



The Parish Beacon

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As I walk through the Hy-Vee down the street and many other stores around town, I see that school supplies are beginning to hit the shelves. Last year when we arrived in Iowa City, school was just starting and we saw the hustle and bustle throughout the streets. Driving downtown, we saw the thousands of students walking to and from class as they engaged in their own learning.

This year, as your Vicar, I have learned many things—from the writing and preaching of a sermon to Bible study preparation, from leading those Bible studies to conducting nursing home services. You have taught me what it means to lead God’s people. In the conversations with you before and after church, in the office, or even running into you at the store, you have taught me what it means to care for and listen to God’s people.

Many things were learned throughout the past year, not limited to the place to park and not park for a Hawkeye football game or how to collect, label and distribute water bottles in the 4th of July Parade. I have seen Christ Caring through you, His people, as you went out on Christ Cares Sunday to volunteer and care for those in our community.

I have become familiar with the city of Iowa City. My feet have trod the many paths and running trails in the neighborhood, both on my own for a brisk morning run and for a leisurely walk with Cassie and Theo at the end of the day.

In addition to the many things I have learned this year, I have also seen the many parts that make up Our Redeemer Lutheran Church. You all have your unique gifts and abilities that God has given to you. As you gather together here at Our Redeemer, you gather as parts of the Body of Christ.

“Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.” 1 Corinthians 12:27

You gather at this place of worship to receive the forgiveness of sins, receive God’s good gifts, and offer praise to God for what He has done for you. As you gather, you build one another up as brothers and sisters in Christ, all members of the same body.

We recite at the end of each service, *“Here at Our Redeemer, we are about....equipping disciples, to make disciples, for Jesus.”* As many parts of the body of Christ, you go forth to make disciples for Jesus. Thank you for sharing the year with me where I could be about equipping disciples, to make disciples for Jesus. I look forward to taking the experience of this past year and building on it in the next year of classes at the Seminary, and the many years after wherever the Lord sends me to serve a congregation.

Thank you for the many opportunities to get to know you and share the love of Christ with you. Cassie and I appreciated the warm welcome we received when arriving at Our Redeemer and we look forward to that same hospitality to be shared in fostering Vicar Scheele’s family in their year here.

In Christ,

Vicar Andrew Wolfram



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AUGUST ACTIVITIES

- 1 Stephen Ministry Peers-Skip/Marcia 6:30pm
- 2 High School Hike 6:00pm
- 3 Board of Elders 6:30pm
- 5-6 Vicar Scheele Installation All services
- 5 GGG 7:30am Hy-Vee 1st Avenue
- 6 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 9:30am
- 7 Education Committee 7:00pm
Mission Committee 7:00pm
- 9 Bible Study 11:00am
Lunch Bunch 12:00pm
Confirmation Water Games 6:00pm
Properties Committee 7:00pm
High School Movie 8:00pm
- 10 Board of Directors 7:00pm
- 12 Men's Bible Study 8:00am
LWML Road Trip Leaves ORLC at 9:00am
- 13 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 9:30am
- 14 Outreach Committee 6:30pm
Preschool Board 7:00pm
- 15 Assimilation 7:00pm
- 16 All Youth-End of Summer Campfire 6:00pm
- 20 **NO Sunday School or Adult Class**
Worship in the Park 10:30am
Picnic in the Park—Small Groups Host 12:00pm
- 22 LLL Cookout
- 23 Bible Study 11:00am
Lunch Bunch 12:00pm
- 26 Men's Bible Study 8:00am
Faith Fest 3:00pm
Saturday Service in the Parking Lot 5:30pm
- 27 Sunday School/Adult Bible Class 9:30am
SS/Kids Club Orientation & Ed Enrichment 11:45am
- 30 Preschool Orientation M-W-F 6:30 pm
- 31 Preschool Orientation T-Th 6:30 pm

AUGUST INVITATIONS



50th Wedding Anniversary

Skip & Marilyn Kempnick

Everyone is invited to an open house celebrating 50 years of marriage.

August 6, 2017

2:00-5:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

Everyone is invited to an open house celebrating 50 years of marriage.



Pastor Tim & Carol Zimmermann

August 19, 2017
2:00-4:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

50th Anniversary

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30pm Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am
Communion on August 5, 6, 19, 20

Comfort-Tiers meet Thursdays at 9:00am
Need more tiers anytime between 9:00 am to noon
No expertise or materials required-Coffee provided

Choir is on summer hiatus

Praise Team Practice schedule varies—
Contact Myrl Holida myrl-holida@uiowa.edu or
Louise Klopp choirdirector@ourredeemer.org

Watch *Reflections* for information on:

Coming Saturday, August 26th



Watch for information
We will need people to:
Attend
Bring a friend
Help with music
Help with activities

Faith Fest

Teacher Orientation



Sunday School
Kids Club
Ed Enrichment
August 27
Fellowship Hall after
10:30 service



October 15
After 10:30am service
Fellowship Hall



LLL is Having a Cookout

August 22
6:30pm
Fellowship Hall



INSTALLATION
VICAR SCHEELY
August 5-6
All services



Lutheran
Women
in Mission

Chihuly Glass
Czech & Slovak Museum
Saturday, August 12
Carpool 9:00 am



August 20
10:30 am
Mercer Park
Potluck follows
Hot dogs provided



September 13
Midweek Dinner 6pm
Midweek Classes 6:45pm



Basics of the Faith
September 8, 7-9pm
September 9
8:30am-2:30pm



Choir Rehearsal
Resumes

September 6
6:45pm
Music Room

What are you going to do next?



We're going to **WALT DISNEY World**. July 2018
Join the Hartwig family at Disney for several days of fun.
If interested, talk to Pastor Hartwig. More details in the Fall.



September 10

Noon potluck followed by
Confirmation Orientation



JUNE 19-23

Thanks to all who volunteered and especially Tiffany Roiseland & Marnie Schrader



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



There were skits, songs, lessons, games, snacks, crafts, servant events and so much more!

A special thanks to the Kalona Mennonite church for decorations





Submitted by Marcia Hulse

Stephen Ministry

We care, Christ cures.

Stephen Ministers: The After People

People often ask, “What exactly is a Stephen Minister?” One way to put it is that Stephen Ministers are the *After People*.

Stephen Ministers are there:

- ... *after* the phone call you hoped you'd never get.
- ... *after* the funeral, when everyone has left and the emotions you've held at bay come crashing in on you.
- ... *after* the relationship falls apart and the bottom falls out of your life.
- ... *after* the doctor says, “I'm sorry, but there's nothing more we can do.”
- ... *after* the nursing home director shakes your hand and says, “Welcome to your new home.”
- ... *after* the last child honks the horn, waves, and drives away—and the house suddenly seems empty.
- ... *after* the gavel comes down, the handcuffs go on, and your loved one is led away.
- ... *after* the baby arrives, demanding more of you than you ever dreamed possible.
- ... *after* you find a pink slip with your final paycheck.
- ... *after* your family and friends have heard your story one too many times, but you still need to talk it out.

Stephen Ministers are the After People. They are ready to come alongside you—or your friends, neighbors, coworkers, or relatives—and provide comfort and support for as long *after* as needed.

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Board of Directors Meeting - July

TREASURER'S REPORT

- June ended with positive balance of \$10,825
- Year to date income \$346,502 with expenses of \$335,677
- Immeasurably More income over \$213,000

PASTOR HARTWIG

- Staff is planning for upcoming year
- Updates on class activities and UKANDU
- Preached at Pastor Adelson's ordination and installation in Glencoe, MN July 9
- Preschool only has two vacancies for next year

20/20 UPDATE

- Bathrooms being installed in preschool
- Rooms 208 and 2010 reconstruction underway
- LCEF will provide a presentation to the congregation in the near future.
- Met with architects for detailed plans
- Construction on narthex will begin after Christmas



KUDOS

Our Redeemer's
Board of Directors
recognizes

JULIE NIELAND

For organizing/facilitating construction
of the July 4 parade float

ALAN MEYER

For providing his trailer and truck for
the July 4 Our Redeemer float

Thank you all!

BAPTISMS THIS WEEK

Leigha Margaret Matheson

Sunday, July 30, 2017

8:00 am

Parents

Kelly Nicholas Matheson
Tricia Helene Chrischilles Matheson

Sponsors

Ashley Paulsen
Tony Gray
Sawyer Smith



**ONE LORD
ONE FAITH
ONE BAPTISM**

Leora Grace Smith

Sunday, July 30, 2017

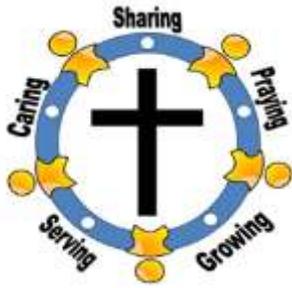
10:30 am

Parents

Todd William Smith
Vicki Sue Macek Smith

Sponsors

Julie & Larry Miller



Small Group Ministry Mission Statement: *To grow in grace using our spiritual gifts, through good stewardship for the benefit of the group so that the body of Christ may be built up.*

Updates from Small Group Ministry....

We had 15 members from Our Redeemer participate in the “Feed My Starving Children” Mobile Pack on June 10th. It was a great way to serve others and only a two hour time commitment. The results of the Iowa City Mobile pack included a total of 711 volunteers in two days, 684 boxes packed which means 147, 744 meals were shipped resulting in 404 kids fed for a year. Thanks to all for serving and praying for the children receiving the meal packs.

In Christ, Denise Holida



The LWML is celebrating 75 years of commending Christ from one generation to another, which aligns with “Faith through the Word,” the theme for the upcoming LWML Fall Rally. Mark your calendar now and plan to attend the LWML Fall Zone Rally on Saturday, October 7 at St. Paul Lutheran, 600 5th Avenue, Mount Vernon, Iowa.

500 years ago, Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses about the Christian life of repentance. His bold action began a movement that we call the Reformation, a movement that brought the Word of God to people in their own language so that they could be saved by faith in Christ. The work of the Reformation continues to this day as missionaries bring God’s Word to people throughout the world in places like Vietnam. There, despite a hostile government, the word of God prevails, bringing life through faith in Christ, just as it did in the days of Luther.

Our presenters, Willis and Carol Wulf, have gone on mission trips to Vietnam and will share with us firsthand how, in all nations, God has brought faith through the Word. Registration begins at 8:30 am and breakfast will be at 9:00 am. Please RSVP today and plan to attend! Sign up sheet is located on the LWML bulletin board across from the kitchen.



Immunization Awareness

NEWS—Anita Nicholson



The goal is to increase awareness about immunizations across the lifespan, from infants to the elderly. August is an ideal time to make sure everyone is up-to-date on vaccines before heading back to school and to plan ahead to receive flu vaccine. You can help prevent harmful diseases from affecting you and your family. Talk with your healthcare provider to make sure you and your families' vaccinations are up to date.

Protect Your Baby with Immunization

Immunization is one of the best ways parents can protect their infants from 14 serious childhood diseases before age 2. Vaccinate your child according to the CDC's recommended immunization schedule for safe, proven disease protection. It is important for children to be fully immunized. Diseases that can be prevented with vaccines can be very serious—even deadly—especially for infants and young children. It is important that we continue to protect our children with vaccines because outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases can and do still occur in this country. The media has covered recent outbreaks of whooping cough (pertussis) and measles cases. Vaccinations will protect your child.

Preteens and Teens Need Vaccines Too!

Make an appointment before the back-to-school rush begins. Vaccines can help our kids stay healthy, and most states require certain vaccinations before school starts again in the fall.

Four vaccines recommended for preteens and teens:

- Meningococcal vaccine protects against some of the bacteria that can cause meningitis (swelling of the lining around the brain and spinal cord) and sepsis (an infection in the blood). Meningitis can be very serious, even fatal.
- Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines help protect both girls and boys from HPV infection and many cancers caused by HPV.
- Tdap vaccine protects against 3 serious diseases: tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (also called whooping cough).
- Flu vaccine every year protects against flu and the other health problems flu can cause.

Adult vaccinations

- Influenza (Flu) vaccine every year
- Tetanus booster every 10 years (if already received 1 dose Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis))
- Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR): If you were born in 1957 or after, and don't have a record of being vaccinated or having had measles, mumps and rubella, talk to your healthcare professional about how many doses you may need.
- Hepatitis A (2 doses) and B (3 doses) vaccine if you did not get it when you were a child.

Older Adult vaccinations (age 65 and older) In addition to the adult vaccination, your health care provider may recommend the following:

- Shingles (Herpes Zoster)
- Pneumococcal disease (Pneumonia)

Vaccines: Our best defense

Vaccines are the best defense we have against these and other serious diseases, and it's important to make sure that you're up to date on all recommended vaccines. Use National Immunization Awareness Month as your chance to make sure that all your vaccinations are current. Talk with your healthcare provider about what vaccines you and your family need, and keep putting your healthiest foot forward!

Information obtained from:

http://www.vaccines.gov/more_info/features/national_immunization_awareness_month.html



4TH OF JULY

Coralville Parade



Photos by Emily Lenhart, Julie Nieland, and Vicar Wolfgram





AIRFX
TRAMPOLINE
PARK
High School Youth
July 19

Photos by Karyl Bohnsack & Vicar Wolfram



Trivia at Hy-Vee

Other summer youth activities included:

- ◆ Summer Kickoff
- ◆ Remote control car race & obstacle course
- ◆ Nerf battle
- ◆ Cardboard City

Confirmation met once a month, high school weekly.



MISSION	JUNE
Iowa District East	\$4,166.67
UIHC Chaplain Endowment Fund	416.67
Concordia Seminary	500.00
Consultation of Religious Comm.	625.00
Lutheran Hour	625.00
Food for the Poor	250.00
TOTAL	\$6,583.34

MISSION	JULY
Iowa District East	\$4,166.67
UIHC Chaplain Endowment Fund	416.67
Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca	625.00
Lutheran Family Service	625.00
Mission Bishkek	250.00
Military Bible Stick	250.00
Orphan Grain Train	250.00
St. Paul's Chapel	375.00
TOTAL	\$6,958.34
Member Contributions June/July	
Crisis Center	\$112.00
Lutherans for Life	240.00

Welcome, New Members



Stan & Nan Carlson

Welcome to Nan Carlson, administrative assistant at Northwest Junior High, and Stan, a retired banker. They have lived in Coleridge, NE and several places in Iowa, including Northwood, Washington, North Liberty, and Iowa City. Stan enjoys biking and auto restoration and Nan likes baking and working with flowers. They have three adult children-Troy, Travis, and Trista.



Aubry Kunze & Jordan Lyon



Dan & Judy Schwartz

Membership Changes and Official Acts

<u>Baptisms</u>	
Carson James Slimak (non-member)	6-3-2017
Arlette Victoria Menzel	6-18-2017
Tobias Ethan Haack	6-18-2017
<u>Transfer In</u>	
Aubry Kunze	6-1-2017
Paula Rocca (Peter)	7-7-2017
<u>Removed</u>	
Shelbi Sexton	6-19-2017
Tracy Treiber	7-6-2017
Travis Treiber	7-6-2017
Trevor Treiber	7-6-2017
<u>Affirmation of Faith</u>	
Tim Eick	6-17-2017



**129 Pledges for
\$626,897.52**

**Cash in hand
\$235,134.13**



We have the privilege to teach 3-5 year olds about letters, numbers, rhyming, and their Savior, Jesus Christ.

Enroll TODAY

Enrollment for the 2017-2018 Preschool year is well under way.

A \$50 deposit and a completed Registration Form are required at this time. There are discounts for being a member of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, if you have multiple children in our preschool, or if you refer a new family who enrolls. Please see Kaja Mueller for more information.

CURRENT OPEN SLOTS:
M/W/F = 2, T/Th = 2

Contact preschoolassistant@ourredeemer.org or #319-338-3949.

Our Redeemer Preschool Hiring Assistant Teacher for Monday, Wednesday and Friday~ Our Redeemer is currently accepting applications for the job of Assistant Teacher for the Monday-Wednesday-Friday preschool classes for the 2017-2018 school year. Our desire is to hire a morning, 8:45 am - 12:15 pm, assistant teacher who has experience in early childhood education. If you are interested, need more information, or know an LCMS teacher who may be interested, please contact Kaja Mueller, Preschool Director, 319-338-5626 or preschool@ourredeemer.org

**Kaja Mueller
returns to the
office July 31**

Welcome to Our Redeemer Preschool!

We have an Orientation Night for our preschool families on

Wednesday, August 30th, or Thursday, August 31st

M-W-F class

T-Th class

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

At 6:40 pm we will have introductions and share information

Students and families come and explore our preschool classroom and meet the teachers during this special orientation night! A light snack will be provided. Important information (schedule, snacks, policies, etc.) will be distributed. Any questions or concerns about preschool will be addressed.



SERVING THE LORD IN PANAMA



NEWS FROM THE GAUTHIER FAMILY



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FORO Priorities: Church Planting

Greetings in Jesus! I pray your summer months have been productive and restful. This month's feature article focuses on the second FORO priority, church planting.

You may be thinking, "That should be easy. Isn't evangelism just telling people about Jesus?" "Can't the pastors and parishioners simply tell their neighbors?" "Surely, some strategic social programs would gather people." "Why can't you just start there?"

The short answer is, "yes, we could." And certainly all Christians ought to be ready to give a reason for the hope that they have in Jesus (1 Peter 3:15). Faith surely comes by hearing the Word of God, but faith is also created and sealed in the waters of baptism. Sinful people, like myself, not only need to hear about Jesus, we need to be forgiven of our sins, like we hear in the absolution during worship. Sinful people need to gather together with brothers and sisters each week to hear the Word of God read aloud and preached publicly. They need to be taught how to recognize their sins by learning the 10 Commandments.

They need to confess the Good News of what the Lord has done for them in the Apostles' Creed. They need to call upon the Lord as Jesus taught in the Lord's Prayer. They need to see, hear, taste, smell, and touch our Savior's real presence, for them(!), in the waters of baptism, in bread and wine (Christ's true body and blood) of Holy Communion, and in the words forgiveness of Holy Absolution. And these all happen in the Lord's Church. Yes, people need to be told about Jesus, no doubt. More than that though, they need a church where they meet with Jesus.

In Panamá, that means recruiting and training pastors, finding places to have a church, and then going out to invite. This is a long process too.

Fortunately, the national church in Panamá already has a fantastic facility to use for a church and education center. We are renovating it as we speak. It is perfectly located at the entrance of a large community, something people will see when they come in or go out. Praise the Lord, a plan is in the works to call another pastor to serve in this northern part of Panamá!

In Sorá, the new pastor is walking through town daily meeting with folks. He has been visiting the local school which has asked him to do devotions on Mondays for the school and staff. With the help of his congregation they are looking to start a tutoring program that will bring families into contact with a loving and faithful Christian family all while he faithfully preaches, teaches, and administers Christ's gifts.

Church planting and evangelism is a long and challenging process, but they are both done with the promise that wherever the Word is preached and Sacraments given, Christ is present and the Holy Spirit is at work creating faith. Please continue to pray for the Lutheran church of Panamá as they faithfully seek to plant new churches and bring the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ to all of Panamá. To God be the glory!



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- That we can resolve our vehicle repairs with the insurance company quickly. Our cracked windshield leaks in the rain!
- The new seminary in the Dominican Republic that will open its doors this August.
- Safe travels as we head to the Dominican Republic for the annual Latin America & Caribbean Regional Missionary Retreat in the beginning of August.

GIVE THANKS FOR:

- Our first 6 months in Panamá and 11 months on the foreign field.
- New Bible studies starting at two churches and a pre-seminary program beginning in Sorá.



SERVING WITH JOY

Molly Christensen in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso



Pictured above are my friends and neighbors, Adissa, Khadi, and the little boy is Khadi's son, Icham.

Friends and French

My mornings usually begin with a two hour French lesson starting at 8 am. I practice writing sentences, speaking and reading a French novel. After my lesson is finished, I often go outside and through my back gate. Just on the other side of my wall is where I find my friends and their fruit and vegetable stand. I greet the girls in French and they invite me to sit down with them. I enjoy learning about their lives and practicing French at the same time. Sometimes they ask me to teach them some words in English and they teach me new words in French. My friend, Khadi, is married to a Muslim man and she lives with his family. She tells me how hard it is to work all day and then cook all evening for the large family. Khadi and her mother are Christians but they need spiritual support. I like to encourage her in the Lord and pray for her.

French Studies

Yesterday, Ryan, Emily and I finished our first ten week session of classes at the French Institute! We had a great instructor and enjoyed practicing French with other learners from countries such as Turkey, Libya, Syria and South Africa. We will continue to work with our tutors this summer and resume classes in the fall. (picture at right)



Here are a couple more pictures of what's been happening lately. I was able to be at the hospital with my friend,



Aline, when she had her baby boy and I enjoyed her visit this week. I was also able to go to the market with Emily and another Burkinabe friend to purchase produce and fabric!

Prayer Requests

- For continued wisdom and patience in studying French.
- For our travel to Togo this weekend for the CLET seminary graduation.
- Praise God for the birth of healthy babies for the Wildauers, Odembas, Trumps, and my African friend, Aline.
- For the upcoming Mercy Medical Teams in Tanzania and Madagascar.



UNLEASHED

UKANDU

Chicago

June 24-July 1



Photos by Art Schwarting & Lonnie Loney

BIBLEWORDGAMES

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Paul Is Shipwrecked

- Who was Paul sent to see after the plot was discovered? (Acts 23:26)
A. Felix B. Herod C. Caiaphas D. Festus E. Ananias
- Forty Jews banded together to do what to Paul? (Acts 21:30)
A. kill him B. beat him C. free him from prison D. protect him E. kidnap him
- Who lodged Paul and his company while they were on Malta? (Acts 28:7)
A. Erastus B. Sergius C. Dionysius D. Publius E. Gaius
- What was Paul attacked by after he was shipwrecked on Malta? (Acts 28:3)
A. viper B. lion C. scorpion D. a mad man E. bear
- How many men died when Paul was shipwrecked on the way to Rome? (Acts 27:34)
A. 10 B. none C. 266 D. 100
- Where was Paul shipwrecked on the way to Rome? (Acts 28:1)
A. Crete B. Cyprus C. Malta D. Macedonia E. Rhodes
- Who taught Apollos the way of God more perfectly? (Acts 18:26)
A. Peter & Timothy B. Justus & Crispus C. Silas & Timotheus D. Aquila & Priscilla
- Where was Paul sent after his trial before the governor and the King? (Acts 27:1)
A. Rome B. Antioch C. Jerusalem D. Ephesus
- What was the cost of the pagan books burned because of Paul's teaching? (Acts 19:19)
A. 5,000 pieces of silver B. 1,000 pieces of silver C. 50,000 pieces of silver
D. 10,000 pieces of silver
- Who discovered the plot against Paul's life? (Acts 23:16)
A. Paul's sister's son B. Barnabas C. Peter D. Paul's brother's son
- Who was the silversmith that caused Paul so much trouble in Ephesus? (Acts 19:24)
A. Erastus B. Tyrannus C. Manaen D. Demetrius E. Dionysius
- In what city was Paul beaten, tried, and then rescued by soldiers? (Acts 21:30)
A. Antioch B. Caesarea Philippi C. Jerusalem D. Ephesus
- Who went to sleep and fell from an upper window when Paul preached? (Acts 20:9)
A. Aristarchus B. Alexander C. Timotheus
D. Eutychus
- Where was Paul sent after the plot was discovered? (Acts 23:23)
A. Capernaum B. Caesarea C. Bethsaida
D. Joppa



TRIVIA QUIZ ANSWERS: 1 A; 2 A; 3 D; 4 A; 5 B; 6 C; 7 D; 8 A; 9 C; 10 A; 11 D; 12 C; 13 D; 14 B

RALLY DAY
September 10

Youth

6th - 12th Graders

MIDWEEK
BEGINS
September 13

August Schedule

Confirmation through High School

(students in 6th—12th grades during 2017-2018 & recent grads)



Boating on Coralville Lake

on Sunday, July 30th

Following Vicar and Cassie Wolfgram's
farewell lunch

END OF SUMMER

TBA
Wednesday, ~~August 16~~

6:00—8:00 pm

Hartwig's Back Yard
512 S. 1st Avenue



ALL YOUTH CAMPFIRE

Confirmation

(students in 6th—8th grades
2017-18)

DATE

Sun, Aug. 13

EVENT

Coffee Hour—hosted by
Confirmation Families

Weds, Aug. 9
@6pm

Water Games



Sun, Sept. 10
Follows Rally Day
potluck

Confirmation Orientation

High School

(students in 9th—12th grades
2017-18, including grads)

DATE

Weds, Aug. 2

EVENT

Hike

Weds, Aug. 9
@8pm*



Wednesday, September 13

MIDWEEK BEGINS

Midweek Meal at 6:00 pm

Midweek Classes begin at 6:45pm

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DEADLINES

Reflections (printed weekly): Information must be submitted (written, typed, emailed or faxed) each Wednesday by 5:00 pm

Beacon Newsletter & Church Activities Calendar (printed monthly): Information must be submitted (written, typed, emailed or faxed) by noon on the 20th of each month.

TELEVISION ~ RADIO

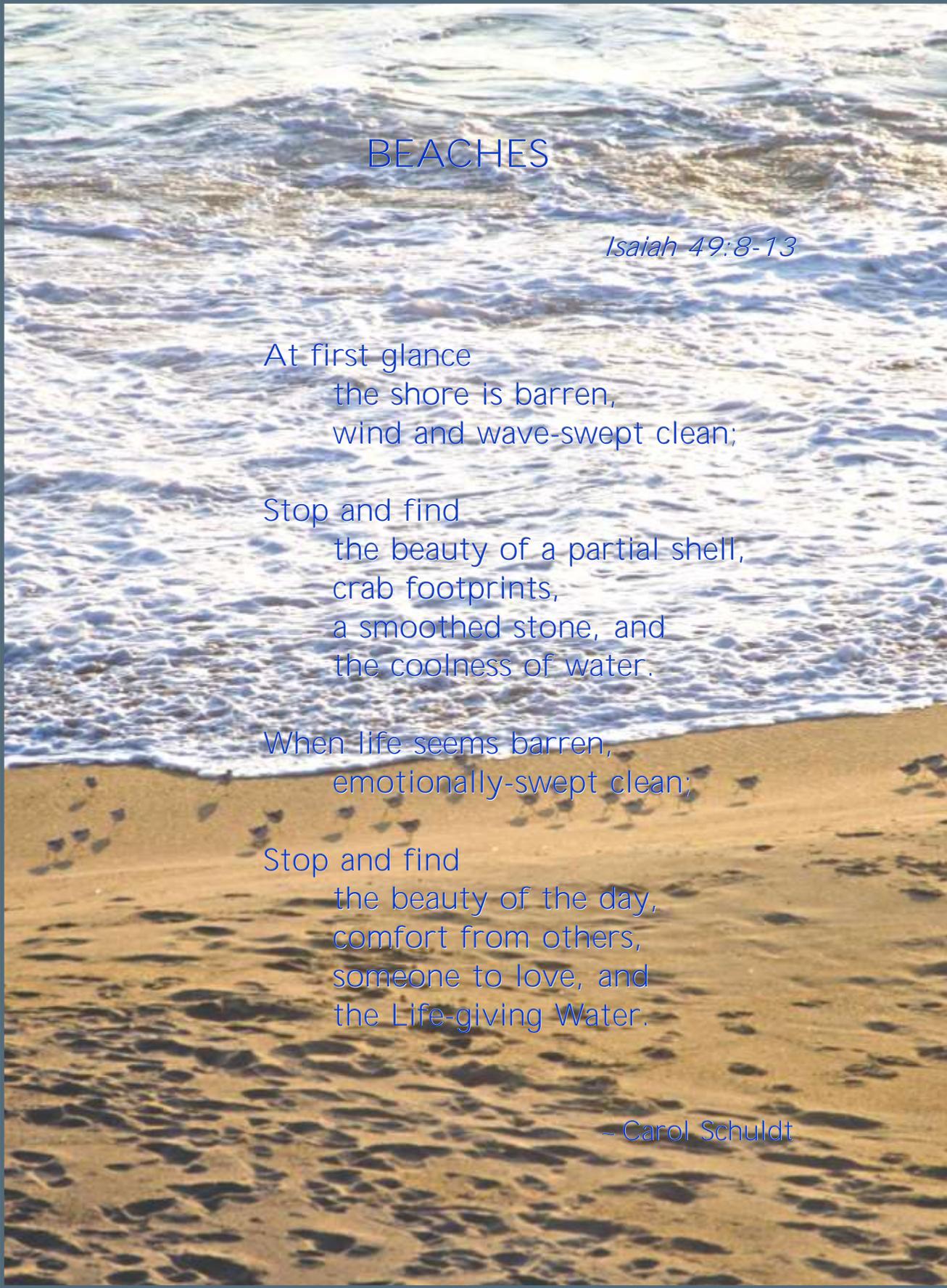
Our Redeemer Worship Service on Public Access TV Channel 18 every Wednesday at 4:00 pm.

The Lutheran Hour Television Ministries talk show "On Main Street" is shown on **Public Access Television Channel 18** on Thursdays at 1:30 pm and Sundays at 10:00 pm.

Lutheran Hour Ministries on Radio—WMT 600 AM Radio on Sunday mornings at 6:30 am, and **KXEL 1540 AM Radio** on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. For more information on Lutheran Hour Ministries go to www.LHM.org.

VOLUNTEER BACKGROUND SCREENING

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church has been in ministry with children and youth for almost 55 years. Our insurance carrier, Church Mutual, strongly encourages us to promote the safest and most secure environment possible by screening all employees and volunteers, both new and existing, especially those who interact with children. Performing background checks will provide safeguards and peace of mind to our staff, volunteers, parents, youth and children. Additional details will be forthcoming as we put this screening process in motion.



BEACHES

Isaiah 49:8-13

At first glance
the shore is barren,
wind and wave-swept clean;

Stop and find
the beauty of a partial shell,
crab footprints,
a smoothed stone, and
the coolness of water.

When life seems barren,
emotionally-swept clean;

Stop and find
the beauty of the day,
comfort from others,
someone to love, and
the Life-giving Water.

– Carol Schuldt