box of penne or mini rigatoni pasta

1.5 lbs. hamburger or sausage

2 jars of spaghetti sauce

12 oz. of shredded mozzarella

2 cups shredded parmesan cheese (the green bottle is fine)

Optional ingredients: onions and/or peppers to cook with the meat, black olives, mushrooms

Cook pasta according to directions on the box. Brown meat on the stove, adding onions or peppers to this if you have them and want to. Drain fat. Add sauce to the pan and heat until it is warmed through. Combine pasta, sauce/meat mixture and mozzarella cheese. Put in a 9x13" pan. Sprinkle top with parmesan cheese. Bake at 350 for 25 minutes, until heated through.

This can be made a day or two ahead and baked the day it is needed.

# **Race Conversations Book Study Concludes Wednesday**

**Sheryl Owens** and **Dave Shull** would like to invite you to join the discussion of *White Fragility* by **Robin DiAngelo**, the current focus for the race conversations group at Redeemer. The discussion of the remainder of the book will be held <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>May 6</u> from 7 to 8:30 p.m. via Zoom.

If you'd like to be part of the Race Conversations group and have the Zoom app, then enter Zoom and use this information: Meeting ID: 832 4822 8165/Password: 000556. If you don't have the Zoom app, you should be able to join the meeting by copying and entering the following web address in your browser: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83248228165?pwd=MXI5L1JRenpDMWFUMUwwL0JEVGNJQT09.

If calling in use the number 646-876-9923, then enter the Meeting ID and Password, Call Pastor Dave at 206-725-3785 if you have any questions.

Even if you haven't had a chance to read any of the book, please join us for the conversation! Sheryl and Dave look forward to seeing and being with you on Wednesday. Feel free to invite others you

think would enjoy talking about why racism is such a challenge to discuss in an open and caring way. The discussions will conclude on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>May 6</u>.

# Adult Sunday Class Examining 'Apostles' Creed for Today '

We say the words every week in worship: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth ...

Where do these words come from? Why does this statement of faith include what it does, but say nothing about the sacraments, and nothing about what a life of following Jesus looks like in practice? Are there ways earlier Christians might have heard these words that are lost to us now? If we affirm these words in worship, what do we believe we are saying? What are we committing ourselves to? What meanings do these words have for us?

These are the kinds of questions we're exploring in our Sunday Faith Exploration class. The next one is **Sunday, May 10** from 10-11 a.m. Meeting ID: 885 9064 5443, Password: 030156. To join by phone, call 646-876-9923 and enter the meeting ID and password.

If you don't have the Zoom app, you should be able to join the meeting by copying and entering the following web address in your browser:  $\frac{1}{1000} \frac{1}{1000} \frac{1$ 

You would bless us by your participation in this!

# Please Let Pastor Dave Know of Any Financial Challenges You May Be Facing in These Uncertain Times

We've heard the stories ... and some of us may be living them. All the jobs created since the financial crisis of 2008 have been erased in a matter of weeks. Some of us in the Redeemer community no doubt are facing financial challenges we never expected. But they're real.

If you find yourself wondering how you're going to meet your monthly bills, please contact me. We have a fund at the church specifically to support anyone inside or outside the church in that situation. There is no reason for you to hesitate in requesting support that you feel you need. I keep requests totally confidential. No one else will know we've been in conversation about this. We have received some very generous contributions recently, so know it's not like your request for support would keep others from being able to receive it as well.

Simply call my cell (206-725-3785) or email me (<u>dshull@redeemerluth.com</u>) and we'll move forward in a way that, hopefully, will bring you some peace of mind in these times when so many find themselves overwhelmed. Let us walk with you!

# **Sunday Worship Available on YouTube**

The <u>May 3</u> Sunday worship service is available at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/r6mk2xh">https://tinyurl.com/r6mk2xh</a>. There are two versions posted online: a signed version and an unsigned version. For the Sunday Worship Bulletin, go to the Redeemer website at <a href="https://www.RedeemerLuth.com">www.RedeemerLuth.com</a> > News, Sermons, Devotions.

We are holding one another in prayer and in spirit as we work through this time. Go in peace, serve the Lord, wash your hands!

# **Tuesday Bible Study Dives into the Apostle Paul**

This <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>May 5</u>, the Bible study group here at Redeemer continues its in-depth exploration of Paul's First Letter to the Church in Corinth. In this letter, Paul addresses how communities are formed, what the role of love is in our common life, what it means to be in a body as opposed to just spiritual beings, who Jesus is, what the cross of Jesus is and does, and how to imagine the brand new world he says people are living in here and now.

In other words, a letter Paul wrote around the year 55 talks about issues that Redeemer has to face today if we are to be an active, vital body of Christ today.

If you have some free time on Tuesday afternoons from 1-2:30 p.m., join our community of exploration, honesty, laughter, and prayer. **The Bible study is held via Zoom.** If you'd like to join us, here's the information you'll need to connect:

If you'd like to be part of the Tuesday Bible study on Zoom and have the Zoom app, then enter Zoom and use this information: Meeting ID: 894 9233 7149, Password: 032761. To enter by phone call 646-876-9923 and enter the meeting ID and password.

If you don't have the Zoom app, you should be able to join the meeting by copying and entering the following web address in your browser:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89492337149pwd=TXp3UVU4NGFiNW5kdXlieTluZFp2UT09

Call Dave Shull at 206-725-3785 if you have any questions.

## **Healing Prayer While We Are Apart Together**

The Healing Prayer Team is hoping to continue Healing Prayer during this time that Redeemer is meeting remotely.

If you have a prayer request, whether "healing" or otherwise, please contact the church office with your name and a good time to reach you by telephone. This wouldn't be a specific time, but rather something like "Tuesday afternoon" or "any morning" or "Friday after 3 p.m." We'll contact a prayor who is available at your convenient time, and they will phone you to pray for and with you.

Send your requests to info@RedeemerLuth.com or phone 614-237-1263.

### **Important Emails**

<u>DShull@RedeemerLuth.com</u> – use for communicating directly with **Pastor Dave.** 

<u>Info@RedeemerLuth.com</u> – use for communicating with the office, *Reflections* newsletter, **Office Manager Becky Trover**, or for general information.

<u>MemberCare@RedeemerLuth.com</u> – use for communicating with the Member Care team about needs for personal ministry such as in-home communion, a home visit, meals, etc.

<u>FinSec@RedeemerLuth.com</u> – use for communicating with **Financial Secretary Brad Phillips**, and for stewardship campaigns.

<u>Itgroup@RedeemerLuth.com</u> – use for communicating with Redeemer's IT Team for items related to the website.

<u>Property@RedeemerLuth.com</u> – use to report items that need repair in the church building.

<u>SundaySchool@RedeemerLuth.com</u> – use to offer suggestions for our Sunday School ministry.

<u>Transportation@redeemerluth.com</u> – use to request temporary transportation assistance.

# Publishing Deadlines for Reflections, Sunday Bulletins

#### For Reflections

- PLEASE SUBMIT PRIOR TO 5 P.M. ON SUNDAYS.
- Send to info@RedeemerLuth.com and put *Reflections* in subject line.
- Or leave a note in the *Reflections* mailbox at the top of the stairs outside the church office.

#### **For Sunday Bulletins**

The deadline for information to be published in Sunday bulletins is the **Wednesday morning** before. That information can be sent to the above email: just put "Bulletin" in the subject line.

# **Prayers and Personals**

Members are asked to notify the church office of any graduates in your family so we can recognize them in a future issue of *Reflections*. Just email the information to info@redeemerluth.com.

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Prayers are asked for the family **Mendel McFadden**, a good friend of Redeemer member **Barbara Connors**, who died recently.

**Lynn Belhorn** praises God that her mom, **Maryland Belhorn**, has returned to her home after four months of rehab. "We request continued prayer for strength and patience in decisions around home care." Lynn also asks for prayers of comfort and peace of mind for her friend Mary Ann and her husband as Mary Ann struggles with ill health. Prayers are also asked for **Jack** and **Shirley Miller** as they decide care options for Jack.

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Also offering prayers of thanksgiving are the **Trovers** for the negative results of their daughter **Rose's** partner's COVID-19 test although prayers continue to be asked as he deals with health issues. They are grateful for all who expressed concern and supported the family in prayer.

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A special thank you goes out to **Kathy Mimlitch** and **Michele Disbro** for volunteering at the Lutheran Social Services (LSS) Food Pantry. Right now, LSS is limiting the number of volunteers who work at any one time to two. Thanks to everyone who participates in this effort over the year and be on the lookout for when the opportunity opens back up to more individuals.

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**Jeremy Davis**, a Redeemer member who is at the Ross Correctional Institute, is unable to receive visitors due to COVID-19 prevention efforts. In addition, Redeemer is not able to send him the group letter written each week after worship. Please send him a note sharing a greeting, thought, or prayer. It must be on a blank white 8.5x11" piece of paper; the note must be written in black or blue ink only. There can be NO enclosures of any kind. His address is Jeremy Christian Davis #758199, 16149 Ohio-104, Chillicothe OH 45601.

#### A Note from the Heacocks

"Stan and I would like to extend to you and to all of those in the church, a huge *THANK YOU* for the many ways all of you are keeping us connected. We have enjoyed the services, music, the extra reflections, and hearing from so many who express their love and support in such a variety of ways. It was especially delightful to see how the Food Giveaway came together to bless so many in the neighborhood.

"We are in Arizona for a couple more weeks and then hope to begin traveling back to Ohio. When we get back, we'll have two weeks of self quarantine. As the temperatures in Arizona typically begin rising this time of year, we are staying active outside with morning and evening walks and bike rides."

#### **Members Need Assistance**

**Don Luck** writes: "I still need help cleaning woodwork and cabinets in my house to prep for painting. NO STEP-LADDERS NEEDED. If you are willing to help, call **Tim Cooke** at 740-513-6609 for scheduling. Many thanks for considering this break from self-confinement."

In addition, members are asked if any of you have an unused working tablet, laptop, or smart phone that you are willing to either lend or donate. A member living in a single household needs it to better stream our services, download and use conversational apps like Zoom, and efficiently communicate with the rest of us. Please contact the church office if you are willing to share or lend one during this physically isolated time.

#### **May Birthdays**

3-Heidi Sherer 5-Nancy Magargal 8-Kay Ernsthausen 8-Kathryn Ott 11-Logan Baldogo 14-Ty Pawlowski 17-Mary Benis 17-Ken Jones 19-Al Debelak 20-Jackson Harms 21-Paul Voytas 22-Dave Lippert 22-Lea Spang 26-Kathie Ehrich 27-Jeanne Eakin 29-Barbara Willmann

#### **COVID-19 Information**

To get the most up-to-date information regarding the pandemic and Ohio's COVID-19 activities, go to the Ohio Department of Health website at <a href="https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/">https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/</a> or call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634.

In addition, the Southern Ohio Synod has put together a number of Ohio Department of Health (ODH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and World Health Organization (WHO) resources online at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/y9ohdaov">https://tinyurl.com/y9ohdaov</a>. Among the items linked to are the latest "Stay Safe Ohio" order from Gov. Mike DeWine, a checklist on face coverings and cleaning and disinfecting alternatives.

#### **Christ in Our Home Devotional Booklets**

The April, May, June edition of *Christ in Our Home* devotional is available. If you would like to have a copy, the church office will be happy to mail one to you. Call 614-237-1263 or email info@RedeemerLuth.com

If you prefer, you may receive Christ in Our Home devotionals via email by going to <a href="https://go.augsburgfortress.org/christ-in-our-home-email-subscription">https://go.augsburgfortress.org/christ-in-our-home-email-subscription</a>

# **The Wider Church**

#### St. Catharine's to Hold Food Drive

Next <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 9</u> from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. St. Catharine Catholic Church will be conducting a drive-thru food/necessities drive at 500 Gould Ave. Totally hands free, their volunteers will be masked and just ask that items to be donated be loaded in the trunk; they will unload them; and then you drive away. No need to exit your car!

## **A Note from Bishop Dillahunt**

**Southern Ohio Synod Bishop Suzanne Dillahunt** writes, "Much like in the story of Noah in the eighth chapter of Genesis where he watched and waited and sent out birds to see if the time was right to open the doors to the ark and resettle the earth, we, too find ourselves watching and waiting for the right time to reopen the doors of our church buildings for in person worship. **Gov. Mike DeWine** shared his plan on Monday, April 27 to begin reopening the economy of Ohio, for many business sectors the time has come to bring back employees and welcome customers, but for congregations, the dove has returned. It is not yet time for us to come together physically as the Church.

"While I, like you, am disappointed that the people of God in Southern Ohio will not be gathering in person to worship, sing hymns and be together in the next few weeks, there is still work to be done. We must continue to:

- 1. Share the Gospel through the Word and hymns online, on the phone, in email, in letters and, at a safe distance, in person.
- 2. Take care of each other and those in need in our communities.
- 3. Support your congregation through prayers and offerings.
- 4. Stay hopeful.

"Dr. Jim Young Kim, one of the founders of Partners in Health, an international health organization working with several of our states on how to effectively end the pandemic, recently wrote, 'Hope is of little use unless it is accompanied by a bold and vigorous plan.'

"Our next steps as the synod and as congregations, is to plan. We don't know exactly when we will be together in person, but when it is time we will be ready. Below are several resources you, your council and other experts in your congregations -- especially those in the health care industry -- can read, discuss and use as a basis for your reopening plan. Although the three flyers from the Ohio Department of Health are specifically for business sectors that are scheduled to reopen in the first part of May, the flyers contain

requirements and best practices we can adopt so that when we do open our doors, our members and guests will feel safe and want to be a part of our worship services and other activities. The other resource looks at 24 things every congregation should consider and address before reopening."

Manufacturing, Distribution & Construction Operating Requirements

Consumer, Retail & Services Operating Requirements

General Office Environments Operating Requirements

24 Questions Your Church Should Answer Before People Return

### **ELCA Seeks Feedback on Statement on Civic Engagement**

The idea of government was already very much in focus because this was an election year, and the pandemic has focused it more so. But what does the ELCA teach about the nature and function of government in relation to God's purposes? What is a faithful Lutheran response regarding citizenship and civic engagement?

To help guide our church on these questions, the 2019 Churchwide Assembly asked for the preparation of a social message. At this time, the message is in draft form. Through **Wednesday, May 27**, folks are invited to provide feedback on how to strengthen the message.

Click <u>here</u> to read "A Draft Social Message on Government and Civic Engagement: Discipleship in a Democracy." To offer feedback, please fill out this <u>survey</u>. Comments can also be emailed to <u>draftsocialmessage@elca.org</u>. To learn more about what social messages are, click <u>www.elca.org/socialmessages</u>.

In light of the feedback, the message will be revised and presented to the ELCA Church Council for a vote in June. Upon its adoption, the message and a study guide will be released over the summer, along with a Spanish translation.

To learn more about this social message and the process of its creation, please visit its <u>webpage</u>, which features "<u>Frequently Asked Questions.</u>"

Thank you for taking the time to participate in this project—it's through the wisdom of the full church that a strong message will be created.

# **LOMO Cancels Camps for Summer**

Lutheran Outdoor Ministries of Ohio (LOMO) announced recently that its Board of Directors decided to keep the camps closed until further notice. "We will not be offering traditional camp programs this summer through Lutheran Memorial Camp (LMC), Camp Luther, LOMO Outreach and Amazing Grace Day Camps. All spring retreat and environmental education groups are cancelled also until further notice.

"We know people will be disappointed in this decision, but hope you understand that we grieve this loss with you and our concern is to keep everyone safe and healthy. The risk is too high in a camp community setting for people to be exposed to the coronavirus."

Families who have already paid a deposit may get that refunded or else the payment can be turned into a tax deductible donation to LOMO or one of the camps. Others are also encouraged to consider a donation to LOMO which can be made online at <a href="https://www.lomocamps.org/donate">www.lomocamps.org/donate</a>.

# **The Community Beyond**

# **City Council Funds Meal Sites for Columbus Children**

Columbus City Council recently approved a \$100,000 grant agreement with Children's Hunger Alliance (CHA) in support of open summer meal sites for Columbus children.

These sites are places where any child can receive a nutritious meal over the summer without enrollment requirements. Proper nutrition is essential for children to continue their growth and development during the school year and over the summer. During the COVID-19 health crisis, it is especially important to provide options for children and their families to be able to access healthy meals.

"This pandemic has reinforced the importance of providing proper nutrition for kids when they aren't able to access meals through school," said **Council President Pro Tem Elizabeth Brown**. "As the schools deal with the closure of buildings through the rest of the school year, I am grateful for the partnership of CHA to ensure children are receiving the meals they need over the summer."

The extended partnership with CHA means that Columbus children can pick up food at various locations across the city. Based on the current circumstances, site locations are still being finalized, with a focus by CHA on feeding children in areas that are not already being served.

**Judy Mobley**, president and CEO of CHA, said, "We appreciate the financial support from the Columbus City Council for this critical work feeding children. Under normal circumstances, only 10 percent of children that qualify for free or reduced-price school meals have access to a summer meal site. During the COVID-19 crisis, the need is greater than ever. This summer meal program will allow us to feed more children especially focused on those residing in the most impoverished areas of our city."

"This pandemic is illustrating the need for all of us to lift up our family, friends and neighbors, and to re-examine how we can work more diligently in the future to make the successes in our community more accessible for all," said Brown.

### **State Provides Resources for Job Search**

The state of Ohio provides a couple of website listing jobs available: they include the COVID-19 Job Search which can be found online at <a href="https://jobsearch.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/jobsearch/">https://jobsearch.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/jobsearch/</a>. There is also the opportunity for employers to list jobs on this site.

Another state website, OhioMeansJobs.com offers a variety of resources beyond the jobs search including virtual job fairs. It can be found at <a href="https://jobseeker.ohiomeansjobs.monster.com/">https://jobseeker.ohiomeansjobs.monster.com/</a>. Individuals can register by calling 614-559-5052 or emailing <a href="mailto:info@omjcfc.org">info@omjcfc.org</a>.

# **Getting Ready for Sunday**

Fourth Sunday of Easter Sunday, May 10, 2020

#### Lessons

Sunday Readings: 1 Peter 2:1-5, 9-10; Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16; John 14:1-14

# **Prayer for the Times**

Be at Peace by Saint Francis De Sales

Do not look forward in fear to the changes in life;

rather, look to them with full hope that as they arise,

God, whose very own you are,

will lead you safely through all things;

and when you cannot stand it,

God will carry you in His arms.

Do not fear what may happen tomorrow;

the same understanding Father who cares for you today will take care of you then and every day.

He will either shield you from suffering

or will give you unfailing strength to bear it.

Be at peace,

and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations.

Amen.

### **Prayer of the Day**

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another, to follow in the way of his commandments, and to share his risen life with all the world, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

### **Intercessions & Thanksgiving**

- + For the people of Trinity Lutheran Church, Columbus.
- + For Redeemer community member Michelle Clemence

Each week we remember in our prayers in worship those who cannot be with us and those with special needs and concerns:, Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Lea Spang, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Kelly Scott, Diane Louangrath, Sue Baker, Julie Denniss' uncle Ed Stewart, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Amy DeLorenzo, Linda and Don Williams, Pamela Andrews, Val Farnham, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt, Brittany Parsons, Lynn Belhorn's mother Maryland Belhorn and friend MaryAnn, Laura Warren's brother Walter Hudson and his wife Jan, Bill Boys, Doretha Holland, Betty Shull, Dolores Brannigan's husband Dave, Bonnie Hegreness, Becky Trover's sister Maddie, Jack and Shirley Miller and Redeemer visitors.

Noisy Offering will be for Kaleidoscope Youth Center.

## **Sunday Faith Exploration Class**

10 a.m., Sunday May 10: The class continues a study of the "Apostles' Creed for Today" – Led by Dave Shull

This class is held via Zoom. See separate story about how to participate.

### This Week at Redeemer May 5 – May 11, 2020

<u>Tuesday</u> 1:00 p.m. ZOOM Bible Study

**Wednesday** 7:00 p.m. ZOOM Conversations on Race

**Sunday** YouTube Worship with Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. ZOOM Adult Sunday School