

# 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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## IN FOCUS

## PASTOR BOB

*There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)*

So wrote the apostle Paul in his first letter to the church he helped found in the cosmopolitan city of Corinth. Because of the great diversity of the city itself, reflected in the diversity of the congregation there, there were widely divergent differences of opinion and outlook among the members of the congregation. Some thought better of themselves than others and Paul sought to call them all to a higher, a "common good."

These days we live in similar circumstances as our nation as well as other nations around the world find ourselves in ever growing contentiousness and factionalism. Paul's call to focus on the common good is as relevant today as it was then. In a recent article in The Christian Century Gary Dorrien, professor at Union Theological Seminary notes that "Americans are more comfortable talking about the good life than the common good. And the definition of the good life tends to be one of individual consumption, dependent on foreign fossil fuel and protected by military might."

Bill Green notes in a Stillspeaking Devotional: "One of the myths of America is that we became a great nation thanks to individualism and a do-it-yourself spirit. Tell that to the Founders! They understood the Declaration's 'pursuit of happiness' to mean social happiness, social well-being - a collective, civic achievement. Strength and satisfaction were not just individual attributes developed alone."

As the political climate in America becomes more contentiousness, it is high time that we rediscover the guiding principles and moral values that shaped our nation from the beginning. A number of political leaders who are shaping the current public debate about our country's priorities point to a twentieth century author as the foundation of their political views. The author is Ayn Rand, a refugee from Soviet Russia in the 1920's. Among her prolific writings one of her defining essays is titled "The Virtue of Selfishness." Really? Is that the "virtue" that this country was founded on? Many of these same leaders proclaim that America is a Christian nation, while at the same time advocating positions that fly in the face of Christian principles and values.

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## IN FOCUS CONTINUED

In a Resolution of Witness adopted by the 25<sup>th</sup> General Synod of the United Church of Christ entitled “For the Common Good” its Background and Biblical and Theological Rationale stated, “A just and good society balances individualism with the needs of the community. In the past quarter century our society has lost this ethical balance. Our nation has moved too far in the direction of promoting individual self interest at the expense of community responsibility. The result has been an abandonment of the common good. While some may suggest that the sum total of individual choices will automatically constitute the common good, there is no evidence that choices based on self interest will protect the vulnerable or provide the safeguards and services needed by the whole population. While as a matter of justice and morality we strive always to expand the individual rights guaranteed by our government for those who have lacked rights, we also affirm our commitment to vibrant communities and recognize the important role of government for providing public services on behalf of the community.”

In the story of the last judgment (Matthew 25:34-45) Jesus tells us that nations will be judged by how they care for their most vulnerable citizens, those Jesus describes as, “the least of these who are members of my family.” Jesus describes basic human needs from the perspective of the agrarian society in which he lived as the standard for judging the faithfulness of a society including provision of food, water, clothing, healing, compassion and hospitality. A contemporary list of basic human needs by which to judge the faithfulness of a society would include a decent job, sufficient income, health care, affordable housing, quality public education, affordable child care and a healthy environment.

To the contentious Christians in Corinth who thought better of themselves than others Paul counsels, “Strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.” (1 Corinthians 12:31). He then goes on with the familiar 13<sup>th</sup> chapter which concludes, “Now faith, hope, love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.” Paul, seeking to be a faithful follower of the way of Jesus, would say at the end of the day that there’s no virtue in selfishness, that the one with the most toys at the end does not, in fact, win anything, and that the way of self-giving love is the only way that leads to life.

## STAY CONNECTED WITH WHAT IS HAPPENING THIS SUMMER!

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**Are you on Facebook?** “Like Us” on Facebook and stay connected with what is happening at Redeemer UCC this summer. Just go to our website: [www.redeemerucc.org](http://www.redeemerucc.org) and on the home page click the Redeemer United Church of Christ on Facebook logo.



**Keep current by visiting us on our website: [www.redeemerucc.org](http://www.redeemerucc.org).**

Here you can find the Monthly Calendar, Sunday Happenings, Important Events, the Newsletter, Pastor Bob’s sermons, and so much more. Make us your home page!



# WORSHIP ON SUNDAY

<p><b>June 5</b> Acts 1:6-14 Ps 68:1-10, 32-35 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11 John 17:1-11 <i>Spirit of Witness</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Worship with Communion 9:30AM Summer Enrichment Program 10:30AM Blood Pressures taken after worship</p>	<p>Gold Can: Friedens</p>
<p><b>June 12</b> <b>Pentecost Sunday</b> Acts 2:1-21 Ps 104:24-34, 35b 1 Cor 12:3b-13 John 20:19-23</p>	<p>9:30AM Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time</p>	<p>Gold Can: Strengthen the Church</p>
<p><b>June 19</b> Gen 1:1-2:4a Ps 8 2 Cor 13:11-13 Matt 28:16-20 <i>This is Good</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time 10:30AM Blood Pressures taken after worship 10:30AM Panera Bread 12PM Graebner-Smith Reunion</p>	<p>Gold Can: Youth Mission Trip</p>
<p><b>June 26</b> Gen 22:1-4 Ps 13 Ps 89:1-4, 15-18 Rom 6:12-23 Matt 10:40-42 <i>Holy Welcome</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time</p>	<p>Gold Can: Our Churches Wider Mission (OCWM)</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 for directions to the Nursery.

**Sunday School Summer Enrichment Program:** This program will be held nearly every Sunday this summer during service (9:30AM—10:30AM) and is open to children of all ages (yes adults too!). In this "hands-on" program, we will explore God's Bounty through fresh, healthy and fun food preparation and garden care. Please see Page 6 for complete details about this program.

# WORSHIP ON SUNDAY

<p><b>July 3</b></p> <p>Gen 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67</p> <p>Ps 45:10-17</p> <p>Ps 145:8-14</p> <p>Matt 11:16-19, 25-30</p> <p><i>Chosen Journeys</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Worship with Communion</p> <p>10:30AM Blood Pressures taken after worship</p>	<p>Gold Can: Friedens</p>
<p><b>July 10</b></p> <p>Gen 25:19-34</p> <p>Ps 119:105-112</p> <p>Rom 8:1-11</p> <p>Matt 13:1-9, 18-23</p> <p><i>A House Divided</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time</p>	<p>Gold Can: Interfaith</p>
<p><b>July 17</b></p> <p>Gen 28:10-19a</p> <p>Wisd of Sol 12:13,16-19</p> <p>Rom 8:12-25</p> <p>Matt 13:24-30, 36-43</p> <p><i>Place of Blessing</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time</p> <p>10:30AM Blood Pressures taken after worship</p> <p>10:30AM Panera Bread</p>	<p>Gold Can: UCC Disaster Ministries</p>
<p><b>July 24</b></p> <p>Gen 29:15-28</p> <p>Ps 105:1-11, 45b</p> <p>1 Kings 3:5-12</p> <p>Rom 8:26-39</p> <p>Matt 13:31-33, 44-52</p> <p><i>Weaving the Future</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time</p>	<p>Gold Can: Hope House</p>
<p><b>July 31</b></p> <p>Gen 32:22-31</p> <p>Ps 17:1-7, 15</p> <p>Isa 55:1-5</p> <p>Rom 9:1-5</p> <p>Matt 14:13-21</p> <p><i>Face to Face</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time</p>	<p>Gold Can: Lavina Del Senor</p>

# WORSHIP ON SUNDAY

<p><b>August 7</b></p> <p>Gen 37:1-4, 12-28 Ps 105: 1-6, 16-22, 45b Rom 10:5-15 Matt 14:22-33 <i>When All Seems Lost</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Worship with Communion 9:30AM Summer Enrichment Program 10:30AM Blood Pressures taken after worship</p>	<p>Gold Can: Friedens</p>
<p><b>August 14</b></p> <p>Gen 45:1-15 Ps 133 Ps 67 Rom 11:1-2a, 29-32 Matt 15:(10-20), 21-28 <i>Bold Moves</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time</p>	<p>Gold Can: School Supply Project</p>
<p><b>August 21</b></p> <p>Ex 1:8-2:10 Ps 124 Ps 138 Rom 12:1-8 Matt 16:13-20 <i>Be Transformed</i></p>	<p>9:30AM Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time 10:30AM Blood Pressures &amp; Panera Bread Pick Up September Newsletter</p>	<p>Gold Can: Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity</p>
<p><b>August 28</b></p> <p>Ex 3:1-15 Ps 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b Ps 26:1-8 Rom 12:9-21 Matt 16:21-28 <i>Spirit-Led Living</i></p>	<p>11:00AM Outdoor Worship - Mary Jane Huber Preaching Church picnic to follow</p>	<p>Gold Can: Our Churches Wider Mission (OCWM)</p>

# SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

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## GOD'S CAFÉ

### LESSONS IN GOD'S ABUNDANCE

#### REDEEMER'S SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Join us this summer as we eat our way through the bible! This program is open to children of all ages! We will explore God's abundance each Sunday during service. If you'd like to help out with our program, please contact Jolie Fritz at 262.893.5391 or [chefjoliefritz@yahoo.com](mailto:chefjoliefritz@yahoo.com)

June 5<sup>th</sup> Creation Story- Genesis 1:9-13 (project: Decorating Aprons, snack: create your own trail mix)

June 12<sup>th</sup> Abraham & the 3 Guests-Genesis 18 (project: decorating place mats, snack: make hummus with flatbread and veggies)

June 19<sup>th</sup> Joseph & the Famine-Genesis 41-47 (Discussion on world hunger, snack: herbed couscous - enough for congregation to sample)

June 26<sup>th</sup> How God Provides (Manna)-Exodus 16 (project: Lord's Prayer, snack: making instant mashed potatoes)

July 3<sup>rd</sup> No Program

July 10<sup>th</sup> Elijah & The Widow-First Kings 17:1-16 (project: extending the table, snack: chapattis)

July 17<sup>th</sup> Water From the Wells of Salvation-Isaiah 12:2-6 (project: decorate cup, water relay, snack: watermelon)

July 24<sup>th</sup> Wedding at Cana-John 2:1-12 (project and snack: making various vegetable/fruit juice - enough for the congregation)

July 31<sup>st</sup> Invitation to the Wedding-Luke 14:15-24 OR Matthew 22:1-14 (project: make invitations for communion the following Sunday, snack: decorate your own cupcake/cookie)

August 7<sup>th</sup> Feeding of 5,000 (various readings) (project and snack making enough fresh salsa for the congregation to sample)

August 14<sup>th</sup> Parable of the Seed-Mark 4:26-32 (Field Trip to Swan's farm, kids report to Redeemer for children's time, then we will head to Swan's farm. Parents responsible for transportation arrangements)

August 21<sup>st</sup> Parable of the Sower-(various readings) (project harvest from the garden with dip)

August 28<sup>th</sup> End of Summer Picnic with bouncy house-no program

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

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The Church Picnic will be held at Redeemer on Sunday, August 28th.

Outdoor games for all!

Please plan to bring:

A dish to pass

Meat, if you want. There will be grills available.

Plates, cups, utensils for your family

Lawn chairs

Friends and family are warmly welcome!

**Sunday, August 28**  
**Church Picnic**  
**11:00 AM Outdoor Worship**  
**Noon Potluck Picnic**

**No 9:30AM Worship**

## What's happening during the week.

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**REDEEMER UCC**  
 ANNUAL  
**CHURCH CAMP OUT**  
 AT  
**MENOMONEE PARK**  
**JUNE 24th—26th**

Set-up Friday & Pack-up Sunday or Come and Go Anytime In-Between

**CONTACT US FOR MORE INFO**

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# Teacher Appreciation



"Thank you for making a difference"

3 & 4 Year-old

Tammy Stratmeyer  
Donna Winchell

Kindergarten

Jennifer King  
Rebecca Schultz

1st & 2nd Grade

Aaron & Kira Rank

3rd & 4th Grade

Michelle Hagopian

5th & 6th Grade

Kary Butryn  
Nicole Faulstich

7th & 8th Grade

Peg Koller  
Lori Gersonde

**Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!**

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone who sponsored me for the Ann's Hope Block Melanoma 5K/3K Run & Walk which was held on May 15th at the Milwaukee County Zoo.

Despite the windy and cold day that it was, there were about 2,650 who attended this event. This year I was able to reach my goal of \$1,000.00 in memory of my sister Georgene. Total amount raised in donations was \$88,713.00 which will go to St. Luke's Medical Center Melanoma Research.

Thank you, Mary Lou Evert

# SPREAD THE LOVE

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Strengthen the Church Offering

### About Strengthen the Church

**Y**our gift to Strengthen the Church builds the UCC's future now by funding The Stillspeaking Ministry, new and renewing churches, youth and young adult ministries, and lay and pastoral leadership formation – especially among women and people of color.

### About Stillspeaking

**T**he God is Stillspeaking Ministry spreads the message of God's extravagant welcome, reaching out especially to those who have felt there is no room for them within Christianity and the church – the excluded and alienated, the spiritually homeless, the questioning. In the last three years, Stillspeaking reached an estimated 25 million people through national, regional and local advertising including registering over 3,000 Stillspeaking Voices committed to the growth of the message and membership of the United Church of Christ.

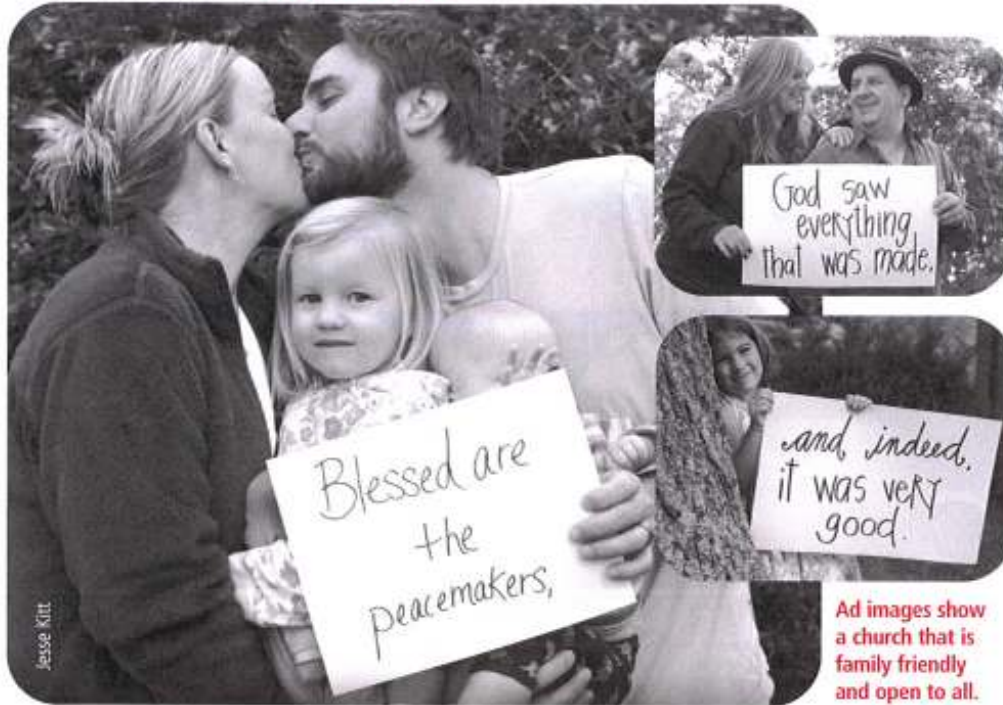
**Your offerings are directed to your church's Conference, Local Church Ministries, and The Stillspeaking Ministry for these church development, leader development and Stillspeaking purposes.**

Your generosity today ensures our vibrancy tomorrow.

**God is Still Speaking,**

# SPREAD THE LOVE

You Are **Welcome** Here...



Ad images show a church that is family friendly and open to all.

**W**ould your church like to welcome a new visitor every Sunday? How about three, or six, or even nine first-time guests? That was the response to Land of the Sky United Church of Christ's "You Are Welcome Here" campaign funded by a Stillspeaking Media with a Mission Grant.

**T**he Asheville, North Carolina new church start launched a full-page ad in the Mountain Xpress featuring a photo-series also running on their website. Using photographs of real families in their church offered an authentic reflection of God's creative diversity while highlighting their Open and Affirming status. The five-week ad buy resulted in a free feature and substantive quote in support of marriage equality in the wedding issue. Newcomers complimented the ads and visits to the webpage increased dramatically.

The "You Are Welcome Here" campaign also invested in hospitality: a letter of welcome, a UCC mug filled with a Land of the Sky UCC brochure and goodies, and after three visits an invitation to coffee with one of the co-pastors... leaving no doubt that "You Are Welcome Here!"

Since 2006, Media with a Mission has awarded \$160,000 empowering 165 churches in 38 states to reach 16 million people!

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# SANCTUARY GARDEN UPDATE

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## Sanctuary Garden Update

Hello everyone. It's SPRING at last, and as I walk back to the garden, I can see the beginning of new life. I love the change of seasons, and the renewal of spring is always filled with hope.



It's been a long time since I've written to you about our garden, and there are several bits of information we'd like you all to know. **First**, we continue to offer the opportunity to purchase engraved bricks to celebrate a birth, remember a special event, or to honor or remember a friend or loved one. An order will be placed on June 15th. If you have been considering this, now is the time to act. Order forms are available in the Great Hall or in the church office. The cost remains \$100 per brick. Checks and order forms can be turned into the office, with checks made out to Redeemer UCC. The bricks will be in place this fall.

**Secondly**, although the garden is planted and thriving, we have developed a "wish list" to address current and future needs. Our current walking, turf path to access the garden cannot be used by everyone. It is uneven and unsafe for anyone who needs assistance with walking. We would like to obtain funding for a blacktop path, which would provide a smooth, hard, and even surface for walking. We would also like to obtain a golf cart, which could provide transportation out to the garden for those who do not feel confident walking that distance. That would also mean running electricity to our shed, so that the cart battery could be charged. If you would like to contribute toward these "wishes", please contact us, the office, or any church council member.

**Finally**, we will be making a few additions to the garden this year. Two types of flowering vines will be planted at the base of the arbor posts, with the hopes that they will grow and cover the arbor. Columbine will be purchased and added to the garden plantings. A beautiful woodchip path, through the woods, was added last fall, and some shade loving plants could be planted in the woods.

As spring progresses, take a walk out to our garden and enjoy the quiet, the birds, and the whispering of grass and trees-God's voice calling us to quiet.

Nancy & Rick Vollbrecht

# Grief Support

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## Grief Support

### Embracing Grief

Loss is a part of each person's life journey. All losses are accompanied by mourning and grief. Grief cannot be dismissed. It will grab hold and get the attention it needs, one way or another. Robert Zucker says:

*Grief is the "elephant in the room" people don't always want to acknowledge. When it is acknowledged, grief is often minimized, reduced, and sanitized. ....there is a lot of talk about "recovery" and "closure" as if grief were something to skip on the way to healing. But grief is messy! And for all of us, it can be a prolonged, painful, and profound time of suffering.*

These past several years, grief has been and continues to be the companion of many at Redeemer. Because I believe that God does not intend for the grief journey to be traveled in isolation, I would invite persons who are grieving to come together this summer for comfort and support.

The group will meet for 6 Thursday mornings, July 14<sup>th</sup> to August 18<sup>th</sup>, from 10AM-11:30AM at Redeemer UCC. If you are interested in joining us, please complete the tear-off portion of the Living with Grief flyer in this newsletter. Flyers are also located on the church bulletin board. It is most helpful to attend all 6 meetings, but this is not required.

Yes, "grief is messy", but the loving support of others who will walk with you on your long, crazy, yet normal journey can make a big difference. I hope you will join us.

Nancy Vollbrecht  
Licensed Clinical Social Worker



Prayer  
Shawl  
Ministry

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

There are a number of prayer shawls placed throughout the sanctuary by Redeemer's Prayer Shawl Ministry. Please use one during worship if you feel the need for actual warmth or the spiritual warmth for which they were intended. If you would like to take it with you, feel free to take it with our blessing.

# Grief Group Registration Form

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## Living and Grieving

"Grief is not a problem to be cured. It is simply a statement that you have loved someone....Profound grief is preceded by deep love, which gives life meaning. In the deepest sense, our days would be empty and futile if we never grieved."

Virginia Barckley R.N., M.S.

Most of us do not know what grief will be like until we experience it first hand through the death of a loved one. We expect to feel sad and lonely, but we may be surprised when we have feelings of anger and guilt. Memories are both comforting and painful. Being with loved ones can help fill the void but also deepen the loneliness. Yes, grief is confusing, but as Virginia Barckley reminds us, it occurs only because we have known deep love.

A six week supportive group for those who are grieving will be offered at Redeemer United Church of Christ, W220 N4915 Town Line Rd. Sussex, WI 53089. It will be held on Thursdays, from 10:00-11:30am, July 14<sup>th</sup> -August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011. It is most beneficial, but not required, for participants to attend all 6 gatherings. This group will be facilitated by Nancy Vollbrecht, Licensed Clinical Social Worker. Nancy has experience in hospice, grief counseling and grief support. Some of the topics addressed will include:

- Understanding Grief
- Remembering
- Accepting/Expressing Feelings
- Role Changes
- Stress & Coping
- Rituals/ Anniversaries/ Memorials

If you are grieving, and would like to participate in this group, please complete the tear off portion of this flyer, and return it to the church office before July 10<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome!

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\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would like to attend the supportive grief group.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

## Congratulations to our Graduates!

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Mary Jane Huber graduated from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary on May 13th with a Master of Divinity.

Alicia Borth graduated on May 14th from UW-Whitewater with a BS in Sociology with a Criminal Justice Emphasis.

Laura Borth graduated in May from UW-Stevens Point with a BS in Dietetics and German with a minor in Chemistry.

Becky Graebner graduated from Denison University in May. She is headed to Washington D.C. for an internship for the summer doing Asia policy research for a government think-tank.

Caitlin Rockey graduated on May 22nd from UW Milwaukee with a BS in Psychology.

Samantha Salvino (Nancy Simpson's Granddaughter) graduated on May 15th from Rutgers University in New Jersey with a degree in English.

Kelsey Hart graduated from Hartford High School and will be attending Elmhurst College.

Megayn Ray graduated from Kettle Moraine High School and will be attending Ripon College.

Leah Richards graduated from Mukwonago High School and will be attending UW-Eau Claire.

Bradley Stangler graduated from Arrowhead High School and will be attending WCTC for Criminal Justice.

Mandes Stoner graduated from Hamilton High School and will be attending UW-Madison.

Mitchel Trapp graduated from Arrowhead High School and will be attending Concordia University in Mequon.

Linsey Becker (Donna Becker's Granddaughter) graduated from South High School in Sheboygan and will be attending UW-Madison.

# American Cancer Society Relay for Life



**Who:** You and anyone who wants to help fight cancer!  
*This event is open to the general public.*

**What:** The Relay For Life of Sussex-Menomonee Falls-Pewaukee is an overnight team event to fight cancer, while having fun and raising funds for cancer research, education, advocacy and patient programs. The event includes games, activities, fundraisers, food, music and much more!!

**Where:** Sussex Hamilton High School, Track and Field

**When:** Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM – Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011

## **Friday**

6:00PM-Opening Ceremony

6:30PM-Survivor Lap

7:00PM-Team Lap

8:30PM-Dude Looks Like A Lady Event

10:00PM-Luminaria Ceremony

## **Saturday**

9:00AM-Closing Ceremony

**Why:** 1 in 3 people will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime. The American Cancer Society fights cancer through research, education on early detection and prevention of cancer and to make life easier for those diagnosed with cancer with patient programs and services.

[www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)

**How:** Team Redeemer will be participating in the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Join team Redeemer with your friends, family or co-workers, register as a survivor, volunteer at the event, or make a donation! One goal is to have a team member on the track for the entire event. Many feet make for light work. This year's theme is "Kickin' the crab out of cancer." See Rick Lokken for more information.

## **The Luminaries Ceremony—Light the way to a cure....**



One important aspect of the American Cancer Society Relay For Life is the opportunity for people to come together to remember loved ones lost to cancer and honor those who have won their battle. One of the most moving parts of the event is the Luminaria Ceremony.

As the sun sets and darkness falls, the night is brightened by the glow of illuminated bags called luminaria, each bearing the name of someone who has battled cancer.

Some celebrate cancer survivors, while others help us honor and remember those gone too soon. All represent someone special who has been profoundly affected by cancer and the family and friends who continue to fight back in their honor. The names of these individuals will be read aloud in a special ceremony at 10:00PM on June 17th, to which you are invited to attend. Would you like to honor or remember someone with a luminaria during the Relay For Life® Luminaria Ceremony? You can purchase a Luminaria from Rick Lokken for \$5, but for just \$1 more, you can bring it to the Sunday School children to decorate for you. The \$5 donation will support the American Society's mission to fight cancer, locally, statewide and nationally, in terms of research, education, advocacy and patient service programs. The \$1 for decorating will go toward the summer enrichment program.

# Supportive of One Another



## COMMUNITY BANQUET

**WHEN:** Thursday, June 23, 5:30 PM  
 Thursday, July 14, 5:30 PM  
 Thursday, July 28, 5:30 PM  
 Thursday, August 11, 5:30 PM  
 Thursday, August 25, 5:30 PM

**WHAT:** A free hot meal and chance to socialize with others from the Community

**WHERE:** St. James Church  
 W220 N6588 Town Line Road

A ministry of the Cooperating Churches of Sussex and Sussex-area Outreach Service serving singles, couples and families a hot meal on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. The meal is absolutely free. Twice a year guests are invited to make a donation.

Mark your calendar for future opportunities to help:

July 28th, Clean-Up 5:45 PM  
 September 8th, Set-Up 4:30 PM  
 October 27th, Cook 4:00 PM

## We Need You!

**A neighbor in your community needs a volunteer this summer to help with lawn mowing.**

We'll match you with a senior or adult with a disability in your neighborhood. You can coordinate the time and date around your schedule!

Adopt a home nearby, or sign up as a "sub" to fill in for another volunteer while they're away.

Volunteer as a family, school group, congregation, business or community group.

This is a great opportunity for teenagers to keep busy this summer!

For more information or to volunteer, visit [www.interfaithwaukesha.org](http://www.interfaithwaukesha.org) or contact Kathy Whitehurst (262) 549-3348 X2407 or [kathyw@interfaithwaukesha.org](mailto:kathyw@interfaithwaukesha.org)



# What's Happening in the Community

## St. James Catholic Church 6th Annual Thrift Sale



*Come Shop with Us!*



*Find Many Treasures*

**Where:** W220 N6588 Town Line Road

Menomonee Falls, WI

**When:** Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> 8 A.M. - 7 P.M.

Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> 8 A.M. - 3 P.M.

Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> 8 A.M. - 1 P.M.

**Specials:** 1/2 Price Sale - Get everything for 1/2 Price (Saturday Only)



Bag Sale - Stuff a Bag for One Low Price (Saturday Only)



**BAKE SALE** on Main Level (Thurs & Fri Only)



**NEW This Year!** Hot Dog, Chips & Soda/Water will be available

Remember....one man's junk is another's



# Mission News

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## Mission Moments

### Changes at Hope Center have been dramatic

Some examples are:

- \* Clothing Shop visits increased by almost 300% to over 37,000
- \* Meals served increased by 160% to over 22,000
  - 18,030 dinners provided.
  - 8,765 meals provided to adults.
  - 1,049 children served dinner.
  - 905 individuals were served.
- \* Project Move served over 300 families in 5.5 months.
- \* When the above is taken in the context that expenses (including salaries) are in essence the question is begged "How is it possible?"

Well here is how it is:

- \* Volunteer hours increased by 240% to 24,000
- \* In-kind donations of clothing increased by 55% in 2010 alone (364,000 items)
- \* In-Kind-Donations of food were valued at \$127,000.00 wholesale.

## Swiss Steak Dinner Committee

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*Thank you,*

*The dinner committee would like to thank all who helped in any way to make our Swiss Steak Dinner a success.*

*A special thanks to Risa Kuhlman for her generous donation of supplies used for the dinner.  
And to Pepper Steffen for being our super salesman who turned in \$780.00 dollars in ticket money.*

*Our net profit was \$5,810.14 this year.*

*Thanks again,  
The Swiss Steak Dinner Committee*

## Odds N Ends

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**Please pick up your dishes, plates, utensils & pans!**

Please remember to pick up any dishes, plates, pans, or utensils that have been left here.

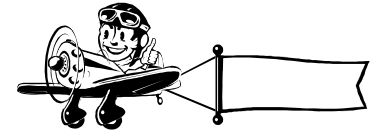
They are on the table in front of the mailboxes.



**The deadline for the September newsletter is August 15, 2011.** Please

email your articles to Carol Buehler

cbuehler@redeemerucc.org or turn them into the office in her mailbox.



### Summer Events and Announcements

This month's newsletter combined the months of June, July and August. If you should have an event or an announcement that you need to get out to the members of Redeemer UCC, please contact Carol Buehler, the Parish Administrator. She will coordinate with you the best way to get your information out via bulletin, email, Facebook and/or website. You can call her during office hours 262-246-6710 or email her at cbuehler@redeemerucc.org

## Have you heard?

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The Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity ReStore recycles overstocked,

discounted, new and used building materials donated by manufacturers, stores, contractors and individuals. The items are sold at a fraction of the retail price to the public. The ReStore helps fund Habitat's mission of building affordable homes and is staffed largely by volunteers. The ReStore helped keep over 730,000 pounds of trash out of landfills in 2009. Consider donating your used or new building materials, furniture or appliances to the ReStore. Most donations are tax deductible and a pick-up service is available. See brochures in the Great Hall by the bulletin board for more information.



Sheltered Reality (SR) is engaging musical fun with a purpose.

Enthusiastic percussion routines bring audiences to their feet while opening hearts to a compassionate message of success for all. Music is a universal language and SR uses this opening to speak to the hearts of our audiences by way of personal stories and letters. For more information please see brochures in the Great Hall by the bulletin board or contact Brad Ennenking at 262.502.9040.

Come and enjoy the SR experience!

# Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

I would like to thank everyone for the cards, well wishes, and phone calls. Your thoughts and prayers are appreciated. I continue to need your prayers as I await the doctors decisions.

Thank you, again – George Evert

*I would like to Thank those who went to the Interfaith Tapestry Annual Benefit Dinner & Auction on Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. We had a full table of 10, and we all had a great time.*

*There were about 300 that attended that evening.*

*Those who attended from Redeemer were.*

*Vic Berger*

*Bill & Mary Davis*

*Don & Karen Easterling*

*Mary Lou Evert*

*Pastor Bob & Julie Ullman*

*Rick & Nancy Vollbrecht*

*Thank you again for coming.*

*Mary Lou Evert ~ Mission Committee*

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\* My thanks to the many members \*  
\* of Redeemer who supported me \*  
\* in various ways as I cared for \*  
\* Janet during her long illness. \*  
\* Your thoughtful assistance was \*  
\* most comforting during some \*  
\* stressful times for me. She's now \*  
\* at peace, as am I. \*  
\* \*  
\* Gratefully, \*  
\* Victor Berger \*  
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Thank you to Bill Davis for masterfully creating a new mail slot area for the Church Staff and Ministry Team Directors to be used in the office. This not only looks great but will allow the space around the table in the office to be cleared, making the meeting table more comfortable and aesthetically pleasing.

# Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

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April 22, 2011

Redeemer United Church of Christ  
P.O. Box 230  
Sussex, WI 53089

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Friedens Community Ministries, I would like to thank you for your recent donations of \$170.02 and \$191.04. These two donations came at a time when our needs were very great and our resources were dwindling. Many individuals and congregations are generous with Friedens during the holidays, but the needs of the poor exist 12 months a year and our efforts to assist them do as well.

Redeemer has been a faithful supporter of ours for many years and we are proud of the support you lend. Truly, any success we have enjoyed in our efforts to eliminate hunger in Milwaukee, is a reflection of the support and encouragement we have received from you.

May will be a momentous month for Friedens in that our south side pantry, Despensa de la Paz, will be moving to a new home in a facility on 22<sup>nd</sup> & Lapham owned by the Council for the Spanish Speaking. In addition, we are opening our third pantry in a YMCA on 91<sup>st</sup> and Brown Deer Road. With these efforts, we believe that we will become much more efficient in our efforts to assist Milwaukee's poor. Should you or your congregation ever wish to learn more about these efforts, we encourage you to contact our office at your convenience. We would be pleased to have a speaker present at a Redeemer function to inform your congregation of our work with the poor of Milwaukee.

On behalf of our Board of Directors, our staff and volunteers, and the thousands of families we serve annually, we wish you and yours a blessed Easter.

Sincerely,

Michael S. Brever  
Executive Director



Despensa de la Paz: 2114 W. Mitchell St, 53215  
Friedens Pantry, Coggs Center: 1220 W. Vliet Street, 53205  
Mailing Address: P O Box 05411, Milwaukee, WI 53205-0411  
Phone: (414) 289-6030, Fax: (414) 289-8539,  
Email: [director@friedenspantry.org](mailto:director@friedenspantry.org)

# Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST SAYS

# Thank You!

To the members of

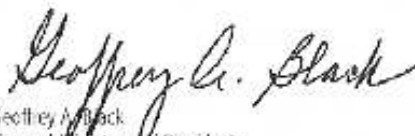
*Redeemer UCC, Sussex*

For your 2010 contribution of

*\$19,693.18*

For Basic Support of

**Our Church's Wider Mission**



Geoffrey A. Black  
General Minister and President,  
United Church of Christ



Conference Minister



God is still speaking,

**UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST**



**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

Radant, Carolyn	JUN 1	Strieter, Ryan	JUN 8	Samuelson, Ethel	JUN 19
Flood, Erin	JUN 2	Easterling, Caryn	JUN 9	Becker, Alex	JUN 20
Simpson, Matthew	JUN 2	Garbe, Ken	JUN 12	Jackson, Lacey	JUN 21
Smith, Fred	JUN 2	Evert, Mary Lou	JUN 13	Sullivan, Jennifer	JUN 21
Freyer, Marvin	JUN 3	Aumann, Betty	JUN 15	Jordan, Bob	JUN 22
Norris, Jada	JUN 3	Fellman, Tyler	JUN 15	Berger, Jan	JUN 26
Schultz, Rebecca	JUN 3	Ludin, Nancy	JUN 15	Carpenter, Janet	JUN 26
Anderson, Andrew	JUN 4	Evert, George	JUN 16	Morris, Kyle	JUN 27
Dabroski, Ray	JUN 4	Knutson, Ashley	JUN 16	Rockey, Kris	JUN 27
Enneking, Brad	JUN 4	Huber, Christianna	JUN 17	Schmitt, Jennifer	JUN 27
Morris, Robert	JUN 5	Kuhlman, Ron	JUN 17	Stephens, Judith	JUN 28
Schaetzke, Russell	JUN 6	Schuett, Andrea	JUN 17		
Novotny, Judy	JUN 7	Saidler, Kenneth	JUN 19		

**JUNE ANNIVERSARIES**

Evert, George and Bonnie	JUN 2	55 years!	Kind, Rod and Linda	JUN 21
Hart, Scott and Shelley	JUN 2		Block, Norman and Judy	JUN 26
Meyer, Harley and Elaine	JUN 2		Hinrichs, Mike and Angie	JUN 29
Wanner, Ken and Lynn	JUN 7		Lokken, Rick and Lisa	JUN 30
Dahms, Curt and Donna	JUN 8	54 years!	Madushaw, Frank and Ernie	JUN 30
Koszarek, John and Jill	JUN 12			
Curtis, Corky and Janet	JUN 17			
Garbe, Ken and Sonya	JUN 19			

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**June 5**

Risa Kuhlman (262) 613-7356  
 Megayn and Mason Ray  
 111 Legend Way  
 Wales, WI 53183  
 rkuhlman@thelegendatbradybrook.com

**June 12**

Amy & Tim Richardson (262) 36-3180  
 Luke and Leah  
 S88 W32400 Prairie  
 Mukwonago, WI 53149 trichardson5@wi.rr.com

**June 19**

Bob & Julie Ullman (262) 538-1514  
 N58 W26571 Mountain Shadows  
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**June 26**

Ken & Lynn Wanner (262) 246-1945  
 N59 W24620 Quail Run Lane  
 Sussex, WI 53089 kwanner@aol.com

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Krueger, Betty	JUL 7	Fritz, Jolie	JUL 18
Zillmer, Jodi	JUL 8	Dahms, Curt	JUL 19
Meyer, Elaine	JUL 9	Hensel, Ken	JUL 21
Richter, Hannah	JUL 9	Jordan, Cotey	JUL 23
Curtis, Patrick	JUL 11	Heier, Kayla	JUL 25
Faulstich, Tyler	JUL 11	Klein, Margie	JUL 25
Krumm, Helen	JUL 11	Stuempfig, Paul	JUL 25
Krupelak, Joe	JUL 11	Jaeschke, Audrey	JUL 26
Richter, Debbie	JUL 11	Blosmore, Kate	JUL 28
Stangler, Alana	JUL 12	Klein, Joe	JUL 30
Knoebel, Tammy	JUL 13	Scharmer, Delores	JUL 31
Farmer, Silas	JUL 16		

**JULY ANNIVERSARIES**

Knoebel, Mike and Tammy	JUL 4	Heisler, Andy and Katie	JUL 17
Stefan, Kurt and Kyla	JUL 5	Winchell, Jim and Donna	JUL 21
Butryn, Scott and Kary	JUL 6	Kirby, Chuck and Mandi	JUL 22
Ullman, Bob and Julie	JUL 6	Oszuscik, Sarah and Joe	JUL 24
Schildt, Fred and Marlene	JUL 9 51 years!	Fournier, Caren and David	JUL 30
Swan, Brad and Cheryl	JUL 14	Fero, Jeff and Jean	JUL 31

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**July 5**

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Pewaukee, WI 53072  
rvollb@wi.rr.com and nvollbrecht@wi.rr.com

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700 Quinlan Dr. #250  
Pewaukee, WI 53072

**July 17**

Dan Stolper (414) 899-0302  
6425 W. Norwich #210  
Milwaukee, WI 53220 dstolper@halleonard.com

**July 24**

Russell Schaezke (262) 820-0353  
W266 N6534 Top-O-Hill Drive  
Sussex, WI 53089

**July 31**

Michael Krupelak (262) 352-8261  
N108 W18101 Lilac Lane  
Germantown, WI 53022 mkrupelak@yahoo.com

**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

Benson, Erin	AUG 2	Zillmer, Kaitlyn	AUG 13	Heisler, Andy	AUG 22
Koszarek, Lexie	AUG 2	Cumiskey, Rick	AUG 15	Canada, Amy	AUG 23
Warner, Nathaly	AUG 2	Hobbick, Jim	AUG 15	Fournier, Caren	AUG 23
Bosch, Nathan	AUG 4	Schultz, Jack	AUG 15	Holden, Joan	AUG 23
Jordan, Hannah	AUG 4	Andrea Pelloquin	AUG 16	Schaber, Kathleen	AUG 23
Zillmer, Randy	AUG 4	Stoner, Mandes	AUG 16	Wessels, Velma	AUG 23
Anderson, Samuel	AUG 6	Kuhlman, Caroline	AUG 18	Bosch, Brian	AUG 25
Becker, Donna	AUG 6	Heier, Whitney	AUG 19	Freyer, Judy	AUG 25
Benson, Mark	AUG 8	Huber, Michael	AUG 19	Knoebel, Sandra	AUG 25
Stuempfig, Rachel	AUG 8	Trapp, Bea	AUG 19	Lokken, Lisa	AUG 26
Bucher, Cori	AUG 9	Heisler, Katie	AUG 20	Olson, Becci	AUG 26
Price, Terry	AUG 12	Held, Carly	AUG 20	Schultz, Mason	AUG 27
Hart, Kelsey	AUG 13	Steele, Vera	AUG 21	Huber, Joseph	AUG 29
Worth, Bill	AUG 13	Anderson, John	AUG 22	King, Maurice	AUG 31

**AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES**

Strieter, George and Sharon	AUG 3	48 years!	Schultz, Alice and Norm	AUG 22
Enneking, Brad and Beth	AUG 4		Stephens, Bob and Judith	AUG 22
Weiland, Don and Mary	AUG 6	45 years!	Lamers, William and Janet	AUG 26
Easterling, Don and Caryn	AUG 7		Hagopian, Ed and Michelle	AUG 28
Rockey, Bob and Michele	AUG 9		Richter, Debbie and Randy	AUG 29
Van Gilder, Chuck and Anna	AUG 9	58 years!	Strieter, Mike and Vicki	AUG 30
Huber, Larry and Mary Jane	AUG 11		Blosmore, Kate and Ron	AUG 31
Benson, Mark and Kris	AUG 13			
Hinze, Jerry and Marilyn	AUG 13	51 years!		
Crosby, Randy and Meredith	AUG 14			
Borth, Alicia and Paul Zsori	AUG 16			
Glodoski, Emil and Jane	AUG 19			

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**August 7**

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 Fred Smith  
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 Sussex, WI 53089  
 cocreate@wi.rr.com and phwitz@wi.rr.com

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 608 Oxford Dr.  
 Hartland, WI 53029 rkragle@hotmail.com

**August 14**

Ken Rockey (262) 251-6476  
 W180 N7890 Town Hall Rd. #C366  
 Menomonee Falls, WI 53051 rockey-k@att.net

**August 28**

Bea & Mel Trapp (262) 246-6056  
 N80 W26998 Plainview Rd.  
 Hartland, WI 53029 btrapp0819@aol.com

JUNE 2011						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 Redeemer UCC Summer 2011 Newsletter Available 9:30 AM Sunday Worship	30 Office Closed - Memorial Day	31 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Piano Lessons - Andrea 7:00 PM Bible Study	1 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM The Threshold Singers - Practice	2 5:00 PM Community Banquet Recognition Dinner at Sussex United Methodist Church	3	4
5 9:30 AM Summer Enrichment Program 9:30 AM Sunday Worship w/communion 10:30 AM Blood Pressures	6 2:00 PM Staff Meeting	7 1:00 PM Congregational Care Meeting 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Piano Lessons - Andrea	8 9:30 AM Mom's Club	9 8:30 AM His & Hers Breakfast - Maxim's	10 Wisconsin Conference Annual Meeting - Green Lake	11 Wisconsin Conference Annual Meeting - Green Lake
12 New Members Wisconsin Conference Annual Meeting - Green Lake 9:30 AM Sunday Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time	13 2:00 PM Staff Meeting	14 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Piano Lessons - Andrea 7:00 PM Ministry Directors Meeting	15	16 4:30 PM Conway/Bartlett Wedding Rehearsal	17 Relay for Life - Hamilton High School 4:00 PM Conway/Bartlett Wedding	18 Relay for Life - Hamilton High School
19 9:30 AM Sunday Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time 10:30 AM Blood Pressures 10:30 AM Panera Bread 12:00 PM Graebel-Smith Reunion	20 2:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Council Meeting	21 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Piano Lessons - Andrea	22	23 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM Community Banquet - St. James Catholic Church	24 Family Camping at Menomonee Falls Park	25 Family Camping at Menomonee Falls Park
26 Family Camping at Menomonee Falls Park 9:30 AM Sunday Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time	27 2:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Facilities Meeting	28 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Piano Lessons - Andrea	29	30	1	2

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31 9:30 AM Sunday Worship - Summer Enrichment Program to follow Children's Time	1 2:00 PM Staff Meeting	2 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Piano Lessons - Andrea	3 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM The Threshold Singers - Practice	4 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Grief Support Group	5	6

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28 11:00 AM Outdoor Sunday Worship - Mary Jane Huber Preaching - Church Picnic to follow	29 2:00 PM Staff Meeting	30 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Piano Lessons - Andrea	31	1	2	3

# Redeemer's Leadership

These reports were approved at the last council meeting.

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**Redeemer UCC  
Council Meeting Minutes  
April 18, 2011**

The following people were present: Jim Hobbick, Nancy Ludin, Dave Swan, Caryn Easterling, Jason Fritz, Lisa Morris, Meredith Crosby, Kathy Schaber, and Bob Ullman.

Absent: Linda Kind and Rick Vollbrecht

The meeting was called to order by Jim Hobbick. Joys and concerns were shared. Prior to Pastor Bob leading us in prayer, those present expressed how the meaning of Hosanna will come into their lives in the upcoming week.

**Minutes of the previous meeting ~ Motion 11-04-01:** Lisa Morris/Jason Fritz moved to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2011 meeting. Motion Carried.

**Additions to the agenda ~** SOS fundraiser and Interfaith Tapestry

**Consent Agenda ~ Motion 11-04-02:** Caryn Easterling/Lisa Morris moved the reports be accepted. Motion Carried

It was determined that a Parish Administrator's report is not necessary on a monthly basis. A report can be prepared if there is something out of the ordinary. It is also an opportunity to bring something up before the Council. Currently Carol is working more than the designated 20 hour week. She is creating a Facebook page for Redeemer to communicate events. Carol has set up a rolling calendar of events that will also be available on Redeemer's web site. The Personnel Committee will meet Carol after 3 months to review her workload vs. hours necessary.

**Financial Report ~** Nancy Ludin indicated that the gifts for Crystal and Donna Kirschling will be reflected on the April reports. In the near future, some money will be moved from the checking account to a money market to earn some interest. **Motion 11-04-03:** Jason Fritz/Caryn Easterling moved to receive the Financial Reports as published. Motion Carried.

**UBS Update ~** Jim Hobbick indicated that there has been no change since last month. Jim Hobbick and Rick Vollebrect will draft a letter to UBS regarding the resolution of this outstanding issue. A change to another broker was discussed with no decisions being made at this time.

**Envisioning Redeemer's Future Together ~** The Germination Team consisting of Jim Hobbick, Linda Graebner-Smith, and Judith Stephens are reading the book "Pathway to Renewal" which was presented at the "Turnaround Church Workshop". Jim noted that any form of renewal will take time. Bob Ullman stated that Redeemer will be offering three sessions called "Making Connections".

## Redeemer's Leadership (continued)

These sessions will be open to visitors and members who would like to connect with visitors. The first session entitled "Making Connection with God" will be held after worship on May 1st. The second session on May 15th, will focus on "Making Connection with Others". The third session will be held May 22nd. This will focus on "Making Connection with the Community". May 22nd will also be new members Sunday. Discussion followed regarding how Redeemer follows up with those who have worshiped with us and currently are not members. It was suggested that possibly members would be referred to as partners and visitors would be called guests. These visitors/guests would be included in all information and mailings to show they are a part of Redeemer and are welcome even if they are not members.

**Exterior Lighting of the Cross / Email Vote** ~ The following motion and approval was made via e-mail between the February and March Council Meetings based on the updated proposal submitted by Jason Fritz. **Motion 11-04-04:** Meredith Crosby/Linda Kind moved to accept this proposal and proceed with the purchase and installation of lighting on the cross on the outside of the church based on Jason Fritz's recommendations. Motion Carried. Jason indicated that the fixtures have been ordered through Dnesco Electric, Inc. These fixtures are a special order item with an approximate delivery of 6 - 8 weeks. Two additional replacement bulbs at a cost of \$25.00 each have also been ordered. Funds from the Designated Memorial Fund were used for payment. Earth Care will receive two days notice prior to installation to verify where lines will go in relation to plants. The total bid from Dnesco was slightly more, but they have site drawings which will expedite installation.

**Wisconsin Conference Annual Meeting Delegates** ~ The Annual Meeting of the Wisconsin Conference will be held June 10, 11, and 12. **Motion 11-04-05:** Meredith Crosby/Lisa Morris moved for the approval of Jim Hobbick and Bob Dietlmeier as Redeemer's delegates. Motion carried. Anyone can attend, but early registration is advised.

**Ministry Team Directors Meeting** ~ Jim Hobbick asked that a representative from the Council attend the Ministry Team Directors Meeting. This meeting is held the Tuesday prior to the monthly Council meeting. A calendar will be sent out for members to select the date they plan to attend. Lisa Morris will represent Council at the May meeting.

Fiesta for Friends, a fund raiser for the Sussex-area Outreach Services will be held on Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:00 pm at the Silver Spring Country Club. Invitations were available for those wishing to attend.

On May 10<sup>th</sup> at the Country Springs Resort, Interfaith Tapestry will be held. This is the annual benefit and auction and also celebrates the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Interfaith Senior Program in Waukesha County. It was encouraged that a table from Redeemer attend this event.

**Motion 11-04-06** Lisa Morris/Caryn Easterling moved to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Schaber

# Redeemer's Leadership (continued)

PASTOR'S REPORT – May 11, 2011

Pastoral care during this period:

Additional events:

Hospital/nursing home visits 4

Memorial Service: Janet Berger 4/11

Home visits 4

Wedding: Lisa Dassow/Jared Fero 4/30

Counseling 9

Special Events

Swiss Steak Dinner 5/7

Pastoral contacts 167

Service to the Community

Committee meetings 4

Cooperating Churches of Sussex Board

Worship at Sterling House Assisted Living Center,

Administrative meetings 31

Sussex

Hosted CCOS Mini-Workcamp Dinner 4/16

Worship 8

Waukesha County Women of Distinction Luncheon 5/3

Sussex-area Outreach Services Fiesta for Friends

Classes taught 2

Fundraiser 5/5

Interfaith Senior Programs Tapestry Dinner 5/10

Vacation days

Available 36

Used this period 0

Used to date 8

Service to the Wider Church

Meeting with Conference representatives and former

former members of Faith UCC 4/14

Eden Seminary Convocation 4/26

Edith Guffey, Associate General Minister, UCC

visit to Elmhurst College 4/27

Continuing Education days

Available 14

Used this period 0

Used to date 2

Elmhurst College Presidential Assessment Committee

Elmhurst College Niebuhr Center Advisory Committee

**Redeemer UCC**  
**P.O. Box 230**  
**Sussex, WI 53089**

**Return Service Requested**

—SUNDAY SCHEDULE—

9:30 AM Worship & Fellowship

Nursery Care Provided 9:30-12:00 AM

Sunday School (Sept.-May)

9:45-10:30 AM 3K to 4th Grade

10:30-11:30 AM 5th to 8th Grade

—CHURCH OFFICE—

Hours: Monday 10AM to 3PM

Tuesday 9AM to 2PM

Wednesday 9AM to 3PM

Thursday 9AM to 2PM

Sunday 8:30AM—12:00PM

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