# 2022 ELCA Churchwide Assembly Summary of Actions

The following summarizes the actions taken at the 2022 ELCA Churchwide Assembly held in August here in Columbus. Gathering under the theme "Embody the Word," the assembly worshiped together in services of eucharist and lament, experienced a liturgy rooted in Indigenous traditions, and heard a public apology in a nonlegislative session to Iglesia Luterana Santa María Peregrina for harm experienced from actions taken by the Sierra Pacific Synod and this church.

The following key actions were taken by the assembly:

- Elected **Imran Siddiqui** of the Southeastern Synod as **vice president** of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).
- Directed the ELCA Church Council to establish a **Commission for a Renewed Lutheran Church** to reconsider the statements of purpose for each expression of this church, the principles of organizational structure and our shared commitment to dismantle racism, with findings to be reported to the 2025 Churchwide Assembly in preparation for a possible reconstituting convention. Directed an external audit of the governing documents of the ELCA to consider diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility, with findings resulting in recommended changes to the governing documents.
- Authorized revisions to the social statement *Human Sexuality: Gift and Trust*; approved exploration of reconsideration of the four stated positions of "bound conscience."
- Encouraged members, congregations and synods of this church to educate themselves about **Indigenous peoples**, calling on the churchwide organization to work with synods and Indigenous partners to identify sources of funding for ministries for Indigenous peoples, and encouraging restorative justice that could include the return of land to the appropriate Native nations.
- Referred a proposed **study of pay gaps** for rostered ministers to the Church Council.
- Mandated a **review process of the roster manual and policies** related to specialized ministries, on leave from call status, and protocols for removal from the rosters; encouraged bishops and synod councils to use sparingly the process of removal from the roster for nondisciplinary reasons.
- Approved the **budget** proposal for the triennium, including a spending authorization of \$68,814,000 for 2023 for the current fund, along with a spending authorization of \$22,869,000 for ELCA World Hunger.
- Affirmed limits on the **use of nondisclosure agreements** by the churchwide organization; urged synods, congregations and other ministries to apply the same limits.
- Reaffirmed the commitment of this church to the **reduction of greenhouse gas emissions**, directing the churchwide organization to set a goal of a 50 percent reduction of net greenhouse gas pollution by 2030, with a long-range goal of achieving net-zero emissions by 2050.

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Ministers - All who gather here in the name of Jesus Pastor - Rev. David Shull Office Manager - Becky Trover

Custodian - Marshall Edgington
Organist/Senior Choir Director Kathy Rapp

Pianist/Chime Choir Director -Karen Kent

Reflections Editor - Judith Bird

#### 2022

#### **CHURCH COUNCIL**

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## **The Redeemer Community**

#### RLC's Current Worship Protocol: Love Your Neighbor

- \* Masks are required coming into the building and in the Narthex. Folks wishing to continue wearing masks for worship are encouraged to sit in the pews on the north side of the Sanctuary; those who wish to remove their masks may sit on the south side of the Sanctuary.
- \* 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 inside the Sanctuary door or folks can now choose to receive communion at the front of the church from masked servers distributing individual cups for the wine/grape juice.
- \* 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 silence cellphones.

#### Calling All Singers!!

Senior Choir rehearsals will begin on <u>Sunday September 11</u> following worship. Choir Director Kathy **Rapp** says the group will practice in the Sanctuary from 11:15 a.m. until noon. "I try to keep rehearsals to 45 minutes so folks can head home and get on with their day. We usually sing three times a month – more if there are special holy days."

The Chime Choir will begin rehearsing in October so watch for news from **Karen Kent**.

"Looking forward to making beautiful music and singing praises to our God."

#### Youth Sunday School/Christmas Program Help Sought

Thank you to all who have volunteered to teach a session of Sunday school for the kids! If anyone is still interested in helping, we're looking for the month of May (May 14), and possibly December. "We have plenty of materials for folks who would like to use them, or the sky can be the limit on what you'd like to do!" reports **Sunday School Superintendent Emily Ott**.

"The biggest ask right now is for someone to head up the Christmas program. If we do this like we have in the past, the Sunday School hour after the service on <u>December 11</u> would be used for practice, and the program would take place during the service on <u>December 18</u>. However, if nobody is wanting to step in to do this the traditional way, I'm open to something new!

"In recent years, the person who leads this has found a children's book relevant to the Christmas story, and one older kid reads the book while the younger ones act it out. It's pretty low stress; we just need someone to be the person to coordinate everybody. I'm sure we'll have many happy helpers!

"If we don't have any takers, then we need someone to volunteer for teaching Sunday School on **December 11**, to do whatever Advent-y or Christmas-y kind of lesson/activity/gathering sounds good to you."

Please contact Emily Ott if you have questions or are interested.

#### **Adult Class Concludes Examination of Values Sept. 11**

The Adult Education Class is conducting a mini-exploration of values, leading to class members' identifying the two values that can be their "true north" to keep them on the path they want to be on. **Pastor Dave** leads the class, based on **Dr. Brene Brown's** book *Dare to Lead: Brave Work, Tough Conversations, Whole Hearts.* 

To join the Zoom meeting, go to the Zoom app and then enter the following information: Meeting ID: 814 1179 0303; Passcode: 645662. To participate by phone, call 312 626 6799. 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/81411790303?pwd=cGNGMHo2K2d1WElzUHRHekRQWUo2dz09

#### **Bible Study to Explore Armstrong Book**

For classes on <u>September 6 and 13</u>, the in-person/Zoom Tuesday Bible study will explore some of the major points **Karen Armstrong** makes in her book, *The Bible: A Biography*. "We'll look at how it came

together, different ways it has been interpreted over the centuries, and how we might hear God's Spirit alive in it today," **Pastor Dave** writes.

To join the Zoom meeting, go to the Zoom app and then enter the following information: Meeting ID: 863 5869 9434; Passcode: 943506. To participate via phone, call 312 626 6799. 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/86358699434?pwd=cTlaaUM5MWl6U29mNGtsQXhuTnIIUT09.

Planning ahead, the Bible Study Group will begin an exploration of the Letter to the Hebrews on **Tuesday, October 11** – after **Pastor Dave** and **Mike Allen** return from their honeymoon.

## **Save Date for Redeemer's 65th Anniversary Celebration**

On <u>Sunday</u>, <u>September 25</u>, Redeemer will celebrate its 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Redeemer members and friends are invited to an old-fashioned Redeemer celebration: a <u>Talent Show and Ice Cream Social</u>. Following worship, folks will gather in the basement Fellowship Hall for a simple lunch provided by Sister Act. Then, they can sit back to enjoy ice cream sundaes and a Redeemer Talent Show.

Talent Show? Yes, Redeemer's got talent and we're looking for folks to share theirs. In the past, we've had groups sing, instruments played, poems shared, and even THE Croatian Stepdancers (thimbles and all) performed. Some of Redeemer's technology talent will be utilized to create a video of life at Redeemer over the last 65 years. Those who'd like to share their talent are asked to contact **Michele Disbro**.

"Redeemer may be turning 65 but we're not retiring from our active ministry in Berwick!"

#### First English Changes Serving Date Just for September

**Kay Ernsthausen** reports that First English asked Redeemer to change serving dates in September to the **fourth Thursday**. As a result, Redeemer will be serving dinner on **Thursday**, **September 22**. The meal will be the usual dinner of sloppy joes, chips, fruit cups, Hostess desserts, and granola bars (soft ones). People wishing to donate should let Kay know anytime between now and **September 18**.

Nonperishable food items can be dropped off in the coatroom. Kay notes that with its being the fourth Thursday, "We will have more than the usual to serve. We will need food for 150 people."

## Next Food Giveaway Set for Sept. 15; Personal Products Needed

There are two more giveaways this year with the next one scheduled for <u>Thursday</u>, <u>September 15</u> on the Redeemer parking. "Extra" items will be personal products such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, dental floss, body lotion, nail care kits, etc. because these items are not available for those using food stamps.

Drop items off in the appropriate container in the coatroom.

#### **Good Neighbors Picnic Set for Sept 24**

The Good Neighbors Picnic will be held this year on **Saturday**, **September 24** at Wolfe Park on the east side of Columbus. Redeemer members and friends are invited to begin donating new or gently used blankets and cold weather clothing and accessories to help provide for homeless brothers and sisters in the Columbus area.

This all-day event was started in 1999 by **Redeemer member William McCulley** along with a few volunteers as part of the National Make a Difference Day.

On the day of the Good Neighbors Picnic, volunteers work to provide a day of celebration including food, music, games, books, family photos, crafts, and shopping at a Free Store for blankets and winter clothing.

Last year over 350 individuals shopped the Free Store which included coats, blankets, winter clothes, shoes, socks, underwear, and personal hygiene items. Men, women, and children of all ages from local shelters are transported to the park for this day of celebration and fun.

Redeemer, along with other faith organizations, community leaders, local businesses and organizations work to gather items for those who are homeless or in shelters. Donations may be placed in the bin located in the cloakroom. Cash donations or gift cards are welcome and may be dropped off at the church office. To learn more about the Good Neighbors Picnic, go to <a href="https://www.goodneighborspicnic.org">www.goodneighborspicnic.org</a>

#### **Booklet on End of Life Choices Available**

Thanks to **Ruth Murray**, Redeemer has copies of the booklet, "Choices-Living Well at the End of Life" that **Nancy Magargal** referenced in her article, "Questions and Answers Around Death and Dying" in the August 22 issue of *Reflections*.

They can be found on the shelf under the bulletin board next to the Church Library and are available for the taking.

#### **Sister Act Plans Fall Retreat**

Sister Act has begun planning its Fall Retreat, <u>Friday-Sunday</u>, October 7-9, at Lutheran Memorial Camp. The theme for this year's event is "Celebrating Our Faith-Filled Journeys."

According to coordinator **Carol Heacock**, "During our time together at the retreat, we will be celebrating our journeys of faith these past two years. We will also spend some time celebrating the lives of women of faith who have come before us, in recent and Biblical times."

The group will be staying in Priebe Center. This facility has a large open room for meetings and fellowship, a kitchenette and 10 bedrooms, each with two twin beds. There is also a patio with picnic tables and fire pit.

The cost for the weekend is \$80 and for a day, \$10.

Suggestions for activities, Bible studies, crafts, music, games, worship, meals, etc. should be sent to Carol, **Michele Disbro** or **Kay Ernsthausen**.

#### **Redeemer to Offer Active Shooter Training**

On <u>Saturday</u>, <u>October 22</u>, from 10 a.m. to noon, the Columbus Police Department will offer an active shooter training here at Redeemer. Given the number of shootings in places of worship, Redeemer's Church Council is sponsoring this program so the congregation might learn some best practices about how to respond if it finds itself in an active shooter situation.

"Of course, we never want to have to face this but no one ever expects it," **Pastor Dave** explained. "So we want to have a plan if it does. This is open to the whole congregation. It would be good to have as many of us trained as possible."

## **New Monthly Book Group Planned**

*Keep your eyes opened for word of a new monthly book group!* Redeemer's summer book discussions have been so successful and well-attended, **Pastor Dave** reports he and **Sheryl Owens** thought it would be fun to do a monthly book group.

However, instead of spending four consecutive weeks on a book, the group will just discuss the whole book on one Wednesday evening. "We plan on having a variety of books – fiction, non-fiction, short stories, essays, poetry. Sheryl and I will pick the first several, and then participants will make suggestions of ones they'd like us to explore together. We'll get an October date to you soon for our first conversation. It will be both in-person and on Zoom."

## **Providers of After-Worship Refreshments, Cookies Sought**

Individuals or groups within the congregation are encouraged to sign up to provide refreshments following a worship service. It doesn't need to be elaborate: cookies, cold iced or lemonade and coffee will do. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board next to the Library for those who might be willing to provide refreshments on Sundays through the summer.

In addition, donations of packaged cookies are also needed. If this is something you can do, just put them on the counter in the kitchen off the Narthex. Questions? Contact **Jon Disbro** at 614-451-3642 or at <a href="mailto:Jon.Disbro@nationwidechildrens.org">Jon.Disbro@nationwidechildrens.org</a>.

#### **CROP Walk Coming Oct. 9**

CROP Hunger Walks are community-based fundraising events held in cities and towns across the United States, created to support the global mission of Church World Service, a faith-based organization transforming communities around the globe through just and sustainable responses to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster.

After a CROP Hunger Walk ends, 25 percent of the funds raised is returned to the host community to support local hunger fighting efforts. One of the recipients in Franklin County is the Mid-Ohio Food Collective, which supplies the produce for Redeemer's monthly food giveaways in the parking lot.

This year's CROP Walk is set for <u>Sunday, October 9</u>. Online donations are preferred, but cash and/or checks made out to **CWS/CROP** are also gratefully accepted. Redeemer's team webpage can be found online at https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/team/redeemer-lutheran-church-2

Redeemer's walkers so far include Heidi Sherer, Kathy Zwanziger and Connie Criswell.

#### **Brewing Faith to Gather Sept. 13**

The small group Brewing Faith will gather next on Zoom on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>September 13</u> at 8 p.m. To join the Zoom meeting, go to the Zoom app and then enter the following information: Meeting ID: 864 5019 9940; Passcode: 615090. To participate by phone, call 312 626 6799. 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/86450199940?pwd=YUxrazVRRWFqeFc1dlB3RTNDYUUxZz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86450199940?pwd=YUxrazVRRWFqeFc1dlB3RTNDYUUxZz09</a>

#### Spotlight on BREAD Network Member Emily Ott

**Kristi Hildebrand** has asked BREAD Network Members to answer a handful of questions, sharing their answers here in *Reflections*. Next up: **Emily Ott.** 

- 1. Name: Emily Ott
- 2. **Justice issues that keep me up at night**: The way we handle poverty it's expensive to be poor, and our society punishes it at every turn. It feels overwhelming because it spirals into so many other problems of safety, health care, quality of life, etc. And then I start thinking about the institutions that keep things the way they are, including the disproportionate amount of people of color who are poor; it's a lot to try to chip away at.
- 3. Why did I join the justice ministry: I felt very strongly called to take action on issues of racial justice. I didn't know what to do or how, but I felt led to speak up in our congregation and community about the need to interrogate our response to racial justice after **Henry Green** was killed.
- 4. **Favorite kind of bread**: Dark rye
- 5. **Justice prayer for 2022**: That we would see some tangible gains, that some of these strategies would have a pronounced impact, to spur greater energy to keep working at this.

## **RLC's Saturday Garden Giveaways Continue on Saturdays**

Redeemer's Saturday morning garden giveaways are now underway and will occur every Saturday through the summer. Picking begins at 9 a.m. while the giveaway begins at 10 a.m. and runs until the week's harvest is gone. Plan to come, help with the picking and the distributing! And if you have extra from your garden, please bring that to share.

## **LSS Food Pantry Needs Donations**

**Kathy Zwanziger** reports that the LSS Food Pantry needs canned tuna, canned chicken, vegetable oil, and wrapped paper towels as well as cash donations. She reminds folks that donations can be leveraged to purchase more items for the same amount than we can on individual items. Whichever way you choose to donate, it is gratefully appreciated!



## Sign Up Now to Read at Worship Services

Readers for Sunday morning services can now sign up for dates over the summer. Readers, including youth and children, are encouraged to sign up on the sheet 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. Readers of all ages are encouraged to participate.

#### **Noisy Offering to Go to Columbus Diaper Coalition**

Redeemer's Noisy Offering – that offering of loose change that is deposited in the offering plate just insider the entrance to the Sanctuary – will now be used to support the Columbus Diaper Coalition.

This coalition began in November 2013 because diapers are not covered by Ohio Works First, SNAP (food stamps) benefits, or any other social-service organization.

The Columbus Diaper Coalition is a diaper bank that currently supports four area food pantries. Since the supply chain for infant supplies has been interrupted and with the added stress of inflation, the diaper bank has more and more demand. The vision of the Columbus Diaper Coalition is to grow into a diaper bank that can serve all of Columbus.

For more information or where to drop off diaper donations go to:  $\underline{\text{http://www.columbusdiapercoalition.org}}\;.$ 

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- Called for a **review of the nomination and elections processes** used by synods and the churchwide organization.
- Responded to **memorials** on diversity; nuclear weapons; voting rights and Washington, D.C., statehood; strategies for fortifying urban ministries; a Black migrant strategy; the right to boycott; gun violence; LGBTQIA+ welcome; substance abuse; *Roe v. Wade*; remembrance of Armenian, Assyrian and Greek genocide; parental and medical family leave; a process for pre-identification of nominees for the Office of the Presiding Bishop; revisions to the mission development process; consideration of communion practices related to remote worship; affirmation of the task force created by the Church Council to review the discipline process; and a social message on child abuse and protection.
- Approved or ratified **amendments to the Constitutions, Bylaws, and Continuing Resolutions** of the ELCA, most of which were related to general clarifications and updates; inclusive language; synod-authorized ministry; designation of advisory members by the Church Council; boards of the separately incorporated ministries; and election procedures for officers and the Churchwide Assembly.
- **Elected members** of the Church Council, Committee on Appeals, Committee on Discipline, Nominating Committee and boards of the separately incorporated ministries.

#### **Important Emails**

Dshull@RedeemerLuth.com – 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.

<u>Property@RedeemerLuth.com</u> – 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 <u>info@RedeemerLuth.com</u> 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 Memorial Service, Luncheon Set for Lea Spang**

The memorial service for **Lea Spang** will be held **Thursday, September 8** here at the church. Visitation is set for 11 a.m. with the service to begin at 11:30 a.m. A luncheon will follow the service.

Lea died Saturday, August 27.

Those who could help provide sandwiches, salads, cookies are asked to contact Kathy Mimlitch at KathyMimlitch@yahoo.com or call her at 614-439-7739.

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Prayers for strength and comfort are asked for **Nancy Stinson** who faces very serious health issues. Prayers for healing are also asked for **Karen Collins** as she recovers from pneumonia. Prayers are also asked for **Sara Auman's** brother following emergency surgery.

<u>Member Directory Updates</u>: Arnell and Tom Comstock have a new address: 5545 GA Highway 178, Lyons GA 30436-2802. In addition, the **Skoog Family** has also moved to 37 N. Stanwood Rd., Columbus OH 43209-1502.

#### Kathy Updates Her Health Status

**Kathy Zwanziger** wrote, "My evaluation by a kidney transplant team was postponed when I had COVID; the next available date is in late October (but I'm hoping someone else will cancel before then). In the meantime, I can look for a living kidney donor.

"Who could donate? Healthy people between 18 and 70 can donate a kidney and have no change in life expectancy. A kidney from a living donor is generally healthier than one from a deceased donor – and the wait for the recipient can be decreased from years to months. Donors are often family members or friends, but some people just want to offer the gift of life to a stranger. Donors are given a complete health work-up; expenses are usually paid by the recipient's insurance company (and would be, in my case). Neither sex nor race matter; blood type does – but if the donor's type does not match the recipient, "paired exchanges" are facilitated, and more lives can be saved.

"For more information about living kidney donation at Ohio State, please visit: <a href="https://wexnermedical.osu.edu/KidneyDonor.">https://wexnermedical.osu.edu/KidneyDonor.</a>"

#### **Piano Available Free**

**Madelyn Zimmer** has a piano that she is giving away to anyone who might be interested. It was purchased in the 1970s at Lazarus and is in excellent condition. If interested, please reach out to Madelyn's daughter May by texting or calling her at 937-728-2643. (She lives in Dayton.)

#### September Birthdays

5-Trina Thornton
7-Bonnie Hegreness 8-Julie Boreman
8-Tom Kent 8-Andrea Steiner
13-Ashley Bird 14-Elyce Herring
15-Kris Kauffman 15-Nancy Stinson
16-Grace Binau 16-Michele Disbro
16-Oliver Glover Oakleaf 20-Paula Carson
21-Jenny Peresta 22-Adam Darst
24-Sheryl Owens 27-Becky Fisher
28-Faith Wick 29-Jennifer Young

## **Community Beyond**

#### **CMOA Exhibit Features Tapestries with Biblical Themes**

The Columbus Museum of Art (CMOA) announced that its newest exhibition, *Raphael —The Power of the Renaissance Images: The Dresden Tapestries and Their Impact*, features six monumental tapestries depicting Biblical scenes. It is now open through **Sunday, October 30.** 

The tapestries have never-before been exhibited in the U.S. and the Columbus Museum of Art is the only American venue for this exhibition.

These massive tapestries were created from the same Raphael paintings as the world-famous versions that were woven in the 16th century to hang in the Sistine Chapel and depict -- in monumental scale and grand detail -- a Biblical moment in the lives of St. Peter and St. Paul. A second set of the tapestries were woven at the Mortlake Tapestry Manufactory outside London. This second set of tapestries was taken to Germany in the 18th century and now, for the first time ever in the United States, these tapestries will be on view at CMOA, loaned by the Old Masters Gallery of Dresden.

The museum strongly encourages weekday visits when the exhibition will be quieter and less crowded and welcomes visitors to extend their visit and enjoy the café and sculpture garden after exploring the museum. Ticket information and information on a variety of seminars on the tapestries can be found online at the museum's website at https://tinyurl.com/3k7rn9a2.

# **Getting Ready for Worship**

## 14th Sunday after Pentecost, September 11, 2022 Lessons

**Readings**: Exodus 32:7-14; Psalm 51:1-10; Luke 15:1-10

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

O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **A Prayer for Ukraine**

For those who are fleeing: sanctuary
For those who are staying: safety
For those who are fighting: peace.
For those whose hearts are breaking: comfort
For those who see no future: hope

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## **Intercessions & Thanksgiving**

- + For the people of Intercessor Lutheran Mission, Columbus.
- + For Redeemer community members Maureen Callahan and Margaret Farnham.

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, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Cora Marquez, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their sister Betty Weaver, Stan Heacock, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Jon Denniss, Mary Bowling's sister Val, Grace and Ken Jones, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Kris Kauffman, Sam Hudson, nephew of Laura and Terry Warren, on being deployed to Bulgaria, Kelley (Scott) Frank, Brittany Amon, Becky Trover's sister Maddie Sutphin, Nancy Stinson, Lea Spang's family.

#### **Worship Leaders**

**Presiding Minister** Pastor Dave Shull **Assisting Minister** Connie Criswell Reader Katie Jacobs **Cantor** Scott Steiner Bryan Neal **ASL Interpreter Organist** Kathy Rapp **Pianist** Karen Kent Verger Wendy Stoica Usher Zak Hinkle-Moore

**Producers** Scott Steiner, Helen Brunston **Communion Set-up** Sara Auman, Julianne Johnson

Flowers are given by Judith and Ashley Bird in celebration of their anniversary and Ashley's birthday Noisy Offering will go to the Columbus Diaper Bank

#### **Upcoming Week at Redeemer** September 6 – September 12, 2022

<b>Tuesday</b>	1:00 p.m.	In-Person / zoom Bible Study
	5:00 p.m.	Executive Team
	7:30 p.m.	Berwick Civic Association
Wednesday	12:30 p.m.	RLC and LSS Food Pantry - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
<b>Thursday</b>	6:30 p.m.	Caregivers Support Group
<b>Saturday</b>	9 a.m.	Garden Giveaway
Sunday	10 a.m.	IN-PERSON / LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 a.m.	Senior Choir Rehearsal
	11:15 a.m.	Sunday School for All
	11:15 a.m.	IN-PERSON / ZOOM Adult Sunday School