

# [Observed] November 3, 2019

## Reminders & Announcements



## REDEEMER

HELP, HOPE, HOME, IN THE BODY OF CHRIST.

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#### REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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A congregation of the Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod

Reverend Frank C. Ruffatto, Pastor Mr. Ed Booten, Music Director Mrs. Kelli Ruffatto, Communications Director

WORSHIP... All worship begins with God. He is our Creator and He desires us to be in relationship with Him. He reaches out to us, and, in worship, draws us closer to Him. Jesus whom we come to know through Word and Sacrament, is the way God reveals Himself to us. And more, it is in His name that we approach the throne of the Almighty. In worship the believer through Jesus Christ, reaches out to his heavenly Father. As the Holy Spirit works through Word and Sacrament, we become aware of our need for God, and seek fellowship with God in the company of fellow believers.

the Church that it is "by grace you are saved through faith; and that not of yourself; it is a gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9) Now, we embrace Lutheran to mean we are disciples of Jesus Christ who agree with Dr. Luther's teaching from the Bible as summarized in his Small Catechism.

... DECENTLY AND IN ORDER... (cf. 1 Corinthians 14:40) Whether the service is closer to what some would call "traditional" or others "contemporary" - whether we are using hymns that may even pre-date the Reformation or music written in our lifetimes - there is an order to worship comprised of three parts: the Service of Preparation, the Service of the Word, and the Service of the Sacrament. Together, these three sections make up the whole worship order.

HELP, HOPE, HOME, IN THE BODY OF CHRIST... If you have no church home of your own, we encourage you to get to know us and we invite you to participate in the other activities here. And more, we cordially invite you to join God's family here at Redeemer.

### **Sunday Servant Team**

THIS WEEK - November 3, 2019

Altar Prep: Jane Charnock

Communion: JK Lilly & John Eckerd

Usher Team: Phil Brooks & Alex McLaughlin

Guest Connection: Teresa & Jim Siebel

Hospitality: TEAM 7 (J.K.'s Pancake Guys and Gals)

Readers: Ted Toler & Sheri Moore

Nursery: Leslie Koepsel

Clean Up: Alex McLaughlin & Mary Jo Hansen A/V: Phil Gaarenstroom & Dan Mead

Prayer: Diana St. Charles

NEXT WEEK - November 10, 2019 Altar Prep: Sarah Shaver

Communion: Jim Siebel & Scott Evans Usher Team: Judy Knox & Dan Mead

**Guest Connection:** TBA

Hospitality: Congregational Dinner

Readers: Alex McLaughlin & Dan Mead

Nursery: VACANT

Clean Up: JK Lilly & Phil Brooks

A/V: Mindy Simmons & Ted Toler

Prayer: John Eckerd

Jane Charnock maintains the Sunday Servant Team schedule. If you have a change to communicate, you can reach out to Jane (304) 541-2554

Budget				
	10/27/19	YTD		
General Fund Revenue	4,194.00	221,027.24		
Budget	5,287.40	227,358.20		
Difference (\$ / %)	(1,093.40)/(20.7%)	(6,330.96)/(2.8%)		
General Fund Expenses		200,324.08		
Revenues less Expenses		20,703.16		
Worship Attendance	83	83		

<sup>\*</sup> During the quarter, expenses fluctuate based on entry date. Quarter-end numbers are available through the Executive Leadership Team.

### Prayer List | November 3, 2019

**Sherman Lineberg** (nephew of Patricia Lilly) experiencing lethargy thought to be caused by low thyroid levels and vitamin D deficiency; to have an endocrinology appointment Wednesday.

**Cosette Dickenson** experiencing a particularly bad episode with leg problems and awaiting results of an endoscopy exam.

**Marcia Schwalm** hospitalized at CAMC Memorial with heart problems and will likely have a stent placed.

**John Ruffatto** (father of Pastor Frank) remains hospitalized in North Carolina with multiple health issues.

**Devona** (friend of Sarah Shaver) and all other wildfire victims in California **Ike Ingraham** - shoulder surgery went as expected and Ike is recovering in an immobilizer sling.

Family of Henry Latzke (father of Elaine Hackman) passed into eternity10/22. Family of John Taylor (friend of many Redeemer members) passed into eternity 10/22 Sue Kautz (friend of many Redeemer members) recently diagnosed with cancer and is currently hospitalized in Texas for pneumonia.

Others with health related issues or recovering from surgery, etc:

Addison, Andrea Akers, Liz Albitz, Briggs Beard, Virginia Beard, Ed & Kim Booten, Peggy Bowles, Pastor Joel and Amanda Brandt, Billie Brisendine, Amy Brown, Warren Cooley, Kevin Cutler, Diana and Tony, Becca Dolph, Gus Evans, Pastor Frank, Doris Gerke, Jeff Gilbert, Paula & Frank Hammond, Jackie and Jo Hartley, Ken Hatfield, Randy Hendricks, Roy "Hutch" Hutchison, Susan Hutchison, Jim, Kerry, Linda, Sherman Lineberg, Roy and Betty Lindmark, Marcia, Marie Marcum, Jeanneane Maxon, Jada McCallister, Jennifer McIntosh's Father, Sandy McKinney, Phyllis Miscovich, Bob Mitchell, Lori Nettles, Herb Pauley, Thresa Robinson, Stu Schwalm, Richard Selmon, Carmella Shaver, Karl Shaver, Todd Turpin, Taegan Witcher, Chris Wyman

All diagnosed with Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia, and their caregivers; All diagnosed with any form of Cancer; All diagnosed with any incurable (even if treatable) disease.

**For our congregation** - that we would pursue God's will for us as His people gathered here to bring Him glory as we make disciples being help, hope, home in the body of Christ.

#### **Email Prayer Chain Ministry**

Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. -Galatians 6:2
Currently 85 people are on the list. Many will pray for those in need.
If you wish to participate in this ministry, please send an email or text to Nila Johnson, nila.johnson@gmail.com, or 304-553-6414

Readings for Next Sunday, November 3, 2019

Psalm 149; Revelation 7:(2-8) 9-17; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12



## **Food Baskets for the Holidays**

#### THANKSGIVING FOOD DONATION DEADLINE NOVEMBER 17

Redeemer will be providing 10 struggling families with food baskets for Thanksgiving. Not only do we try to provide families with the items needed to make a "traditional" holiday dinner but also other items to help out with a couple other meals. Please bring your food donations to church by November 17th.

**Baskets will be distributed on November 24th (1-3 p.m.).** Please see Barbara Eckerd if you would like to help with the distribution. A few delivery drivers may also be needed. We also need to borrow some coolers on the day the baskets are given out.

Coolers will be needed the day the day the baskets are given out.

#### Suggested Items:

Canned Sweet Potatoes/Yams Cranberries (canned)

Stuffing Marshmallows

Turkey Gravy Corn

Green beans Instant mashed potatoes
Cornbread mix Macaroni and Cheese

Rice Spaghetti

Canned fruit Spaghetti sauce Chunky soup Saltine Crackers

#### Thank You!





## DISCIPLESHIP TEAM | CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

The Discipleship Team, also known as the Christian Education Board, works along with the pastor, elders, and Gospel Sharing Team to help provide programs and activities which support people of all ages as they learn about and grow in their relationship with Jesus. An important focus is to help encourage and support parents as they raise up their children to fear and love God.

#### **CURRENT ACTIVITIES**

- Sunday School for children, youth and adults begins at 9:30 a.m. in various classrooms
- F3 (First Friday Fellowship) Fun multi-generational activities mixed-in with a Christian message on the first Friday of every month from 6:30-8:30.
- Adult Bible Class

#### POTENTIAL NEW ACTIVITIES

- Gospel Outreach to Alum Creek
- Scout Parent Outreach
- VBS Revamped

TO PLUG IN, CONTACT

Elaine Hackman (304) 543-3279 emhackman@gmail.com See this flyer for more details:











## SPIRITUAL CARE TEAM BOARD OF ELDERS

The Spiritual Care Team, also known as the Board of Elders, is responsible for the spiritual health of the congregation and guides the development of the spiritual component of the congregational mission and vision.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

- Oversight of church staff
- Oversight of Martha Ministries, which is chartered with comforting church members who are sick or in need by preparing and delivering meals.
- Oversight of Stephen Ministries, which multiplies the number of caregivers by equipping laypeople to provide high-quality Christian care.
- Assisting the pastor with Word and Sacrament ministry
- Visitation of the sick and homebound
- Mentoring & discipleship

#### TO REACH OUT TO AN ELDER, CONTACT

Jim Siebel (304) 541-3441 itsiebel1@suddenlink.net









MEET & EAT | Wednesday, November 6 • 11 a.m. Bluegrass Kitchen | 1600 Washington St E

Please RSVP to Jackie or sign up in the connection center to make sure we have a good headcount.

## Food Basket Fundraiser Sunday, November 10

immediately following church

## Church Dinner and Market

Freewill offering accepted for dinner.
To-go boxes are available. (Notify Kris Mills)

Crafters, bakers, artists, and all other vendors are invited to set up a table and sell your wares. We ask you please donate a portion part of your sales to the food baskets.

SET UP IS SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9 AT 10:00 A.M. Please plan to have a table through Sunday November the 17th.

SIGN UP IN THE CONNECTION CENTER TO HAVE A TABLE OR TO HELP WITH SET UP /CLEAN UP.

CONTACT: Kris Mills, 304-380-6986.



## even Questions with a Servant

WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

Steve Winans

2. WILL YOU PLEASE SHARE A

#### LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF?

Originally from upstate New York. Came to South Charleston in 1963 after graduating from Clarkson as a Chemical Engineer. Retired and spend time gardening and traveling. Wife is Janet (41 years and counting) with 3 boys and 10 grandchildren.

3. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN ATTENDING/SERVING AT REDEEMER?

Was a member from 1963 until we were transferred to Georgia in 1979. Rejoined in 2015.

4. IN WHAT WAYS DO YOU OR HAVE YOU SERVE(D) AT REDEEMER AND WHICH IS/WAS YOUR FAVORITE WAY?

Was on the Board of Stewardship (Gifts and Resources Team) and currently an

Elder (Spiritual Care Team). Have helped with the Feed My Sheep program and have had several Action Teams through Thrivent for Feed My Sheep and the summer food program.

#### 5. HOW HAS SERVING AT REDEEMER IMPACTED YOU?

Has made me aware that our congregation is multi-talented and willing to share with anyone who has a need.

6. WHAT'S SOMETHING ABOUT YOU NOT MANY FOLKS KNOW?

I grew up on a dairy farm and had planned to return after my stint in the big city. Graduated from my high school's largest class (20). Have seen the 7 continents.

7. WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT REDEEMER?

How well the members get along with one another.



### This Week at Redeemer

#### **SUNDAY, 11/3**

9:30 a.m. 10 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Sunday Study Redeemer's Refuge Divine Worship		Various classrooms WCHS 580 Sanctuary
MONDAY, 11/4			
6:30	Revelation Bible Study	Dan Mead	Large Classroom A
TUESDAY, 11/5			
6:30	Siebel Share Group	Jim or Teresa Siebel	Siebel Home

#### WEDNESDAY, 11/6

8 a.m.	Men's Share Group	Dan Mead	304.541.3221
11 a.m.	Meet & Eat	Bluegrass Kitchen	
3:30 p.m.	Announcement Deadline	commdirector@redeemerwv.org	
7 p.m.	Dolph Share Group	Kurt or Jackie Dolph	Dolph Home

### THURSDAY, 11/7

6 p.m.	Cub Scout Meeting		Various classrooms
7 p.m.	Boy Scout Meeting		Large Classroom A
7:17 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	Ed Booten	Sanctuary

To have your announcement or church-associated event added to the calendar or revised, please email the church office by Wednesday at 3:30 commdirector@redeemerwv.org



#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The altar flowers this week are given to the glory of God and in celebration of All Saints' Day

### **On-going Reminders**

#### NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS

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11/3 Jackie Dolph 11/19 Jo Hartley 11/3 Marcia Schwalm 11/21 Kelly Reimert 11/5 Patience Evans 11/25 Pat Walker 11/13 Alma Chapman 11/29 Ron Sheets 11/15 Hayden Brooks 11/30 Rachel Evans

11/17 Gretchen Evans

**Birthdays** 

#### **Anniversaries**

11/11 Ted & Barb Toler

#### DID WE MISS SOMEONE?

Please contact the church office with any changes or omissions

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The Flower Chart is in the office for those who would like to sign up to fund the flowers for Sunday morning. The cost is \$25 per vase and we encourage you to note any special celebration or 'in memory of' designation.

#### LOVE FUND & PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Please consider in your giving, these two funds. Redeemer's Love Fund helps those within our congregation, as Scripture says: "So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith." (Galatians 6:10) The Pastor's Discretionary Fund supports ad hoc ministry needs and the needs of the greater community. You can find envelopes for your contributions in the Connection Center.

#### **NOVEMBER MARTHA MINISTRY TEAM**

Leader: JK & Patricia Lilly - 304.382.4154 or 304.545.7668

Tee Boyd - 304.539.6500; Barb Eckerd - 304.344.9309;

Candy Joseph - 304.543.0529; Kris Mills - 304.380.6986; Sheri Moore - 304.549.0104

#### ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES

Assistive listening devices for use during the service are available at the media booth at the back of the church.

#### **GLUTEN-FREE WAFERS & GRAPE JUICE**

Both are available for communion. Check with an elder or the pastor.

NOTE: A portion of today's service may be broadcast or streamed live or shown via recording. By entering the area, your consent is given to be photographed, filmed or otherwise recorded. The cameras are expected to capture most activities within the sanctuary space.

#### IN AN EMERGENCY:

 Pastor Frank Ruffatto c: 704-608-4200
 Jim Siebel, Elder
 c: 304-541-3441

 Don King, Elder
 c: 304-421-2064
 Mike Sisson, Elder
 c: 304-550-3578

 J.K. Lilly, Elder
 c: 304-545-7668
 Steve Winans, Elder
 p: 304-757-3008

## **Concerning the Lord's Supper**

The Lord's Supper was commanded by Jesus Himself. (1 Corinthians 11:23-25) It is celebrated at this altar in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes. We are also called upon to examine ourselves before participating in this holy meal. (Cf. 1 Corinthians 10:16; 11:23-29; Mathew 26:28; John 6:53-58)

Q. Do you acknowledge your sins and are you willing to turn from them with the aid and assistance of the Holy Spirit?

A. Yes, I acknowledge my sin and seek the Lord's mercy. (1 John 1:8-9)

Q. Do you believe that God, for Jesus' sake, has forgiven you all your sins?
A. Yes, Christ died for me and suffered the punishment that I deserved.
(Isaiah 53:4-6; Romans 6:21-23)

Q. Do you believe that the Lord offers Christians His body and blood, in, with, and under the bread and the wine for the strengthening of faith and the forgiveness of sins?

A. Yes, I believe the Scripture which teaches, "Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?"

(2 Corinthians 10:16)

Q. Why did Jesus willingly sacrifice Himself on behalf of lost and condemned sinners like us?

A. For His great love for the Father and for me and other sinners as it is revealed in John 3, John 11, Romans 5, and 1 John 3.

Q. Should Christians with weak faith receive the sacrament?

A. The Sacrament is especially offered for those of weak faith. (Isaiah 42:3; John 6:37)

Q. What conditions should cause a Christian to refrain from receiving the Sacrament?

A. Disbelief (Hebrews 11:6), unwillingness to forgive another (Matthew 6:14-15), hatred (John 4:19-21), a refusal to repent (Acts 17:30), and refusal to recognize the body and blood of the Lord in the Sacrament. (1 Corinthians 11:28-29)

Q. How then, does the Christian live?

A. The entirety of the Christian's life is offered to the Lord as a "living sacrifice." (Romans 12:1-2)

Members of the LCMS and Redeemer Lutheran Church believe that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior and affirm the statements above. If you agree, without reservation, to these statements above, you are invited to come to His Table. If you do not agree with one or more of these statements, please refrain from participating in Holy Communion. Our communion practice is not intended to offend or exclude, but is an expression of our concern for people and our high regard for the Sacrament as Christ instituted it. We encourage you to speak with our Pastor or Elders about any statement(s) of disagreement and/or regarding the Holy Supper and the process of joining our congregation.

Gluten-free communion wafers and grape juice are available. Speak with the pastor.