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Enjoying Fall at Redeemer

It's 90 degrees as I sit in my home office Sunday afternoon writing this. So the word "fall" in the title didn't exactly roll off my fingertips. And yet the school buses rolling down the road, the shorter days, and those couple of days last week when I had to close the windows that have been open much of the summer bring the undeniable truth that the season is changing. And in the church, the new season brings some new ways to enjoy being with people in the Redeemer community. So check out the list below and see what might sound like something you'd like to check out:

Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1 p.m. and weekly: Exploring the Bible. There's so much in the Bible we're not aware of, and don't understand or connect with. Here's a chance to change that! Our 90-minute afternoons together invite us to bring our insights, curiosity, honest questions, and favorite snacks. This fall we begin exploring The Acts of the Apostles. Not too familiar with it? Come and change that! Join Zoom Meeting ID: 822 5966 0622; Passcode: 435549; at the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82259660622?pwd=R2pHTWl1bHR0N1FHbFRZdStqbk9Bdz09>
Phone only: 301-715-8592.

Thursday, Sept. 7, 6:30 p.m. and weekly: Chime Choir rehearsal. You've enjoyed listening to them as they lead worship once a month. What about showing up at their first rehearsal of the fall and try your hand – or wrist – at making music? There's a unique joy in making music together – and you'll be surprised at the beautiful tunes you will help create, even if you don't think you've ever done anything musical in your life! Reach out to director **Karen Kent** to have all your fears dispelled: 527780KK@gmail.com; 614-648-8393.

Sunday, Sept. 10, 10 a.m. During the worship service, backpacks and briefcases will be blessed and Bibles will be presented to Redeemer's second graders.

Sunday, Sept. 10, 8:45 a.m. and weekly: Senior Choir rehearsal. Ditto the above, but instead of using a chime, you'll use your God-given voice to help lead worship in ways that touch and delight us all. Contact **Kathy Rapp** if you have any questions: arappthing@hotmail.com ; 614-565-2945.

Sundays, Sept. 10 & 24 and Oct. 1 & 8: New adult education class on the theology of "Womanism." In the August 28 *Reflections*, Trinity Seminary student and Redeemer member **Naomi Morgan's** front-page article described what she hopes to engage us around in this four-week offering. It's something that's new to most of us, so we have a lot to explore and ask about. And womanism might open you to new, meaningful ways to experience God and connect to Scripture.

Tuesday, Sept. 12, 6:30 p.m., and every second Tuesday: A Brewing Faith: our Zoom theology pub. If you've ever wanted a super-informal, non-threatening place to

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OUR CONGREGATION

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The Redeemer Community

Closing a Chapter

Julianne Johnson reports that over 20 years ago, during the time Redeemer renovated the building, the congregation went through a legal battle with the original architect/contractor who walked off the job.

The details are many, and some painful, but Redeemer emerged from the renovation stronger and with a very real lesson that the church is more than the building that holds the members. The contractor lost his architect license after Redeemer filed a complaint with the state architect board. The legal battle went to trial and the court found for Redeemer and the contractor was ordered to pay the congregation \$110,000. In all these years Redeemer has never received any money from the contractor.

This summer, the church was approached by the contractor's attorney about settling this case. Council authorized the executive team to negotiate and an agreement was reached for \$25,000. Last week that payment was received. Papers will now be filed with the court to dismiss Redeemer's various claims against the contractor. Council has designated these funds to go toward building expenses.

Celebration! Sunday Set for Sept. 17

Join Redeemer **Sunday September 17** as the congregation celebrates many aspects of who we are. That Sunday will be **Choir Sunday**, always a favorite! September is also **Redeemer's anniversary**, having been officially organized September 8, 1957.

This year, in addition to a potluck meal, all the ministries and activities that go on at Redeemer will also be celebrated!

The meat and drinks will be provided: folks are asked to bring a favorite side dish, salad, or dessert. "We will gather in the Fellowship Hall after the service. We will end our celebration with the dedication of brand new basketball hoops that have just been installed. They will be dedicated to **Larry Jones** who is the inspiration and coach at our annual six-week summer basketball camp," **Julianne Johnson** writes.

Sept. 8 Deadline for Good Neighbors Picnic Donations; Volunteers Sought

Redeemer's Coordinator **Carol Heacock** announced Sunday that **Friday, September 8** is the deadline to drop donations off at the church for this year's Good Neighbors Picnic although items can still be taken directly on the day of the picnic: **Saturday, September 23** at Wolfe Park on the east side of Columbus. New or gently used blankets and cold weather clothing and accessories are needed 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 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.

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 and Sunday School) 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. Those who have signed up, should receive an email with what ingredients to bring to this event. While the deadline to RSVP has passed, anyone still wishing to participate should contact Kay.

CROP Walk Coming Up!

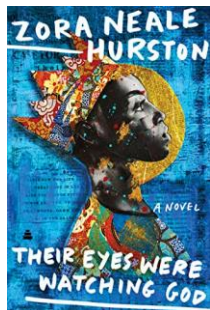
This year, the CROP Walk is scheduled for **Sunday, October 1** – a little earlier than in previous years. Once again, the Redeemer Lutheran Church Team is gearing up to do the walk to raise funds for alleviating hunger, both here in the Columbus community and around the world.

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>.

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!

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.

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."

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.

Noisy Offering to Hawai'i Relief Efforts

The Noisy Offering is now going 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. Kehe 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)"

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explore questions about life and theology, this is for you. We often eat and drink at home while we're discussing whatever topic(s) we choose for the evening. It is a really great way to get to know a small, lively group of people. The Zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81765916972?pwd=bjJ0T1JlbG1keXpsV205TWNHVUFpQT09>

Sunday, Sept. 17, 11:15 a.m.: Potluck to Celebrate Music, Ministries, our 66th Anniversary, and the Dedication of Our New Basketball Hoops. We are so glad to be able to share our creative culinary skills with each other at these potlucks. Who knew there were so many ways to make devilled eggs? We will feast together and celebrate the remarkable variety and number of ways we are God's hands and feet. And you'll have a chance to connect with any of these you feel like exploring. Then we'll gather outside by the hoops and dedicate them to founding coach of our summer basketball camp, **Coach Larry Jones**.

Wednesday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m.: Monthly/Third Wednesday Book Group: The joy of a book group is that someone in the group always picks up something the rest of us missed ... and it comes as a gift! We do this group in-person and on Zoom. For September, we're discussing *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by **Zora Neale Hurston**. There are plenty of copies in the library.

Thursdays, Sept. 21 and Oct. 19, between 1-4: The last Mid-Ohio Food Cooperative/Lutheran Social Services Food Giveaways of the year. Watching the transformation of an empty parking lot into a drive-through fresh produce market where love and joy are real enough to touch is only one of the reasons to be part of this ministry. Another is you connect with other members of this community as you bag cucumbers and put boxfuls of amazing stuff into backseats and trunks. You can just show up and you'll be put to work. **The September giveaway "extras" are personal items such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, dental floss, etc.** These items can be dropped off in the coatroom.

Saturday, Oct. 14, 9 a.m.-noon: Journaling Workshop led by Mark Katrik. The facilitator of our monthly journaling group, **Rich Pautsch**, invites journalers and non-journalers to this exploration of the variety of ways we can be stimulated to journal blessings. The monthly journaling group meets the **fourth Thursday** of the month at **7:00 p.m.**

Sunday, Oct. 15, 11:15 a.m.: BREAD conversation. Redeemer is part of Building Responsibility, Equality, and Dignity (BREAD), a Franklin County-based interfaith justice advocacy group. Participants in this conversation will learn about the latest BREAD successes, what our involvement is making possible, and what justice issues you care about.

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 fall. 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. Readers are needed for Sundays, September 10 and 17.**

First Wednesdays: Redeemer serves at the Lutheran Social Services Food Pantry on the first Wednesdays, with the next day on **Wednesday, September 6. One more volunteers is needed to fill out Redeemer's teams this week.** 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.

Pastor Dave

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

Congratulations to **Bill and Ruth Boys** on their 60th anniversary!! To see what 60 years looks like, look for Bill's magazine "Old Pics for Our 60th Anniversary" which can be found in the Narthex on the table under the TV!

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Prayers for healing are asked for **Sue Yehling** who is recovering from COVID-19.

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Connie Criswell advises members that it will soon be time to be signing up to write a devotion or two for Redeemer's **2023 Advent Devotional Booklet!**

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Lose a crockpot; want a coffeemaker? Two ownerless crockpots have been removed from the basement kitchen and owners are asked to reclaim them. In addition, there are two carafe-less coffeemakers, if anyone is interested in claiming one. If not claimed, they will be donated – or pitched. They can be found on tables in the Narthex.

'Christ in Our Home' Available

The October-December 2023 edition of "Christ in Our Home" is now available in the Narthex for anyone who would like a copy. Feel free to take an extra copy to share with family or friends. Or, it can be mailed. Just contact **Becky Trover** in the church office to request a copy be mailed to your home. Reach her at 614-237-1263 or via email at info@redeemerluth.com

Bishop's Email Hacked

Bishop Dillahunt reports that her email has once again been hacked and that individuals, congregations and ministries have received emails and text messages seeming to be from her or members of the Southern Ohio Synod staff using an unfamiliar email address and asking for financial help or gift cards.

These emails are not from Bishop Dillahunt or any member of the Southern Ohio Synod staff. They suggest not engaging, reporting as spam to the email or cell phone providers and deleting the email, blocking the sender and the phone number.

September Birthdays

5-Trina Thornton 7-Bonnie Hegreness
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:

5 Pray for the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians, an ELCA Worship partner organization, and the “Hearts Hands Voices” workshops offered across the country for church musicians to learn new skills, share best practices and build relationships.

6 Pray for the strength and humility to treat others with love, respect and compassion, especially those whom we find difficult to love or whose politics, personal values, religious beliefs or worldview differ from our own.

7 More than 828 million people in the world — including in the United States — experience hunger, and an estimated 2.3 billion face food insecurity, an increase over previous years. Pray that our concern will move us to action and generosity and that our work together through ELCA World Hunger, Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Federation and other organizations will bring relief and hope to our neighbors.

8 “Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart” (Jeremiah 15:16). Pray for the word and wisdom of God to become part of our very being as we study Scripture, hear and share the gospel, and converse with our siblings in Christ.

9 Remember in prayer young adult delegates gathering in Wisla, Poland, prior to the Lutheran World Federation Assembly to worship, build community, discuss concerns and priorities, and prepare for the event.

10 “God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday on the 10th anniversary of our annual day of service, give thanks for the chance to draw closer to our neighbors and embrace them as children of God, listening with respect and empathy and responding to their needs.

11 Ask God to help us understand more fully how our lives and faith express God’s love, compassion and respect for the neighbor. “To be your presence is our mission bold, to feed the poor and shelter homeless cold, to be your hands of justice, right uphold, alleluia!” (ELW 546).

Getting Ready for Worship

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 10, 2023

Lessons

Readings: Roman 13:8-14; Psalm 119:33-40; Matthew 18:15-20

Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through 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.

Intercessions & Thanksgiving

+ For the people of St. John Lutheran Church in London.

+ For Redeemer community members Heather and Madalyn McGurer.

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, Carolyn Moehring, Kris Kauffman, Mary Watts, Kelley Frank's parents Charlotte and Wayne Frank.

Worship Leaders

Presiding Minister	Dave Shull
Assisting Minister	Michelle Clemence
Cantor	Wendy Stoica
ASL Interpreter	Bryan Neal
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chime Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Nate Ott
Verger	Michelle Clemence/Wendy Stoica
Hospitality	Katie Jacobs
Communion Prep	Sara Auman, Julianne Johnson
Producers	Scott Steiner, Michele Disbro

*Flowers are given by Ashley and Judith Bird to celebrate Ashley's birthday and their anniversary!
Noisy Offering will go to Hawai'i Synod of the ELCA*

Upcoming Week at Redeemer

September 4 -September 11, 2023

Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Executive Meeting by ZOOM
	7:00 p.m.	Berwick Civic Association
Wednesday	12:30-3:30 p.m.	RLC at LSS Food Pantry
Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Chime Choir Rehearsal
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	Garden Giveaway
Sunday	8:45 a.m.	Senior Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship: Blessing of Backpacks/Briefcases and Presentation of Bibles to 2nd Graders.
	11:15 a.m.	Sunday School for All Ages
	11:15 a.m.	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
	12:30 a.m.	Confirmation Class

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