

The Messenger

Redeemer Lutheran Church and School, reaching out into the community to do what's best for the community

Volume 47, No. 10 October, 2017



ear Friends of THE Redeemer,

Florida living has many advantages – lots of sun, the big blue ocean, citrus fruit, fresh seafood, and no snow to shovel. However, there are a few things I miss about the north, especially in October – no hurricanes, the fall colors, a crisp apple, the cool evening air, and the lack of bugs. I guess this goes to show there is give and take no matter where you live.

The same could be said of the Church. Although there is never any give and take in what we profess in faith as followers of Jesus (the Word never changes), there is give and take in how we do ministry. As we strive to fulfill our mission motto – *Reaching out into the community to do what is best for the community and share the love of Jesus through word and action* – we will try some new things, tweak the areas going well, and dump the stuff that has run its course.

Here are some things which are in the works. Cornerstone Fellowship, our mission plant is St Lucie County, is moving forward. There is a small group beginning to meet and we continue our search for a church planting pastor. Second, we are currently exploring adding a second floor to the church offices and Albracht Hall. This would supply much needed space for Sunday school, quilters, youth, and general meeting areas. Third, we are trying to develop nursery ministry for ages 0-4 during the 8:30 worship. Although I am a firm believer that worship is a family experience and I do not mind fidgety children, some folks get too flustered and need a reprieve from their young child(ren). Some stay away from worship for this reason. Fourth, Pastor Kevin is developing a focus group of unchurched folks from our school. The purpose is to find out their views of church, worship, and ministry. Based on these findings we may add an alternative worship experience and/or other events to share the Gospel and attract these folks into the life of the fellowship. Fifth, hurricanes Harvey and Irma wreaked havoc in people's lives. We were left fairly unscathed. In the coming months I would like to organize a week-long work party(ies) to go help some of the TX/FL folks.

These are exciting times for Redeemer. May the Holy Spirit bless us mightily and motivate us to be bold and brave to carry out the Lord's mission work, and help us give and take.

In the name of THE Redeemer, Pastor Dave

he Fall Festival at Indian Riverside Park **October 22, 4:00-6:00 p.m.** is fast approaching! During the event we will have free food, face painting, and pumpkin decorating. Also, this year we will be celebrating the 500th anniversary of Reformation with interactive games and fun! We are looking forward to a fun community event this year! To make this the best event possible, we need lots of volunteers. Please contact Holly Ridgway at 561-714-3763 or h.ridgway@aol.com or the church office to sign up.



We've run out of candy the last few years, so we are also still collecting candy donations for the Fall Festival. Please bring in any non-chocolate candy (chocolate melts so fast outside) to the church office to be used for trunk or treat. Small erasers, stickers, pencils or other trinkets can also be used to hand out. Thank you!

Inside this issue:

Anniversaries & Birthdays	. 7
Pastor Dave's Message	. 1
Pastor Kevin's Message	.4
School News	

Treasurer's Report4
The Vicar's Corner7
<i>Women's Ministries3 & 5</i>
Worship Team Schedule 6





Principally Speaking

by Jim Essig

The 2017-2018 school year is off to a fantastic start! We have a record number of students, 301, enrolled in the school. We just dedicated the new Edward Steele Memorial Playground, which certainly enhances the campus and provides enjoyable play spaces for our students. Edward passed away in the spring. His granddaughter, Emily, is in our seventh grade. We sincerely thank Edward's widow, Karen Steele, for her loving generosity.

Our regular school routine was interrupted for a full week by Hurricane Irma. We thank God for keeping our campus and our church and school families safe during this storm. After being cooped up in their houses, many without electricity, most of the students seemed happy to get back to school on Thursday, September 14.

This year Mrs. Hascup has two after-school clubs. Engineering Club is for second-fourth grade students while Robotics Club is for children ages 9-12. Our students enjoy staying after school to participate in these educational clubs.

Many of our grade 5-8 students are participating in sports this fall. We have both varsity (grades 7-8) and junior varsity (grades 5-6) soccer and volleyball teams. Volleyball is open to only the girls. The soccer teams have mostly boys but also a couple of girls who prefer kicking a soccer ball over bumping and spiking a volleyball. Once again this fall Mike Cilurso is the head soccer coach while Janaina Miranda is the head volleyball coach.

Only four school staff members—Karyn McChrystal, Crislyn Grubb, Nick Utech, and I—are attending the Lutheran conference this fall. It is called The President's Equip Conference and is geared to church and school growth. Some other teachers will attend the Future of Educational Technology in Orlando in January.

We recently sent the revised school calendar to the parents and staff members since we are going to make up the five hurricane days. We thank God for protecting our families and our Redeemer property during Hurricane Irma. Please pray for the victims of all the hurricanes of this season and for the earthquake victims in Mexico.

Classroom Connection - 5th Grade



Time flies when you're having fun in 5th grade! August and September have flown by as we have been busy learning and growing as a school family. We start each day with Luther's Morning Prayer, pledges, and devotions. In Religion, we have been talking about God's Law and the Gospel. We have read about the many names of God and what these reveal about Him.



The students have been learning to use their new Chrome books as they complete assignments in Google Classroom. Each week they work on a "Paragraph of the Week" based on a topic I have given them. The students complete these paragraphs in Google Classroom and are able to submit them to me online for grading. They have also enjoyed working on the beginning stages of their Digital Scrapbooks. Each month they will update their scrapbook with snapshots of what they are learning in class. At the end of the year they will have an entire scrapbook of their Fifth Grade Adventures!



In Science we have been studying Human Body systems as well as preparing for the Science Fair that is coming up in November.

We have been reading *The Indian in the Cupboard* as a class and the students are really enjoying this classic novel. We are looking forward to watching the movie when we finish reading the book. The students will get a chance to compare and contrast the various elements of the book versus the movie.

Our class mission project this year will benefit Place of Hope. We will be holding a diapers and wipes drive to help provide essentials for the babies under their care. We will be kicking this drive off in the upcoming month.

One of our favorite activities during the week is our Friday Reading Buddies with the kindergarten class. Each fifth grade student is paired up with a kindergarten buddy, and they spend time reading to their buddies from their favorite books. It is such a great experience for all the kids.

We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead in 5th grade!

he CareNet Board and Staff prayerfully made the decision to reschedule the banquet and "fold" it into the grand opening of their new PSL administrative center on Saturday, November 4. Selfguided tours of the center begin at 5:30 p.m. with heavy hors d'oeuvres; the event will take place from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. and include guest speaker, Ryan Bomberger, and more tours following. Call CareNet (828-3168) or Pat Risser (287-2194) for more information.



adies, you are invited to join Redeemer's LWML for Bible study, fellowship, and mission service opportunities on Saturday, October 14 at 9:00 a.m. in Albracht Hall.

ur Mite Box program collects love offerings monthly to fund mission grants in our District, throughout the U.S., and around the world to spread God's love and Word. Women (and men) are encouraged to "adopt" a small mite box (located at each church exit), fill it, and deposit it (or the funds) into the larger mite boxes by the church exits. Mite Sunday is always the first Sunday of each month. The next Mite Sunday will be October 1. Mites for June, July, August, and September totaled \$218.50.

ctober 15 is Women in Ministry Sunday, when Redeemer celebrates Wor and blesses all the ladies' endeavors in mission and ministry for our Lord. Come, Ministry enjoy seeing how they use their talents to serve the Lord and find out how you can help or join them.





ecan Sales: The 2017 crop of pecans is being harvested, and our order is due to arrive in mid-November. Pre-orders will begin October 2 by contacting Karen in the church office

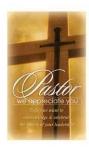
(kmccarthy@redeemerstuart.com or 286-0911). Every year's a sellout, so be sure not to miss out by ordering today. Not just for cooking, they make great gifts, too! Proceeds support our adopt-a-seminarians, Vicar Stan and Pastor Kevin. Prices are \$12 for 1 lb. of fancy mammoth halves, \$11.50 for 1 lb. of fancy large or small pieces, \$10.75 for 12 oz. of milk chocolate clusters or dark chocolate covered pecans. We will not be selling cinnamon glazed pecans this year. Checks should be made payable to "Redeemer Lutheran LWML."



Praying Hands and Hearts

he next social for Praying Hands and Hearts is at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, October 14 in Albracht Hall. Please bring your completed prayer shawls, afghans, and baby items. We will be displaying them in church for blessing the next day. New members are always welcome to join us; we have patterns, and you will be able to see the items we make to distribute to nursing homes, Hospice, shut-ins, the homeless, and newborns. If you have any questions or would like to participate with the group, please contact Hannelore Hettig (692-1090) or Ann Panhorst (223-4012).

ctober is Pastor Appreciation Month. Here are some examples of how we can encourage our pastor and church leadership: 1) Pray for them and their families. There is a prayer resource on 31 days of prayer for our pastors available in the church office if you would like specific, daily prayers. 2) Express appreciation verbally or in writing. 3) Gift them



with a home cooked meal or a gift certificate to a restaurant. 4) Offer your skills for a home repair, lawn care, etc. 5) Offer to meet a need in the congregation. These are just a few ideas. Use your imagination to thank them for sharing their love of Jesus with us.



Christmas Wreath Fundraiser

he Music Department is selling beautiful fresh Christmas wreaths to raise money for the

Lutheran School Music Festival trip. Wreath and centerpiece prices average \$25 and will be delivered to Redeemer between November 27-December 4. For \$50 the company will deliver your wreath to anywhere in the U.S. so you could buy one for a friend or relative up north and surprise them!

Watch for students on Sunday mornings to make your purchase or contact Joy in the church office for more information.

inochle players: Join us in the Conference Room at 1:15 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Only \$2 provides lots of fun and fellowship! Please call Thelma Henderson (266-8269) so you can be set up with a partner!



Treasurer's Report for Period 8/31/17 Fiscal Year 9/1/16-8/31/17

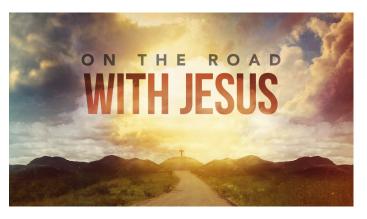
August	Year-to-Date
\$ 48,417.70	\$ 620,131.21
2,961.12	69,838.04
0.00	17,369.50
0.00	0.00
10.00	21,120.00
202.23	3,859.47
62,981.14	1,670,713.43
776.94	78,363.15
3,857.91	25,980.91
1,515.00	6,492.33
\$ 120,722.04	\$ 2,513,868.04
\$ 11,993.47	\$ 72,845.88
153,726.85	1,792,502.81
11,022.42	174,211.75
6,617.51	79,761.71
1,000.00	12,000.00
52,543.41	170,574.32
414.91	12,536.34
243.99	20,764.37
0.00	0.00
\$ 237,562.56	\$ 2,335,886.51
(116,840.52)	177,981.53
	\$ 48,417.70 2,961.12 0.00 10.00 202.23 62,981.14 776.94 3,857.91 1,515.00 \$ 120,722.04 \$ 11,993.47 153,726.85 11,022.42 6,617.51 1,000.00 52,543.41 414.91 243.99 0.00 \$ 237,562.56

Thrivent Choice Dollars

Designated in fiscal year 9/16-8/17

Church: \$306.00 School: \$151.00

School funds for this fiscal year will continue to be used for educational assistance. Church funds will be designated as needs arise. Thank you for your support of Redeemer Lutheran Church and School through this program. Please contact Amy Whitlach (772-408-0771) if you have questions or to designate your Thrivent Choice Dollars.



I think it's one of the perpetual challenges that Christians face, how do we reach out to the world? How do we connect other people to Jesus, especially in a world where people frequently don't want to hear that message? Well here are some thoughts.

- You can pray for people and for God to open their hearts. You never know when God will act.
- You can love people by serving them and being kind to them. Maybe they'll want to learn more about you just because you were kind to them.
- Have conversations with people where you share what you believe about Jesus in a gentle way.
- Join some kind of community group where you can get to know the people around you.
- Post, every now and then, something about your faith online.
- Invite someone to a church function or service. Maybe they're ready to get more involved in faith!

Pray for God to open doors, and he will!

Peace of Christ, Pastor Kevin



One Night Movie Event

In celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, the full-length film, "Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World," will show on October 19, at 6:30 p.m. at Regal Cinemas at the Treasure Coast Mall. A Q&A session will follow. Tickets (\$12) are only available at https://new.tugg.com/events/martin-luther-the-idea-that-changed-the-world-ivev.



LWML November Rally at Redeemer

edeemer will be hosting the Fall LWML Treasure Coast Zone Rally on Saturday, November 11, 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., and you, Redeemer family and friends, are needed in many capacities to make our sisters in Christ from West Palm Beach up to Vero Beach feel welcome in worship. Bible study, fellowship, and mission service. Focus will be on Luke 10:2 "The hornest

and friends, are needed in many capacities to make our sisters in Christ from West Palm Beach up to Vero Beach feel welcome in worship, Bible study, fellowship, and mission service. Focus will be on Luke 10:2, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest," a call to encourage support of missionaries, seminarians, and church workers and us to be home missionaries!

As details on the day's plans are assembled, please consider helping in one or more of the following areas:

- Plan to attend to get a faith lift and be inspired by your fellow sisters in Christ
- Be a greeter, "traffic director," worship assistant, usher, food server, hostess, childcare worker, or one of many other workers needed for the day.
- Donating new or gently used white elephant items for door prizes or for a small sale to support the District mission trip to Kenya.
- Providing fruit or juice for breakfast or a salad, sandwich or dessert bar item for the buffet lunch.
- Donate items for cancer care kits and homeless kits to be made up at the rally: washcloths, slipper socks, devotional books, hats, word puzzle or Sudoku books, hard candies, bottled water, protein bars, socks, breath mints, Christian tracts, toothbrushes, toothpaste.

For more information or to volunteer to be part of the fun, contact Karen in the church office. Donations of items can be brought to Karen in the church office at any time.

Properties Board Report

The Properties Board is happy to report that Redeemer's campus held up fairly well against Hurricane Irma's wrath. Thank you to the dozen or so individuals and families that turned out to put up and take down the shutters and to clean up the landscape debris. Besides lots of small tree branches and leaves to pick up, the awning cover by the back door of the CFC kitchen was blown away and found next door, a few shingles and flashing on Albracht Hall came off, and small leaks were discovered in the church and Albracht Hall.

Glitches were discovered in the hurricane shutter plan—many volunteers on the preparedness list did not turn out this time due to evacuations and poor communications, and some shutters were missing or were not secured properly. The Board will be addressing these issues and considering a plan to install accordion shutters and hurricane-resistant windows in place of some of the panel shutters currently in use. As the oldest of the roofs on campus, the roof on Albracht Hall and the church offices will be replaced.

Other recent property activities around campus: (1) the computer network was upgraded to alleviate a potential fire hazard and improve communication among the servers and computers, (2) two air conditioning units needed replacing (Redeemer has 30 or so), (3) the ice makers in the CFC kitchen and Albracht Hall were repaired, (4) samples of chairs to replace the folding chairs were received for people to try out, and the order will hopefully be received (along with storage racks) by the end of 2017, (5) fiber-reinforced panels have been ordered for the school entryway, the CFC kitchen, CFC lobby restrooms, and CFC upstairs restrooms, to hopefully be installed over Christmas break, and (6) the church projection system is in the process of being upgraded.

The Board welcomes more members, tradesmen and tradeswomen, handymen and handywomen, designers, and ideas for Redeemer. Please feel free to call Steve McCarthy (214-2043) for more information or to volunteer.

Costa Rica Fundraiser

ainless giving has never been so delicious! Please join Redeemer and the members of the Costa Rica Mission Team at Bono's B-B-Q & Grill Tuesday, October 24, 5:00-9:00 p.m. to help raise funds for their 2018 trip to Hogar de Vida. A portion of your dinner purchase will be donated to the team for their trip.

Live Nativity

This year's Live Nativity will be held **Saturday** and **Sunday**, **December 9 and 10**. Watch the bulletin and future *Messengers* for more information on how you can get involved in bringing the greatest story ever told to the community. Contact Angel Callewaert (708-717-5515) or PK to say you'll help.



The Worship Team



October 1

Lectors: (8:30) Jack Florin (11:00) Stan Allen

Lay Assistants: (8:30) Bob Fiebelkorn, Leslie Kingsley, Brad Jeske, Joe Lamoureux (11:00) Becky Clark, Sarah Ahles, Jeff Banks

Crucifer: (8:30) Skyler Scherer

Acolytes: (8:30) Rohan Winningham, Meghan Cochran (11:00) Ethen Grubb, Eryn Grubb

Head Ushers: (8:30) Bill Fowler (11:00) Betty Wyman Ushers: (8:30) Debbie Fowler, John Ford, Michael Hellyer (11:00) Cathy Mitsch

Greeters: (8:30) Joan Gebhardt (front), Steve Young (west) (11:00) Linda Young (front), Nancy Schultz (west)

October 8

Lectors: (8:30) Debra Stroik (11:00) Debbie Fowler Lay Assistants: (8:30) Shanda Azzi, Bev Powell, Joe Lamoureux (11:00) Jenny Norman, Leslie Kingsley, Dick Lineberger

Crucifers: (8:30) Gabby Sue Engle (11:00) Max Callewaert

Acolytes: (8:30) Sophia Engle, Peter James Engle (11:00) Cathryn Gramenz, Colton Gramenz

Head Ushers: (8:30) Steve McCarthy

Ushers: (8:30) Dan & Nancy Woron, Russ Reaver (11:00) Kathy LaBar, Cathy Mitsch

Greeters: (8:30) Jennine, Annika, & Alicia VanDerlip (front), Jana Ream (west) (11:00) Flo Owens (front), Sarah Ahles (west)

October 15

Lectors: (8:30) Joe Lamoureux (11:00) Stan Allen

Lay Assistants: (8:30) Jack Gebhardt, Brad Jeske, Jennine VanDerlip (11:00) Katherine Ward, Sarah Ahles, Betty Wyman

Crucifer: (8:30) Harrison MacDonald

Acolytes: (8:30) Carson Moore, Rohan Winningham (11:00) Jordan Niemeyer, Cameron Beach

Head Ushers: (8:30) Lani Evans (11:00) Dick Lineberger

Ushers: (8:30) Scott & Linda Kuhns, John Ford (11:00) Willis Milner

Greeters: (8:30) Linda Young (front), Pat Gebhardt (west) (11:00) Jane Bush (front), Sarah Ahles (west)

October 22

Lectors: (8:30) Joe Lamoureux (11:00) Stan Allen
Lay Assistants: (8:30) Lori Barger, Stephen Vendette
(11:00) Irene Soltis, Katherine Ward, Jeff Banks
Crucifers: (8:30) Sarah Repetti (11:00) Alex Callewaert
Acolytes: (8:30) Meghan Cochran, Annika Vanderlip
(11:00) Cathryn Gramenz, Colton Gramenz
Head Ushers: (8:30) Matt Grubb (11:00) John Ford

Ushers: (8:30) Dan Fiebelkorn, Michael Hellyer, Joe Hudson

Greeters: (8:30) Susie Murray (front), Marguerite Kloety (west) (11:00) Emily Allen (front)

October 29

Lectors: (8:30) Debra Stroik (11:00) Alex Callewaert Lay Assistants: (8:30) Shanda Azzi, Bev Powell, Joe Lamoureux (11:00) Debbie Robinson, Stan Allen, Bill Hamann, Kathy LaBar

Crucifer: (8:30) Harrison MacDonald

Acolytes: (8:30) Carson Moore, Rohan Winningham Head Ushers: (8:30) Steve McCarthy (11:00) Dick Lineberger

Ushers: (8:30) Dan & Nancy Woron, Russ Reaver (11:00) Cathy Mitsch, Willis Milner

Greeters: (8:30) Linda Young (front) (11:00) Jane Bush (front), Ginny Moore (west)

Altar Guild: Barbara Andersen, Jan Hanssen, Sally Hellyer, Mary Lendman

Counters: Nancy Antonchak, Becky Clark, Richard Davis, Kathleen Fleming, Lois Kain, Pam MacCormack, Yvonne Mandehr, Ginny Moore, Jenny Norman, Carol Novak, Karen Scherer, Joan Sweeney, Bob Voelker

Sound/Lighting/Projection: Emily Allen, Robert Beach, Bert Dombrowsky, Bill Erdman, Darrell Evans, John Lendman, Scott Niebling, Jenny Norman, Gary Oldehoff, Steve Sumners

October Scripture Readings

October 1 Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 Philippians 2:1-18 Matthew 21:23-32 October 8 Isaiah 5:1-7 Philippians 3:4b-14 Matthew 21:33-46 October 15 Isaiah 25:6-9 Philippians 4:4-13 Matthew 22:1-14 October 22 Isaiah 45:1-7 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Matthew 22:15-22 October 29 Revelation 14:6-7 Romans 3:19-28 John 8:31-36



10/1Al Ejups Ellen Niebling Melissa Jones Mike Duseberg Jennette Cabibi Blaise Hanley Adam Goodson 10/2Kevin Braley Amanda Duseberg Robert Fiebelkorn 10/3 Lauren Lineberger Noah Niemeyer 10/6 Caroline O'Nan Jennifer Snyder 10/7 Jim Behm

John Norman

Wyatt Andre Madelyn Rhoden 10/11 Margaret Noe Graham Thompson

10/12 John Russo

10/13 Sarah Ahles George Lukas Savannah Beach

10/14 Brad Cochran

10/15 Bob Apley Stanley Allen

10/19 Bill Yeager

10/20 Darrell Evans Vivian Throgmorton Rob West

10/22 Lorraine Kohlbrenner

10/23 Karyn McChrystal Gabby Major

10/24 Madison Riegelman

10/25 Trudy Jeske Silvia Gray

10/27 Mario Vendette

10/28 Joan Gebhardt Kristy Clark

10/30 Nancy Black

10/31 Joan Sweeney



From the Church Records

Deaths:

10/8

10/9

David Steward (9/20) Judy Bloede (9/22)

Released by Request:

Amy Zuloaga, Logan and Peyton

Memorials

Arne & Margaret Kongelbeck

Church Memorials
Gerald & Rita Gordon

Jerri Fowler

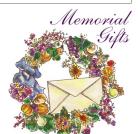
Bricks of Faith
Steve & Karen McCarthy

Portia Noheil

Panama FORO
Don & Ann Panhorst

Alice Heise

Panama FORO
Don & Ann Panhorst
Church Memorials
Gerda Rodowski



ANNVERSARIES

10/6 Gary & Lydia Glardon10/9 John & Jodie NiemeyerSam & Terri Steinhauer

10/10 Tim & Tammy Kolb Scott & Rosi Shepard

10/21 Glenn & Rachel Satterfield

10/24 Bob & Barb Apley

10/25 Lyndle & Kay Volz

10/26 J.D. & Wendy Young

10/30 Craig & Mary Schuett

10/31 Phillip & Jenny Norman





The Vicar's Corner

by Stan Allen

Baptism. We, as Christians, receive this gift once in our earthly lives. But what is baptism really?



We call it the washing away of the Old Adam. Who is the Old Adam? He is the one from Genesis 2 who, by his sin, condemned all of us. The sin of the Old Adam condemned us to death. We are helpless because of our sin.

But God, because of His love for us, cancels the curse of sin through His Son, His baptism, life, innocent death and His glorious resurrection. Christ is the New Adam, cleansing us by the waters of our own baptism into His death and His (and our) resurrection into eternal life. Remember your baptism daily that "we were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in the newness of life" (Romans 6:4).

Peace in the Redeemer!

Redeemer Lutheran Church and School

2450 SE Ocean Boulevard Stuart, FL 34996-3312

Church: (772) 286-0911; Church fax: (772) 286-5645 School: (772) 286-0932; School fax: (772) 287-0434

Extended Care: (772) 283-LAMB Email: church@redeemerstuart.com

Church & School website: www.redeemerstuart.com

LCMS website: www.lcms.org District website: www.flga-lcms.org

Stay Connected



Pastor:

Rev. David P. Albers

Associate Pastor:

Rev. Kevin D. Ray

Deacon:

Joe Lamoureux

Vicar:

Stan Allen

Principal:

Mr. James Essig

Director of Music Ministries:

Mrs. Joy Beach

OUR MISSION:

Redeemer Lutheran Church and School prepares, equips and motivates adults and children to serve God while leading others to know and love Jesus Christ.