

# Redeemer Resource

Redeemer Lutheran Church

Rochester, Minnesota

75 YEARS: Remembering Rejoicing Reaching Out

## Time to Rejoice!

Please plan to be with us this Sunday as we give thanks to God for 75 years of blessing. We look forward to welcoming back many former members and church workers.

**WORSHIP at 8:00 & 10:40 am**

### NOON MEAL

Ham and scalloped potatoes. Free -will offering. (We hope the funds received will cover the costs of the food and other anniversary expenses.)

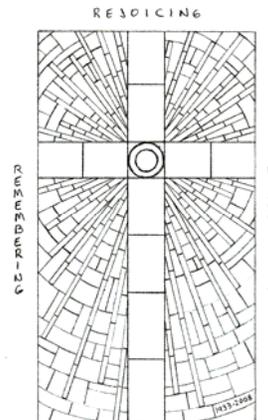
### PROGRAM AT 2:00 pm

Former and current members will have a chance to share greetings and memories.

### DISPLAYS

Displays will be available to look at all day. Memorabilia items will be available, including history booklets, granite plaques, and leather bookmarks.

**"This is the day the Lord has made,  
let us rejoice and be glad in it."**



### Mission Statement

*"As Christians based on the solid foundation of God's Word, empowered by the Holy Spirit we strive to live out, lift up, and share our faith in Jesus Christ - welcoming all into our family of believers."*

### JULY 2008

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## WORSHIP THE LORD WITH GLADNESS!

### JUNE 26/28/29

We will celebrate Redeemer's 75th Anniversary with Scripture readings from 1 Kings 8:22-30, 1 Peter 2:1-9, and Matthew 5:13-16. The theme will be "Remember the Past to Work Towards the Future." Holy Communion will offered at all services.

### JULY 3/5/6

We will celebrate the Eighth Sunday After Pentecost with Scripture readings from Zechariah 9:9-12, Romans 7:14-25a, and Matthew 11:25-30. The theme will be "Helping All To Live Life To The Fullest." Holy Communion will offered at all services.

The Service of Prayer for Healing will be in all services this weekend. The ancient practice of anointing with oil will be available for those who so desire.

Our Bethesda participants will also be sharing some of their experiences during our services.

### JULY 10/12/13

We will celebrate the Ninth Sunday After Pentecost with Scripture readings from Isaiah 55:10-13, Romans 8:12-17, and Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23. The theme will be "Free As Sons."

New Members will be welcomed during the 8:00 am service.

### JULY 17/19/20

We will celebrate the Tenth Sunday After Pentecost with Scripture readings from Isaiah 44:6-8, Romans 8:18-27, and Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43. The theme will be "Living In A Sinful World." Holy Communion will offered at the regular services.

Outdoor Service - in addition to our regular services, we will have a special outdoor worship at Slatterly Park, at 11 am, on July 20. Our Vacation Bible School students will be sharing their experiences with us. A potluck picnic will follow.

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS. . .

### Hospitalized and Health Concerns:

- ✝ Agnes Moyer, Bill Cochran, Louise Blazing, Marlene Jacobson, Roger Peterson, Charlie Hinsch, Ray Rahman, Roland Hansen, Duane Nisbit, and Veryl Blue

### Grieving:

- ✝ the family of Ed Lagergren who passed away on June 5
- ✝ the family and friends of Mae Eickhoff who died on June 6
- ✝ The family and friends of Mel Pepper who passed away on June 22

### Rejoice:

- ✝ With Tom and Dory Moore who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 3
- ✝ with Ev and Marion Mueller who celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary on June 9
- ✝ with John and LaVon Pavek who celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary on June 16
- ✝ with Carl and Evie Burfeind who celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary on June 16
- ✝ with Arlan and Elnora Hilstad who celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary on Friday, June 20
- ✝ Jennifer McRoberts and Matthew Young who were united in marriage at Redeemer on Saturday, June 21
- ✝ with Harold Preibe who celebrated his 80th birthday on June 25
- ✝ Ray and Loretta Rahman who are celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary on June 30

### Encouragement/Guidance:

- ✝ for Nina Hesby as she travels with LAMP to Alaska teaching VBS
- ✝ for our "Fan Into Flame" emphasis
- ✝ for those planning our summer Vacation Bible School
- ✝ for all those participating in KINDLE
- ✝ for the youth and adults attending the Bethesda Servant Event
- ✝ for our 75th Anniversary Celebration
- ✝ for Dean Jensen, Kara Broisma, Paul Rengstorf, Mick Reese, Diana Reese, Eric Hauan, Jill Hauan, and Lori Lynn Reinstrom as they complete their 40 hours of ChristCare training this month

## TAKE NOTE:

A SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING will be held on Sunday, July 27, to consider the request of the Church Council to sponsor Rev. Jacob Gillard and his family as they move to Uganda this Fall. This is through our Synod's "Together In Mission" program. We would transfer the \$9000 per year support we had been providing to the May family to the Gillard family. If we decide to sponsor Pastor Gillard, he will be available to preach for our services on Rally Day weekend.



 **FAN INTO FLAME** - We rejoice to share that members of Redeemer have pledged \$54,642 to this special mission emphasis -- and commitments are still coming in! Through these "over and above" gifts, we will be able to begin new ministries in the United States and around the world, as part of our goal to share the Gospel with 100 million people by 2017, the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

**NEW MEMBER SUNDAY** will be Sunday, July 13, at 8:00 am service. If you are interested in joining Redeemer, please speak with Pastor Settle by July 1.



**REDEEMER PRESCHOOL** - We have passed the fire marshal's inspection and are now busily getting ready to start in September. Contact Lynn Schoppers at Rochester Central

Lutheran School (289-3267) for more information.

## WE REMEMBER:

**ERNESTINE "MAE" EICKHOFF** was born in Faulkton, SD on March 11, 1920, and was made a child of God through the Sacrament of Baptism on November 18, 1934. She married Victor Eickhoff in 1940, and their marriage was blessed with two children, Karen (Lindenmuth) and Don Eickhoff.

After a stay at Samaritan Bethany Heights, Mae went to live with her Savior on June 6th, 2008, where she now joyfully waits for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. The funeral in her memory was held at Redeemer on June 10th, 2008.

Please remember her family in your prayers, as they look forward in faith to the day when all who are in Christ will be reunited again.

**EDWARD LAGERGREN** was born June 28, 1913, in Sauk Rapids, Minnesota. He was made a child of God through the washing of baptism on August 10, 1913, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Sauk Rapids, where he would later give public witness to his faith in the Rite of Confirmation on April 24, 1927.

He and Louise Liefson were married at Trinity Lutheran on June 29, 1938. Their marriage was blessed with two children, Richard and Joanne. Ed and Louise moved to Rochester in 2001 to be near their children, and joined Redeemer in 2003. An avid outdoorsman, Ed was slowed down by Alzheimers in recent years, until he was welcomed into the heavenly kingdom on June 5, 2008. A memorial service was held at Redeemer on June 21.



## STAFF NOTES

Have you ever heard the term "the dog days of summer"? Supposedly, summer time is the lazy, slow-paced time of year, where we can slow down and catch our breath. But I've discovered that for me the "dog days of summer" are less and less like a bloodhound asleep on the front porch and more and more like a greyhound running on a race track!

When I was a kid, summer time was the time to work with Dad, hang out with friends and family and get some rest. Now, I see kids having all-year sporting events, year-around school, work, and tons of extracurricular activities that don't give them (or their parents) a break. We also had "blue laws" growing up, where Sunday was the time for businesses to close so people could worship the Lord and get some rest. Now, it seems every minute counts in our world, and 24/7 stores are a dime a dozen.

With all this outside pressure to keep busy, the "dog days of summer" can feel like a distant memory. What's a Christian to do?

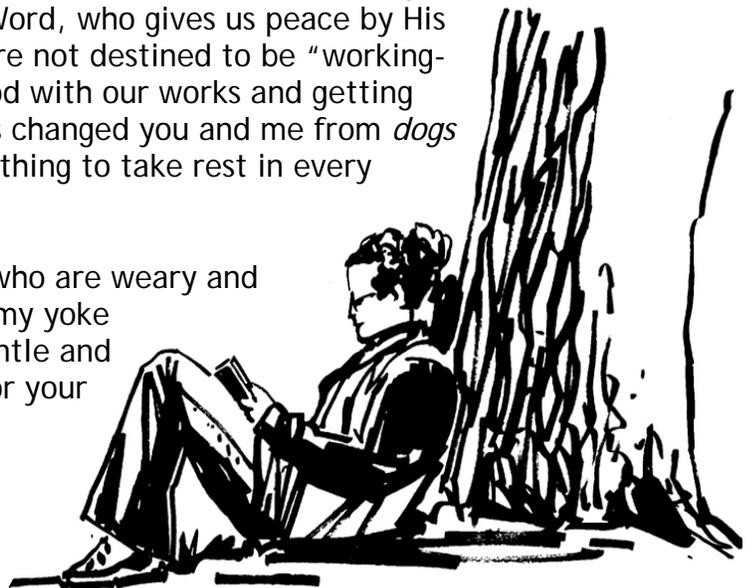
When God gave the Ten Commandments to Moses, He thought that rest was so important He devoted an entire Commandment to it. He said, "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day." (Exodus 20:8-11)

God rested on the seventh day, not because He was "dog tired", but to set an example for *you and me*. We need rest. We need recreation - a time to "re-create" ourselves and to take our rest in the Lord. Take time in your day to go to the Lord in prayer and read His Word. If you haven't in a while, try starting your busy day with a devotion - like reading Portals of Prayer - for one week. You won't believe how different your perception of that week will be, in spite of it's busy-ness!

As Christians, we have the blessing that, because of Jesus - EVERY day is a Sabbath day! We take our rest in God's Word, who gives us peace by His Spirit every day. He assures us that we are not destined to be "working-class dogs", aimlessly trying to please God with our works and getting nowhere. Because of the cross, Jesus has changed you and me from *dogs* - to *sons and daughters*! And that's something to take rest in every day, not just the Sabbath!

Matthew 11:28-29 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

- Pastor Rance Settle



Jesus said, "Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down His life for his friends. You are My friends."

John 15:13-14



## The countdown has begun . . . *Friendship Trek* starts soon!

Registration forms are available on the *Friendship Trek* table in the narthex, call the church office (289-5147), or register online at [www.redeemer-rochester.com](http://www.redeemer-rochester.com).

### Take a Tag!

The donation board is in place in the narthex by the VBS table with supply tags identifying supplies needed for snacks, crafts and other VBS activities. Take a Tag! (or two or three) Your help (and your prayers) are greatly appreciated.

### Registration Deadlines

Two registration deadlines are coming up – **July 1** if you would like us to send an invite to one of your friends, and **July 6** if transportation is needed.

### Christmas in July

Trees, trees, and more trees – Ficus or evergreen - keep them coming! Be sure to label for identification. Would you be willing to bring an artificial tree to Redeemer July 13 and stay to help set up the wilderness theme for *Friendship Trek*? Sign up on the VBS table.

**NEEDED** – Decorating crew – *Friendship Trek* has a wilderness theme. Help is needed to transform Redeemer into "God's Country," complete with scenery and forests. Scenery painting will be scheduled at volunteers' convenience. Set up will start after the 9:30 a.m. service on Sunday, July 13, 2008, with light refreshments served. "Striking the set" will start at the end of VBS on Friday, July 18. Sign up at the *Friendship Trek* table in the narthex or call the church office, 289-5147.

### Calendar note –

Sunday, July 20: A special service celebrating all we have learned and shared at VBS will be held at 11 a.m. at Slatterly Park, followed by a potluck picnic. Special music by the children. Everyone is welcome!

**Friends are great gifts from God . . . and the greatest friend of all is Jesus, our Savior!**



## The Most Challenging Mission of All

*“. . . I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.” Matthew 25:40.*

I remember standing in the bus station as if it were yesterday. I asked three people for help. They all looked at me. “Nie Anglicky.” [No English.] I was tired. I hadn’t slept or eaten since leaving Berlin nearly a day before. I was carrying 50 pounds of books to donate to a school to which I’d never been and all my supplies for a several-month-long stay at a third year mission school. Someone was supposed to meet me. No one was there. Another person passed and looked at me as if I were the devil herself. Exhaustion turned to fear. Fear turned to despair. “My God,” I thought, “why am I here?” I cried.

I remember the feeling I had hours later when a Slovak man arrived, looked at me, and called me by name ... took me to his family ... fed me soup ... laughed with me ... and gave me his daughter’s bed. As if my dad were there to tell me it was okay. As if God were physically there. In a few short hours, my entire concept of missions changed. I was the served, and my mission was to learn.

Through my Slovak mission experiences, God allowed me a small window into the lives of the thousands of international persons who dwell among us every day. God taught me to question the notion that mission happens “over there.” It can. Yet for most Christians, mission needs to happen right here to the people God brings to us now. And in that, Christ comes both to them and to us.

The lessons I learned those first months in Slovakia seem obvious now. It is hard to live in a foreign place without friends or access to resources. It is lonely when you don’t have language skills and most of the people in the country wish you would leave, or worse, don’t care that you are there as long as you don’t bother them. It is painful to exist where one doesn’t understand the routine, the ritual, the food, the language, the music, anything. It is alienating to go weeks without ever feeling really safe, really normal, really like yourself. I cried more heartfelt, truly painful prayers in the first weeks that I was in Slovakia than I thought I could physically produce. I thought I could do anything and that I had a good background to minister and that I was ready to do what I was doing. I had no idea. Yet internationals around me understand completely what I experienced.

They know how frightening it can be to step on a bus with no idea where the bus will go and no ability to ask for directions. They know how frustrating it is when a friendly wave sends someone walking the other way. The internationals living around us have stood in a supermarket and felt tears because nothing looks familiar. Or in a hospital while people talked over their dying child and they understood nothing. These international persons understand what it means to have to ask for help with everything from government papers to transportation to shopping and housing. They understand what it is like to feel like a child desperate for a Father to show mercy. To make them feel at home. To laugh with them. To remind them it will be okay.

Living here in our mission field are internationals, refugees, and students. Some of these people are Christian, here seeking sanctuary in their faith. Others know little if anything of Christianity. They are here for safety, security, and education denied to them in their countries of origin. Yet, their experiences are remarkably similar. They may have been here a week or a year, yet don’t feel they belong. Many are lonely or extremely limited in their support system. Often they are without family, friends, or spiritual support. Resources may be limited. Surroundings are unfamiliar. Nothing is normal. Food. Clothing. Smells. Music. They are strangers in a strange land.

They seek the comfort of home, friendship, and acceptance. They long for people to listen to their stories or share a joke, to break bread or rice balls or soup dumplings with them. And they need people to help them with the most basic skills to make life bearable. Through tears, they see the cold stares, hear the foreign tongue, and feel isolated from all that they used to know. God sees their sadness, hears their cries, and weeps for them. But to most of us, the international persons remain invisible.

They don’t have to be. We have a calling. To see the people among us. To call them by name. To invite them into our homes. To know them. To do for them ... the least of these. The most challenging mission of all.

*Dr. Renea Gernant, Associate Professor of Communication, Concordia University, Nebraska, Fall, 2005 "Issues in Christian Education". A publication of Concordia University, Seward Nebraska.*

## NOTES OF THANKS:

**THANK YOU** for the May basket that I received. You did a great job, and I enjoyed visiting with Jan Dicke. Thanks to the Youth group that made it up. I really appreciated it. Thank you also to Pastor Heining for bringing communion.

- *Steff Porter*

**THANK YOU** - I wish to extend thanks to those kind members who called me, or sent messages of comfort and also to the Sarah Circle for their gift and message. Erik, 26, my beloved and only grandson was killed in a gas explosion at his home in Granby, Colorado. Of all the loss of lives in my family and those of other dear ones, Erik's has got to be the most traumatic and grievous. It is a nightmare. Thank you for your prayers -- God's blessings!

- *Helen Lenz*

**THANKS** to Project Compassion for the flowers, to Rebecca Circle for the may basket filled with goodies and the birthday cards. Thank you to the Strelow's and Jolene Heining for delivering. Lawrence and I appreciated Pastor Heining and Pastor Settle's visit during the months we were unable to make it to church due to health problems. We thank the Lord for having been able to attend Redeemer for 55 years.

- *Lawrence and Eldora Krueger*

**THANK YOU** - As no one can put into words how great our Lord has been to all of us. I can not put into words how much your prayers, support, visits, and cards have meant to me during my surgery. Only through all your prayers and blessings from the Lord, I have healing.

Pastor Jim and Pastor Rance thank you for all your prayers and visits giving the strength and support needed.

May all of you be blessed as you have blessed me with your prayers.

- *Dorothy Beach*

**THANK YOU** - I really enjoyed receiving a May basket which included cookies from the Rebecca Circle. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

- *Florence Burgardt*

**THANK YOU** - A big thank you to Pastor Jim and Pastor Rance and all the Redeemer people for their care, concern, and words of encouragement during Owen's struggle with Alzheimer's. Also for the hugs, cards, visits, and memorials given. You are all so appreciated.

- *Ele Moore and family*

**THANK YOU** - We would like to thank the members of Redeemer who sent cards, called, and wished us well upon our 60th wedding anniversary.

- *Tom and Dory Moore*

**THANK YOU**

Dear Redeemer Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for allowing us to spend our last two nights in your church. We appreciate your service, especially at such late notice. We were able to gain some much needed rest and enjoy our time in your spacious and comfortable facilities. Our stay in your church allowed us to easily access and explore Rochester on our day off. Your generosity and the generosity of those in the community has inspired us to continue strong in our travels and toward furthering our cause.

Sincerely,  
Illini 4000 Riders

*(Twenty young people from the University of Illinois, spent the night at Redeemer on July 20 and 21. They are bicycling across America to raise money for cancer research.)*

## R.L.C.W. SPONSORED EVENTS

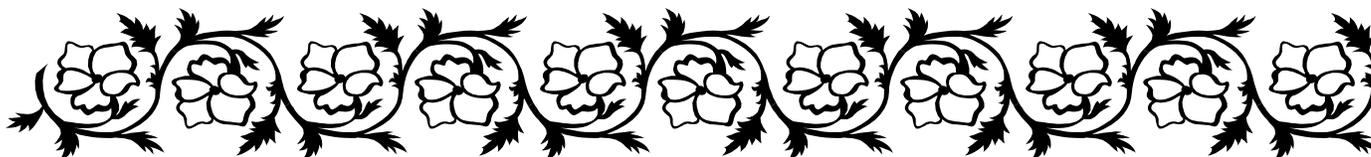
### **"CHURCH BASEMENT LADIES - A SECOND HELPING" 1969-1970 Plymouth Playhouse Sunday, October 12**

The cost is \$69 and includes lunch, transportation, and theatre ticket. Lunch will be baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, tossed salad, corn, rolls, beverage, and dessert. We will depart from the Rec Center's west lot at 10:30 am and return back at approximately 6:15 pm. No refunds will be issued after September 10. Registration forms are available in the narthex. Please turn your completed registration form and payment to the church office. There is a limit of 45 people. If you have any questions, please contact Jan Rump or Jan Walters.

### **WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!**

Several of the ladies who have served on the Redeemer Lutheran Church Women board, would like to "retire" after serving for several years. We are in need of a Vice President/Christian Growth, 1 LWML Delegate, a Secretary, and a Mission Service chair.

All positions will be mentored and only require a willing heart to serve. If you are interested, please contact Sandy Weiden at 287-6885 or by email at [sandyweiden@q.com](mailto:sandyweiden@q.com).



## A LITTLE LAUGHTER

When my grandson asked me how old I was, I teasingly replied "I'm not sure." "Look in your underwear, Grandma," he advised. "Mine says I'm four."

A second grader came home from school and said to her mother, "Mom, guess what? We learned how to make babies today." The mother, more than a little surprised, tried to keep her cool. "That's interesting," she said. "How do you make babies?" "It's simple," replied the girl. "You just changed the 'y' to 'l' and add 'es'."

### **BULLETIN BLOOPERS:**

- The Fasting and Prayer Conference includes meals.
- The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water." The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."
- Don't let worry kill you off -- let the Church help.
- For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
- The peacemaking meeting schedule for today has been canceled due to a conflict.

## 75th ANNIVERSARY MEMBER MEMORIES

by Lynette and Lynora Miller

Since we joined Redeemer we have had so many wonderful and new experiences. Right from the beginning we felt we belonged here. Everyone was very welcoming. We joined the choir right away and it wasn't long before we began teaching Sunday School. We didn't drive the first few years we were here and so many people were kind enough to give us rides to church services and special events. With Darlene Vatland and Linda Eickhoff we became the Young Adult group. We never did get very large, but we had a lot of fun and even sponsored a couple of chili/barbecue dinners with a talent show. We especially liked going to the Cities for a weekend to site see and do some shopping. Darlene was so small that we talked her into riding the children's rides at the mall!

It wasn't long before we were asked by the deaconess intern to help chaperone a youth retreat at Whitewater State Park. The Tschida's were two of the other counselors. We especially remember that was the one that Roger and Rodney Toomey, along with a few other boys, picked up and moved the Tschida's Volkswagen down the road. Tony was not real happy about that! We came home after the weekend totally exhausted, but had a great time and that started a whole new meaning in our lives.

One retreat that we had especially sticks out in our memory. We had gone to Frontenac for a weekend with Randy Lantz and Gene Swygman as the male counselors. During the day our weatherman, Steve Sutterer, kept telling us it was going to storm. Well, it did start to rain heavily and storm that night. We were quite nervous and most of the youth were also, but we had a hard time convincing the guys (we had a hard time even waking them up!). We finally convinced them we needed to take shelter so we all headed towards a simple picnic shelter slipping and sliding all the way in the mud. After a short time, a car pulled up and it was Tracy and Adeline Lockman who had a trailer in Lake City. They got us all in their car and the other two cars we had and took us to their trailer (there were almost thirty of us). We all slept there that night and went to church the next morning where the usher put us right in the front row still wearing the clothes from the night and not being able to shower. When we went back to the campsite, several tents were not only down, but twisted!

Another wild experience was the night we were in Colorado for the Youth Gathering and a hail and rain storm hit while we were enjoying a concert at Red Rock. We all got separated from each other and had to sit in buses until it was safe to drive back to our hotels. Thankfully, none of our group was hurt though several others had injuries.

We worked with many members over the years who helped us out as counselors. They include Randy Lantz, Gene Swygman, Tami and Bill Cook, Dave and Betty Dickerman, Harriet and Marlin Haack, Bob and Carol Sonnabend, Pat Fitch, Dave Galanits, and Paul Lewis. We have also appreciated all those who have helped out with Camp Matz including Sheila Staver, Kim Jensen, Pastor Jim and Jolene Heining, Ruth and Jim Weispfenning, Kathy Zarling, Otto and Barb Wondrasch, Dave Galanits, Bob Vehrenkamp, Carol Schleicher, Ginger Lagergren, and Paul Lewis.

We've enjoyed retreats, car washes, Youth Gatherings, serving at Camp Matz, Christmas Eve Candlelight services, cheering at softball games, doing Advent and Lenten suppers, making sub sandwiches, doing Easter breakfast, and getting to know hundreds of youth over the years. We're on our second generation now and that is really exciting.

We are also now on our second generation in our children's choir which we started doing over 20 years ago. Redeemer has been so good to us by providing us not only with our spiritual guidance but by being our family and giving us a real purpose in life - your children.

# CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS - June 10, 2008

Ruth Weispfenning told us the **Planning for the Future Committee** has been working on their Vision statement, and is almost ready to empower the Boards and Committees to continue with the implementation of this Vision into the life of our congregation.

Tom Burton said that the **Expense Review Committee** has basically completed their review of past expenses, and that no expenses as percentage of revenue seemed out of proportion. They will do another update in January after the 2008 expenses are completed, and then will suspend their work.

Pastor Jim was not present at tonight's meeting, but had asked that the Council designate a recipient for the offering on the Celebration Sunday, June 29. It was moved, seconded and carried that the funds be designated for Fan Into Flame.

Ruth Weispfenning reported that the **Emergency Preparedness Team** has nothing to report at this time.

George Poch had received a letter from Lynn Schoppers updating the Board of Education on the progress of the Pre-school project. She reported they did not get the LCEF grant they had applied for, but have other grants yet to apply for. They are still waiting for the Fire Marshal's approval. They are planning a 2<sup>nd</sup> Open House for June 25 and will canvass a wider area of the neighborhood. Lynn will also be meeting with the Church Growth Committee in regard to working together for Christian growth.

The next item on the Agenda was the topic of **missionary support**. Many positive comments have been heard after Pastor Gillard's presentation at the last Voters' Meeting. After some discussion, the motion was made that we bring a recommendation to the Voters that we support Pastor Gillard when he goes to Uganda to pursue his missionary undertaking. This will be brought to a special Voters' Meeting to be held between services on July 27 at 9 am.

Ruth W. announced that there were some additions and deletions to the final Slate of Candidates that was approved at the last Voters' Meeting. They are: delete the Jerde's from the Stewardship Committee, and add Kevin and Kelly Kruse to the Board of Church Growth.

## **Treasurer's Report**

**Tom Burton**

Tom reported that contributions had fallen during May, and the month shows a negative balance between income and expenditures. However, there were a couple of large bills that were paid during the month -- \$5,000 for the Anniversary History books, and a \$3,500 payment made to RCLS, which had not been scheduled to have been paid until later. Tom will continue to monitor the changes if there have been changes in the normal costs and report on that at the August meeting.

## **Church Growth**

**Judy Lee**

The next New Member Sunday has been scheduled for July 13. At present there are 5 family units (approximately 10) scheduled to be accepted into membership. They are working on a tour

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of the church facilities to be included for new members after they have been presented at the second service. The Board has met with Lynn Schoppers regarding publicity for the new Pre-school, and the Board's main job is to spread the word as best they can.

### **Board of Education**

**George Poch**

The Board met tonight and discussed the Pre-school, and staffing of Sunday School for next year. There are still a few teacher vacancies to be filled. Jolene Heining informed the Board they have received a gift of \$500 to install some additional shelves in the Library. VBS is pretty well organized at this point, and the 2008-09 schedule of topics for the Adult Bible Classes is already completed.

### **Board of Elders**

**Joel Pralle**

Randy Hellickson will be the new Chairman of the Elders next year. The Elders will be having a picnic in July, and they will also be helping with Staff evaluations to be completed soon. A motion was made, seconded and passed that the list of "C" members from the Monthly Pastor's Report be removed from our membership roles. These inactive members have been contacted numerous times, but have not responded, so will be removed from the active status.

### **Fund Development**

**John Sprenger**

We have a balance of \$88,000+ in this fund. A CD will come due in December, so the new Committee will have to decide at that time where to invest those funds.

### **Health Cabinet**

**Don Knick**

Don had handed out copies of the latest monthly report he had received from Jan Dicke, our Parish Nurse, which detailed her activities. They are also looking for some new members for their Cabinet as the present ones have been working several years and are ready to be retired.

### **Board of Trustees**

**Dick Valde**

A Christ Care group has offered to paint the metal grates and window wells painted. The walnut tree on the North side of the parking lot has been removed, and the fix-up of the bathroom near the kitchen has been completed. Our new church Newsletter is due out for the July issue; and sidewalk repairs will be done by a member of the congregation.

### **Youth Ministry**

**Lynora Miller**

Youth will be visiting Bethesda in two weeks, and Valley Fair Day has been scheduled for June 30, with a Twins game on July 21, 22, or August 27. They are also working on a Benefit for Charlie Hinsch scheduled for August 10, which will be a Belgian waffle meal. Wrestling mothers and Baseball mothers are helping with this event, and they are looking for items for a Silent Auction. It will be held from 9:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M.

# HEALTH-FACTS

Olmsted County  
Public Health Services

There is recent evidence that bedbug occurrences are on the rise. Bedbugs commonly live close to human sleeping areas, and are active at night, or when the area is dimly lit. They generally hide during the day while digesting their meal. While hiding, bedbugs can accidentally be moved into homes and lodging facilities with boxes, luggage, secondhand furnishings, bedding, laundry, and clothing.

Bedbugs are not known to carry diseases of importance to humans. However, they feed on human blood by piercing a person's skin with its long beak and sucking blood into its stomach. Bites usually occur on the arms and shoulders, or where clothing comes in contact with the body, such as around waistbands. Some people are sensitive to bites which can cause skin welts, itching, swelling, and a burning sensations that can last for a week or more.



## DESCRIPTION

### Adults

Brown, flat, and oval-shaped; about 1/8 to 1/4 inch long  
Wingless, with well-developed antennae and 6 legs

Enlarged to show detail

After a blood meal, they enlarge slightly & become more rounded and purplish-red.  
Females lay 3-4 eggs per day and up to 200 in a lifetime.

### Nymphs (young bed bugs)

Nearly colorless, resemble the shape of adults

Require blood meals to mature to adults. Will begin feeding immediately after hatching.

### Eggs

Small, cream-colored, slightly curved, found fastened to cracks and crevices, usually out of direct light.

## SIGNS OF BED BUGS

Black and brown spots of dried feces in piping and seams of mattress

Blood spot on sheets

Eggs or egg shells seen singly or in clusters

Shed skins

A sweet, musty odor may be present in infestations

### When looking for bed bugs, check these hiding places

- |                           |                              |                              |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| ✓ Seams of mattresses     | ✓ Bed springs                | ✓ Cracks in floorboards      |
| ✓ Cracks in plaster       | ✓ Behind loose moldings      | ✓ Behind peeling wallpaper   |
| ✓ Behind posters          | ✓ Behind picture frames      | ✓ Under carpets              |
| ✓ Window and door casings | ✓ In couches, stuffed chairs | ✓ Clothing and curtain seams |

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**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

for articles to be included in the next Resource is Wednesday July 16.  
 Please call the Church Office (289-5147) with questions.  
 Thank you!

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S LOVE**

Weekends	May 29/31/June 1	June 5/7/8	June 12/14/15	June 19/21/22
Worship Attendance	478 (22+90+149+217)	408 (27+71+112+198)	452 (30+82+152+188)	480 (22+100+115+243)
Guests	39	42	34	34
Budget Offerings	\$11,373.70	\$15,071.87	\$8956.20	\$9454.10
District/Synod	\$1219.30	\$1158.90	\$788.80	\$945.90
Renovation	\$3447.00	\$3324.00	\$1564.00	\$1872.00
Undesignated	\$378.00	\$10.00	\$161.50	\$100.00

LOOSE COINS for July have been designated for Interfaith Hospitality Network.

**Memorials and Special Gifts:**

- ♥ \$100 for Sunday School in memory of Ardith Fister’s birthday
- ♥ \$20 for Interfaith Hospitality Network
- ♥ \$90 for Stained Glass Window fund in honor of Alice Marzolf’s 90th birthday
- ♥ \$200 for Bethesda Servant Event
- ♥ \$513 for Debt Reduction, \$499 for Ablaze!, \$501 for Redeemer ‘s RCLS Pre-school, \$50 for Altar Guild, \$10 for Stained Glass Window fund in memory of Owen Moore
- ♥ \$58 for Library shelves in honor of Ev and Marion Mueller’s 58th wedding anniversary
- ♥ \$51.17 for Lutheran Hour Ministries
- ♥ \$150 for Debt Reduction and \$150 for Hymnal Fund in memory of Melba Sisson
- ♥ \$10 for Undesignated Memorials in memory of Willis Ohlman
- ♥ \$30 for Project Compassion in memory of Letah Hein
- ♥ \$49 for 2nd Grade Bible in honor of Arlan and Elnora Hildestad’s 49th wedding anniversary
- ♥ \$62 for Fan Into Flame in honor of Carl and Evie Burfeind’s 62nd wedding anniversary
- ♥ \$50 for Undesignated Memorials in memory of Mae Eickhoff.





**REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN**

When help is needed, the chairpersons for July, Renee Saxman and Lorraine Fahrman, will call women who are listed in the church directory.

**ALTAR GUILD** (\*) Monthly Chairperson

(\*) Brenda Meyers      Cheryl Ryan  
 Sheryl Haugen          Rosie Peterson  
 Kathy Solomonson      Myrna Reinartz

**LAY READERS**

July 5      5:30 pm – Chris Burdick  
 July 6      8:00 am – Kurt Rump  
               9:30 am – Sherrill VanGuilder  
 July 12     5:30 pm – Bob Vehrenkamp  
 July 13     8:00 am – Lowell Dale  
               9:30 am – Lynette Miller  
 July 19     5:30 pm – Linda Neterval  
 July 20     8:00 am – Jess Ihrke  
               9:30 am – Herb Mueller  
 July 26     5:30 pm – Bob Vehrenkamp  
 July 27     8:00 am – Joel Dubbels  
               9:30 am – Marcia Cochran

**ACOLYTES**

July 6      8:00 am – Sam Carlson/Hannah Kuisle  
               9:30 am – Mercedes Erpelding/Jenna Danielson  
 July 13     8:00 am – Tom Ihrke/Cody Wrubel  
               9:30 am – Connor Wondrasch/Brian Gray  
 July 20     8:00 am – Sam Batterson/Leah Ward  
               9:30 am – Alexis Burdick/Brianna Rahlf  
 July 27     8:00 am – Peter Bartlett/Sam Hinsch  
               9:30 am – Jennifer Evers/Madison Okuno

**BLOOD PRESSURE NURSES** - Blood pressures are taken every Sunday and every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month.

July 6 – Jan Dicke  
 July 13 – Barb Wallskog  
 July 19 – Sue Kazos  
 July 20 –  
 July 27 – Kathy Zarling

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**TRANSPORTATION** - Please call the church office by **Noon** on Friday (289-5147) if you need a ride to worship.

**PEW MAINTENANCE** – Scott Brandt (287-9732)

**USHERS**

5:30 pm    Lyle Voight and Wayne Meyer  
 8:00 am    Ken Klennert, Royce Ernst, Ken Fabian,  
               Willard Nisbit  
 9:30 am - Dale Neumann, Grant Dicke, Larry Reinartz,  
               Dick Valde, Terry Ellerman, Troy Stoen

**GREETERS**

July 5      5:30 pm - Gene and Elaine Searles  
 July 6      8:00 am – Bob and Jeanne Vehrenkamp,  
               Doug and Elna Jerde  
               9:30 am – Caroline Ferdig, Mary Hepinstall  
 July 12     5:30 pm – Sue Kazos  
 July 13     8:00 am – Don and Arlene Strelow  
               Dick and Marge Rengstorf  
               9:30 am – Craig Nelson Family  
               Jim and Patti Tackmann  
 July 19     5:30 pm – Bob and Jacque Bonsi  
 July 20     8:00 am – Don and Arlene Krueger  
               9:30 am – Dan and Terry Zemke  
               John and LaVon Pavek  
 July 26     5:30 pm – Arlan and Elnora Hildestad  
 July 27     8:00 am – Bob and Bonnie Hoenk  
               Tom and Mary Burton  
               9:30 am – Ann Boyd, Lois Norby, Terry  
               Ellerman

**ELDERS**

July 3      6:30 pm - Mike Sonnabend  
 July 5      5:30 pm – Jeff Lee/Jim Peterson  
 July 6      8:00 am – Mick Reese/Jeff Hartson  
               9:30 am – Mark Gennrich/Dan Zemke  
 July 10     6:30 pm - Bob Keith  
 July 12     5:30 pm – Randy Hellickson  
 July 13     8:00 am – Jeff Schoppers  
               9:30 am – Scott Brandt  
 July 17     6:30 pm - Joel Pralle  
 July 19     5:30 pm – Al Schacht  
 July 20     8:00 am – Larry Stoen  
               9:30 am – Tim Strohschein  
               11:00 am - Jeff Lee  
 July 24     6:30 pm - Jim Peterson  
 July 26     5:30 pm – Darin Grewe  
 July 27     8:00 am – Mick Reese  
               9:30 am – Jeff Hartson