



Reflections

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**Spread the Word!
Registration Now Open!**

FREE!

Basketball Skill Building Camp



Larry Jones

former NBA/ABA player & coach
Camp Director

**Girls and boys
Ages 8-14 welcome!**

June 14 – July 23

6:30-8:00 pm

Mondays & Wednesdays

or

Tuesdays & Thursdays



Redeemer Lutheran Church
1555 S. James Road

Call to register – **614.237.1263**

Information meeting

Thursday, June 10, 6:30-7 pm, at Redeemer Church

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OUR CONGREGATION

Ministers - All who gather here in the name of Jesus

Pastor – Rev. David Shull

Office Manager – Becky Trover

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Organist/Senior Choir Director -
Kathy Rapp

Pianist/Chimes Choir Director -
Karen Kent

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2021 CHURCH COUNCIL

President – Julie Johnson

Vice President – Wendy Stoica

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Worship – Julie Larson

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APPOINTMENTS

MUTUAL MINISTRY TEAM

Margie Farnham Marques Highland

Emlyn Ott Krista Skipper

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The Redeemer Community

Virtual Synod Assembly Set for June 4-5

The Southern Ohio Synod Assembly will be held virtually this year via YouTube and Facebook on **Friday** and **Saturday, June 4** and **June 5**. Redeemer's delegates this year are **Julie Johnson** and **Brad Phillips**. It begins with worship on Friday night and continues with the synod's business on Saturday.

Church Council Adopts New Worship Guidelines

Based on the new Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and state of Ohio pandemic recommendations, the Redeemer Church Council adopted these new worship guidelines:

- "We ask that all people, except the worship leaders, wear their masks throughout the service.
- "The far side, or north side, of the sanctuary is set up for social distancing. People who have not been vaccinated or are more comfortable maintaining social distancing please sit there.
- "The south side, closest to the double doors, pews are not restricted and should be used by those who have been vaccinated.
- "Please remain seated throughout the service.
- "You can sing hymns softly with your masks on.
- "Individual communion elements are available to pick up at the front door.
- "If you wish to use one of the first-floor bathrooms, please follow instructions in the bathroom about disinfecting it after your use. Only one person at a time in the restrooms.
- "We will want everyone out of the building by 20 minutes after the service ends."

Southeastern Ohio Thrive Campaign: Equipping a Vibrant Church Together

Wendy Stoica, vice president of the Redeemer Church Council, writes, "At the Synod Assembly in June 2018 we learned how the Spirit is moving in Southern Ohio mission territory. God is doing amazing ministry through rostered ministers, lay leaders, congregations, institutions and agencies as we live together into the synod's vision: *Stronger and Better Together- Joining Jesus in the Restoration of the World*. We could not know then that a pandemic was coming that changed everything and resulted in our living into this vision in a very different and challenging way.

"The synod staff and external consultants provided by the synod extended tremendous guidance and support to Redeemer over the past 14 months to equip us with the ability to livestream weekly worship services. We received regular updates on safe church practices like singing, communion, and gatherings. Synod staff offered webinars on a variety of relevant topics to support church leaders."

As a result, Wendy reports that the church council last week voted to affirm its earlier decision to participate in the synod's "Thrive" campaign initially made in 2020.

"We will be sharing more soon about how Redeemer can both offer and benefit from this campaign."

Anti-Racism Group to View 'Two Distant Strangers'

Redeemer's Anti-Racism group is sponsoring a viewing and discussion of the Emmy Award-winning Netflix show, "Two Distant Strangers" at the church on **Wednesday, June 16**, at 7 p.m., in the Narthex. Folks who haven't been part of this group are welcome to join the group for this viewing. A link to the trailer can be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xPgf-JaWNh8>.

For those who prefer to join by Zoom to watch the video and/or to join the discussion afterwards, and aren't on the Anti-Racism group email list, please let **Pastor Dave** know so he can send you the information.

Redeemer's Basketball Camp Returns This June

Registration is now open for Redeemer's basketball camp which will run **Monday, June 14** through **Friday, July 23**. Run by former NBA player **Coach Larry Jones**, the camp is split into two sessions of 40 participants each on Mondays and Wednesdays and the other, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Sessions run 6:30-8:30 p.m. The orientation for parents and guardians is set for **Thursday, June 10** from 6:30-7 p.m. here at the church.

To register, call the church office at 614-237-1263.

Noisy Offering to Go to ELCA Disaster Relief Program

Redeemer's Noisy Offering – that offering of loose “or noisy” change made during communion – continues to be designated for the ELCA Disaster Relief Fund. Not only has Lutheran Disaster Relief responded to the COVID-19 pandemic here in the United States but it has also responded in places around the world, most notably now turning its attention to the coronavirus outbreak in India where it works with partners and companion churches throughout the country. They are supporting communities by distributing food and hygiene kits, conducting livelihood training for migrants, sharing information about COVID-19 and promoting prevention practices.

Sunday Adult Ed Class Explores the Holy Trinity

This **Sunday, June 6**, the Sunday morning adult education class begins a new series on the Holy Trinity. New voices for the class' Zoom conversations are always welcome! It meets Sunday mornings at 11:15 a.m. if you'd like to dive in with us! Let **Dave Shull** know if you have any questions.

Join the Zoom Meeting ID: 850 2032 6420; Passcode: 689131. By phone call 646 876 9923. If you don't have the Zoom app, you can join the class by copying and entering the following web address in your browser:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85020326420?pwd=MXYSZIZ6UnlyWDNqejZjeDhpRUw1Zz09>

Tuesday Bible Study Continues Study of Psalms June 1

The Tuesday Bible Study continues looking at the book of Psalms on **Tuesday, June 1**. If you have Tuesday afternoon 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, June 1** 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>

Important Emails

Dshull@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 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

A memorial service for **Val Farnham** will be held on **Saturday, June 12** at 11 a.m. here at Redeemer. It will be followed by internment at Forest Lawn. There will be no reception at the church. Val died in January. Prayers for comfort and peace continue to be asked for his family.

A Note of Thanks

Thanks go out to **Murray’s Tool Rental, Best Deal Tire and Lev’s Pawn Shop** for their contributions in support of Redeemer’s Summer Basketball Camp. “We are grateful for their generosity on behalf of youth in our neighborhood!”

Congratulations Graduates!!

Redeemer members are encouraged to reach out to congratulate the following graduates among our Redeemer family. Send cards! Send emails! Send texts! See Redeemer’s directory for addresses.

- **Lilly Glover-Oakleaf** is graduating from Reynoldsburg eStem Academy/Summit Campus and will be attending Columbus State.
- **Maddie Gosnell** graduated from the KC Ballet School.
- **Grace Montgomery** graduated from Lincoln HS in Gahanna and plans on attending Miami University.

Graduating from middle school are **Evelyn Boreman, Sachio In Phillips** and **Corinne Montgomery**. Moving up to middle school is **Andy Skoog**.

June Birthdays

1-Rachel Day 3-John Eyster
3-Malcolm Highland 3-Rob Skoog
4-Ruth Boys 4-Scarlett Brush
6-Nancy Steiner 11-Cassandra Reinoehl
13-Jim Riley 16-Jil Williams
18-Jessica Fisher 20-Katie Jacobs
23-Nathaniel Bird 24-Andy Day
24-Bobby Jimison 25-Ron Willmann
26-Eric Reinoehl 27-Mike Shugert
30-Julie Brush

The Community Beyond

Vaccination Clinic Set for June 14

Registration are now open for a free COVID-19 Vaccine Community Clinic that will be held on **Monday, June 14** at the Far East Recreation Center (1826 Lattimer Dr.) from 12:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. This is for anyone 12 years of age or older. Folks are asked to bring their IDs and insurance cards if they have them. “No one will be turned away.”

While walk ins are welcome, appointments can also be scheduled by going online and copying/pasting this link bit.ly/FERCVax614 into the browser; calling 614-645-1519; or emailing health@columbus.gov. First doses of Pfizer and the Johnson and Johnson vaccines will be offered. Appointments for the second Pfizer dose will be scheduled when the first dose is received.

Interfaith Association of Central Ohio *Responding to Religious Prejudices* *Young Adult Perspectives*

In recent years we have seen a dramatic increase in prejudice, discrimination, and violence against racial, religious, nationality, and gender minorities. How can the experiences of adults inform the understanding of our youth in these troubling times, and how do youth themselves relate to these issues?

The Interfaith Association of Central Ohio (IACO), now in its 36th year, is made up of nine diverse faiths who have come together for one purpose: **To create a vibrant interfaith community based on understanding, friendship, and trust.**

IACO hosts an annual program called the Main Event. This program focuses on current issues of importance within the faith community. This year we will feature videos produced by young adults where they interview members of minority groups who have withstood hatred and misunderstanding.

A panel of young adults will then put these challenges into the context of today’s reality and discuss how we can all move forward and build a more accepting and inclusive society.

If you are a high school senior or college-age young adult or have suggestions of who would be interested in participating in this event as a video producer, panel member, or moderator, please respond by completing the form at <https://forms.gle/DMQys4ZZC1o8UMwm6>

Deadline for response is May 31, 2021.

IACO will cover any reasonable expenses incurred in producing the video. We would also welcome suggestions of adult interviewees who have relevant experiences to share.

Please direct any questions to Kerry via email: office@iaco.org

Getting Ready for Sunday

2nd Sunday after Pentecost, June 6, 2021 Lessons

Readings: I Samuel 8:4-20; Psalm 130; Mark 3:20-35

Prayer of the Day

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Intercessions & Thanksgiving

+ For the people of Ascension Lutheran Church, Columbus.

+ For Redeemer community member Nancy Magargal.

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 and Cathy Oldham, Julie Denniss' uncle Ed Stewart, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their niece and sister-in-law, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Lynn Belhorn's friend MaryAnn, Shirley and Jack Miller, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Carolyn and Ed Klopfer, Nancy Stinson's brother Tom Starkey, Barbara and David Hairston, Grace and Ken Jones, Dora Pinder and family, Heidi Sherer's Aunt Mary and family on the death of her Uncle Joel Sherer, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Kris Kauffman, Terry Warren, Karen Kent and Kathy Rapp's cousin Beatrice Watts Young, Emily Kent.

Noisy Offering will be for ELCA Disaster Relief

Sunday Faith Exploration Class

Sunday, June 6: The Holy Trinity

Led by Pastor Dave

This Week at Redeemer

June 1 - 7, 2021

<u>Tuesday</u>	1:00 p.m.	ZOOM and IN-PERSON Bible Study – Room 2
	5:00 p.m.	ZOOM Outreach Team
<u>Wednesday</u>	1:00 p.m.	RLC at LSS Food Pantry
<u>Friday – Saturday</u>		Southern Ohio Synod Assembly
<u>Sunday</u>	10:00 a.m.	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion on YouTube
	11:15 a.m.	ZOOM Adult Sunday School