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GATHER US IN!!

*Gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.*

When **Marty Haugen** wrote these words almost 40 years ago, there's no way he could have known what a joyful noise they would make in the ears of a congregation whose members haven't been able to be "gathered in" for more than six months. And now the waiting is over. And all of us who decide we can gather safely for an outside service of worship will do so *this Sunday* at 10 a.m. on the Redeemer lawn.

And what a beautiful community of the gathered-in we will be!

Hopefully you've received the material put together by the Safe Re-gathering Team that explains what we need from you and how we are trying to make this as safe and enjoyable a morning as we can. This group worked and worked to imagine and implement the plan you've been sent. After this Sunday, we will take a week or two to listen to you share your experiences, and your ideas about adjustments we might make for future Sundays. I cannot thank them enough – as I continue to be unable sufficiently to thank the producers who have videoed worship for the past six months, and the worship leaders who never imagined they'd have to do what they've done to make worship happen.

If you feel like you want to re-gather with us on Sunday, here's a reminder of what to expect:

- Please bring a chair for each person in your party; we will have some chairs if you're unable to bring your own.
- Arrive at the church *no earlier than 9:45*. Please don't gather outside your car.
- A banner indicates the "entrance" to worship. There you will be welcomed, asked a few questions, and then your temperature will be taken. If everyone in your party is healthy, you'll be asked if you'd like to have an usher take you to where you will put your chairs. If you do this, you will then return to the entrance area for hand-sanitizer, bulletin, and your communion packet (and box of raisins for the younger among us). If you wish to wait to be seated until after you've done these things, an usher will seat you then. The communion packet has a tiny cup of grape juice. The communion wafer is inside the foil-wrapped lid of the cup. It's easy to miss that! Bulletins will be emailed before worship, so you can follow the bulletin on your phone and avoid a paper copy.
- You'll be seated with your party; if you are on your own, you will be seated at least six feet from any other person/group.
- If you have difficulties walking on uneven ground and decide to come to worship, please be sure to bring a cane or walker.
- **Emily Kent** will sing the hymns, serve as cantor for the sung psalm, and also offer a solo. **Karen Kent** will lead the instrumental music. It will be very hard not to join in. But the best science we know right now tells us not to sing together. So allow these two gifted musicians to be our songs of praise.
- After the service, again, we ask you not to gather close to each other. There will be a banner indicating the exit. Throw away the communion cup and foil wrap and, if you don't want to keep it, put your bulletin in the blue recycling container.

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The Redeemer Community

Redeemer Social Media Photo Policy 'Opt Out'

RLC's social media presence is growing on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube. We have great stories to tell about who we are and what we're doing to help our community neighbors, while providing inspiring worship opportunities. In addition, we're excited to be rolling out a new and improved website, full of useful information for members and for those trying to find a new place of worship.

We tell our online stories with many photos of the life of Redeemer. It's inspiring for us, and we hope for others, to see the fellowship and the joy we have in serving. It's in that spirit we approach our social media presence.

The team collaborating on the social media strategy in association with RLC's Council, also understands that some may be sensitive to having photos online. We're asking that you read the information below and discern what is right for you and your family:

*Redeemer Lutheran Church utilizes photos to educate and inspire people with the goal of strengthening and growing our church community. We take care to post photos accordingly by never publishing names of children or others who may express vulnerabilities online. We assume that we have blanket permission to use photos **unless** we are contacted by email or mail to "opt out" of having photos used in our materials, website, or social media posts. **TO OPT OUT, send an email request to info@redeemerluth.com with your name or the name(s) of those in your family you do not want appearing in photos. You may also send a letter to the church office with the same information. (We just need to have this request in writing. Thank you for understanding.)***

We look forward to growing our social media presence and appreciate your help!

Food Giveaway Set for Thursday

Redeemer's next scheduled monthly food giveaway in cooperation with Lutheran Social Services (LSS) and the Mid-Ohio Food Cooperative is this **Thursday, September 24** beginning at 2 p.m.

It will be a drive-through giveaway that was implemented in April. Some volunteers will meet at 1 p.m. to set-up while others are asked to arrive by 2 p.m. to bag the food.

Anyone who can volunteer is asked to contact the church office at info@redeemerluth.com or 614-237-1263 or **Jon Disbro** at MDDisbro@gmail.com or 614-451-3642. There are a variety of roles that need filling: traffic control, check in, food sorting and bagging, food picking from each station and transport to the pickup spot, food loaders, etc.

Volunteers are asked to bring masks and water and to park on Ivanhoe – the street just south of the church.

RLC to Offer 'Blessing Boxes'

Difficult times continue for many people. Currently Redeemer Lutheran Church participates in a garden giveaway on Saturdays and a monthly food giveaway in cooperation with MidOhio Food Cooperative.

For the next four months, two of the Free Little Libraries will be converted into "blessing boxes" One box will hold canned goods such as soups, canned meats, boxed meals. The other box will hold personal care products and paper goods such as tissues.

Anyone can come and take what they need and donate what they can. Donations can also be placed in the church.

For any questions, please contact **Kathy Mimplitch** at kathymimplitch@yahoo.com.

RLC's Anti-Racism Group to Zoom with Reps from BREAD

The on-going national attention to issues of racism and healing is leading Redeemer's anti-racism group to have conversations with people in the area who have committed themselves to trying to take concrete steps toward changing systems and attitudes to transform the system of racism step by step. On

Wednesday, September 23, the anti-racism group will host **Rob Sievert Wagner** and **Quay Barnes** on Zoom.

Wagner works for BREAD -- Building Responsibility, Equality, and Dignity. This is a national organization that brings people of different faith communities together to work on justice issues. Recently, BREAD congregations have succeeded in getting Franklin County to increase funding for affordable housing, in expanding services for those living with mental illness, working with the Columbus School Board to train staff in disciplinary techniques that reduce the use of suspensions so young people can stay in school, and securing the creation of more jobs in traditionally underserved and under-resourced communities. Wagner will talk about what BREAD is doing now. Barnes, a member of Christ United Methodist Church and a community leader, will talk about what her congregation has done with BREAD and some ways people in local congregations can feel like they're putting their faith into action for justice.

We'd love your voice and passion and creativity! To join the discussion on **Wednesday, September 23** at 7 p.m., go to the Zoom app and then enter the following information: Meeting ID: 852 0183 5611; Passcode: 640224. To participate by phone, call 646-876-9923. If you don't have the Zoom app, you can join the meeting by copying and entering the following web address in your browser: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85201835611?pwd=aN1MjJQSWFMK0U0bHQ0WXPVnKfUQT09>

Daily Word Update

For the past two years, **Dora Pinder** and **Connie Criswell**, as part of Redeemer's Member Care Team, have distributed a Daily Word by email (Connie Criswell) and text message (Dora Pinder). This is done on a daily basis. It has been an uplifting and rewarding experience for all involved.

It has come to our attention that we may be missing a distinct group who are only accessible by telephone. We would love to expand the "Ministry" by calling members and friends and sharing a short Bible verse or short prayer. The intent is to share and uplift; not to force or engage in lengthy conversations.

We are trying to get an idea of interest in this additional ministry. Please give Dora a call or text at 614-563-8155 if you would like to share in this ministry by calling and/or receiving the Daily Bible Verse by telephone.

We look forward to sharing God's word and are excited by enhanced worship in these uncertain times.

Council Provides Further Finance Updates

This continues to be a time of transition from having Redeemer's financial bookkeeping done by a treasurer (**Larry Trover** previously) and a financial secretary (**Brad Phillips**). Council reports, with thanksgiving, that giving has continued to be steady throughout this pandemic. While Brad continues his work, Larry has been granted his wish to end his time as treasurer and **Julie Johnson** is temporarily covering in his absence, pending the transition to the CPA firm.

Julie reported to council that to her knowledge all bills have been paid except for one month of benevolence, pending the receipt of additional information. Council asked that benevolence be paid on the best estimate with revisions (if any) made after the transition to the Wells CPA firm.

Margie Frazier, the point person for Donald Wells, CPA, reports he has obtained the necessary software (at sale price) and his staff have started to input data from Redeemer. They will also be able to input giving. Council asks for the congregation's patience during this transition, as we may not be able to report all the details that Larry has faithfully provided until after the transition has occurred.

"Be assured that in the meantime, tasks are being covered."

Sister Act Sets 'Mini Retreat' for Oct. 3

Sister Act has scheduled a "mini retreat" for **Saturday, October 3** at the home of **Sue Yehling**. It will begin at 11 a.m. and ending about 2 p.m. Those attending asked to wear a mask and to bring a lunch or snack, something to drink and a chair. Food and drinks will not be shared.

The day's events include three stations for gathering and greeting, a luncheon presentation on "What is your *Prakriti*?"

Prakriti is a Sanskrit word meaning "nature" and it refers to our predisposition. It's the true nature of our body and mind. Our prakriti is made up of a blend of three doshas. Understanding the make-up of your prakriti will help you recognize when you're "out of balance" and steps you can take to get back in balance.

Michele Disbro, who is leading the session, asks those attending to take the 10-minute online quiz prior to October 3. "Then, you will be given what percentage you are of the three doshas: *vata*, *pitta*, and *kapha*. **Please take the quiz and write down your results.**

"If life is crazy for you and you don't get a chance to take the quiz, no worries. You can still listen to the conversation and then, take the quiz later when you have time." She notes that attendees will then have some time to chat with others who have the same primary dosha as well as meet with others who have the other two primary doshas.

Here's the link to the quiz: <https://ama-veda.com/prakriti-quiz/> . Scroll down the page to find the quiz.

Email **Carol Heacock** with questions at heacock.carol@gmail.com .

2020 CROP Walk Goes Virtual

This year's CROP Walk for alleviating hunger will be on **Sunday, October 11**. The walk will be a virtual one because of coronavirus restrictions. Redeemer walkers will do their walks around their own neighborhoods instead of in a group at Scioto Audubon Metro Park as in previous years.

We hope to have donations made online, if possible, but if you prefer to write a check, please make it out to CWS/CROP and mail it to **Connie Criswell, Kathy Zwanziger** or **Wendy Stoica**. You may donate online on the RLC Team page: <https://tinyurl.com/y4gcnopx>.

The need this year is greater than ever with so many people out of work. This is a way we can all help.

RLC Seeks Donations of Disinfecting Wipes

One supply Redeemer will need as church council begins to contemplate re-opening the building are disinfecting wipes to make available throughout the building. However, these wipes are difficult to find and, while the congregation will continue to try to order through its regular sources, they have been consistently out of stock. **So, if congregation members happen to see some in stores, they are asked to pick up as many as permitted and share any they don't need for personal use with the church.**

Final Weekly Produce Giveaway Set for Saturday, Sept. 26

The final round of Redeemer's weekly Saturday morning produce giveaway from our own garden will be this **Saturday, September 26**. The giveaway runs from 10 a.m. until items are gone. Picking is at 9 a.m. If you can help, please call **Jon Disbro**. If you have food items to include in the giveaway, please drop them off at the church.

Adult Sunday Education Class on Hiatus, to Resume on October 4

The Sunday Adult Education group will be on hiatus for **Sunday, September 27**. It will resume on **Sunday, October 4** to continue to explore "What Does the Bible Have to Say about _____?"

We'll look at the variety of ways the Bible might address whatever questions and topics people in the class want to examine. You can bet the Bible won't just have one opinion on anything. The first topic we'll explore this Sunday grows out of this election season: What does the Bible say about how we might emotionally live through this very intense and divided campaign and about what our responsibilities are to try to support each other?

We'd love to have your voice and your questions! So join us **Sunday, October 4** from 10 to 11 a.m.

Join the Zoom Meeting ID: 837 8326 6885; Passcode: 043099. By phone, call 646-876-9923. If you don't have the Zoom app, you can join the meeting by copying and entering the following web address in your browser:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83783266885?pwd=S3hqdl1dQR3lUbjdvYU9nWGk3MnI0dz09> .

You would bless us by your participation in this!

Tuesday Bible Study Now Looking at Book of Genesis

The Tuesday Bible Study will begin studying the book of Genesis on **Tuesday, September 22**. If you have Tuesday afternoons free, join us. We are a group of people who are both serious about listening for the Spirit's voice in the text and in each other and serious about supporting each other through whatever we're going through -- and who laugh deeply and often. Give us a try! Get in touch with **Dave Shull** if you have any questions.

To join the group this **Tuesday, September 22** from 1-2:30 p.m., go to the Zoom app and then enter the following information: Meeting ID: 871 3736 6983; Passcode: 619946. To participate by phone, call 646-876-9923. If you don't have the Zoom app, you can join the meeting by copying and entering the following web address in your browser:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87137366983?pwd=T0NoUU5ORmNYN1YrajhpZ2hGR09pdz09>

Sunday Worship Available on YouTube

The **September 20** Sunday worship service is available at <https://tinyurl.com/r6mk2xh>. For the Sunday Worship Bulletin, go to the Redeemer website at www.RedeemerLuth.com >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!

Gather Us In *cont'd from p. 1*

- An offering plate is open to receive your financial gifts at the entrance and exit points.
- The bathrooms are for "emergency" use only. Otherwise the building is not open.

This service will be live-streamed. This means those who do not gather with us on the lawn can watch it while it's happening. It will also be up-loaded to be watched afterwards on YouTube.

You will be contacted by 8:30 a.m. Sunday morning if weather forces us to cancel the outside service. If this happens, the service will still be recorded and live-streamed that morning, and posted on YouTube for later viewing; but the sanctuary will not be open to anyone except the worship leaders and the producers of the video. Let us hope for awesome fall weather 😊!

We ask you to RSVP to the church office at 614-237-1263 or info@RedeemerLuth.com if you plan to attend, with your name and the number of people in your party. We want to be sure there is room for all!

Thank you, God, for bringing us safely to this place. Spirit, be fire of love in our flesh and our bone. *Gather us in!*

Dave Shull

Important Emails

DSnull@RedeemerLuth.com – use for communicating directly with **Pastor Dave**.

Info@RedeemerLuth.com – use for communicating with the office, *Reflections* newsletter, **Office Manager Becky Trover**, healing prayer requests or for general information.

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

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

Itgroup@RedeemerLuth.com – use for communicating with Redeemer’s IT Team for items related to the website.

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

SundaySchool@RedeemerLuth.com – use to offer suggestions for our Sunday School ministry.

Transportation@redeemerluth.com – use to request temporary transportation assistance.

Communications@redeemerluth.com – use to send church related announcements or pictures for sharing on Redeemer’s social media sites. Another way is to tag Redeemer in the posts.

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

Per an update from **Becky Trover**, **Larry** continues to feel much better as he recuperates at home where he is receiving physical therapy. Prayers for healing continue to be requested.

Prayers are also asked for **Nathaniel Bird**, son of **Ashley** and **Judith Bird**, who had an emergency appendectomy on Sunday. He is recuperating at home.

Christ in Our Home Devotional Booklets

The October – December 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 <https://go.augsburgfortress.org/christ-in-our-home-email-subscription>

September Birthdays

21-Jenny Peresta 22-Adam Darst
24-Sheryl Owens 27-Becky Fisher
28-Faith Wick 29-Jennifer Young

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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.

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 <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/> 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 <https://tinyurl.com/y9ohdaov> . 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.

The Wider Church

As Wildfires Rage, LDR Continues to Help, Need Help

Imagine you're home and you hear a knock at the door. An official tells you to pack your essentials and evacuate, as a wildfire is speeding toward you. This is the situation many of our neighbors in the western part of the country are facing right now.

Fueled by a heat wave and unfavorable winds, devastating wildfires are raging across California, Oregon, Washington and other western states. At least 20 people have died, hundreds of thousands of people are under evacuation orders and more than 3.5 million acres have burned across the three states. Some evacuees face the difficult decision of whether to stay in a shelter during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) is engaging with at least three Lutheran social services agencies and five synods to assess the situation and determine the best ways to respond. We expect immediate needs may include food and other necessities, as well as emotional and spiritual care for those who have been traumatized.

"Your gifts will support wildfire survivors. Gifts to "U.S. wildfires" will be used in full (100 percent) to assist those affected by wildfires until the response is complete. Contributions can be made online at <https://tinyurl.com/y5uxywf1>.

"Even as we face multiple crises, together we can reflect Christ's light and hope to our neighbors in their time of need."

'Season of Creation' Devotions Offered by Church Leaders

ELCA Bishop Elizabeth A. Eaton and leaders from The Episcopal Church, the Anglican Church of Canada and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada have prepared a series of devotions to observe the Season of Creation 2020, which is running now through **Sunday, October 4**.

According to Eaton, "The season ... is a time to join with the global Christian community in renewing, repairing and restoring commitments to God, to one another and to all of creation. For the four churches, it is also a time for strengthening relationships with one another. Through Scripture, hymns, advocacy and action, the weekly devotions, which began September 6, invite people to live out their vocation as stewards of creation.

"We pray that our actions as stewards of God's good creation will continue to deepen not only in this season, but for all time," Eaton added. "Even as our relations as churches are not bound by national or ecclesiastical borders, neither is our witness to the One who came to redeem all of creation."

In addition to Eaton, the devotions were contributed by the **Most Rev. Michael B. Curry**, presiding bishop and primate, The Episcopal Church; the **Rev. Susan C. Johnson**, national bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada; and the **Most Rev. Linda Nicholls**, archbishop and primate of the Anglican Church of Canada.

"I pray that these reflections will open hearts and minds to experience our relationship in and with all of creation in new ways," said Nicholls.

In the opening devotion, the leaders stress the significance of a collective responsibility in caring for creation. "Waking up to matters of climate justice and environmental stewardship are among the most important callings people have today. Over many years, through many voices, our churches have come to a growing conviction that loving our neighbor includes loving Mother Earth as a neighbor."

"It is timely, relevant and exciting for our churches to join together in prayer, worship and reflection during the Season of Creation," said Johnson. "With open hearts, minds and souls may we discern new actions and practices to show love for God's creation."

"In this season of activism as we seek God's liberating, life-giving love for all, may these prayers and devotions inspire us to care for a world in which all creation can flourish," said Curry.

The relations among the four churches have moved more closely toward "mutual recognition," bringing into mutual relation the two churches of "Called to Common Mission" in the United States and those of the Waterloo Declaration in Canada. One notable feature of the agreement is that it cites the

experience of Indigenous people “not divided by national borders established by colonialist power” as grounds for expanding shared life among the churches. A Memorandum of Mutual Recognition (MMR) was approved by both Canadian churches in July 2019. The 2019 ELCA Churchwide Assembly adopted constitutional changes embracing the Anglican Church of Canada, and in November 2019 the Church Council adopted the MMR. Once The Episcopal Church acts, the mutual recognition of the four churches will come into full effect.

The Season of Creation devotions are available online at <https://tinyurl.com/y628el5g>.

Survey to Assess Pastoral Needs for Ministry in Multireligious World

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) is conducting a survey to collect the experiences and needs of the church for ministry in a multireligious world. The survey is a first step in the development of guidelines for the church as outlined in *A Declaration of Inter-Religious Commitment: A policy statement of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America*, adopted by the 2019 ELCA Churchwide Assembly and which can be found online at <https://tinyurl.com/y4xax7pq>. The declaration reflects the longtime inter-religious commitments of the church.

The policy statement acknowledged that “there are many pastoral considerations beyond the scope of this declaration, for example, the common reality of multireligious family life. Therefore, the church recognizes the need for the ongoing development of appropriate pastoral aids, including guidelines for inter-religious marriages, pastoral counseling, religious education, and joint prayer services.” Recently, **ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton** appointed an ad hoc committee to undertake the development of such guidelines.

In the survey, issued September 12, respondents are asked questions about their participation in pastoral situations such as inter-religious prayer services, responses to tragedy, social ministry work with partners, and pastoral care for inter-religious couples and families.

“In these challenging times of COVID-19, racism and injustice, our inter-religious partnerships have been as important as ever,” Eaton said. “As we seek to live out our inter-religious commitments, all of us are encountering new areas of pastoral need. Participation in this survey will help us to grow as we serve Christ’s church together in a multireligious world.”

One version of the survey will be emailed directly to active rostered ministers. Another version is available online for participation from ELCA laity, retired rostered ministers, and ecumenical and inter-religious partners. The intention of the survey is to learn from all who participate in ELCA ministries in a multireligious world what their experiences have been, and what guidance and resources they need for the future. The survey will be open for one month, from **September 12-October 12**.

To participate in the survey go to <https://tinyurl.com/y5rv5drs>. Active rostered ministers should take the survey emailed to them.

The Community Beyond Free Masks for Columbus Residents

In response to Gov. Mike DeWine’s instituting a statewide mask mandate, Columbus Recreation and Parks is providing **free** masks at a Produce Drop on the following dates at various community centers.-All locations are open 3:30–5 p.m. “Help slow the spread of COVID-19 and keep the Columbus community safe. Show respect and kindness to others by wearing a cloth face covering in public.”

Adams Community Center

854 Alton Ave. | 43219

Date: Sept. 24

Dodge Community Center

667 Sullivant Ave. | 43215

Date: Sept. 24

Howard Community Center

2505 N. Cassady Ave. | 43219

Date: Sept. 24

Marion Franklin Community Center

2801 Lockbourne Rd. | 43207

Date: Sept. 24

Scioto Southland Community Center
3901 Parsons Ave. | 43207
Date: Sept. 24

Tuttle Park Community Center
240 W. Oakland Ave. | 43201
Date: Sept. 25

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost, September 27, 2020

Lessons

Readings: Philippians 2:1-13; Psalm 96:1-6; Matthew 20:29-34

Prayer for the Times

Gracious God, as schools are opened around this country, keep them safe. Hold them in your loving embrace and shield them from the hatred and violence of this world. Give strength and compassion to every teacher that they may feel appreciated and free to inspire. Give courage and curiosity to every student that they may feel accepted and free to learn. Bless every person who answers phones, cleans bathrooms, drives busses and make lunches. Let this be an amazing year full of wonderful and life-giving memories and let your grace fill them all. We commit them to your care.

AMEN

Prayer of the Day

God of love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Intercessions & Thanksgiving

- + For the people of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Columbus.
- + For Redeemer community members Margie Frazier and Dave Lippert.

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, Bonnie Hegreness, 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, Dolores Brannigan's husband Dave, Becky Trover's sister Maddie and brother Jeff, Jack and Shirley Miller, Deidre (DJ) Zimmer, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Carolyn and Ed Klopfer, Grace Jones' son Chief Warrant Officer Henry Mentrak, Ranel and Neil Hoddinott, Kathleen Zwanziger's brother Mark Zwanziger, Larry and Becky Trover.

Noisy Offering will be for Kaleidoscope Youth Center.

Sunday Faith Exploration Class

On hiatus for Sept. 27; the class resumes on Sunday, October 4

This Week at Redeemer

September 22- 28, 2020

Tuesday

1 p.m.	ZOOM Bible Study
5:00 p.m.	Outreach Team
5:30 p.m.	Suzuki Gathering

<u>Wednesday</u>	7:00 p.m.	Journaling Workshop
<u>Thursday</u>	7:00 p.m.	Race Conversations
	2:00 p.m.	Food Giveaway Prep
	3:00 p.m.	Food Giveaway -LSS/Mid Ohio Food Cooperative
<u>Saturday</u>	9 a.m.	Redeemer Garden Pick
	10 a.m.	Redeemer Garden Giveaway
<u>Sunday</u>	IN PERSON and online	Worship with Holy Communion