

'Round Redeemer

JULY 2017

Redeemer's Mission: Leading people into a growing relationship with Jesus and the community of faith, offering hope, help and healing in His name.

Redeemer's Vision: Connecting to God, connecting to people, connecting to life!

Whoa!! What?!? Yes!!

Rev. Paul Schult, Senior Pastor

"Oh the depths of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!" Romans 11:33

On Friday, June 9, I had the joy of attending my son, Nathan's, High School graduation ceremony at Sequoia High School. The Principal summarized his hopes for the graduates in three simple words that really caught my attention: *Whoa!, What?, Yes!*

His words of description were much more eloquent and extensive than my summary, but hopefully you will get the point.

Whoa – a word of amazement. It was the principal's hope that the

graduates will never lose the ability to be amazed by the wonders of life. No one can ever exhaust all the amazing things there are to discover in this life, new experiences, new insights, new revelations, new discoveries, new relationships, new perspectives. Don't ever lose stop being amazed by life!

What?!? – words of curiosity and discovery. It was the principal's hope that the graduates would never lose their natural curiosity for learning new things; that they would have a hunger to keep discovering. We are never done learning!

Yes!! – words of accomplishment. It was the principal's hope that the

graduates would keep working hard and accomplishing important things, no matter how difficult they are. It feels good to accomplish a goal, to work hard and get the job done. Never stop reaching for more.

As Christians, these words are especially meaningful. Through scripture, God reveals the same kind of desire for all human beings. God created all things for us to enjoy!

CS Lewis said, "Joy is the business of heaven."

The apostle Paul said, "Be joyful always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

but also help us see how we compare with many other congregations in the USA.

Your insights, thoughts and feelings are important to gaining a clear picture of Redeemer and vital to setting priorities into the future.

I know what happens when someone asks me to take a survey, I have every

Survey will be active July 9-Aug 7

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Thank you Mr. Priest for a great graduation message!

And thank you Jesus, for giving us a world filled with amazing, exciting, intriguing things that bring us joy!

See you in Church!

intention of doing it, but never seem to get around to doing it. Because it's easy to put it off, I will be reminding you a few times during the month of July to complete the survey. I'm hopeful you will not take offense by receiving a few reminders, but instead that you will see how important this is to the future of Redeemer.

Redeemer TCI Survey this month!

Redeemer is partnering with TAG Consulting to conduct a **Transforming Church Index (TCI) Survey** during July. It would be very helpful if we could get over 100 surveys completed before the August 7th deadline. The survey has about 120 questions, should take about 15-20 minutes to complete, and can be completed online. You will

receive a letter in the mail with the link information and the link will be sent via email. If you would prefer to complete the survey in writing, copies may be requested from the church office. Paper surveys are due back by **July 18**.

This very important data will not only help evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of our ministry,

Redeemer Lutheran Church - June 4th Congregational Meeting Recap

The members of Redeemer Lutheran Church gathered on June 4th to hear the state of the church and school and to approve the ministry plan and budget for the 2017-18 fiscal year. During his first year, Pastor Paul noted that his initial priorities and planning were established with positive feedback from the Congregation and included Thematic Worship, Getting to Know People, and reviewing the Operational Structure. The current budget will be coming in close to a zero net income which is a better position than anticipated with a current trend of increasing giving and with expenses not as high as had been anticipated. Also, the new mission programs including the Uganda Mission and Poland Mission have been well received. The school will be near full enrollment, but there are openings in K-3 requiring creative solutions for bringing in new families. For the next year, he will focus on gathering more information to guide the organization's future. You will see surveys and consultants used for this purpose. The ministry plan below was approved:

Mission Focus:

1. Seek Jesus - in His Word and in Worship.
2. Love each other - as Jesus loves us.
3. Go – into RWC and the world to share Jesus.

Ministry Theme = Love our city!

Redwood City is attracting people from around the world. It can be a challenge to deal with all the change, but God is giving Redeemer an opportunity for mission, to connect people to Jesus who are globally influential and networked. Let's love our city and see what the Holy Spirit will do through the people of Redeemer!

Congregational Ministry

Priorities: Philippians 1:9 – I
Peter 3:15

Approved 2017-18 Budget

		Jul '17 - Jun 18
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Discipleship and missional living –create ministries that equip people from kids to youth to adults to seniors to live on mission for Jesus. ◆ Facility Improvements – To make facility improvements, especially to fellowship hall and church: Fellowship Hall bathrooms, sanctuary roof, painting, HVAC, solar panels, etc. ◆ Vision and strategic plan - continue to create and refine long-range vision, strategies and core process brand. ◆ Hospitality – Improve Sunday morning ushers and greeters to better meet the needs of guests, visitors and all worshippers. 	Income	
	300.000 · Total Income	0.00
	40000 · Income	
	41000 · Church Income	787,200.00
	42000 · School	1,829,300.00
	43000 · Operations	206,040.00
	Total 40000 · Income	2,822,540.00
	Total Income	2,822,540.00
	Gross Profit	2,822,540.00
	Expense	
	50000 · Expenses	
	51000 · Church Expenses	616,050.00
	52000 · School Expenses	1,352,400.00
	53000 · Operations	854,000.00
	Total 50000 · Expenses	2,822,450.00
	610.000 · Ministry Expense	0.00
	620.000 · Elementary School Expenses	0.00
	650.000 · General Expenses	0.00
	Total Expense	2,822,450.00
	Net Income	90.00

Life Enrichment

by Board Member, Virginia Nelson



God enables us through Life Enrichment Ministry to enhance our latter years by sharing with others our Christian love and fellowship.

There was no luncheon in June so we have lots of energy for our 4th of July Celebration coming up next month. We will again play BINGO and of course have a BBQ with Clayton as our chef and you know how great he is!

I'm sure Pastor Paul will have some cute jokes for us again for us to enjoy. This is another time we have to

share our lives and our love for our God who has blessed us so much with these fun times together.

We will do like we did last July, have our lunch first and then play Bingo. Last year it was a lot of fun. Etta Hansen will call the Bingo numbers again this year, so be prepared to have lots of fun!

The Life Enrichment program is your event and we welcome all of your input and any suggestions you have is truly appreciated. So if you can think of anything you would like to see or do, please let us know. Also let us know if you need a ride to any events or if you can give someone a ride and we will try and set that up for you.

And if you have a need for any minor repairs around your house or help in any way, please contact Carole Farnum.

We'll see you next month for more fun and games and remember to bring a friend if you can.

Thank-you

Dear Redeemer,

Locky Thexton's family would like to thank the Redeemer community that coordinated the lovely memorial and reception on June 3rd in celebration of Locky's life. Redeemer

and it's members remained in Locky's heart throughout her days and were a very important part of her life.

Home and Hope 2017

July 23 through August 5, 2017

Once again, we are privileged to serve our community by hosting Home and Hope this summer. I have made a Sign Up Genius online to make volunteering in all areas easier for everyone. You can find it at www.redeemerministries.org

If you are already on my email distribution list, I will be sending you the link.

Also, please look for me between services on Sundays to sign up that way as well. We still need Dinner Hosts, Overnight Hosts and Activity Hosts as well as set up and take down on the first and last Sundays of our participation.

We also can use blankets, donations of food as we get

closer. I am also in great need of a nightly welcome host(s) to greet our guests and also to assist the dinner host with access to the hall if needed. I will not be able to be the nightly host this year and Julie Sowa has stepped down as well. This could very easily be split between a couple hosts. I am planning on facilitating

the ministry with scheduling, etc. Please feel free to contact me Nancy T a l i s t u ntalistu@comcast.net or my cell # 650/759-0842 with any questions or to be added to the emails. Thank you all for your faithful and constant participation every year. I believe this is our tenth year of hosting. Such a blessing!

Events for Women & Friends of Redeemer



Lutheran Women In Mission - Opportunities for the Women of Redeemer to encourage one another, hear God's Word, meet old and new friends and have fun!

BREAKFAST & DEVOTIONS

Breakfast and Devotions (8:30 am – 9:30 am)

- ♦ September 2
- ♦ October 7
- ♦ November 4



It's a great way to start your weekend. Hear and discuss God's Word, visit with friends, prayer time and breakfast.

Advent by Candlelight (7:00 pm – 8:30 pm) December 5

A time to set aside the hustle and bustle of holiday preparation and focus our minds and hearts on the birth of Christ. Join us for fellowship, conversation, Christmas carols, and of course, dessert.

Christmas Tea (12:00 pm – 2:00 pm) December 14

This is an event for both women and men! Please bring tea sandwiches or cookies to share. Mrs. Denise Maier's 3rd grade class will perform their Christmas musical.

Questions please contact me.
Shelly Alba – shelly@cnh-lcms.org
or 650-574-0485



When God Changes Your Address Lessons from the Wandering Israelites

One-Day Women's Retreat

Guest Speaker: Denyse Blasdel

Saturday - July 29, 2017

9:30 am – 1:30 pm **BYOL&B** (Bring your own lunch & Bible)



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Poland Mission Team

On July 21st, 12 people from Redeemer are boarding a plane to Katowice, Poland to facilitate an English Day Camp !

Ephesians 3:20-21

"Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to HIM be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations forever and ever. AMEN."



Beth, Nathan & Allison Schult, Julie Sowa, Kevin Ward, Bella Gutierrez, Brian, Stephanie, Jacob & Sammy McCollum, Anne Taddey, & Chris Kempton.

The team has been busy:

- ◆ *Preparing our hearts to GO OUT trusting the call of Jesus "to make disciples of all nations!!"*
- ◆ *Preparing our hearts to walk next to and encourage kids and teachers from a ministry called SUNNY LAND...all of whom have been affected by either extreme poverty, broken homes, or learning differences and physical disabilities.*
- ◆ *Preparing our minds to teach English as a second language, as it opens doors to spread the love of Jesus Christ!*
- ◆ *Preparing our courage to step out in faith...letting God direct our lives to serve Him.*
- ◆ *Preparing our "trust walk" as God will lead us in a journey that will reveal JESUS to each one of us in ways we never imagined or could begin to comprehend.*

As we get closer to July our preparation time will end and it will be time to head out! We prayerfully ask that you would go with us! We can't do this alone.... this was never God's intention as He calls and invites His people into sharing the Gospel.

Mission Activities in Poland

**His playbook always reads—#TEAMWORK!
We need the foundations and support beams
of the Redeemer family!!**

First, THANK-YOU for all the generous contributions made at the door offering on June 4th. With these funds we were able to purchase the t-shirts for the camper that we will use to share an enduring message of God's love. Also, THANK-YOU to those who donated sports supplies. Your contributions will make the camp even more FUN!

There still ways that you can support the program!

◆ **Prayer-** Uphold the team in prayer now as we prepare...but most importantly as we venture out from July 21st -Aug. 1st. Pray that the Holy Spirit would work through the love of Jesus as He uses our lives to ignite faith and hope!

◆ **Give-** It is not too late to financially support the team. Please consider donating by check or Pushpay. It will be a huge help in allowing us to gather t-shirts, teaching curriculum, craft supplies, and sporting equipment. This will also help provide funds to support leadership for our directors in Poland. Make checks out to Redeemer Lutheran Church with Poland in the memo.



Weekly Sunday Worship Schedule

9:30 am Contemporary Service, Sunday School (On recess)

9:30 am Adult Bible Study

10:30 am Coffee Hour

11:00 am Traditional Service

July

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 •7pm Drama Camp Perform- ance
2 <i>See Worship Schedule</i> MITE Box Sun- day	3 <i>Church offices closed</i> •12pm Life Enrichment Meeting •7:30 AA	4 <i>Celebrating 4th of July Church of- fices closed</i>	5 •6:30am Men's Break- fast	6	7 •7:30pm AA	8 •11am Life En- richment Luncheon
9 <i>See Worship Schedule</i> •12pm AHSGR	10 •7:30 AA	11 •7pm Board of Elders •7:30pm BSA Meeting	12 •6:30am Men's Break- fast	13	14	15 •10am Cub Scout Activity
16 <i>See Worship Schedule</i>	17 •7:30 AA	18	19 •6:30am Men's Break- fast	20	21	22
23 <i>See Worship Schedule</i> Home and Hope On Campus	24 •3:30 Street Life Minis- tries Meal •7:30 AA Home and Hope On Campus	25 Home and Hope On Cam- pus	26 •6:30am Men's Break- fast •9am News- letter Team Home and Hope On Campus	27 Home and Hope On Campus	28 Home and Hope On Campus	29 Home and Hope On Campus
30 <i>See Worship Schedule</i> •9:30 am Madden Baptism Home and Hope On Campus	31 •7:30 AA Home and Hope On Campus					

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Sundays at Redeemer Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

- 9:30 am Contemporary Service
- 9:30 Sunday School (On Recess)
- 9:30 am Adult Bible Study
- 10:30 am Coffee Hour
- 11:00 am Traditional Service

Pastoral Staff

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