



The Parish Beacon

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ –

It is the time of year for graduations. Keynote speakers are lining up at college graduations, while preschoolers are practicing lining up for their graduations. Valedictorians are practicing their words of wit, while seminary students are thrilled to hear the words, “You graduated,” or even better yet, “You have been called to serve...”

It will not be until 2019 that I will graduate. Many of you know I began working on my Doctorate of Ministry in 2013. I have completed 30 credit hours to date, and I have 15 more to complete prior to graduation, plus this little thing called a dissertation. So yes, I have more work ahead of me.

But that is the point. I am still studying the Bible.

I am still preparing for a life living as a Christian, for a life living as your shepherd.

I will be taking a course this summer and another in the fall.

This summer, I have been invited to take a class in Israel. It will be a study of the geography, history, and culture of the lands and peoples describes in the Scriptures, for the purpose of developing insights and effective teaching models. We will spend two days in St. Louis, then two weeks in Israel. I will be gone from August 8-25. Through special donations and scholarships, the travel expenses have been completely covered for this trip. Praise be to the Lord. I never would have dreamed I would be making such a trip this year. During the Fall, several of the Sunday morning Bible studies will be based upon this journey.

This fall, I will take an independent study course looking at Biblical hospitality and applying hospitality techniques and practices from Walt Disney World. In the course, I will develop a presentation that will be given at the Fall LWML Zone Rally and other pastoral conferences.

Both of these classes are unique opportunities.

Are you taking advantage of the unique opportunities you have to learn about scripture?

Are you involved in a small group study?

Are you attending either the men’s or women’s Bible studies?

Are you digging deeper with Theology 101?

Yes, it is summertime, and all of our routines take a temporary hiatus. Do not let your worship life take a hiatus, and prepare to get involved with one new learning opportunity this fall.

In Christ,

Pastor Hartwig



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JUNE/JULY ACTIVITIES

JUNE

- 1 Bible Study 11:00am
Lunch Bunch 12:00pm
Christ Cares Meeting 5:00pm
Youth Trivia Dinner 6:00pm
- 2 Board of Elders 7:00pm
- 4 GGG - Iowa City Hy-Vee 1st Avenue 7:30am
- 5 **Christ Cares Day** - No 10:30 Worship
UKANDU Parent & Participant Meeting 1:00 pm
- 6 Education Committee 7:00pm
- 7 Primary Election - ORLC Voting Center
Youth Committee Meeting 7:00pm
Youth Movie Night
- 8 Concordia Health Plan Info Meeting 7:00pm
- 9 VBS Training 7:00pm
Board of Directors 7:00pm
- 11 Men's Bible Study 8:00am
- 12 Adult Bible Study/Summer Sunday School 9:30am
VBS Training 11:45am
- 13-17 Vacation Bible School 9:00-11:30am
- 13 Outreach Committee 6:30pm
- 14 Properties Committee 7:00pm
Assimilation Committee 7:00pm
- 15 Youth Lunch 12:00pm
- 19 Adult Bible Study/Summer Sunday School 9:30am
- 20 Mission Committee 7:00pm
- 25 Men's Bible Study 8:00am
- 26 Adult Bible Study/Summer Sunday School 9:30am
- 29 Bible Study 11:00am
Lunch Bunch 12:00pm
Youth AirFX 6:30pm

**Adult Bible Study will be
in the Sanctuary**

JULY

- 2 GGG - Iowa City Hy-Vee 1st Avenue 7:30am
- 3 Adult Bible Study/Summer Sunday School 9:30am
- 4 Coralville Parade - **Office closed**
- 5 Youth Committee Meeting 7:00pm
- 6 Youth Event 6:00pm
- 7 Board of Elders 7:00pm
- 9 Men's Bible Study 8:00am
- 10 UKANDU Presentation 9:30am *No Sunday School*
- 11 Outreach Committee 6:30pm
- 12 Properties Committee 7:00pm
- 13-21 National Youth Gathering
- 13 Bible Study 11:00am
Lunch Bunch 12:00pm
- 14 Board of Directors 7:00pm
- 17 Adult Bible Study/Summer Sunday School 9:30am
- 19 Assimilation 7:00pm
- 23 Men's Bible Study 8:00am
- 24 Swaziland Presentation 9:30am *No Sunday School*
- 27 Bible Study 11:00am
Lunch Bunch 12:00pm
- 31 Adult Bible Study/Summer Sunday School 9:30am

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30pm Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

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.
**Contact Twyla Freeman 530-2371 to provide
summer music**

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

Watch *Reflections* for information on:



**VACATION BIBLE
SCHOOL**
June 13-17
9:00am

Teacher Training
June 9 at 7:00pm
June 12 at 11:45am



Christ Cares Sunday
June 5
NO 10:30 am
WORSHIP
Dinner Follows



UKANDU
June 20-24
Chicago



August 28
10:30am
Mercer Park
Installation of Vicar
Wolfgram



**Need water and
walkers for
Coralville parade**

Presentations 9:30am
Fellowship Hall

July 10 UKANDU
July 24 Swaziland Mission
August 7 National Youth Gathering

NO Adult Bible or Sunday School
on these Sundays



**Vicar & Melissa
Adelsen Farewell**
August 7



National Youth Gathering
July 13-21
New Orleans



LWML-IED Convention
June 17 & 18
William Penn University
Oskaloosa, Iowa



**ORLC Hosting a
Polling Place IC17**
June 7
Narthex

Summer Sunday School 2016 at 9:30am

Adult and High School in the Sanctuary with Pastor
6,7,8th grades in room 208

Children/Toddlin' in Fellowship Hall with Kaja Mueller

Date	Adult	Children/Toddlin
June 5	<i>No Class—Christ Cares Sunday</i>	<i>No Class—Christ Cares Sunday</i>
June 12	God In The Jukebox	The Bronze Serpent
June 19	God In The Jukebox	Jesus Seeks & Saves The Lost
June 26	God In The Jukebox	Jesus Heals Ten Lepers
July 3	God In The Jukebox	Jesus Blesses the Little Children
July 10	<i>No Class - UKANDU Presentation</i>	
July 17	God In The Jukebox	To be announced
July 24	<i>No Class - Swaziland Presentation</i>	
July 31	God In The Jukebox	To be announced
August 7	<i>No Class - NYG Presentation</i>	
August 14	God In The Jukebox	To be announced
August 21	God In The Jukebox	To be announced
August 28	<i>No Class—Worship in the Park</i>	
September 4	<i>No Sunday School—Labor Day</i>	
September 11	Rally Day - 1 st Day of Regular Sunday School	



MISSION	MAY PAYMENT
Iowa District East	\$4,583.33
Hospice of Iowa City	\$375.00
LCMS World Mission	\$500.00
Peace Officer Ministry	\$250.00
Crisis Center	\$50.00
Transforming Campus Ministries	\$670.00
TOTAL	\$6,428.33



FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

Come help us fight world hunger by volunteering to work a two hour shift hand-packing meals. Adults and children ages five and up can help pack meals. Volunteers can sign up as individuals or register with families, friends, coworkers, athletic teams, churches, etc.

Shifts are as follows:

Friday June 17th

- Packing Shift #1 8am to 10am
- Packing Shift #2 11am to 1pm
- Packing Shift #3 2pm to 4pm
- Packing Shift #4 5pm to 7pm
- Event Clean Up 7pm to 9pm

300 volunteers still needed

Thank you for turning hunger into HOPE!

You can register at:

<http://www.kintera.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=1148578>
or call Cindy Vonderhaar at 319-530-8062
or email her at cindy.vonderhaar@gmail.com

1 Day • 750 Volunteers • 148,000 Meals
June 17th – Mission Possible!

This is a great opportunity to serve in the community by registering now for the MobilePack Event.. Slots fill up quickly. Our Redeemer does not have a set time slot, but we are encouraging members to volunteer for any of the shifts. Be sure to wear your "Our Redeemer" t-shirt for your shift. The Mission Committee gave a \$monetary donation in support of this event.



Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) is a Christian non-profit organization committed to feeding God's children hungry in body and spirit. The approach is simple: volunteers hand-pack meals specially formulated for malnourished children, and we send them to mission partners running orphanages, schools, clinics and feeding programs around the world. FMSC food has reached nearly 70 countries in our history.

We teach our students about letters, numbers, and the world around us, but our most enjoyable task is telling young children about Jesus and His love for them.

Register now for the 2016-2017 school year!

THANK YOU TO PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER BASKET MAKERS AND BIDDERS



A grateful shout out of thanks goes to the following groups and individuals for making baskets for the Preschool Scholarship Fundraiser! Because of your contributions, Preschool was able to raise \$1157 in scholarship tuition for God's children. Your willingness to help and your generosity were reflected in the beautiful baskets that were auctioned off. And bidders, we appreciate your involvement and hope you are enjoying your baskets!

Thanks to: Assimilation, Education, Outreach, Small Group Ministry, Thompson's Small Group, Wilson's Small Group, Preschool parents, Gil Glandorf, Tamara Grimm, Linda Diggelmann, Benita Carney, The Haack family, Lillian Moyer, and Pam Wilson.

CHRIST CARES COMMUNITY SERVICE SUNDAY

June 5, 2016

Sign up TODAY to serve someone in our community!

Saturday, June 4

Regular 5:30 pm Divine Worship

Sunday, June 5

Regular 8:00 am Divine Worship



Following 8:00 service, teams gather and proceed to service sites

9:30 am - Begin Christ Cares activities

12:00 pm - Lunch & recap at Our Redeemer

There is NO 10:30 am service on June 5!



SIGN UP FOR * Paper Products * Snacks * Trail Guides *

The list and registration forms are in the church office

Please consider sponsoring a child for Vacation Bible School (VBS). Each \$10 in sponsorship will help one child receive the music CD, crafts, snack, and a free Bible if they do not have one at home.

We focus each year on regularly reading God's Word from the Bible. At least 65% of the children who attend our VBS are non-members of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church & Preschool, and often many may not have a Bible at home.

Our VBS outreach event helps us to reach many children from our congregation and the community (approximately 200 children total).

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone#: _____

Email: _____

Number of Children you would like to sponsor: _____
(Suggested donation of \$10/child)

Amount You Are Donating _____

Please return sponsorship to the church office. *Thank You!*
We ask you to also remember to pray for these children during the week of VBS. Thank you for your support!



Trivia has a winning team!



CHALLENGE

May 1, 2016



Trivia has something for everyone!



Trivia has super scorers!

Trivia has
Tables of fun!

Trivia has a good food!

Trivia has a great emcee!





Stephen Ministry

By Marcia Hulse

We care, Christ cures.

In Mark 1:40-45, we read how Jesus rises above the customs and inhibitions of his day to provide the sort of care the leper really needed. Stephen Ministers and Stephen Leaders provide the same care for people who are in trouble or in need, offering God's love and support while relying always on Him to provide cure.

Stephen Ministers are care givers who have completed 50 hours of training, are involved in peer support groups and will be completing additional on-going training. After commissioning, the Stephen Minister will be assigned to minister to a member of our congregation, working with people who are struggling through difficult events in their life—such as hospitalization, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, the loss of a loved one, or any of a number of other difficulties in daily living.

On Sunday, June 26, during the 10:30 a.m. Divine Service, our congregation will commission five new Stephen Ministers - Becky Behrens, Charma and Marty Wenck, Melissa and Vicar Adelsen. As we commission them and send them forth to minister, let us thank God for the love and the generosity that inspired their response to God's call and let us pray for the success of this caring ministry that they bring to our congregation.

In addition, we ask God's blessings as we once again commission our ten existing Stephen Ministers to continue to put their skills and compassion to work, caring for people in our congregation. There's something special about knowing God has put them in a certain place at a certain time to help a certain person. We thank God that he has given us the gift of these people - Dianne Clark, Steve Faga, Sarah Gabel, Marcia Hulse, Skip Kempnich, Cathy Nelson, Shari Sedlacek, Kevin Sellers, Arlan Thompson and Marlene Thompson.

During this service we are also commissioning our five Stephen Leaders affirming their choice to use their special gifts and talents to guide others in bringing the care and love of God to those in need. We pray for the success of this special ministry in our congregation. Our Stephen Leaders are Pastor Hartwig, Bill Benson, Marcia Hulse, Kathy Schweer and Kevin Sellers.

Our loving God, as your chosen people, dearly loved by you, we ask for your guidance and blessing on our Stephen Ministry.

We pray for our Stephen Ministers and Stephen Leaders, that they may be clothed with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Guide their learning and be with them through the joys and challenges of their ministry.

We pray that individuals in our congregation with the gifts and abilities to serve as Stephen Ministers may be moved by your Spirit to come forward and serve in this ministry.

And we pray that each of us, during difficult times in our lives, will recognize our need to receive care from others and be willing to accept your care through our brothers and sisters in Christ.

As we participate in Stephen Ministry, help us to remember that over all these Christian virtues we need to put to love, which brings harmony to diversity. May love be the tie that binds me.

And whatever we do, in word or in deed, we do it all in the name of Jesus, giving thanks to God our Father through him. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen



P e a c h e s F U N D R A I S E R

to benefit the Our Redeemer Youth

Watch for an email message in your inbox

or

Look for an orange flyer in your home or church mailbox

or

Pick up an order form from the church office



REMEMBER: if you include the name of one of our youth, that person will get a portion of the funds added to his/her church prize account.



KUDOS



Our Redeemer's
Board of Directors
recognizes

HAROLD SCHEER

HENRY DIGGELMANN

CRAIG DAVIS

Harold and Henry have been putting in at least two days a week on projects for the church and parsonages, Craig at least one day a week in maintenance.

Thank you!

VOTERS' MEETING MINUTES

John presented results from survey over the revised, scaled down Vision 2020 (which included paying off mortgage on new parsonage, additional sanctuary updates, technology updates, remodel of Narthex and library, and needed maintenance to church - see page 11).

- ◇ 144 responses reflected higher positive responses in several areas from the 2015 survey.
- ◇ The overall indication is that now is the right time for Vision 2020 and to start a capital campaign.
- ◇ John recommended moving forward with a three year capital campaign starting in the fall. Committees will need to be set up in the next 4-6 weeks. The approximate cost is \$1.5M.

Several questions asked including:

- ◇ Are architectural and contingency fees built in to cost? *Yes.*
- ◇ Time frame for committees to create more defined plans? *First, need to find out how much money we will raise from pledges and money in the bank (must be 50%). Construction won't start until funded. The time frame will be based off this.*
- ◇ Is there a way to exclude any one part of the plans? *No, it's all or nothing.*
- ◇ Why is the house part of the plan? *Goal is to be debt free at the end of the campaign*
- ◇ What is the order of importance with projects? *This will be decided by what makes sense to the committees. Certain maintenance will have to come first, along with sanctuary.*
- ◇ What needs to be done in the sanctuary? *Altar and baptismal font repair/reface (not a new altar), chancel, wallpaper, skylight.*

A motion, made and seconded, was overwhelmingly accepted for the Vision 2020, 2016 plan, and to move forward with the capital campaign (\$1.5M)

MAY BOARD MEETING MINUTES



Treasurer's Report:

- ◇ April total income of \$48,533.55 plus \$223.00 suspense income with expenses of \$58,059.92 giving a negative cash flow of \$(9,526.37).
- ◇ Year to date income \$218,642.21 with expenses of \$219,243.96 giving a negative cash flow of \$(601.75). Last year at this time, there was a negative cash flow of approximately \$(33,000.00).

At-Large Report:

- ◇ The Outreach Committee is planning an Open House next year after the Johnson County Fair specifically for those that signed up at fair booth. Will have food, games, personal tours.



SURVEY RESULTS FOR VISION 2020

The May 21 Voters' Meeting overwhelmingly passed a resolution to go forward with the plan as described. Below are the statistics summarizing the survey results.

STATEMENT	% AGREEMENT
Our Redeemer meets the spiritual needs of my household.	98.1
Our Redeemer provides a valuable ministry to the entire community.	92.4
Our Redeemer is being given an opportunity to do something vital for our mission and ministry - not only for today, but also for tomorrow.	84.7
Now is the right time to enact the plan as presented.	68.3
Now is the right time to expand the narthex and library and move the chapel.	73.1
Now is the right time to refresh the fellowship hall.	85.5
Now is the right time to complete the sanctuary renovations.	81.7
Now is the right time to update the sound and visual aid technology.	75.0
Now is the right time to conduct a capital campaign to help fund the plan as described.	71.2
I have had adequate opportunity to share my opinions about this project.	81.7
I feel I know enough about this project to make an informed decision about my	75.9
I prayerfully intend to grow in faith and trust as a good steward so that I will be moved	82.5
I will commit our plans - and our people - to the Lord in prayer as we move forward	91.3

IDE Today available on the Welcome Center



NEWS—Anita Nicholson

Keep Fit as You Age: Four types of exercise

All of the body's systems slow with age. Dr. Bryant states, "We used to think that was a function of aging," he says. "But as much as 50 percent of it [deterioration] can be attributed to a lack of physical activity. Exercise will alter that. It will slow the breakdown. In some cases it can even reverse it." Being active will help you live well. (Dr. Bryant - chief exercise physiologist for the American Council on Exercise)

To be safe, talk with your doctor before you start or add to an exercise plan.

These four types of exercise are the most important, according to the National Institute on Aging:

- **Endurance.** These exercises boost heart rate and breathing over a period of time. They are good for the heart, lungs and circulation. They also help prevent or delay some diseases. Examples are: walking, running, biking, swimming, dancing or any other activity done without stopping for a period of time.
- **Strength training.** Some examples are: weight training or body weight exercises such as push ups or pull ups. Lifting weights make older adults strong enough to do what they need to do -- and like to do.
- **Balance.** These exercises help prevent falls, a major cause of disability in older adults. Try practicing balancing on one foot trying to increase the length of time one is able to do it over time and then adding some movement of the eyes or hands to make it more difficult.
- **Stretching.** Some examples are: flexibility exercises, yoga, tai chi, pilates, anything that makes one try to increase the range of motion of a joint. These exercises help keep the body limber and flexible.

A winning program

These tips can help you be successful at exercise:

- Schedule your exercise time just as you do other activities. It should be a normal part of your day.
- Start out slow and increase your pace gradually.
- Persuade a friend to exercise with you. A friend can provide the motivation to stick with a program because you know the person is counting on you to be there.
- To prevent boredom, vary what you do for exercise.
- Add physical activity to your day-to-day activities, such as using the stairs instead of the elevator and parking farther from your destination to get a longer walk in.

https://healthadvocate.personaladvantage.com/content.jsp?module=section_040&subtopic=10001453&category=10000006&resource=10047355



We Love
These Kids



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Photos by Kevin Sellers



Morgan Kimball, Ryan Bruckman, Devyn Alt, Noah Siems, Jenna Bower, Mark Becker, Sarah Benson

WELCOME

New Members

Membership Changes & Official Acts



Amie, Justin, Ciara, Meredith Slapnicka

<u>Baptisms</u>	
Rhett Alan Marks	5-1-2016
<u>Marriages</u>	
Eric Nieland & Rachel Curry	5-13-2016
Dayton Stevens & Krista Sellers	5-21-2016



Kathy Folkmann installs president Cheryll Davisson and Secretary Laurel Sellers

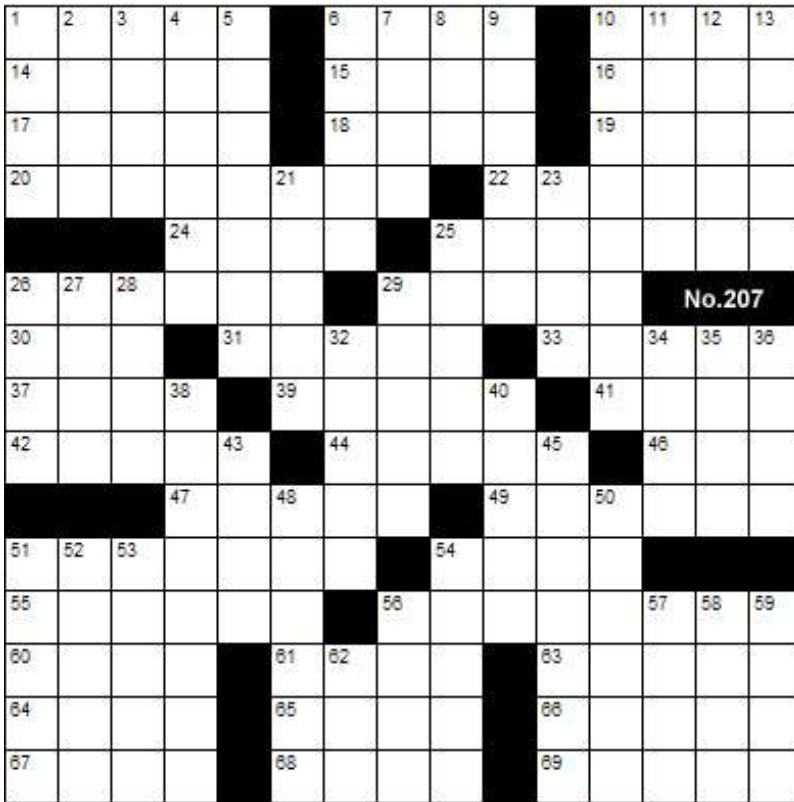
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LADIES NIGHT OUT



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ACROSS

1. When the queen of ___ heard about the fame of Solomon (1 King 10:1)
6. eyes of the LORD, which ___ to and fro throughout (Zech 4:10) NKJV
10. with an iron scepter; he will ___ them to pieces like pottery (Rev 2:27)
14. Now ___ this lesson from the fig tree (Matt 24:32)
15. and ___ a coat of scale armor (1 Sam 17:5)
16. And ___ said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee (Gen 25:30) KJV
17. For I mean not that other men be ___, and ye burdened (2 Cor 8:13) (KJV)
18. under oaks and poplars and ___ (Hos 4:13) KJV
19. lower part of the face (Lev 13:29)
20. bound by his hand: they are ___, and come up upon my neck (Lam 1:14) KJV
22. a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a ___ (Rev 16:21)
24. who ___ your wood and carry your water (Deut 29:11)
25. When their spirit ___, they return to the ground (Ps 146:4)
26. but the mouth of the fool ___ folly (Prov 15:2)
29. longer than the earth and ___ than the sea (Job 11:9)
30. the sucking child shall play on the hole of the ___ (Isa 11:8) KJV
31. desire, longing (Gen 43:30) KJV
33. The sons of Nadab: ___ and Appaim (1 Chron 2:30)
37. Barnabas they called ___, and Paul they called Hermes (Acts 14:12)
39. Bring me a heifer, ___ and a ram (1,4) (Gen 15:9)
41. the price of his ___ shall be according unto the number of years (Lev 25:50)
42. Having believed, you were marked in him with ___ (1,4) (Eph 1:13)
44. there is none ___ God but one (1 Cor 8:4)
46. The law of the wise ___ fountain of life (2,1) (Prov 13:14)
47. the crumbs which fell from the rich man's ___ (Luke 16:21)
49. he ___ Damascus on his journey (Acts 9:3)
51. not with ___ hair or gold or pearls or expensive clothes (1 Tim 2:9)
54. Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the ___ high God (Heb 7:1)
55. Who ___ him for what he has done? (Job 21:31)
56. Your statutes are my ___ forever (Ps 119:111)
60. They cooked it in ___ or made it into cakes (1,3) (Num 11:8)
61. "Is that your own ___" Jesus asked (John 18:34)

63. Andrew, ___ Peter's brother (John 1:40)
64. in the plain, in the hills, and in the ___ (Deut 1:7) KJV
65. They look like flaming torches; they ___ about like lightning (Nah 2:4)
66. the treaders shall ___ out no wine in their presses (Isaiah 16:10)
67. one official is ___ by a higher one (Eccl 5:8-9)
68. Noah found favor in the ___ of the LORD (Gen 6:8)
69. Timothy, my fellow worker, ___ his greetings to you (Rom 16:21)

DOWN

1. raised up Jesus, whom ye ___ and hanged on a tree (Acts 5:30) KJV
2. My soul will boast in the LORD; let the afflicted ___ and rejoice (Ps 34:2)
3. be in rest and at ___, and none shall make him afraid (Jer 46:27)
4. They advance as through a gaping ___ (Job 30:14)
5. they were filled with awe; ___ praised God (3,4) (Matt 9:8)
6. A whirlwind will ___ them away (Hos 4:19)
7. I know your deeds, that you are neither ___ nor hot (Rev 3:15)
8. by his right hand, and by the ___ of his strength (Isaiah 62:8)
9. All the birds of the air ___ in its boughs (Ezek 31:6)
10. I will rise up against them, ___ the LORD Almighty (Isa 14:22)
11. Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of ___ (Luke 2:36)
12. Salute every ___ in Christ Jesus. (Phil 4:21)
13. In his arrogance the wicked man ___ down the weak (Ps 10:2)
21. One of the minor prophets
23. bringing gold, and silver, ivory, and ___, and peacocks (1 King 10:22)
25. and took ___ from Shechem's house and left (Gen 34:26)
26. five Philistine rulers in ___, Ashdod, Ashkelon, Gath and Ekron (Josh 13:3)
27. also learn to maintain good works for necessary ___ (Titus 3:14)
28. neither cold nor hot, I will ___ thee out of my mouth (Rev 3:16) (KJV)
29. I ___ them with ink in the book (Jer 36:18)
32. in purple and have ___ chain placed around his neck (1,4) (Dan 5:7)
34. What a ruin she has become, a ___ for wild beasts (Zeph 2:15)
35. Salvation is found in no one ___, for there is no other name (Acts 4:12)
36. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the ___, cast out devils (Matt 10:8)
38. I have ___ the weary soul, and I have replenished (Jer 31:25) KJV
40. five, ___ twenty days (3,2) (Num 11:19)
43. The elder, To the chosen ___ and her children (II Jn 1:1)
45. Then why does God still blame us? For who ___ his will? (Rom 9:19)
48. Jesus was walking ___ the Sea of Galilee (Matt 4:18)
50. Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her ___? (Jer 2:32) KJV
51. Have not I given you this order? Be strong and ___ (2 Sam 13:28)
52. It is mine to avenge; I will ___. In due time (Deut 32:35)
53. Make a snake and put it up on ___ (1,4) (Num 21:8)
54. a banquet of aged wine, the best of ___ and the finest of wines (Isa 25:6)
56. Now therefore are we all ___ present before God (Acts 10:33)
57. behold, I am alive for evermore, ___ (Rev 1:18)
58. which slew of the Philistines six hundred men with an ox ___ (Judg 3:31) KJV
59. He makes clouds rise from the ___ of the earth (Ps 135:7)
62. God called the light ___, and the darkness he called Night (Gen 1:5)

Excerpts from email from the Petersens, missionaries who received part of the Karen Redus Memorial

Dear Loved Ones in Christ,

We are still 34 days away from departing our home in a foreign land. We have been strangers sojourning in this distant land for over seven years and we are confident that the Lord wants us to move into the next phase of our lives and work for Him.

We just finished our weekly refugee work handing out food, clothing, diapers and medicine to over 350 people who have had their lives turned up-side down. It is both discouraging to hear the many stories of tragedy and strife, but also up-lifting to see the Lord bringing many of these people closer to Him and at the same time renewing to us, to see the smile and share a small portion of ourselves and shake a hand or give a hug and let someone know that they are thought of and cared for in a small way.

Life has not slowed down any as we are preparing to depart Turkey, Enoch is still busy with teacher trainings and other events with English groups. He has even done some training together with the US Embassy's Regional English Language Office. His impact and reputation have become evident as he has shared the news of our departure this summer with many Turkish friends and colleagues and has seen their reactions. Many hope he will return soon or make Turkey an annual place for ongoing work in education, leadership and friendship.

As the summer unfolds for us, we will be busy getting the kids ready for life in the US. Lucas will be enrolled at Lutheran High in Springfield as a sophomore and Sydney will start getting some basic college courses knocked out at the local community college. Enoch, will be finishing a Master's degree in Educational Leadership that should lead into his PhD program and Kristin will start teaching pre-school full-time this fall at our church's day school.

We would really love to keep in touch with many of you. If you would like to receive updates please respond to either bigpbanddude@gmail.com or ekslpetersen@gmail.com to get on a new email list.

God bless each and every one of you as we all turn to Him as the source for every good thing.

Peace be with you,

Enoch, Kristin, Sydney & Lucas
The Petersens



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1	Trivia Night at Hy-Vee <i>High School</i>	5:30 pm meet at church
5	UKANDU Parent & Participant Meeting	1:00 pm following Christ Cares lunch
7	\$5 Movie Night @ Sycamore Mall <i>High School</i>	TBA
12	Coffee & Treats <i>Hosted by Confirmation Families</i>	8:45 am
15	Lunch at Pizza Ranch <i>Confirmation & High School</i>	12:00pm
13-17	Vacation Bible School <i>3 Years to 8th Grade</i> <i>High School Encouraged to Help</i>	9:00- 11:30am
19	UKANDU Commissioning <i>UKANDU Participants & Chaperones</i>	During 8:00 am service
19-25	UKANDU <i>Servant Event in Chicago</i>	
29	AirFX <i>High School</i>	TBA

July

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6	Prepare for UKANDU Presentation <i>UKANDU Participants & Chaperones</i>	6:00pm
	Coffee & Treats <i>Hosted by High School Families</i>	8:45 am
10	UKANDU Presentation during Bible Study Hour <i>UKANDU Participants & Chaperones</i>	9:30 am
	National Youth Gathering Commissioning <i>NYG Participants & Chaperones</i>	During 10:30 am service
13-21	National Youth Gathering <i>New Orleans</i>	



Trivia Night at Hy-Vee

Weds, June 1st

5:30 pm Meet at church to walk to Hy-Vee together
Or meet us at HyVee (corner of 1st and Muscatine) at 5:45 pm
Bring money for food & drinks

High school students

OUR REDEEMER OFFICE DIRECTORY

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Each family of the Our Redeemer flock is assigned alphabetically by last name to an elder to insure each family is prayed for and feels they "have an elder". It is the sincere feeling of the Board of Elders that we are to love and be of service equally to the entire body of believers. We encourage any one of you to contact any one of us so we can share your spiritual journey, ideas or concerns.

DEADLINES

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

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 p.m.

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

Lutheran Hour Ministries on Radio—**WMT 600 AM Radio** on Sunday mornings at 6:30 a.m., and **KXEL 1540 AM Radio** on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

VOLUNTEER BACKGROUND SCREENING

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church has been in ministry with children and youth for over 55 years. Our insurance carrier, Brotherhood 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.

On the Island

Psalm 96: 4-9

I sit at an outdoor service
worshipping You.

Your foamy clouds
go sailing by
against a flawless
expanse of blue.

Birds sing joyfully,
praising You.

The clover-scented breeze
teases my hair.

How can I concentrate
upon Your death for me
amidst all this life of Yours?

Instead, my soul sings to You,
hymns of praise
for what is
and yearning
for what the future holds
in that highest heaven
of Yours.

I cannot hold thoughts of my sins,
times of darkness
and Your sacrificial death
because...

My worship is filled
with sunlit rays,
thanksgiving
and glory
to my resurrected,
living Lord!



~ Carol Schuldt