

immerse yourself...

**No matter who you are,
or where you are
on life's journey,
You are welcome here.
God is still speaking,**



A Church...

Inclusive of all God's People

Attentive to God's Word

Supportive of One another

Responsive to Christ's Call

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Holiday Services
Sunday, December 18
 9:30AM Worship with Christmas Program

Saturday, December 24
 4:00PM Family Worship
 10:00PM Candlelight Worship

Gold Can: Christmas Fund

The Greatest Gift You Can Give . . .

Throughout this Advent Season, consider inviting your friends and family to Worship at Redeemer. Research suggests that three out of four people attend a church for the first time because they were invited. However, less than two percent of church members will ever invite someone to church. If everyone invited someone to Worship during the holidays, imagine all the new friends we can welcome! Also, think about how Worship can impact that person's life? What a gift we have to give!

Please extend the hand of welcome and invite someone you know to Worship. With you....we can make a difference here at Redeemer and in the lives of people we care about during this season of Advent.

ON THE WAY – HOME

So many activities of the holiday season from Thanksgiving to Christmas center around our homes. We're either "going home" for Christmas or we're welcoming friends and family into our homes. No doubt many of us will be busy with cleaning, preparing and decorating our homes for the season. In the midst of all that busyness it can be easy to lose sight of the goal of all the preparing. We really are preparing a place for Love to be born and blossom in real and tangible ways. Someone observed that our true home is with the person or in the place that we love most, which points to the old proverb, "Home is where the heart is." In her Advent devotional book *The Uncluttered Heart: Making Room for God during Advent and Christmas*, Beth Richardson observes:

Advent is the season of the church year during which we prepare our lives – our hearts, minds, and spirits – for the coming of the Christ child. During these four weeks preceding Christmas, we prepare our "outside lives." We buy gifts, make family plans, attend special worship services, and clean house. We also prepare our hearts, minds and spirits by sweeping out the corners of our hearts, cleaning up the clutter in order to make space for God's hope, peace, joy, love and presence.

She goes on to note that it's just as important to clear away any obstructions to God - "our worries, distractions, negative thoughts or habits" as it is to clean and prepare our homes. She notes, "No matter how busy we may become, God is waiting to break through our endless tasks and distractions to remind us that we are not alone; indeed, God is present with us in every moment." The question really becomes, How present and available are we to God?

St. Augustine once noted of God, "You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you." So whether our hearts are cluttered with too many worries and distractions or restless and longing for home, we come to this Advent/Christmas season with an invitation – an invitation to come home to God, an invitation to bring others home with us, an invitation to discover that God has already made the move to come home to and with us.

An old (1864) and seldom sung Christmas hymn penned by Emily E.S. Elliott puts it this way:

Thou didst leave Thy throne and Thy kingly crown,
When Thou camest to earth for me;

But in Bethlehem's home there was found no room
For Thy holy nativity, O come, to my heart, Lord Jesus; There is room in
my heart for Thee.

**SUNDAY
WORSHIP**

<p>December 4 Second Sunday of Advent Isa 40:1-11 Ps 85:1-2, 8-13 2 Pet 3:8-15a Mark 1:1-8 <i>Words of Comfort</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Sunday Worship with Communion 10:30AM Blood Pressures taken after Worship 10:30AM Christmas Program Rehearsal 11:00AM - 12:00PM Choir Practice</p>	<p>Gold Can: Friedens</p>
<p>December 11 Third Sunday of Advent Isa 61:1-4,8-11 Ps 126 1 Thess 5:16-24 John 1:6-8, 19-28 <i>Hope Restored</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Sunday Worship 10:30AM Christmas Program Rehearsal 10:30AM Christmas Decoration Exchange 11:00AM - 12:00PM Choir Practice 11:00AM Wellness talk with Dr. John Whitcomb Lecture #4 "Eating for Life: the Alkali Diet"</p>	<p>Gold Can: Interfaith</p>
<p>December 18 Fourth Sunday of Advent 2 Sam 7:1-11, 16 Ps 89:1-4, 19-26 Rom 12:25-27 Luke 1:26-38 <i>God With Us</i> <i>Christmas Fund Special</i> <i>Mission Offering</i></p>	<p>8:30AM-9:15AM Laughter Club 9:30AM Sunday Worship with Christmas Program 10:30AM Blood Pressures taken after Worship 10:30AM Panera Bread Available for Free Will Offering 11:00AM - 12:00PM Choir Practice</p>	<p>Gold Can: Waukesha Women's Center</p>
<p>December 25 Christmas Day</p> <p style="text-align: center;">No Worship Service Today</p> <p>Isa 52:7-10 Ps 98 Heb 1:1-4 (5-12) John 1:1-14 <i>Sing with Joy</i></p>		


Children and Worship

At Redeemer, children are an important part of the worshipping community. A special time for them during the service is provided. Adults are encouraged to accompany children who may be cautious.

A well-staffed Nursery is available from 9:30 AM until 12:00 noon for children under 3 years old. See an Usher or stop at the Welcome Table for directions to the Nursery.

ZAYNA'S CORNER



Throughout November 1st to November 11th, 2011 the UCC joined together as ONE UNITED CHURCH on a shared mission for 11 powerful days to feed the hungry and confront food-related injustice with big results:

1,282,157 items of healthy food were donated to local food pantries

35,618 personal letter to congress were mailed, encouraging U.S. foreign aid to be reformed in a way that more effectively benefits the hungry and poor nations of our world

\$92,411 was donated to Neighbors in Need hunger-related ministries

\$94,716 was donated to East Africa Famine Relief

Throughout this Advent and Christmas season I encourage us all to remember that this mission, while relatively successful, is never complete. Feeding the hungry will always be a primary focus of Christian ministry:

"Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink?"

Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me."

(Matthew 25)



SUNDAY EVENTS

Open Your Heart through the Giving Tree



Again this year, the Redeemer family has an opportunity to help in-need families have a merrier Christmas. Through December 18th, the Giving Tree will be displayed in the Great Hall decorated in ornaments that list a 'wish item' from families provided by Sussex Area Outreach Services. Choose and take an ornament off of the tree, purchase and wrap the item, attach the ornament to the outside of the package and place under the tree by December 18th. Cash donations will also be accepted - Please place in the special box located by the tree, take it to the office or give to Jean Fero. If you have any questions or would like to help with this project, please contact Jean at 262.246.4125.

Christmas Decoration Exchange



The Earth Care Ministry team invites Redeemer to bring any Christmas decorations and lights to church On Sunday, December 11th for our annual Christmas decoration exchange. Bring any of your decorations needing a new home. Anyone is then welcomed to take any decorations and lights home with them, regardless of whether you brought any to share. Any unclaimed items will go to Sussex Outreach services.

Wellness Talk with Dr. John Whitcomb

You are invited to a Wellness Lecture Series on Weight Loss: How to Lose it and How to Keep it Off. Lecture #4

"Eating for Life: the Alkali Diet".

December 11, 2011 at 11 AM



The Speaker is Dr John E Whitcomb, Board Certified in Internal Medicine, Integrative and Holistic Medicine, Antiaging and Regenerative Medicine. YOU are Welcome! This is a free session and is open to all! No registration is required.

Location: Redeemer United Church of Christ
W220 N4915 Town Line Road
Menomonee Falls, WI

For More Information, please call 262.784.5300 or go to www.newsinnutrition.com

Christmas
Program



Once again Bob Rockey has created an original Christmas program for Redeemer. Rehearsals for the Christmas Eve Program "*Shepherding Towards Christmas*" will be on Sundays December 4th and 11th, at 10:30 AM. Dress rehearsal is Saturday, December 17th at 9:00AM. All involved in the program

should plan to attend these rehearsals. The performance will be during worship on Sunday, December 18th. **Would you like to help with the Christmas Program?** Acting parts may still be available and we are in need of stagehands and set help.



The deadline for the January 2012 newsletter is December 15, 2011. Please email your

articles to Carol Buehler at cbuehler@redeemerucc.org or turn them into the office in her mailbox.

CHRISTMAS
FUND
OFFERING
DEC 24,
2011

The Christmas Fund

The Christmas
Fund is the
Gold Can on
Christmas Eve.



Redeemer's special Christmas Eve offering for 2011 will be given to support "The Christmas Fund".

The Christmas Fund for the Veterans of the Cross and the Emergency Fund is the primary source of annual income for the work of the United Church Board for Ministerial Assistance, one of the corporations comprising the Pension Boards of the United Church of Christ.

The generous gifts of UCC congregations and individuals to the Christmas Fund enabled the Pension Boards' Ministerial Assistance program to provide Some form of Ministerial Assistance will be provided to approximately 1,600 persons during **2011**.

- ◆ Christmas Gift checks were sent to approximately 900 persons in **2010**. Of those who received checks, 20 are over 100 years of age. The oldest person is 107. One person has received Christmas checks continuously since 1976. The 900 gifts total \$270,000.
- ◆ Monthly pension supplementation is being provided to 440 persons. These gifts total \$106,934 per month. A significant part of the annual total of \$1,283,208 comes from the Christmas Fund. (**2011 data**)
- ◆ Quarterly health premium supplementation is being provided to 261 families, totaling \$155,883 per quarter. All of the funding for health premium supplementation is derived from the Christmas Fund. (**2011 Data**)
- ◆ Emergency Grants totaling \$44,973.81 were provided to 33 individuals and families from January 1 through October 31, 2011.
- ◆ These statistics reflect annualized projections as of October 31, 2011. The numbers of persons receiving assistance and the totals of assistance payments fluctuate on a monthly basis.



Redeemer's Financial Picture (Thru October 31, 2011)

Income:	\$272,023.80
Expenses:	\$284,098.80
Net Income:	-\$12,075.00

FINANCIAL
REPORT

Hunger

What is Hunger? A desire or need for food. An uneasy feeling or weakened condition resulting from lack of food.

Since taking part in the Mission 1 project this past month, doing some research about hunger, and seeing the statistics regarding the number of people that are using local food pantries, we found that the information is shocking. When we delivered the food we collected for Mission 1 on Sunday November 6th, we saw a lot of empty shelves at the Pewaukee Food Pantry. The director told the three of us that on Saturday she had to provide food to 37 families in an hour. We all were stunned by that number. She said she worries about not having enough food to keep up with the need because the need continues to increase every month. We also saw the same at the Sussex Food pantry; empty shelves and a great need to help keep their shelves full.

So here is our challenge each week or once a month: Each week you will find a shopping list in the bulletin or sent to you via e-mail with a list of foods items that are needed. You can help by bringing some type of food item or items in to help fill our food basket. Every other month Sussex Food Pantry will receive the food and then the next month Pewaukee Food Pantry will receive the food. Please watch for the Pantry Shopping List and pick up a couple of these items when you are at the grocery store.

Hunger Facts

Did you know? In many ways, America is the land of plenty. But for 1 in 6 American's hunger is a reality.

Many people believe that the problems associated with hunger are confined to small pockets of society, certain areas of the country, or certain neighborhoods, but the reality is much different.

Right now, Millions of Americans are struggling with hunger. These are often hardworking adults and children and seniors who simply cannot make ends meet and are forced to go without food for several meals or even days...

Here are some numbers from the Pewaukee Food Pantry. In the first nine months of this year 1,420 boxes of food have been given out to families. This is a 25% increase over the same period last year and an astounding 300% over the same period 5 years ago. The number of adults benefitting from this food was 2,582 and the children in the families totaled 1,536. There were 90 families who came to the pantry between Jan. and Sept. that have never been to the pantry before but due to job loss, hours cut, etc. they needed assistance.

Here are some numbers from the Sussex Food Pantry:
 The number of Families served in 2010 - 3,384
 The number of families served so far for 2011 are - 3,096
 A difference of 288 more families last year at this time.

Here are some numbers from Friedens Food Pantry:
 The number of Families served in 2010 - 9,490
 The number of Families served so far for 2011 are - 11,914
 This is an increase of 2,424 more families being served in 2011 so far.

MISSION



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Be A Snow Angel For A Senior This Winter!

Volunteers are needed this winter to help Seniors and Adults with Disabilities in your community remove snow from driveways and sidewalks. Details can be coordinated directly with the person or persons you serve this winter.

Enjoy crisp winter weather as you provide this needed service to an individual that is no longer able to shovel snow due to age or physical conditions. This is a great service project for students and scouts looking to help someone in need. Or a family could adopt a Senior during the winter months and make it a family project by helping someone in need.

For more information please contact
 Marcia Rupp 262-549-3348
 At Interfaith Senior Program



Help Interfaith Senior Programs Share The 12 Days of Christmas with 500 Low-Income Seniors & Adults with Disabilities in Waukesha County

We will be collecting items for the Holiday Giving Envelopes this year. Starting on Sunday, November-27th to Sunday, December 18th.

This year they have streamlined the program and the clients have indicated that gift cards and forever stamps were the valued items they would like to receive this year in their Holiday Giving Envelopes.

Items to be collected are:
 \$10.00 Gift Cards for Pick 'n Save Only
 \$10.00 Gift Cards for Walgreens
 \$ 5.00 Gift Cards for McDonalds
 Books of 20 Forever Stamps

**Volunteers are also needed to help assemble the Holiday Giving Envelopes on Monday, December 19th from 2:00pm - 6:00pm

Or

Tuesday, December 20th. From 12:00pm - 5:00pm

At the Interfaith Office

210 NW Barstow Street, Suite 101

Waukesha, WI. 53188

Please call the Interfaith office to let them know if you would like to volunteer. Please contact - Barb Butler or Marie Honel at 262-549-3348



Dartball Tuesday Evenings at 7:00 PM

December 6 — Redeemer UCC at Salem
December 13 — E & R UCC at Redeemer UCC

There is no Dartball scheduled until Tuesday, January 3rd

Contact Mike Strieter 414-427-2638 if you would like to learn more about dartball.

WEEKDAY
EVENTS

Christmas Party

Sponsored by Women's Guild
Everyone is Welcome!



Come gather by the fireplace and enjoy an afternoon of
Christmas fellowship & cheer!

A great way to start the Christmas Season!

Monday, December 12th, 2011

Punch at Noon

Dinner to follow

Please bring a potluck dish to share (casserole, salad or dessert), a dozen Christmas cookies and a "white elephant" gift. Men, please bring a gift marked for a man, and women please bring a gift marked for a women. Some friendly games of Bingo will be played.

Please sign up on the sheets provided in the great hall.



Regeneration will not be meeting in December



**Thanks for Attending
Redeemer's Shrimp Boil! Hope you enjoyed the food and
thank you for your support!!**
~The Shrimp Boil Planning Team

**THANK
YOU!**

Care of our Building

**THIS &
THAT**

A couple of reminders about the building:

- ◆ If you or your group are the last to leave the building, please be sure all inside doors are closed. This is important for two reasons: each door is a fire door and also to help the heating zones work as efficiently as possible. This includes making sure the serving windows to the kitchen are closed.
- ◆ If you are the last to leave, please be sure to lock the front door.

Annual Report



Annual Reports

If you are a member responsible for a committee report for Redeemer's 2011 Annual Report please have your article (copy ready) emailed to Beth at hbredeemer@aol.com by January 15th, 2012



Office Help Wanted

The newspaper team needs you. Are you able to volunteer a couple hours toward the end of each month to help fold and distribute newsletters? If so, please contact Carol Buehler in the office. It is light work and no experience is needed.

Have children that can help? Bring them too!



Winter Weather - Church Closings

With winter weather approaching you will want to be aware of events or worship services held at Redeemer UCC being cancelled. Please watch the major weather channels 4, 6 & 12 for closing notifications.

Minutes approved at the last council meeting

Redeemer UCC
Council Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2011

The following people were present: Jim Hobbick, Caryn Easterling, Dave Swan, Jason Fritz, Linda Kind, Lisa Morris, Meredith Crosby, Rick Vollbrecht, Kathy Schaber, Zayna Thompson McCollum, and Bob Ullman.

The meeting was called to order by Jim Hobbick. Joys and concerns were shared followed by Pastor Bob leading us in prayer.

Minutes of the previous meeting ~ Motion 11-10-01: Lisa Morris/Caryn Easterling moved to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2011 meeting as published. Motion Carried.

Additions to the agenda ~ Approval of Shrimp Boil, approval to purchase a turkey fryer, and approve Beth Enneking, as a member of Redeemer, be the lay representative to the Board of Co-Operative Churches of Sussex.

Consent Agenda ~ Motion 11-10-02: The Stewardship report was pulled for discussion later in the meeting. Linda Kind/Meredith Crosby moved the reports be accepted as published. Motion Carried

Financial Report ~ Nancy Ludin pointed out that the October and November balances will be needed for reference purposes when mortgage refinancing begins. It will be stressed to the Congregation to get their pledges up to date as soon as possible. Discussion followed regarding the undesignated memorial funds that are available. Nancy also indicated that there are still a number of outstanding checks that have not been cashed. The negative balance that is shown in the checking account takes into consideration those checks that have been issued. Our on-line statement, however, reflects a positive number because those checks have not cleared. Nancy will check with Landmark CU as to the length of time they will allow a check to be cashed from date of issue. An updated list of list of outstanding checks by recipient will be compiled. This list will be provided to Beth in a format that will include an area to update the status, who was contacted, when contacted and any other updated information that is necessary. This list will also be provided to Pastor Bob, Caryn Easterling, and Rick Vollbrecht to assist in contacting the recipients as needed.

All money is now out of UBS and at Edward Jones. A procedure for receipt of stock and approval of the sale at Edward Jones is in place and is working properly. **Motion 11-10-03:** Rick Vollbrecht/Jason Fritz moved to receive the Financial Reports as published. Motion Carried.

Shrimp Boil ~ Motion 11-10-04: Lisa Morris/Rick Vollbrecht moved to approve the Mission Team's Shrimp Boil on November 5th from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm. One half of the proceeds will go to Neighbor's in Need Mission 1 and one half to Special Purchases to offset Zayna's travel expense. Motion Carried.

Turkey Fryer ~ Motion 11-10-05: Meredith Crosby/Jason Fritz moved to approve the purchase of a turkey fryer from Special Purchases not to exceed \$75.00. Motion Carried.

Co-Operative Churches of Sussex ~ Motion 11-10-06: Lisa Morris/Linda Kind moved that Beth Enneking, as a member of Redeemer, be the lay representative to the Board of Co-Operative Churches of Sussex. Motion Carried.

Response to UBS Letter ~ A letter was received from the State of Wisconsin - Department of Financial Institutions in response to the letter sent regarding the handling of stock sales on behalf of Redeemer at UBS. They stated that they only have the authority to initiate administrative proceedings if a violation of the Wisconsin Statutes or Administrative Code has been found. They do not have the power to represent Redeemer to obtain any damages. The Council will not pursue any further action in this matter.

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Picnic Table Donation ~ Motion 11-10-07: Lisa Morris/Caryn Easterling moved to accept the donation from Jared Fero of a hand made picnic table. Motion carried. A thank you note will be sent by Carol Buehler.

Stewardship ~ Pastor Bob explained the history of stewardship. In this year's stewardship program, the congregation will also be asked to commit to the Covenant of Redeemer and Article of Membership as found in Redeemer's constitution. This is in addition to their financial pledges for 2012. This information will be included in the stewardship packet sent to the membership. The Covenant was created 40 years ago and is very relevant today. The letter being sent will also contain an offer to answer any questions regarding a commitment to the Covenant. A statement regarding the possible removal of membership, if no response is received, may also be included in the letter. Meredith Crosby suggested that the Covenant be signed in church so that all could see the commitment. **Motion 11-10-08:** Rick Vollbrecht/Caryn Easterling moved to accept the Stewardship Report. Motion Carried.

Team Budgets ~ Jim Hobbick will contact the remaining teams that have not submitted their 2012 budget so that an overall 2012 budget can be developed

Motion 11-10-09 Caryn Easterling/Lisa Morris moved to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Schaber

2011 Church Council

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PASTOR'S REPORT

PASTOR'S REPORT – November 16, 2011

Pastoral care during this period:		Additional events:
Hospital/nursing home visits	10	<u>Funerals/Memorial Services</u> Martin "Johnny" Johnson 10/16
Home visits	6	Loretta Bewer 11/9
Counseling	14	<u>Weddings/Vow Renewal</u> Beth and Brad Enneking 11/11
Pastoral contacts	124	Cait Rockey/Eric Steinbacher 11/12
Committee meetings	18	<u>Special Events</u> Shrimp Boil 11/5
Administrative meetings	39	<u>Service to the Community</u>
Worship	6	Interfaith Senior Programs Fabulous Fish Fry Sussex x2
Classes taught	1	Interfaith Senior Programs Board of Directors Hamilton Area Community Summit Worship at Sterling House, Sussex
Vacation days		
Available	36	<u>Service to the Wider Church</u>
Used this period	0	Daniel Hand Fund Scholarship Committee
Used to date	20	Elmhurst College Board of Trustees
		Southeast Association Administrative Team x2
Continuing Education days		Eliza Stoddard Leatherberry Ordination at First Congregational UCC, Oconomowoc 11/6
Available	14	
Used this period	0	
Used to date	2	<u>New Members Received – 10/16</u>
		Brandon Benson Confirmation
		Megan Gersonde Letter of Transfer
		Korie Nettie Affirmation of Faith

It's Time to Update your Personal Information –

We are preparing for a new directory and would like all to review what we have on record. Please email changes to Beth at hbredeemer@aol.com or call the Church Office. Thank you.

Ministry Team Summaries

MINISTRY TEAMS

The **Stewardship Team** works to educate the congregation about the spiritual basis for our giving. This process will generate testimony to the benefits of returning God's gifts of time, talent and treasure to perform God's work in our church and throughout our community. We help develop a greater level of giving by our congregation in order to support the overall ministry and missions at Redeemer.

The **Church Growth Team's** goal is to make Redeemer a welcoming church. Additionally, we strive to make the community aware of whom we are through projects such as: Getting to Know Redeemer Sessions, Coordinating the Redeemer Fun Follies, Church Picnic, Advertising and Signage, Redeemer Brochures and Promotional Items and Hosting the Information Booth at Oktoberfest. We further show our spirit by greeting visitors and welcoming new members.

Faith Formation's primary goal is to enable people of all ages to deepen their faith and nurture their relationship with God. Another goal is to celebrate with and support one another in each person's faith journey. Redeemer's Faith Formation Ministry Team is committed to providing opportunities and programs not only within the Sunday School, but also for our youth, young adults, families, parents and other adult educational experiences. Together our faith will grow and so our relationship with God and one another.

As the **Mission Team** we endeavor to be responsible stewards of God's gifts - linking the needs of the world with the time, talent and financial resources of our congregation. Ongoing activities include Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM), Gold Can offerings, Outreach Meals, Operation Backpack school supply drive, Interfaith Holiday Gift Baskets, Inter-Faith Caregiving Network, Habitat for Humanity, Alternative Christmas, Hope House of Milwaukee, Sussex-Area Outreach Services, Pewaukee Food Pantry and Back Bay Mission trip to help rebuild the Gulf Coast following Hurricane Katrina.

Congregational Care Ministry is made up of many mini teams. We have a CARE (Contact, Assist, Relate and Encourage) team, In-Home Visiting Team and a twice monthly Blood Pressure Team in church. Our Helping Hands Ministry assists members and friends who need a helping hand. We also offer a support group for those living with chronic illnesses. Most recently we have started a Prayer Shawl ministry.

The **Worship Ministry's** work in many ways is the "doorway" into the whole life of Redeemer, in worship we meet God and one another where all are welcomed into the community of faith. Worship inspires, empowers and guides our personal and community life. Planning for and conducting meaningful worship experiences is our principle ministry. In addition to regularly planning and conducting worship services throughout the year, our goals include finding more ways to use our new worship space to create meaningful worship experiences; making use of the artistic gifts of more people including music, drama, dance and visual arts to enhance our worship; developing different types of worship to address particular needs of different groups of people (e.g. healing services or services focused on needs of youth and young adults) outside of regular Sunday worship.

The **Facilities Team** will handle tasks to do with the physical upkeep of our church home including the building, grounds and the church cemetery. These tasks include cleaning, maintenance, security, upkeep and repairs, snow removal, and lawn mowing.

The **Youth Ministries Team** works to build strong relationships between youth and adults to support their spiritual and social development. This team plans to provide support for retreats, trips, fellowship activities and leadership training.

Redeemer UCC
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Sussex, WI 53089

Return Service Requested

—SUNDAY SCHEDULE—

9:30 AM Worship

Nursery Care Provided 9:30-12:00 AM

Faith Formation (Sept.-May)

Open to all ages

9:30-11:00 AM

—CHURCH OFFICE—

Hours: Monday - Thurs 10AM to 1PM
Sundays 8:30AM - 12:00PM

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Rev. Bob Ullman, Pastor
Zayna Thompson McCollum, Seminary Intern
Jim Hobbick, Church Moderator
Carol Buehler, Parish Administrator
Beth Enneking, Secretary

Visitors are cordially invited to join us!

REDEEMER



UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

DECEMBER 2011 NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Tim Jansen	Dec. 3	Betty Mindemann	Dec. 15	Chuck Kesselhon	Dec. 28
Lainie Newman	Dec. 3	Bob Ullman	Dec. 15	Shirley Moulthrop	Dec. 28
Emil Glodoski	Dec. 4	Kris Benson	Dec. 17	Kyle Bucher	Dec. 29
Julie Ullman	Dec. 4	Betty Peterson	Dec. 18	John Nelson	Dec. 29
Elaine Hutter	Dec. 5	Taylor Butryn	Dec. 19	Sharon Strieter	Dec. 29
Ashley Melcher	Dec. 5	Marion Griep	Dec. 19	Don Weiland	Dec. 29
Sarah Oszuscik	Dec. 5	William Lamers	Dec. 20	Audrey Macomber	Dec. 30
Evan Gersonde	Dec. 6	Betsy Erickson	Dec. 21	Corky Curtis	Dec. 31
Nicole Faulstich	Dec. 7	Eric Trapp	Dec. 21		
Beth Enneking	Dec. 8	Holly Whitcomb	Dec. 22		
Donna Dahms	Dec. 13	Rod Kind	Dec. 26		
Joan Kay	Dec.15	Bill Swan	Dec. 27		



DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Bill and Tracy Swan	Dec. 17
John and Holly Whitcomb	Dec. 28
Rebecca Schultz and James Krogmeier	Dec. 30



DECEMBER PRAYER FAMILY OF THE WEEK

The purpose of the prayer family is to share our concern and support at times other than crisis times. Ways to do that are to include the person or family in your prayers during the week by sending a note, talking to them at church, a telephone call or email. The names are chosen at random, but sometimes seem by design in that it has come at a particularly appropriate time for them. It is our hope that this will continue to be meaningful.

December 4

Andy Fero (262) 617-7859
 N68 W14988 Prudence Dr.
 Menomonee Falls, WI

December 11

Mary & Eric Dopieralla (262) 853-3181
 Henry
 2016 Sunkist Ave.
 Waukesha, WI 53188 mullman44@yahoo.com

December 18

Terry Price & Barb Mehlos-Price (414) 476-6536
 2104 Swan Blvd.
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December 25

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Sunday Worship and Faith Formation 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Choir Practice 11:00 AM Wellness Talk with Dr. John Whitcomb	28 2:00 PM Staff Meeting	29 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Worship Space in Use 7:00 PM Bible Study 7:00 PM CCOS Board Meeting 7:00 PM Dartball	30 10:00 AM Music with Lisa - Mom's Club 6:00 PM - 7:45 PM Grief Support Group	1	2	3 9:00 AM Worship Team Meets
4 9:30 AM Sunday Worship w/Communion 10:30 AM Blood Pressures 10:30 AM Christmas Program Rehearsal 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Choir Practice	5 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Mom's Club Christmas Party 2:00 PM Staff Meeting	6 1:00 PM Congregational Care Meeting 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Worship Space in Use 7:00 PM Bible Study 7:00 PM Dartball Away	7 10:00 AM Music with Lisa - Mom's Club 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM The Threshold Singers - Practice 6:00 PM - 7:45 PM Grief Support Group	8 8:30 AM His & Hers Breakfast - Maxim's 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM Community Banquet - St. James Catholic Church	9	10
11 9:30 AM Sunday Worship 10:30 AM Christmas Decoration Exchange 10:30 AM Christmas Program Rehearsal 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Choir Practice 11:00 AM Faith Discovery 11:00 AM Wellness Talk w/Dr. John Whitcomb "Eating for Life: The Alkali Diet"	12 12:00 PM Women's Guild Christmas Party 2:00 PM Staff Meeting	13 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Worship Space in Use 7:00 PM Bible Study 7:00 PM Dartball 7:00 PM Ministry Directors Meeting	14 9:30 AM Mom's Club	15 12:00 PM Newsletter Articles Deadline	16	17 9:00 AM Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal
18 8:30 AM - 9:15 AM Laughter Club 9:30 AM Sunday Worship w/Christmas Program 10:30 AM Blood Pressures 10:30 AM Panera Bread 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Choir Practice	19 2:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Council Meeting	20 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Worship Space in Use 7:00 PM Bible Study	21	22	23	24 4:00 PM Family Worship Service 10:00 PM Candlelight Worship Service
25 No Worship Service Today	26 2:00 PM Staff Meeting	27 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Worship Space in Use 7:00 PM Bible Study	28	29	30 5:00 PM VanderBunt/Handel Wedding Rehearsal	31 2:00 PM VanderBunt/Handel Wedding