

'Round Redeemer

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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!

MAYA -Most Advanced Yet Acceptable

Rev. Paul Schult, Senior Pastor

Have you ever heard of Raymond Loewy? I had never heard of him, not until I read an article about him in the January/February issue of The Atlantic magazine. He is called "The Father of Industrial Design." He seems to be one of those people that isn't really famous, but quietly had a profound effect on American life and culture. In fact, in 1950, Cosmopolitan magazine wrote this about him, "**Loewy has probably affected the daily life of more Americans than any man of his time.**" Wow - that is quite a profound statement!

Loewy immigrated from France to the USA in the 1917, when American industry was flourishing in the mass production of goods. At that time, industrial companies were focused almost exclusively on efficiency in production, there was little attention paid to aesthetics, to beauty and design. Loewy started to think about making products more fashionable, stylish... cool. For example, he convinced General Motors to come out with new models of cars every year with different design features, new colors, to capture new trends in fashion and

design. His ideas transformed American industry.

Loewy had a deep understanding of human nature – that consumers are torn between a curiosity about new things, and a fear of anything too new.

There was a tension between introducing new concepts, but also holding on to the familiar. People like new things – but not too new. They also like the familiar. Finding the balance between new and familiar is the key!

Isn't that the way life is? Finding the right balance! This intriguing dynamic about human beings led Loewy to one of his key strategies – **MAYA - Most Advanced, Yet Acceptable**. What was the most advanced idea that was also acceptable to people??? By finding just the right balance of mixing new ideas with familiar concepts, Loewy was able to change the world.

Jesus has a way of doing the same thing in our lives. He graciously, lovingly and patiently introduces to a new way of life -life in his kingdom. He doesn't take away all the things we are familiar with – he doesn't

take us out of the world we live in. Instead, he graciously shows us his ways, his wisdom, his truth, his paths. One day at a time, God transforms our hearts, minds, and lives.

This fall Redeemer will be doing some very important work with a group called TAG. They will help us think about these very same issues – how can Redeemer lovingly and graciously help people discover a new and better life with Jesus? What new ways can Redeemer share the gospel that will connect with the people of Redwood City

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who don't know Jesus? What are the "Most Advanced, Yet Acceptable" ways for Redeemer to share Jesus? What new things will God show us about where he wants us to go in the future?

Let's pray fervently in the coming months that God will inspire us to find the best ways to carry out his mission right here in Redwood City!

Upcoming Worship Series

Joining Jesus on His Mission:

How to be an everyday missionary.

Starting September 10, Redeemer will start a new worship series based on the book by Pastor Greg Finke. Here's the key about Joining Jesus on His Mission – it's not something more to do! You don't have to add to your already busy life! That's not it at all! Joining Jesus on his mission means seeing how Jesus is already at work all around you, and being a part of that work. You don't have to do the work of Jesus for him. He's already doing it! Jesus is just inviting you to be a part of it.

Mark Your Calendars!!!

- Saturday, November 18 – 9:00 am – 3:00 pm – Pastor Greg Finke will be leading a one-day workshop on his book!
- Sunday, November 19 – Pastor Greg Finke will be preaching at Redeemer!

Books are available in the church foyer! Grab one and join in the fun.

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Midweek Gatherings –
Relationships, Discipleship, Healing

Wednesday Nights from 7:00-8:15 PM.
In the Fellowship Hall.



What is Redeemer Midweek Gathering?

- ◆ It's casual – come as you are, bring a sandwich if you are coming straight from work!
- ◆ It's relational – meet new people, share your stories.
- ◆ It's spiritual – open God's Word, learn, discuss, apply.
- ◆ It's interactive – ask the questions you've always wanted to.
- ◆ It's missional – discovering new ways to join Jesus on his mission.
- ◆ It's worshipful – sing a song or two, pray, praise, give thanks.
- ◆ It's practical – learn to follow Jesus.
- ◆ It's experimental – try new things and see how they work.

Here's the topics for the first few weeks:

September 13 - Let's get this party started! Kicking off a new ministry year – what lies ahead!!

Let's get our hearts and minds ready for an exciting ministry year by opening God's Word, meeting new people, praying for God's power and wisdom, looking ahead to ministry highlights in the next 12 months.

September 20 - Getting to know Corey – Minister to youth and young adults.

A great chance to get to know Corey, hear what's on his heart and mind about ministering to youth and young adults at Redeemer and in our community. Let's open God's Word together and commit to working together as a congregation to connect the next generation to Jesus.

September 27 – Special Guest – Pastor Dave Shearin – Director of StreetLife Ministry!

Street Life Ministries is one of our local partnerships, helping feed and care for the homeless and marginalized in Redwood City. Pastor Dave Shearin has an incredible testimony of faith, and is leading a great ministry in our community. Come and hear how you can be a part of it! Visit www.streetlifeministries.org and learn more!

October 4 – Poland mission team sharing

Redeemer's Poland Mission Team had an incredible experience in the city of Katowice. Come hear the stories of how God is at work through the summer daycamp ministries in Poland.

October 11 – Discipleship – Improving your prayer life

Prayer is a beautiful, personal, and powerful thing. God invites us to have deep, meaningful conversations with him. Hear what God's Word has to say about prayer, get creative ideas about how to grow in your prayer life, and of course...pray!

Getting to Know Jesus

Sign up at www.redeemerministries.org

- For people interested in becoming a member of Redeemer.
- For people who are transferring to Redeemer from another church.
- For people seeking to know more about the core teachings of the Christian faith.
- For people who haven't studied the core teachings of the Christian faith since they were in 8th grade, and probably didn't pay attention.
- For people who want to know Jesus better.

This class will be taught by Pastor Schult and will use his book "Getting to Know Jesus." The books are available in the Church foyer.

Class dates – 7:00 – 8:15 on Tuesday nights.

- October 3
- October 17
- November 7
- November 21
- November 28

Redwood City Live: 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament



Corey Garrity, Redeemer Community's new minister to youth and young adults, is excited to announce the first ever Redwood City Live: 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament. The tournament will take place on October 7th at Redeemer's parking lot.

The tournament proceeds will be donated to Redwood City's, "Street Life Ministries." This organization is doing incredible work in The Bay Area, and we are excited to continue and strengthen our partnership with Street Life.

Our hope is for students and families to have an awesome day together, while connecting with Corey and other young adult leaders.

For the tournament and fundraiser to be as successful as possible, Corey is seeking **sponsors** from a business or individuals, to help raise \$2,000 for t-shirts, food and other supplies for the tournament. If you are interested in sponsoring the tournament, feel free to email Corey—his contact information is below.

The tournament will take place on October 7th, with six separate age groups ranging from 1st grade to as old as you can be! There are limited spots, so register at www.redeemerministries.org ASAP. Registration is \$10 per player. If you are interested in playing, you can find more information on Redeemer's website—or contact Corey personally at cgarrity@redeemerministries.org.

6th – 8th Grade Redeemer Confirmation Ministry

- ◆ Monday, September 11 – 7:00 – 8:00 PM – PARENT INFORMATION MEETING (Parents only – students don't need to come)
- ◆ Monday, September 25 – 7:00 – 8:15 – First night of class

What is the Redeemer Confirmation Ministry?

The curriculum is called "Getting to Know Jesus" and introduces young teens to the core truths of the Christian faith found in the Bible, introducing them what it means to live in relationship with God through faith in Jesus Christ.

Is anyone welcome?

Yes. Any 6th – 8th grade student is welcome to be a part of this ministry. Sign up at www.redeemerministries.org.

Who teaches the class?

Pastor Schult – Sr. Pastor at Redeemer and
Mr. Corey Garrity – Minister to Youth and Young Adults at Redeemer.

When does the class meet?

Monday nights from 7:00 – 8:15 PM from September – April. A full schedule will be handed out at the parent information night.

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.

We didn't have a luncheon in August, but will make up for it in September. Beth Schult will be our speaker and Kurt Schreiner our chef.

Pastor Paul will be there to entertain us with some of his cute jokes, I always look forward to that. We will have a fun time sharing our lives with each other and thanking God for all he does and gives us each day. Again I want to stress that The Life Enrichment program is your event and we welcome all of your input and any ideas you

have. 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.

Also should you need any help with 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

Sara, Liam and I would like to thank the congregation of Redeemer for all your support and care since the loss of our beloved husband and father, John Dumanske, on May 18th. Thank you for attending the memorial service and for sharing your stories with us. They really do help sustain John's memory and love.

What a hard and sad time it has been, but we are stronger because we have a community of friends to support us. Thank you for the hugs, for crying and praying with us, for offers of books and food, and for just listening. We are blessed to be part of a wonderful congregation and community. We have a long grief journey ahead so please continue to keep our family in your prayers, as we will keep you in ours as well.

With appreciation, Lisa Hicks-Dumanske,

Next
Life Enrichment Luncheon
October 14 at 11:00 am

HAVE YOU NOT SEEN! HAVE YOU NOT HEARD!

Redeemer has a revolving book "kiosk". It is located between church and Luther Hall. You are welcome to help yourself to anything on the kiosk display that may catch your interest. We encourage, and would appreciate, any material you have on hand, and, would care to share with others, to bring them in to add to the kiosk accumulation. Occasionally, there are some materials available for children. Here are some samples that are, or have been in the kiosk:

- My Utmost for His Highest – Oswald Chambers
- Famous Women in the Bible
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- The Dead Sea Scrolls
- Devotional Materials
- The Name – Franklin Graham
- Knowing Jesus Personally – Billy Graham
- Make Yourself at Home – Kay Swatkowski
- Sitting By My Laughing Fire – Ruth Bell Graham (Poems)
- Hope Again – Charles Swindoll
- The Relationship Principles of Jesus – Tom Halladay
- Josephus – The Essential Writings – Paul Maier

ENJOY! ENJOY! ENJOY!

In Remembrance of Karen Kneedler
Carole & Loretta

Reformation Movie

"A Return to Grace: Luther's Life and Legacy"

Must reserve ticket in advance: (use link)

- Tuesday September 19 at 7:30pm at the Cinemark 20 in Redwood City <http://luthermovie.link/Redwood>
- Thursday, September 21 at 1:30pm at the Century 20 Oakridge in San Jose. <http://luthermovie.link/SanJose>

The film tells the rousing adventure story that was Martin Luther's life, following his bold quest for truth—a journey that would reshape the church, and the world.

Poland Mission Team

Poland mission trip day 5 reflection by Beth Schult. Jesus said, "I am the Good Shepherd! The Good Shepherd lays down His life for His sheep." Today was a Shepherd kind of day! It was filled with the voice of our Shepherd, Jesus, from beginning to end. Opening Chapel today was overflowing with worship and praise. God took us into a space of communication that was glorious. Yes....I said communication! Even though we speak a completely different language, we have the love of Jesus that is a language all in itself! We are communing with each other through the Father. The Son and the Holy Spirit! We sang:

"Through you the blind will see,
Through you the mute will sing,
Through you the dead will rise,
Through you our hearts will praise,
Through you our hearts will praise,
Through you the darkness flees,
Through you our hearts scream, "I am Free!"
Free to live for you, Jesus!"

**Thank-you for your support
Redeemer!!**

That is Shepherd language!! We had a Shepherd kind of day! For bible study today, we were able to meet in the beautiful cathedral in Katowice Lutheran Church. We were surrounded by the majesty of God, the quietness of His voice, the fullness of his presence, and the gentleness of His love.

Today we knew it was our last full day with the kids....it was a hard day. We have grown very close to these children and counselors. We don't want to say goodbye! Thank goodness it was a Shepherd kind of day! Because we celebrate that we don't have to say goodbye! We realize that we are always connected through the power of the love of Jesus. Always and forever! "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord Forever!"

At our parting dinner tonight- these were some of the words that expressed our week. No surprise...Shepherd language once again. Love, Comfort, Genuine Care, Unity, Cooperation, Full Table, Miraculous. God is at work! We are called to take part! So thankful to be here. How blessed we are to have a Good Shepherd! May He continue to guide and guard us all, as we follow his voice all the days of our life!





Lutheran Women In Mission ~ has a new logo. It was introduced at this summer's convention in Albuquerque.

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

- ◆ Topic: “Becoming Beautiful in Christ”
- ◆ When: Saturday, September 2nd
- ◆ Time: 8:30 am – 9:30 am
- ◆ Where: Redeemer Conference Room 1
- ◆ Menu: Egg bake, fruit, breakfast rolls, and coffee

Upcoming Breakfast and Devotion

- ◆ October 7
- ◆ November 4

Upcoming Events: Mark your calendar

- ◆ Advent by Candlelight- December 5TH from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
- ◆ Christmas Tea- December 14TH from 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Mites are collected the 1st Sunday of each month. It's the big purple box

LINC Bay Area - THEOLOGICAL TRAINING \$20,000



Most of our congregations in the Bay Area are struggling to make their presence felt. A large factor which cannot be ignored is the huge demographic shift that has taken place in many communities in the past decades. The “nations” are no longer “over there somewhere”, they are here. The Bay Area is considered the 2nd most diverse region, of the 150 largest, in the U.S. More than 120 languages are spoken here and 1 of every 3 people is foreign born. The time has come for LCMS to make cross-cultural church planting a priority. To that end, LINC (Lutheran Inter-City Network Coalition) Bay Area, is a strategic network of people, churches and organizations that collaborate in God's work to restore the people of the area to Christ. Presently, they are partnering to develop training for local indigenous missionary leaders as LCMS pastors, through a Concordia Seminary (St Louis) theological education distance program. This grant will fund scholarships for 5 present indigenous church planters.

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

September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 •7:00pm AA	2 •8:30am Women's Breakfast and Devotion
3 <i>See Worship Schedule</i> <i>MITE Box Sunday</i>	4 <i>Labor Day</i> <i>School and Church Offices Closed</i> •12pm Life Enrich- ment Meeting •7:30pm AA	5 •5pm Cub Scouts	6 •6:30am Men's Break- fast	7 •10:15am Adult Bible Study •6:30pm RLS K-5 Back to school Night •7pm BSA Meeting	8 •7:00pm AA	9 •11am Life En- richment Luncheon
10 <i>See Worship Schedule</i> <i>MITE Box Sunday</i>	11 •7pm Parent Meet- ing Confirmation Class •7:30pm AA	12 •7pm Board of Elders •7pm PSC Meeting •7:30pm BSA Meeting	13 •6:30am Men's Break- fast •7pm Mid- week Gather- ing	14 •7:30pm BSA Meeting	15 •7:00pm AA	16 •All Day Lead- ership Planning Workshop
17 <i>See Worship Schedule</i> <i>MITE Box Sunday</i> •12pm Leader- ship Planning Workshop •12pm AHSGR	18 •7:30pm AA	19 •5pm Cub Scouts	20 •6:30am Men's Break- fast •7pm Mid- week Gather- ing	21 •10:15am Adult Bible Study •7:30pm BSA Meeting	22 •7:00pm AA	23
24 <i>See Worship Schedule</i> <i>MITE Box Sunday</i>	25 •3:30pm Street Life Meal Prep •7pm Confirmation Class •7:30pm AA	26	27 •6:30am Men's Break- fast •9am News- letter Team •7pm Mid- week Gather- ing	28 •7:30pm BSA Meeting	29 •7:00pm AA	30

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Redeemer Lutheran Ministries

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

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