

# Reflections

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# **CU Makes News with Scholarship, New Mascot**

Capital University (CU), located in Bexley and affiliated with the ELCA, recently announced that all accepted, full-time, undergraduate students who are entering their first year of college in fall 2022 will receive at least \$20,000 in guaranteed financial aid scholarships. This "Main Street Scholarship" is potentially renewable for up to four years with renewal dependent on minimum GPA requirements and full-time enrollment.

According to the university, "Too many students miss out on academic opportunities due to financial barriers. The Main Street Scholarship provides a starting aid package of \$20,000 to all accepted, first-time college students." It can be applied only to tuition.

Current students are not eligible.

According to the *Columbus Dispatch*, University President David Kaufman knows that this scholarship "is probably a little surprising for many people. But that's the point, he said. He wants people to be surprised that a private liberal arts university could be as affordable, if not more so, than a public college."

The *Dispatch* goes on to note that tuition for full-time undergraduate students at Cap is currently about \$39,000/year, on top of student fees and the cost of housing.

The Main Street Scholarship is funded primarily through alumni and corporate donations, Kaufman said.

This is in addition to the school's 'Project Indigo,' which provides undergraduate students with an iPad and Apple Pencil and an expanded library of apps and tools to make learning happen in real time."

More information on the scholarship and Project Indigo is available on Capital website at <a href="https://www.capital.edu">www.capital.edu</a>.



In addition, Capital recently announced that it has changed its mascot name to the Capital Comets.

The new logo includes a five point star representing Capital's location in the Capital city and

makes a connection to the state flag of Ohio. The two white stars on the top and bottom of the logo represent Capital's Bexley and Downtown Law School campuses. The three purple stripes on the right of the logo represent the flag of the state of Ohio and the white stripes reveal the two tails of the comet.

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#### **OUR CONGREGATION**

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#### **APPOINTMENTS**

#### MUTUAL MINISTRY TEAM

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#### **SPECIAL FUNDS TEAM**

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# **The Redeemer Community**

# RLC's Current Worship Protocol: Love Your Neighbor

- \* Masks are required in worship and in other larger group settings.
- \* Both sides of the sanctuary are set up for social distancing.
- \* Those who wish may stand during the opening and closing hymns and the reading of the Gospel.
- \* During the passing of the peace, we suggest you wave or place your palms together under your chin in the "namaste" posture as a way to share the peace in a distanced way.
- \* Individual communion elements are available to pick up insider the Sanctuary 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.
- \* Please put cellphones on "airplane mode."

## **Congregational Meeting Set for Nov. 21**

There will be a congregational meeting on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 21</u>, following the worship service at about 11:15 a.m., to vote on members for the 2022-23 church council. People can also attend via Zoom

To join the meeting via Zoom, go to the Zoom app and then enter the following information: Meeting ID: 822 5653 9706; Passcode: 804399. To participate by phone, call 646-876-9923. If you don't have the Zoom app, you can join the meeting by copying and pasting the following web address in your browser: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82256539706?pwd=Yjd4Q2VPWk93RVczSng4NE5GOURmQT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82256539706?pwd=Yjd4Q2VPWk93RVczSng4NE5GOURmQT09</a>

Currently, congregational leaders are still looking for individuals to run for the positions of vice president, finance officer and worship. If interested, please contact **Wendy Stoica.** 

In addition, this means that the **Adult Ed Class** will not meet. It will resume on **Sunday**, **November 28** – the first Sunday in Advent – with a four-week class looking at how the Gospels talk about the advent and birth of Jesus.

# Worshippers Asked to Put Phones on Airplane Mode during Services

To address issues with the livestreaming of Redeemer's worship services, folks are being asked to put their phones on "airplane mode" for the duration of the services to cut down on the number of devices trying to access the Internet.

#### **Advent Devotional Booklets Available November 21**

Redeemer's 2021 *Advent Devotional Booklet* will be available in the Narthex beginning <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 21</u>, in regular and large print versions. The devotions will also be available on the Redeemer website: <u>www.RedeemerLuth.com</u>.

If anyone would like a print version mailed to them, please let the office know. Those who would like to receive a daily email with that day's devotion, please contact the office.

# **Orders for Poinsettias for Christmas Now Being Taken**

Christmas Eve Poinsettias are now on sale. Red, white, and pink poinsettias run \$7 per pot. The deadline to order is **Sunday, November 28**.

To order, please complete the form on the envelope (which can be found on the bulletin board next to the library) and put the money, check or cash in the envelope and place in the offering plate. Flowers can be dedicated in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a person or event. If there is no dedication, they will be listed "to the Glory of God". Questions should be directed to **Kay Ernsthausen** at 614-288-8506 or the church office.

# **BREAD Annual Assembly Watch Party Set for Nov. 15**

BREAD has a list of issues that they are currently working on: 1. Jobs, 2. Elder Care, 3. Affordable Housing, 4. Gun Violence, 5. Juvenile Justice, and 6. the One ID Columbus Coalition.

Part of the yearly BREAD cycle is to add one new issue to work on. They do this by conducting listening sessions to learn what people are concerned about and then compiling those results to make a list of possibilities for the new issue.

This year, the list (including the results from Redeemer's five House Meetings) includes: transportation, mental health, substance abuse, education, neighborhood safety, lack of access to health care and the environment (floods/storms, extreme heat/utility bills, contaminated air/water/land, lack of access to nutritious foods).

The team members voted and narrowed that down to these three issues: mental health, neighborhood safety, and the environment.

On <u>Monday, November 15</u>, at the Annual Assembly, the Network Members (including 20 from Redeemer) will vote to decide which of those issues is added. It will then join the other issues in being actively worked on by BREAD.

BREAD network members who are passionate about an issue can join subcommittees to research the issue, find potential solutions, identify the policy makers who can get those solutions implemented and petition them to do so.

Redeemer will have a watch party for the Annual Assembly zoom meeting on <u>Monday</u>, <u>November 15</u>. Whether or not you are a Network Member, you are welcome to see what it's all about.

## **Planning the 2022 Sister Act Calendar**

Sister Act will meet via Zoom on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>November 17</u> to begin to plan for 2022. The topic of "Joyful Revolutionaries" has been suggested as a focus for the next year. **Pastor Dave** has shared messages on this topic the past few Sundays, as Redeemer imagines where it might go, moving forward as the body of Christ.

In addition, the Fall Retreat for 2022 is set for **Friday-Sunday, October 7-9**.

Members are asked to think about the following question in preparation for the planning meeting:

- 1. What topics, books, articles, interests, or experiences might help us develop our understanding of what it's like to be a *Joyful Revolutionary*?
- 2. What service projects might we include in our plans for the year 2022? It might be a project that fits into one gathering or an ongoing project over several months.
  - 3. What format should we plan for meeting together next year?

To join the Zoom meeting, go to the Zoom app and enter the following information: Meeting ID: 811 2128 3225; Passcode: 426031. If you don't have the Zoom app, you can join the meeting by copying and pasting the following web address in your browser:

https://us02web.zoom.us/i/81121283225?pwd=UFpKcGRVWThWekVNUvtmM2FVaFB6Zz09.

# **Stewardship Appeal**

Thanks from the Stewardship Team to all who have returned their response cards, which were dedicated during worship services on Reformation Sunday. If you haven't yet returned your card, please send it in as soon as possible so that it can be included in the total, which is important for planning purposes.

If you need a replacement, just contact the church office or a Stewardship Team member. "We're dreaming together for what can be accomplished in 2022 through Redeemer Lutheran Church."

# **Noisy Offering Will Now Go to ELCA World Hunger**

For now until Epiphany, the "Noisy Offering" – that is the offering of loose or "noisy" change made during communion – will go to ELCA World Hunger.

Working with and through ELCA congregations (in the United States, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands), Lutheran churches overseas and other partners, ELCA World Hunger is uniquely positioned to reach communities in need. From health clinics to microloans, water wells to animal husbandry, community meals to advocacy, gifts to ELCA World Hunger enable the ELCA to respond, supporting sustainable solutions that get at the root causes of hunger and poverty.

By providing immediate relief to those who are hungry, ELCA World Hunger meets basic needs and recognizes the universal human right to food. But ending hunger is about more than food. By connecting people with the resources they need to produce food and gain access to clean water, education, health care and sources of income, long-term, sustainable change is fostered. To learn more, go to elca.org/hunger.

## **Tuesday Bible Study Resumes Nov. 16**

The Tuesday Bible Study resumes on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 16</u> to continue its study of Jesus' parables. It meets both in-person here at church and on Zoom from 1-2:30 p.m.

To join the group via Zoom, 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 pasting the following web address in your browser: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87137366983?pwd=T0NoUU5ORmNYN1YrajhpZ2hGR09pdz09.

#### **2022 Flower Chart Available**

Have an event to celebrate or remember? Somebody's birthday to recognize? The chart to sign up for flowers for Sunday services in 2022 is now on the bulletin board next to the library.

Flowers run \$20 and can be paid ahead of the date by using the envelopes that are also available on the bulletin board. The envelope provides additional space for spelling out the designation – information that is shared in *Reflections* and the Sunday bulletin.

For those not yet coming in to the church, just call **Office Manager Becky Trover** to sign up. Flowers can be taken home after the Sunday service or picked up later in the week.

# Sign Up Now to Read at Worship Services

Readers for Sunday morning services can now sign up for dates now through the end of the year. **Youth** are also encouraged to volunteer. The sign-up sheet can be found on the bulletin board next to the Library.

Readings are sent out the week before to give folks a chance to go through the lessons ahead of Sunday mornings.



# **Special Funds Team Information; Sunday, Nov. 21 Deadline for Nominations for Memorial Funds**

The following information is provided to the Redeemer Lutheran Church (RLC) congregation by the Special Funds Team (SFT) as recommended in the SFT Charter.

#### **Memorial and Special Gifts Fund Information**

The Memorial and Special Gifts Fund receives gifts given to RLC in memory or in honor of an individual/group and these gifts other than usual contributions are considered "Special" by the Congregation Council. The fund may accept two kinds of gifts:

Unrestricted gifts - not restricted as to use by the donor.

Restricted gifts - restricted to use by the donor.

#### **Memorial Gifts Distribution Procedure:**

The SFT shall announce to the congregation (at least annually) the purpose and availability of unrestricted gift monies in the fund, soliciting suggestions for its use. The SFT shall recommend to the Congregation Council any distribution of the Memorial Gifts funds.

The form to suggest recipients for the Memorial Funds is attached to today's *Reflections*. Fill it out and either place in the offering plate on Sunday or return to the church office by <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 21</u>.

#### **Special Gifts: Mary Kohler Ministry Fund Distribution Procedure:**

Applications for educational purposes and for new and existing RLC neighborhood ministries receive priority.

The SFT shall announce to the congregation (at least annually) the purpose and availability of the monies in the fund and solicit suggestions for use. The SFT may recommend a distribution of funds to the Congregation Council. The funds are distributed at the direction of the Congregation Council.

## **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**, healing prayer requests 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.

FinSec@RedeemerLuth.com – use for stewardship campaigns.

<u>Itgroup@RedeemerLuth.com</u> – 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.

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

<u>Communications@redeemerluth.com</u> – 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**

Prayers for healing are asked for **Nancy Steiner**, **Emily Kent** and **Bruce Collins** who are recovering from surgery and for **Bill Boys** who is recovering from a fall.

#### **Updated Redeemer Directory Available**

Redeemer's Directory of members has been updated. To receive an electronic copy or to have a hard copy mailed to you, please contact the church office at 614-237-1263 or via email to <a href="mailto:info@redeemerluth.com">info@redeemerluth.com</a>. Hard copies are available at the church and can be found under the bulletin board in the hallway off the Narthex.

#### **November Birthdays**

16-Karen Collins 18-Carla Baldogo 19-Carolyn Klopfer 20-Zak Hinkle-Moore 21-Andy Jacobs 23-Chelsea Gordon 23-Carolyn Moehring McMeans 24-Judith Bird 24-Sarah Highland 25-Dereck Stewart 26-Grace Montgomery 28-Dave Shull 29-Mary Bowling

# **The Community Beyond**

## **Winter Safety Awareness Week Observed This Week**

In a coordinated effort with the Ohio Committee for Severe Weather Awareness, the state has declared **November 14-20** as Winter Safety Awareness Week to encourage Ohioans to take action now to help minimize the potential risks associated with winter weather.

"Winter Safety Awareness Week is the ideal time for Ohioans to prepare for winter and cold weather-related incidents," said **Ohio Emergency Management Agency Executive Director Sima Merick**. "Take time to restock your emergency supply kits, ensure your home and vehicles are prepped and maintained and review your emergency plans. Also, it's not too late to get vaccinations to protect yourself and family from influenza and the coronavirus."

According to the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) annual U.S. Winter Outlook precipitation map, states in the Midwest including Ohio are leaning toward above-normal or wetter-than-average precipitation this winter.

NOAA also noted that La Niña climate conditions will continue for the second consecutive winter. La Niña is a natural ocean-atmospheric phenomenon marked by cooler-than-average sea surface temperatures across the central and eastern Pacific Ocean near the equator.

As the state transitions into the winter weather season, everyone is encouraged to prepare with the following safety tips:

"Practice fire safety and prevention With the winter months, holiday season, and the continuing pandemic, people will spend more time indoors and will cook, decorate, and possibly entertain more which can lead to an increase in home fires. The best protection is to have working smoke detectors. Test your detectors monthly. Conduct fire drills.

Change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors twice a year – when you change your clocks, change your batteries. Have auxiliary heaters, furnaces, and fireplaces checked or serviced before using.

Remember that cooking-related fires are the number one cause of house fires. Never leave cooking food unattended. Keep towels, potholders, and paper products away from heated stoves.

"Prepare your home for winter Cut and remove low-hanging and dead tree branches. Strong winds, ice, and snow can cause tree limbs to break and cause damage to your home. Have your gutters cleaned. Snow and ice can build up quickly with debris if clogged and cause additional damage.

"Prepare winter emergency supplies kits for the home and vehicle Check the expiration dates on nonperishable food items, bottled water/beverages, and medications. Winter emergency kits should include essential items such as flashlights, extra batteries, blankets, coats, hats, gloves, a battery-operated radio/weather radio, first aid kit, cellphone and charger, and enough nonperishable food and water (one gallon per person, per day) to sustain every household member for several days. Lastly, store food, bottled water, and supplies for each of your pets."

# **Getting Ready for Sunday**

# Christ the King, November 21, 2021 Lessons

**Readings:** Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 93; John 18:33-38

#### **Prayer of the Day**

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

# **Intercessions & Thanksgiving**

- + For the people of North Community Lutheran Church, Columbus.
- + For Redeemer community member Dave Shull.

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, 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, Shirley and Jack Miller, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Nancy Stinson's brother Tom Starkey, Barbara and David Hairston, Grace and Ken Jones, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Kris Kauffman, Karen Kent, Beatrice Watts Young, Arnell Comstock, Dottie Odrosky, Damon Stewart, Kathie Ehrich's sister Betty Weaver, Chad Eberle's mother, Emily Kent

# **Worship Leaders**

**Presiding Minister** Pastor Dave Shull **Assisting Minister** Michele Disbro Interpreter Bryan Neal Crucifer Skye Andree **Cantor** Jennifer Young **Organist** Kathy Rapp **Pianist** Karen Kent Verger Wendy Stoica Usher Neil Hoddinott **Producer** Sue Yehling

Flowers are given by Michelle Clemence in honor of her nieces and nephews Noisy Offering will be for ELCA World Hunger

# **Sunday Faith Exploration Class**

Adult Education: on hiatus

Congregational Meeting for Elections

## This Week at Redeemer November 16 – November 22, 2021

<u>Monday</u>	7:00 p.m.	BREAD Annual Assembly ZOOM Watch Party
<b>Tuesday</b>	1:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	IN-PERSON & ZOOM Bible Study Congregation Council Meeting
Wednesday	11:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Coffee and Conversation Stewardship Team Sister Act In-Person & Zoom
<u>Sunday</u>	8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 12:30 p.m.	Chime Choir Rehearsal IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion IN-PERSON & ZOOM - Congregational Meeting - Elections Senior Choir Rehearsal Confirmation

Mission Endowment Fund 2021 Distribution Nomination
Organization Name:
Address:
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Organization's Purpose:
Amount Requested:
Redeemer member(s) involved with the organization?   Yes  No
If yes, who?
Redeemer member submitting the request:
Please submit to the church office or put in the offering plate on/before November 21, 2021