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Our Mothers' Gardens

"I have heard the bible and have learned that Eve caused man to sin. Well if woman upset the world, do give her a chance to set it right side up again. The Lady has spoken about Jesus, how he never spurned woman from him, and she was right. When Lazarus died, Mary and Martha came to him with faith and love and besought him to raise their brother. And Jesus wept - and Lazarus came forth. And how came Jesus into the world? Through God who created him and woman who bore him."¹ **Sojourner Truth**

In 1851, Sojourner Truth gave a speech in which she made a statement. "I am women's rights." She then turned to the stories of the Christian traditions, making meaning of them that had a particular interest in her Black life as a woman. Over a hundred years later, Black women such as **Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Emilie Townes, Jaquelyn Grant, Delores Williams, Renita Weems, and Katie Cannon** began to write theologies, ethics, and biblical scholarship that took their lives as Black women seriously. As Weems has said, "(they) wrote themselves into the academy." These women like **Shiphrah, Puah, Jochebed, Miriam and Sheshan**², in Sunday's sermon, began a revolution in Christian theology. These women began to call themselves womanist and started writing and preaching for the liberation of Black women.

Jaquelyn Grant highlights the concerns of these women in the introduction of her book *White Women's Christ and Black Women's Jesus*. She writes that "one who does not challenge the concept of a God and Christ who allow the evil of a socially unjust society is merely a tool of White supremacist ideology."³ She then goes on to lay out ways in which White feminism Christology is limited as it does not take in account the lives of Black women who live in the "triple oppression of racism, sexism, and classism."⁴ These Womanists began to wrestle with how Jesus's Good News was Good News to them and not White supremacy, patriarchy, and the wealthy. Much like Sojourner Truth all those years ago, they took the Christian traditions and made them liberative for "the least of these."

On **September 10** and **24**, and **October 1** and **8**, Redeemer's Sunday morning Adult Education Class will be exploring the themes and ideas of Womanism. I will offer a brief introduction in week one to major ideas and thinkers in the field. Then in the following three weeks, we will explore how Black women have interpreted the biblical text in ways that offer liberation for them and to the whole community.

Naomi Fae Morgan

¹ "Compare the Speeches – The Sojourner Truth Project, accessed August 27, 2023.

<https://www.thesojournertruthproject.com/compare-the-speeches/>

² The name of Pharaoh's daughter following Wil Gafney's commentary in *Womanist Midrash: A Reintroduction to the Women of the Torah and the Throne*.

³ Jacquelyn Grant, *White Women's Christ and Black Women's Jesus: Feminist Christology and Womanist Response*, American Academy of Religion Academy Series, no. 64 (Atlanta GA: Scholars Press, 1989), 2.

⁴ *ibid*

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The Redeemer Community

Some Ways to Connect at Redeemer as Summer Comes to Close

The following highlights a number of ways that folks can be involved here at Redeemer over the summer:

Ongoing on Saturdays: At 9 a.m., Redeemer gives away the produce from the garden. (Harvesting begins at 8:30 a.m.) Volunteers are needed to help for a couple of hours each week. Contact **Jon Disbro** at 614-832-2639 with questions.

Ongoing Sundays: Readers are needed for the Sunday services throughout the summer. A sign-up sheet can be found on the bulletin board next to the Library. Readings are sent out the week ahead of the service. **Readers of all ages are welcome to participate in this ministry.** Also adults are invited to join the adult education sessions following worship at 11:15 a.m. in Classroom 2. This is both in-person and on Zoom. (See separate article this issue for information on the **Sunday, September 3** session.)

First Wednesdays: Redeemer serves at the Lutheran Social Services Food Pantry on the first Wednesdays, with the next day on **Wednesday, September 6**. It runs from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Questions? Call the church office at 614-237-1263. Or sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board next to the Library.

Highlights of August Church Council Meeting

Sue Watson provided this report on the **Monday, August 21** meeting of the Redeemer Church Council: “Lots to report this month. First, don’t forget the **Ministry Celebration** coming up on **Sunday, September 17!** As we celebrate our 66th anniversary, we hope to make this event a celebration of all the great things going on at Redeemer. A potluck lunch will be held following worship in the Fellowship Hall. Canes Chicken will be provided and everyone is invited to bring a side dish or dessert.

“Also, **Michele Disbro** shared that after negotiating with lawyers, the Executive Team accepted a settlement payment from **Mark Nye** for \$25,000. This money will be applied to our building fund. We are very grateful for all the work **Julianne Johnson** put in helping settle this case. “

“So everyone is aware, **Pastor Dave** is planning his Sabbatical from **July 30-November 4, 2024!**

“Lastly, the financials showed that giving was down in June but was better in July. Our net income has a very slim margin at this point.”

CROP Walk Coming Up!

This year, the CROP Walk is scheduled for **Sunday, October 1** – a little earlier than in previous years. Once again, the Redeemer Lutheran Church Team is gearing up to do the walk to raise funds for alleviating hunger, both here in the Columbus community and around the world.

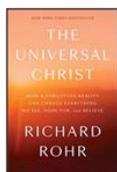
So far, **Wendy Stoica, Kathy Zwanziger, Heidi Sherer** and **Connie Criswell** will be walking. Anybody who would like to join them would be more than welcome.

Contributions to support Redeemer’s walkers can be made on the team’s webpage at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/redeemer-lutheran-church-2>.

Pastor Dave to Wrap Up Discussion of Rohr Book

Pastor Dave will lead the wrap-up discussion of the end of the book *The Universal Christ* in the Adult Ed Class on **Sunday, September 3** because 1) the class did not finish the book **August 27** and 2) **Al Rider** is preaching elsewhere the next two weeks. In addition, folks will be welcome to raise other questions they may have. The class begins about 11:15 a.m. in Classroom 2. The class is both in-person and on Zoom at the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88957366923?pwd=TnV6cFB4ZUpET25USTgzZ0diZlhnQT09>

Meeting ID: 889 5736 6923; Passcode: 383835; phone only+1 312 626 6799.



Calling All Ringers, Singers

Yes, it's that time of the year to begin planning to include rehearsals for Redeemer's Senior Choir and Chime Choir in the schedule! Beginning **Sunday, September 3**, Senior Choir rehearsals will now be held Sunday mornings from 8:45 to 9:30 a.m. Then beginning **Thursday, September 7**, the Chime Choir will rehearse Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

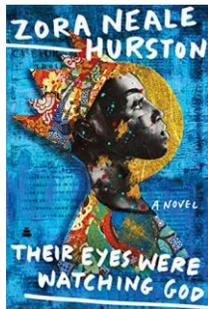
All about Redeemer' Booklet Provides Overview of Congregation

Why is September 8, 1957, important to Redeemer Lutheran Church? This and many other questions are answered in the new "All About Redeemer" booklet.

The Outreach Team created this booklet to help new and seasoned members learn about Redeemer's history, guiding principles and what it means to be a Redeemer member. Folks are invited to pick one up. It can be found on the shelf next to the Library, just off the Narthex.

Book Group to Read Hurston Work

The Redeemer book group on **Wednesday, September 20**, 7-8:30 p.m., will read and discuss *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, by **Zora Neale Hurston**. When she was writing in the 1920s and 30s, Hurston was faulted by many Black male writers of her day because they didn't believe she was taking the realities of racism seriously. She died in 1960 impoverished.



Then the University of Illinois Press reissued this book, and she has come to be seen as among the most important Black writers in the 20th century.

Alice Walker, author of *The Color Purple* and other works, says, "There is no book more important to me than this one."

Be patient with the dialect! Hurston writes dialogue as she hears it. Though it might be a challenge to many ears initially, one gets used to it. And it rings with authenticity and beauty.

We are always blessed by new readers!

Sister Act Sets Next Event for Sept. 10

The September Sister Act Event will be **Sunday, September 10** at 12:30 p.m. (after church) in the kitchen and Fellowship Hall. The activity will be preparing lunch together and then enjoying it.

Kay Ernsthansen and **Michelle Clemence** are leading this event. They will be determining the menu and creating a list of ingredients for participants to bring.

Due to the nature of this activity, it is important to have an accurate count. Please RSVP by **Wednesday, August 30** by contacting Kay. Please include any food allergies that the cooks should be aware of.

Good Neighbors Picnic Set for Sept 23; Donations, Volunteers Sought

The Good Neighbors Picnic will be held this year on **Saturday, September 23** 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.

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 www.goodneighborspicnic.org

Carol Heacock reported Sunday that she has already taken two carloads of donations to the picnic's drop-off location.

She also encouraged folks to consider volunteering at the event, noting the website includes information about the different types of assistance that is needed from setting up/tearing down to working in the "store" to serving food.

'Ordinary Is Extraordinary' Artwork Now Up

The new exhibit of members' artwork in the Narthex – "The Ordinary Is Extraordinary" – is now on display. It recognizes that the church is now in the "ordinary season." The theme also ties into the Adult Ed Sunday Class that **Al Rider** is leading over the Sundays in August. (See separate article, this issue.)

Journaling Workshop Coming This Fall

The following was written by **Mark Katrick**, who will be leading the journaling workshop **Saturday, October 14** from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. here at Redeemer. Folks planning to attend are asked to sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board. Contact **Rich Pautsch** with questions.

Mark writes:

I LOVE TO WRITE!

"At a high school journalism camp, an instructor advised me to "not let my head hit the pillow before writing something!" Since that day and time, I've done my best to follow this good advice as a sports reporter (my first job), religion columnist and high school journalism teacher. This is not to mention 40 plus years of writing sermons, meditations and prayers as a pastor.

"Perhaps a better way of putting it is I LIVE TO WRITE. and in a spiritual sense I write to live. As a trained and certified spiritual director, I'm blessed to comb the depths of my spiritual connection with the Holy One, living learning and growing through prayer, contemplation and journaling, and helping others to do the same.

"It is my great joy and blessing to be able to spend time with you, whether you are curious about journaling or dedicated to journaling. The workshop will be on **Saturday, October 14, 2023** from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. During this time, through various forms of imagery like music, art, photography and the written word (of course) we'll explore ways to journal our blessings (given and received). The spiritual guide in me simply says that this is a time to just breathe in the breath of God, and be together to do that blessed thing each one of loves to do and lives for each day."

Redeemer Safe Church Team: Staying Safe in Public Places

Here are some reminders about staying safe in public places, including houses of worship. This includes a refresher on Avoid, Deny and Defend in responding to armed intruders. These tips are not meant to frighten or alarm you, rather let them remind us to be alert to our surroundings and prepared to protect ourselves, our families and our neighbors.

Prepare before

- Stay alert. Always be aware of your environment and any possible dangers.
- If you see something, say something to local authorities. That includes suspicious packages, people behaving strangely or someone using strange communications.
- Observe warning signs. Signs might include unusual or violent communications, substance abuse, expressed anger or intent to cause harm. These warning signs may increase over time.
- Have an exit plan. Identify exits and areas to hide wherever you go, including work, school and special events.
- Learn lifesaving skills. Take trainings such as You Are the Help Until Help Arrives and first aid to assist the wounded before help arrives.

Stay safe during

- Seek safety. Getting away from the attacker is the top priority.
- Cover and hide if you can't evacuate.
- Fight only as a last resort. When you can't run or take cover, attempt to disrupt the attack or disable the attacker.
- Take care of yourself first. Then, if you are able, help the wounded get to safety and provide immediate care.

Know what to do after

- Remain calm.
- Keep hands visible and empty.
- Report to designated areas.
- Follow law enforcement's instructions and evacuate in the direction they tell you to go. Listen to law enforcement for information about the situation. Share updates as you can with family and friends.

AVOID: Move away from the source of the threat as quickly as possible. The more distance and barriers between you and the threat, the better.

DENY: If you cannot AVOID - Create barriers to prevent or slow down a threat from getting to you. Turn the lights off. Remain out of sight and quiet by hiding behind large objects and silence your phone.

DEFEND: If you cannot AVOID or DENY - be prepared to defend yourself. Be aggressive and committed to your actions. Use any object as a weapon. Do not fight fairly. Fight to survive.

BREAD Campaign Updates

Redeemer's BREAD liaison, **Rob Sievert-Wagner**, recently shared updates on four campaign items:

Stop Violence...Build Trust!

The Columbus Violence Reduction (CVR) program - the National Network for Safe Communities program that we pressed for and won - had its first call-in this week. This marks a major step forward in saving lives from senseless gun violence. The *Columbus Dispatch* had some great coverage of this important event.

Environmental Justice

While committee research may be on hiatus, work to increase the tree canopy is not! The Recreation & Parks Department released an update on the implementation of the Urban Forestry Master Plan, which reported that nearly 2,000 trees were planted along streets and in parks this spring to expand the tree canopy. This planting targeted priority neighborhoods like the Far South that have much less tree coverage than other Columbus neighborhoods. The update also shared that American Forests, a national nonprofit, will be developing a Tree Equity Score Analyzer (TESA) for Columbus. Those interested in staying in the know about the UFMP can sign up for their newsletter [here](#), or visit their [website](#).

Housing

The housing committee continues to urge the Columbus City Council and Franklin County Commissioners to dedicate \$146 million towards affordable housing. Just before Independence Day, Housing Committee leaders spoke at both the city council and county commission meetings with miniature versions of the United States flag for each official and a note that read, "How can people truly be independent if they don't have an affordable place to live?"

Juvenile Justice

In June, BREAD leaders were able to visit Walnut Ridge High School to see restorative practices in action! Columbus City Schools acknowledge that the implementation of restorative practices is the result of BREAD's efforts, and we will continue to press for all schools to have this life-changing practice in place. To read more about the visit, click here: <https://tinyurl.com/27h7m8ck>.

Tuesday Bible Study Now on Summer Hiatus

The Tuesday Bible is now on a summer hiatus. It will resume in the fall after Labor Day, on **Tuesday, September 5.**

Noisy Offering to Hawai'i Relief Efforts

Beginning **Sunday, September 3,** the Noisy Offering will go for the Hawai'i disaster relief. Funds will be sent directly to the ELCA synod in Hawai'i.

As has been reported in previous issues of *Reflections* from RLC member **April Smith**, "The ELCA has 10 congregations in Hawai'i, spread across four islands. My friend and Westerville native, **Pastor Keith Wolter**, is the Dean of the Hukilau Conference, which is the assembly of these 10 congregations as a region of the Pacifica Synod. The Pacifica Synod is now accepting donations for Hawai'i relief efforts following the devastating fires on the islands of Maui and Hawai'i (The Big Island).

"The ELCA churches on the islands are safe although they have members and friends who have suffered losses of life and property. Kehei Lutheran Church writes: 'We have been deeply grateful to witness how Aloha shows up: Native, Local, resident, transplant, etc. We're all individual threads that create this complex twine, binding together all who live here on Mother Maui.'

"Your gifts in their entirety will be used to support emergency relief efforts on the Hawaiian Islands of Maui and Hawai'i in response to the August 2023 wildfires that have claimed lives and destroyed homes and businesses. All funds received will be sent to organizations and agencies providing direct relief to those affected by the fires. ...

"Please continue to pray for all of Hawai'i as these tragedies will impact everyone statewide.

"Mahalo (Thank You)"

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

Faith Wick Dies

Redemer member **Heidi Wick** reported on Facebook this weekend that her mother **Faith Wick** died **Friday, August 25** at the age of 93 – just short of her 94th birthday at the end of September. “Mom was an artist, special education advocate, entrepreneur and so much more,” Heidi wrote. A memorial service is planned for **Saturday, September 2** in Grand Rapids MN which the Wick-Hustead family now lives. Prayers of comfort are asked for the family which also includes Heidi’s husband **Don Hustead** and her children **Zoe** and **Forest**.

A Thank You

Kathy Zwanziger writes, “Thanks to all those who help at our Saturday morning garden giveaways, especially **Jon** and **Michele Disbro** for heading up the garden, and **Sue Yehling** who heads up her own garden and brings MANY pounds of produce.

“We generally have about 20 guests, who have become a real community. This past Saturday we had a woman whose birthday was that day (we all sang Happy Birthday) and another woman who brought cupcakes for all because her birthday was Sunday. It’s great to be part of bringing food and fellowship to our neighborhood. Thanks for the support of the congregation for this ministry!”

Kids’ Fest Now on RLC’s YouTube Channel

Thanks to **Kristi Hildebrand**, video of Redeemer’s Kids’ Fest is now on the church’s YouTube channel at <https://youtu.be/TsxfWGJA-TI>. **Katie Jacobs**, who led this year’s event, wrote, “Thanks to all of you ... for your help! I was a little stressed about this, but it was a great day! Couldn’t have happened without all of you!”

Basketball Camp Concludes Successful Year

According to **Mike Benis**, Redeemer’s 2023 Basketball Camp under the leadership of former NBA player **Larry Jones** ended the season with an average of 25 boys and girls ages 8 to 14 participating nightly in the camp which ran Mondays through Thursdays on Redeemer’s parking lot.

Benis also reported tremendous support this year from the parents who often stayed to watch the practices and who contributed to the new hoops that will be installed in the coming days.

August Birthdays

29-Heather McGurer 31-Lynn Bellhorn

September Birthdays

1-Joanie Engel 2-Julie Hutson
5-Trina Thornton 7-Bonnie Hegreiness
8-Julie Boreman 8-Tom Kent
9- Andrea Steiner 13-Ashley Bird
14-Elyce Herring 15-Kris Kauffman
16-Sarah Binau 16-Michele Disbro
16-Oliver Glover Oakleaf 20-Paula Carson
21-Jenny Peresta 22-Adam Darst
24-Sheryl Owens 27-Becky Fisher
27-Karen Rider 29-Jennifer Young

An Update from Kathy Z.

“At my three-month ‘anniversary’ last week, several of my restrictions were lifted (e.g., I can vacuum again!), but I still must be very careful around dirt. Who knew dirt/soil had so many bad things in it! I may do all my stretching exercises again, and I may lift over 10 pounds (but ‘don’t overdo it!’). I only need to have labs drawn once a week. The ‘dance’ with meds will continue: enough to prevent certain infections and yet enough to not reject the new kidney. I may drink communion wine, but still may not eat anything with grapefruit or pomegranate (interfere with meds), nor raspberries, strawberries, cauliflower, or broccoli—because of the possibility of dirt in them. I may eat at restaurants, but not buffets.

“THANKS to all of you who supplied me with food (I got some new recipes!), gift cards, or cash; to those who mowed my lawn; to those who planted or weeded or dead-headed for me; to those who drove me to appointments; and to all who inquired about my health. I am feeling good – if I get my daily nap and drink 90 oz. of water every day! It’s great having you as my family.”

The Wider Church

Prayer Concerns for Week from ELCA

These following petitions are suggested by the ELCA for folks to include in their daily prayers:

28 Many seasonal workers are heading home, back to school or toward new employment. Give thanks for their work and service throughout the summer; pray that they will find employment, housing and benefits that sustain them and their families; and pray that their spirits will be renewed and sustained in welcoming communities of faith.

29 Praise God for the diverse gifts of our siblings in Christ. Give thanks that our unique gifts and abilities intersect to spread the gospel, serve our neighbors in need, and grow and strengthen our communities of faith.

30 Remember in prayer students who live with a range of physical, cognitive and emotional disabilities. Pray that they will receive caring and skilled support, affirmation of their gifts and abilities, and inclusion and encouragement in our congregations.

31 Give thanks for our church’s history of affirming the value of lifelong education. Give thanks for teachers who nurture faith, teach life skills and help people of all ages use their gifts and passions to serve neighbors in need and do God’s work in the world.

Sept. 1 Pray for God’s protection, reassurance and wisdom as climate change impacts every aspect of our lives including work, economic systems, community resilience, food stability, immigration, and physical and emotional well-being. Remember in prayer those impacted who are particularly vulnerable to poverty, hunger or illness.

2 Give thanks to God for the love and forgiveness we have in Jesus Christ; unshakeable, it endures amid all that seems unstable, temporary and conditional in our world.

3 The suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus may not seem logical to us. Pray for the Spirit to reveal the truth of God’s profound gift to us through Jesus Christ — love, forgiveness, a new identity and eternal life.

4 Labor Day On this day we pray for the work people do to sustain themselves and their families and benefit their communities and society. Pray that all will receive fair wages and benefits, work in safe environments, receive respect and gratitude, experience joy and fulfillment in their labor and be renewed through times of sabbath. Remember in prayer also those seeking employment or unable to work.

Getting Ready for Worship

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 3, 2023

Lessons

Readings: Exodus 3:1-15; Psalm 26:1-3, 8-12; Matthew 16:21-28

Prayer of the Day

O God, we thank you for your Son, who chose the path of suffering for the sake of the world. Humble us by his example, point us to the path of obedience, and give us strength to follow your commands, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

A Prayer for Schools

Oh God, bless our schools, that they may
be places of learning and safety where
teachers challenge the minds and
nurture the hearts of students.

Grant that teachers and students may
work together in mutual respect and find
joy in the challenges of academic life.
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.

Intercessions & Thanksgiving

+ For the people of Resurrection Lutheran Church in Hilliard.

+ For Redeemer community member Barbara McCoy.

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, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their sister Betty Weaver, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Becky Trover's sister Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Laura Warren's brother Walt Hudson, Julie Larson and husband Eli who is receiving cancer treatment in Houston, Kathleen Zwanziger, Phillip Hall and Kirstin Roberts, Pastor Al Debelak, Chris Doss and Adam Howard, Carolyn Moehring, Kris Kauffman, Mary Watts, Kelley Frank's parents Charlotte and Wayne Frank

Worship Leaders

Presiding Minister	Dave Shull
Assisting Minister	Connie Criswell
Cantor	Scott Steiner
ASL Interpreter	Bryan Neal
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chime Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Ashley Bird
Verger	Michelle Clemence/Wendy Stoica
Hospitality	Michelle Clemence
Communion Prep	Sara Auman, Julianne Johnson
Producers	Sue Yehling, Scott Steiner

*Flowers are given in honor of Ruth and Bill Boyes 60th anniversary!
Noisy Offering will go to Hawai'i Synod of the ELCA*

Upcoming Week at Redeemer

August 29-September 4, 2023

Saturday	10:00 a.m.	Garden Giveaway
Sunday	8:45 a.m.	Senior Choir
	10:00 a.m.	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship
	11:15 a.m.	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education

Redeemer's mission: To be followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all

Redeemer's vision: To foster understanding and healing in community

Redeemer's Values: Inclusion, Compassion, Justice