

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

*We covenant to join in community to worship and serve God,
Whom we know through many symbols and call by many names:
Father, Son, Holy Spirit, One God who is in all, over all and through all.
We acknowledge Jesus Christ, God's son, our brother,
And seek to let his life, spirit and teachings mold our character and
guide our actions, privately, publicly, individually and collectively.
We pray for the coming of the Kingdom of God, And we look with faith
toward the triumph of righteousness and eternal life.*

So states Redeemer's covenant which we proclaim together every time we receive new members. Why a covenant? Making (and keeping) covenants is as old as the Bible itself. In fact the word "testament" (as in both Old and New) means "covenant." It is the way God has related to creation and everything in it from the very beginning. **Related** – a most important word when we seek to understand God and one another. From generation to generation God has shown in varied ways that what God is most interested in is relationship. God is not interested in our getting the right answers, but in living in right relationships with God, with each other and with the whole creation. And so we make promises to one another and to God to be in relationship as the way we sustain our community not unlike the way two people covenant with one another in marriage to live together and love one another "til death do us part."

Just as two people in a committed relationship do not always see eye to eye, so too multiple members of a community certainly do not always see eye to eye about all kinds of matters. As someone once remarked, "If you want to know what God thinks about diversity, just look at creation." So how do we manage the diversity we discover not only in creation, but in our community as well? One word – **Relationship.**

There's a rather remarkable paragraph in Redeemer's Constitution on Membership, written 40 years ago at our founding, that seems an especially appropriate challenge to community in these challenging and contentious times.

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Members (of Redeemer) shall respect each other as persons of worth and dignity, though of differing theological, political and social beliefs; to continue our pilgrimage of faith, learning from our tradition while remaining open to new revelations; to express our love for God through service to all persons; to commit ourselves to be trustworthy managers of the time, talent, treasure and power available to us; and to work with all persons of good will to establish peace and justice, to distribute fairly the fruits of creation, and to foster compassion as the basis for our action in the world.

As we prepare to join our friends and colleagues throughout the United Church of Christ in “distributing fairly the fruits of creation” through Mission 1 (see related article in this FYI) and as we approach Commitment Sunday, November 13, when we will be invited to renew our commitment to God and one another, let us remember the blessing our new-found friends on the Pine Ridge Reservation, the Lakota people, use to close all their gatherings – Mituyake Oyasin – All My Relations. We are all related.



Redeemer's Financial Picture (Thru September 30, 2011)

Income:	\$231,983.40
Expenses:	\$258,633.62
Net Income:	-\$26,650.22



Daylight Savings Time ends at 2:00AM on Sunday, November 6, 2011. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour!



The deadline for the December newsletter is November 15, 2011. Please email your articles to Carol Buehler at cbuehler@redeemerucc.org or turn them into the office in her mailbox.

Stock Contributions

We are now using Edward Jones for members wanting to give stock donations. Here is our Edward Jones Contact Information:

Edward Jones
1350 East Capitol Drive
Pewaukee, WI 53072
Michele Olsahnski is the Financial Advisor 262-695-9900.

If you plan to transfer stock, please stop by the church office and complete a Stock Transfer Form. This will allow the Treasurer and the Parish Administrator to know where to credit the amount.

WORSHIP ON SUNDAY

November 6

Josh 24:1-3a, 14-25

Ps 78:1-7

1 Thess 4:13-18

Matt 25:1-13

Focus Scripture Exodus 33

Ready to Shine

*Daylight Saving Time ends • Id
al-Adha*

2:00AM Daylight Savings Time Ends

9:30AM Sunday Worship and Faith Formation with
Communion

10:30AM Blood Pressures taken after Worship

11:00AM - 12:00PM Choir Practice

11:00AM Food Pack and Delivery

1:00PM - 4:00PM Sheltered Reality Practice

Gold Can:
Friedens

November 13

Judg 4:1-7

Ps 123

1 Thess 5:1-11

Mat 25:14-30

**Focus Scripture Joshua 3:7-17
& 24:1-25**

Abundant Possibilities

Commitment Sunday

9:30AM-11:00AM Sunday Worship and Faith Formation

10:30AM Women's Guild Meets

11:00AM - 12:00PM Choir Practice

Gold Can:
OCWM
Our Churches
Wider Mission

November 20

Ezek 34:11-16, 20-24

Ps 100

Eph 1:15-23

Matt 25:31-46

Thanksgiving Sunday—Zayna Preaching

8:30AM-9:15AM Laughter Club

9:30AM-11:00AM Sunday Worship and Faith Formation

10:30AM Blood Pressures taken after Worship

10:30AM Panera Bread Available for Free Will Offering

11:00AM - 12:00PM Choir Practice

Gold Can:
Swan Fund

November 27

Isa 64:1-9

Ps 80:1-7, 17-19

1 Cor 1:3-9

Mark 13:24-37

Longing

First Sunday of Advent

9:30AM-11:00AM Sunday Worship and Faith Formation

11:00AM - 12:00PM Choir Practice

11:00 AM Wellness Talk with Dr. John Whitcomb

*Weapons of Mass Reduction: How to Reverse Coronary Artery
Disease*

Gold Can:
Blanket Sunday



Children and Worship

At Redeemer, children are an important part of the worshiping 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.

SUNDAY GATHERINGS

Mission:1

11.1.11 - 11.11.11

Nov. 1-11, 2011 ... ONE UNITED CHURCH on a shared mission for 11 powerful days to feed the hungry and confront food-related injustice.

This is Mission: 1

- ✓ In 11 days, the United Church of Christ will collect more than 1 MILLION ITEMS OF HEALTHY FOOD and other household items for local food banks and outreach services.
- ✓ In 11 days, the United Church of Christ will make an extra-special push to gather online contributions of more than \$111,111 FOR NEIGHBORS IN NEED, offerings that will be shared for hunger-action purposes with agencies of justice and compassion throughout the United States.
- ✓ In 11 days, the United Church of Christ will offer more than 11,111 LETTERS TO CONGRESS asking our government to reform U.S. foreign assistance in a way that more effectively benefits hungry and poor people worldwide, helping to provide a major final push to Bread for the World's 2011 "Offering of Letters" campaign.

Start planning now to learn about food-related issues, advocate and raise money on behalf of the hungry, and share bread — and tuna, and peanut butter, and vegetables, and cereal — with our neighbors in need at home and abroad in order to more fully realize our UCC motto and Jesus' prayer, "That they may all be 1."

Organize your church's victory strategy. And plan to join in a national celebration of our campaign's success on Sunday, Nov. 13, in your church.

From Nov. 1-11, an online tote board at ucc.org will tally our collective count of foodstuffs, donations and letters — information we'll update and celebrate in real time together.

The world needs the distinct values, vision and voice of the United Church of Christ — Continuing Testament. Extravagant Welcome. Changing Lives.

This is Mission: 1

This is the United Church of Christ
ucc.org/mission1

God is still speaking.
**UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST**



FOOD DRIVE: Now through November 6th. Bring your non-perishable food items to cover the Mission:1 wall in our worship space.

The pantry needs:

- Cereal
- Jelly
- Sauce packets
- Condiments
- Helper Meals
- Packaged potatoes
- Canned meals (ravioli, spaghettiOs etc)

ZAYNA'S CORNER



What is MISSION:1?

November 1-11, 2011 the UCC will join together as ONE UNITED CHURCH on a shared mission for 11 powerful days to feed the hungry and confront food-related injustice.

Our national denomination has set three major goals:

- ◆ To collect 1 MILLION ITEMS OF HEALTHY FOOD for local food pantries
- ◆ To raise \$111,111 for Neighbors in Need food-related ministries.
- ◆ To offer more than 11,111 LETTERS to Congress via Bread for the World, asking our government to reform U.S. foreign assistance in a way that more effectively benefits hungry and poor people worldwide.

HOW CAN WE HELP?

I'm glad you asked! There are a number of different opportunities to get involved at Redeemer:

FOOD DRIVE: Now through November 6th: Bring your non-perishable food items to cover the Mission:1 wall in our worship space.

FOOD PACK: After worship on November 6th stick around to help pack up our food items and deliver them to the Sussex and Pewaukee food pantries.

WRITE A LETTER: Visit the mission table to find supplies and inspiration to write your federal representatives and encourage them to consider the hungry in every vote.

EAT SHRIMP: (and bring a friend!) The proceeds from Redeemer's November 5th Shrimp boil have been dedicated as an additional donation to Neighbors in Need hunger relief in the name of MISSION:1.

What's Happening During The Week



Dartball
Tuesday Evenings
at 7:00 PM

November 1 — Redeemer UCC at E & R UCC

November 8 — St Mark at Redeemer UCC

November 15 — Redeemer UCC at Beautiful Savior

November 29 — St. Luke at Redeemer UCC

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



It is almost time for the **World's Greatest Cookie Sale (Nov 25, 2011)** and Redeemer will once again be having a booth at the sale. Decorating of our famous cutout cookies and making cornflake wreaths will be on Nov. 17, 9:00AM - 2:00PM and November 19, 9:00AM - 5:00PM. We could use a lot of help decorating cookies on these dates. In the past we have used the cookie money to buy the Kitchenaid mixer and the commercial refrigerator. It is our hope to buy a new oven/and or new stove with the money earned. If you are interested in helping please contact Michele Rockey (262) 783-4718.



On Tuesday, November 22 at 10:00AM Regeneration meets at Redeemer UCC. Several docents from the Ronald McDonald house will show pictures and tell about the opportunities they have had to serve there. Please come join us. All are welcome. (Contact Betty Specht 262-524-8501)

Church Women United will celebrate World Community Day, Friday November 4, at the E&R, U.C.C. Church, 413 Wisconsin Ave., Waukesha. Bible Study will be at 10:30 AM led by Joan Finley. Bring a bag lunch if you stay over the noon hour. Beverage and dessert will be provided. The celebration on the theme, "Living Our Faith, Unlocking Action", will be at 1:00PM. Carol Enders will share her experience with a new community program "Healing Hearts", during the celebration. We will have a special collection to Church World Service for small business grants to women. To make reservations, call the church office, 262-547-2424. For additional information, call Shirley Harrits, 262-542-4032.

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS!



Located in the Great Hall is a master list of members with their addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. Please take a moment and review the information that is listed for you for accuracy. If you have any changes, please make corrections with a **RED** pen that is provided. If your information is correct, please write "OK" in the margin by your name. NOTE: If you do not have an email address listed and would like to provide one, please do!!

Fourth Sundays

You are invited to a
Wellness Lecture Series on

**“Weapons of Mass
Reduction”
How to Reverse Coronary
Artery Disease**

Lecture #3 November 27, 2011 at 11 AM

Speaker

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

Fabulous Fish Fry

21st Annual Fabulous Fish Fry

Friday Nov. 4, 2011 from 4:00-8:00 pm
Country Springs Hotel, Pewaukee

www.WaukeshaFishFry.org

Featuring

Delicious Fish Buffet
*Homemade Desserts
Celebrity Wait Staff
Games and Fun

*Separate Purchase Required

Tickets

Pre-sale through
Oct. 28, 2011
Available at the door

\$20 for adults

\$10 for children
ages 3-10

\$5 of each adult ticket
connects senior volunteers
with critical community
needs in local schools,
government agencies &
nonprofit organizations.

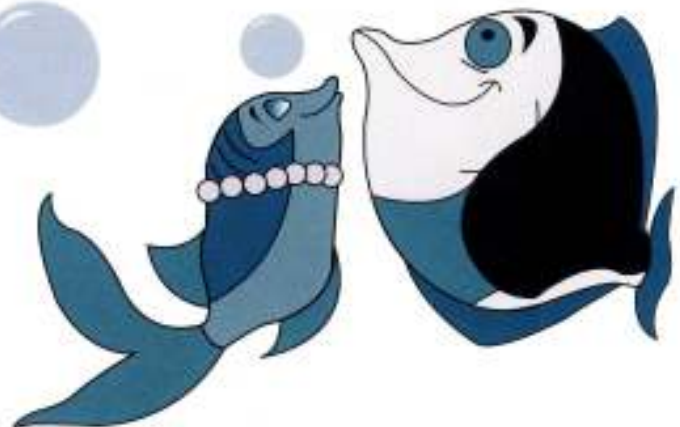
Call or stop by our office
to purchase tickets now!

INTERFAITH

SENIOR PROGRAMS

(262)-549-3348

210 NW Barstow St.
Suite 101, Waukesha



Don't Miss This!

Shrimp Boil

Support Our Friends in the Gulf!

New Orleans prepared Shrimp Boil includes Gulf shrimp, potatoes, sausage and corn on the cob, dirty rice, cornbread, homemade desserts, coffee, tea and milk.

10 Shrimp Dinner—\$11.00

15 Shrimp Dinner—\$14.00

Grab a Bowl of Gumbo for \$6.00...Get it While it Lasts!

For the Land Lubbers:

Hot Dogs—\$1.00

Brats—\$2.50

Make it a meal for an additional \$3.50: dirty rice, cornbread, dessert and beverage.

Date: 11/5/11

Time: 4-7PM

Last seating at 6:30PM



Redeemer United Church of Christ

W220 N4915 Town Line Road

Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

262.246.6710 or www.redeemerucc.org

4 Ways to Get Advance Shrimp Boil Tickets:

(Ticket availability at the door will be limited)

- ♦ Call the Shrimp Boil Hot Line at 262.246.6710 ext. 3
- ♦ Email shrimpboil2011@gmail.com
- ♦ Mail request and payment to: Redeemer UCC PO Box 230, Sussex WI 53089
- ♦ Stop in the Church Office Mon-Fri 10AM-2PM

PROCEEDS of this event will go to benefit the ongoing efforts of Redeemer's Mission Team

ADVENT RETREAT

Kettlewood Retreats Rev. Holly W. Whitcomb, Director

<http://www.kettlewoodretreats.com>

Friday, December 2, 2011

9:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

I WONDER AS I WANDER: JOURNEY AND PILGRIMAGE

During Christmas and Epiphany we recall the Magi's pilgrimage to honor the Christ Child. This Advent we will reflect on journey/pilgrimage and its vast and exciting implications for our spiritual growth. Where is God inviting you to journey? Is it outside yourself? Is it inside yourself? What support do you need? We will reflect on Jesus's own life as inspiration as we examine themes of attention, discovery, hardship, arriving home, and the art of walking slowly. Our special guest, master photographer Rick Vollbrecht, will share an exquisite visual meditation. Join us as we thoughtfully prepare for this rich season.

Our leader: Rev. Holly Whitcomb is a UCC minister, spiritual director, and author.

Kettlewood Retreats invites you to this Advent retreat at Cedar Valley. Come join us in the countryside of the Kettle Moraine on 100 spectacular acres (an outdoor labyrinth too!) near West Bend. The noon meal is included.

To register for this retreat, please write a check for \$50.00 to Rev. Holly Whitcomb and send it to: 2095 Elm Tree Ct., Elm Grove, WI 53122. Include your name, address, and phone number(s). Please register as soon as you can. Upon receipt of your registration, you will receive a map. For more information, call (262) 784-5593.

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CONTACT: FOR SALE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

Mission



COMMUNITY BANQUET

WHEN: Thursday, Nov. 10, 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. No banquet on Nov. 24th.



Presents
The 13th Annual

HOPE Thanksgiving Dinner and Auction

Thursday November 17th, 2011

Country Springs Hotel
2810 Golf Rd
Pewaukee, WI

5 p.m. Cocktails and Silent Auction
7 p.m. Dinner and Live Auction

Proceeds help provide
HOPE for those in need
in Waukesha County.

For reservations or
donations call
(262) 549-8726 or email
info@hopecenterwi.org

www.hopecenterwi.org

The World's Greatest Cookie Sale



There's Fun For Your Whole Family at The World's Greatest Cookie Sale!



Choose from tens of thousands of homemade holiday cookies from 30 participating non-profit organizations. Best of all, the proceeds go directly to the non-profit organization that you purchase from.

Friday, November 25, 2011 12 pm – 4 pm
Country Springs Hotel – Grand Ballroom
Admission and Parking are Free!

Other highlighted events to include:

- * *Holiday Music Performances*
- * *Visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus*
- * *Magic Show*
- * *Cookie and Cupcake Decorating*
- * *Face Painting*
- * *Holiday Coloring Contest*

Call today to find out about our overnight holiday guest room packages!
 A great way to get away before the hustle and bustle of the holidays.

**Don't forget to visit Country Christmas, Wisconsin's largest outdoor drive
 through lights display. Open 5 p.m. daily November 24–27 & December 1–31**

Visit www.TheCountryChristmas.com for more details



Did You Know?

Redeemer Gift and Donation Policy

The Redeemer Gift and Donation Policy (Adopted June 19, 1989) states:

Prior approval of all non-monetary gifts, donations and/or memorials must be obtained from the appropriate Board or the Church Council.

This policy has been adapted to avoid possible gifts or donations which may not coincide with the interests of Redeemer Church.

No church would survive without gifts and donations. This policy encourages gifts that provide for the common good of the church.

One thing that is true of most churches, is that there is never enough storage space. Redeemer is no exception. Over time, many small "gifts" have accumulated. We encourage your giving, but please keep our policy in mind before making your non-monetary donation.

Holiday Fair



26th

Holiday Fair

Saturday, November 12th

9:00AM—3:00PM

St. Pauls Church

N89 W16856 Appleton Avenue

Menomonee Falls

Craft Booths

Bake Sale

(Christmas Cookie Plates)

"Holiday White Elephants"

Free Massages

Lunch

Donuts & Coffee

Free Admission

Connect with Kids as a Pen Pal



Connect With Kids as a Pen Pal

Would you like to get "real" mail from someone who is interested in knowing more about you? Do you enjoy writing and receiving letters the old fashioned way?

If so, you are invited to become a pen pal. The Pen Pal Program is one component of the Seniors and Students Volunteer Program - a partnership between the Hamilton School District and Interfaith Senior Programs/RSVP of Waukesha County.

The Pen Pal Program provides an opportunity for elementary aged students to make a new senior citizen friend, learn what life was like in the past and practice letter writing skills.

Here's how it works. Senior citizens are paired up with a third or fourth grade student. These pen pals write to each other during the school year pen pals share about one letter per month.

A special pen pal party is planned at the end of the school year where students and seniors meet one another in person.

Even snowbirds who travel to warmer climates during the winter months can participate in this project.

Yes! I am interested in being a Seniors & Students Pen Pal.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

How did I hear about the program? _____

I prefer to write to: 1 2 3 students

I prefer to write to: No preference
 Lannon Elementary School
 Maple Avenue Elementary School
 Marcy Elementary School
 Woodside Elementary School

Questions? Call RSVP Volunteer Coordinator at 262-391-2232
Please return this to Seniors & Students Program, Hamilton School District,
W220N6151 Town Line Road, Sussex, WI 53089

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Ken Wanner	Nov. 1	Max Faulstich	Nov. 16	Donovan Sullivan	Nov. 26
Nathan Kay	Nov. 5	Kurt Stefan	Nov. 17	Michele Rockey	Nov. 27
Tara Garbe	Nov. 6	Laura Borth	Nov. 18	Donna Winchell	Nov. 27
Sue Teuteberg	Nov. 6	Aymee Kuhlman	Nov. 18	Patty Bosch	Nov. 28
Carol Braeger	Nov. 8	Lucille Lubbert	Nov. 18	Dawn Jordan	Nov. 28
Jason Stangler	Nov. 8	Sofia Hagopian	Nov. 19	Diane Kuhlman	Nov. 30
Sandra Graham	Nov. 9	Avery Hemmingsen	Nov. 19		
Stephanie Larson	Nov. 9	Aiden King	Nov. 19		
Skylar Fritz	Nov. 12	Ali Fero	Nov. 20		
Chuck Kirby	Nov. 12	Abigail Nelson	Nov. 23		
Aaden Hagopian	Nov. 14	Michael Gore	Nov. 24		
Marlene Schildt	Nov. 14	Frank Madushaw	Nov. 24		
Norman Block	Nov. 16	Mary Nelson	Nov. 24		



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Lori and Al Stangler	Nov. 5
Joe and Stephanie Krupelak	Nov. 14



NOVEMBER 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.

November 6

Silas Farmer (262) 464-6021
8817 W. Grantosa Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53225

November 13

Michele & Bob Rockey (262) 783-4718
Nathan
21815 Weyer Road
Pewaukee, WI 53072
rc.rockey@gmail.com
marockey@gmail.com

November 20

Loretta Bewer (262) 691-0129
1123B Hawthorne Place
Pewaukee, WI 53072

November 27

Caryn & Don Easterling (262) 691-4843
344 Evergreen Lane
Pewaukee, WI 53072
cseasterling@aol.com
lomancoman@aol.com

What is “that” on the church calendar?

In the October newsletter we started listing the activities that are on the church calendar along with a brief explanation of what they are and who to contact. We’ve added more activities to the list. We hope you find this helpful and that you will see an activity you would like to participate in.

Threshold Singers - first Wednesday of every month, from 11am-12:30pm

Threshold singing stems from an old tradition of singing at the bedsides of people who are struggling; some with living, some with dying. The Threshold Singers are a group of women who share the sacred gift of their voices at life’s thresholds. Practices take place at Redeemer the first Wednesday of every month, from 11am-12:30pm. If you would like more information or would like to attend a practice, please contact Nancy Vollbrecht (414-881-5536) or nvollbrecht@wi.rr.com.

Grief Support

Grief Support Groups, for those living with the loss of a loved one, are offered periodically at Redeemer. These groups are open to the public, are time limited (usually weekly for 6 weeks), and alternate between daytime and evening groups. If you would like more information, please contact Nancy Vollbrecht at 414-881-5536.

Bible Study - Tuesdays 7:00PM

The Tuesday Night Bible Study meets at 7:00 pm in the church library. We are currently using the book “A Guide through the New Testament” by Celia Brewer Marshall. Our workbook contains introductory articles for each book of the New Testament, short pieces on special topics and many open-ended questions on the text itself. It provides the basis for personal hands-on study, direct reading of the scriptures and a study guide for group discussion.

We began our journey through the New Testament last year, studying the gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke, as well as the Acts of the Apostles. This year we finished up Acts and began the gospel and letters of John, to be followed by the letters of Paul.

Each session starts with a short time of fellowship, followed by prayers of joy and concern. The remainder of our time is spent on group discussion, which is very relaxed and informal. Our goal is to go at a slow pace to enjoy our study rather than trying to maintain a pre-defined schedule. Regular attendance is not required. The study guide has us read a short passage from the scriptures, with discussion questions base on what we just read.

The contact is Jim Hobbick 262-695-9611.

The Women’s Guild

The Women’s Guild is open to all women of the church of all ages. They meet the second Sunday of the month on an as needed basis. It is a social group that works on projects that benefit the church. They have a social gathering at Christmas time. If you are interested, talk to Bonnie Evert at 262-691-1737

What is “that” on the church calendar? Continued from Page 17

Laughter Club — Once a Month, Third Sunday, 8:30AM

Our new Laughter Club is up and laughing! About a dozen of us met before worship to see if this would work at Redeemer, and the response was hilarious! We will be meeting again Sunday, Oct. 16 @ 8:30 am (the 3rd Sunday of each month) in the classroom to the left of the worship space. All between the ages of 5 -150 are welcome!

The Laughter Club is based on the principles of Laughter Yoga (think deep breathing, not pretzel poses--and can be done seated!) and led by Certified Laughter Yoga Trainer and Redeemer member Claire Beutler-Cruise (graduate of the Iowa School of Laughter!).

Come join us--we may look silly, but we sure feel better! The contact is Claire Beutler-Cruise 414 617-1666 and cbcruise92902@yahoo.com

Redeemer Adult Choir—Sundays 11:00AM—12:00PM Choir Practice

The Redeemer Adult Choir rehearses every Sunday at Redeemer UCC from 11am - noon, and sings at the 9:30 service once or twice each month between September and June. New members are always welcome. Music reading skills are helpful, but not required - we'll teach you what you need to know. For more information contact Andrea Pelloquin at ajpelloquin@gmail.com, or stop by a rehearsal and give us a try!

Regeneration— Once a Month 9:00AM-11:00AM (Usually the 4th Tuesday)

Regeneration is a group of retired or near retirement folks who enjoy gathering once a month for a continental breakfast, lively conversation, and a program featuring topics of special interest to them. We meet from 9-11 at Redeemer UCC. Please join us. All are welcome. Contact for Regeneration is Betty Specht at 262.524.8501.

His and Hers Breakfast— Once a Month, Second Thursday, 8:30AM

His and Hers Breakfast is a group of members and friends of Redeemer who meet the second Thursday of each month. They meet at Maxim’s Restaurant on the second Thursday of each Month at 8:30AM. Maxim’s is located at 18025 Capitol Drive in Brookfield. It is open to anyone who would like to socialize and enjoy a good breakfast. Contact George and/or Bonnie Evert at 262.691.1737 if you have any questions.

Congregational Care— Once a Month, First Tuesday, 1:00PM

Congregational care provides an organized way of caring for members’ needs by nurturing the body, mind, and spirit in health and illness; equipping members to serve each other; praying for and with each other; and assisting to provide care and compassion to our member and their families. There are several ways to get involved; CARE Callers Network, Joys and Concerns Cards, Prayer Shawl Ministry and In-Home Visiting Ministry. They meet on the first Tuesday of the month, 1:00PM at Redeemer UCC. If you are interested in learning more about being a part of this ministry, please contact Marty Davis at 262.694.8636.

NOVEMBER 2011						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 UNICEF Collection 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Sunday Worship and Faith Formation 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Choir Practice	31 2:00 PM Staff Meeting	1 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	2 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM The Threshold Singers - Practice 6:00 PM - 7:45 PM Grief Support Group	3	4	5 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM Shrimp Boil
6 2:00 AM Daylight Savings Time Ends 9:30 AM Sunday Worship and Faith Formation w/communion 10:30 AM Blood Pressures 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Choir Practice 11:00 AM Food Pack and Delivery 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Sheltered Reality Practice	7 2:00 PM Staff Meeting	8 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	9 9:30 AM Mom's Club 6:00 PM - 7:45 PM Grief Support Group	10 8:30 AM His & Hers Breakfast - Maxam's 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM Community Banquet - St. James Catholic Church	11 4:30 PM Rocky Wedding Rehearsal	12 3:30 PM - 12:00 AM Rocky Wedding - Reception to follow
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Redeemer's Leadership

These reports were approved at the last council meeting.

Redeemer UCC Council Meeting Minutes September 19, 2011

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

Absent: Rick Vollbrecht, Meredith Crosby

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

Minutes of the previous meeting ~ Motion 11-09-01: Jason Fritz/Lisa Morris moved to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2011 meeting as published. Motion Carried.

Additions to the agenda ~ Travel Expense for Zayna Tompson McCollum. Discuss 2012 Budget.

Consent Agenda ~ Motion 11-09-02: Caryn Easterling/Linda Kind moved the reports be accepted as published. Motion Carried

Financial Report ~ Nancy Ludin pointed out that a \$5,000.00 transfer was made from the savings to the checking account. It was questioned if the summary of the financial status is being published. Information is being included in the weekly Sunday bulletin as well as the newsletter stating the current financial status vs budget with the request to make pledges current. An account has been set up with Edward Jones and signature cards will be completed. Nancy Ludin will request a check from UBS to close that account. The letter drafted by Rick Vollbrecht to the State Department of Financial Institutions and a copy to UBS was sent. An acknowledgment of their receipt has been received from both parties. **Motion 11-09-03:** Lisa Morris/Jason Fritz moved to receive the Financial Reports as published. Motion Carried.

Status of delayed deposits and un-cashed checks ~ Bank deposits have been made on a timely basis. Calls have been placed to the various recipients of outstanding checks. Some responses have been received and checks have been located.

Concealed Weapons Law Letter ~ A letter drafted by Jim Hobbick regarding Redeemer's position on the Concealed Weapons Law was presented. Suggested revisions were offered by Jason Fritz. A letter from the Wisconsin Council of Churches regarding the law and the church's liability was read by Pastor Bob. A revised letter will be drafted for inclusion in the newsletter.

Budget for 2012 ~ Jim Hobbick will ask the various team leaders for their projections for the 2012 to be available for the October 17th meeting. A preliminary budget is necessary to begin the process of refinancing Redeemer's mortgage. We need to inform the Congregation regarding Redeemer's financial status. In addition, reminders to the Congregation regarding the \$10,000.00 financial challenge and its current status and to update their pledges to make them current will be published. Nancy Ludin will contact Landmark Credit

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Union regarding information they will need to begin the refinancing process. This will help in scheduling a budget timeline.

Travel Reimbursement for Zayna ~ As part of the agreement regarding Zayna's internship, it was previously approved that Redeemer would reimburse Zayna for her travel expenses. Currently, the amount incurred is \$105.60 per weekend. An article with Zayna's photo and reflections will be part of the next newsletter. Pastor Bob will include an appeal to the congregation for contributions to defray these costs.

Motion 11-09-04: Caryn Easterling/Lisa Morris moved that money will be taken from Special Purchases and paid monthly for Zayna's travel expense. All contributions received will be placed back into Special Purchases. Motion Carried.

Zayna will set up special goals as part of her studies while at Redeemer. She will concentrate on family systems which is in conjunction with her classes. She will work with Pastoral Care and will offer her assistance in volunteer ministry and mission.. Zayna's current schedule will have her with us with on Sunday, Monday and some Tuesday's.

Emergency Plan ~ The development of an Emergency Plan will be passed on to the Facilities Team..

Motion 11-09-05 Jason Fritz/Lisa Morris moved to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Schaber

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PASTOR'S REPORT – October 12, 2011

Pastoral care during this period:		Additional events:
Hospital/nursing home visits	2	Donn Erickson Cremain Committal 9/25 Lois Kesselhon Cremain Committal 10/2
Home visits	12	
Counseling	15	<u>Special Events</u> Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee
Pastoral contacts	94	Eco-Spirit Tour
Committee meetings	15	
Administrative meetings	42	<u>Service to the Community</u> Interfaith Senior Programs Annual Meeting Cooperating Churches of Sussex Board
Worship	4	Interfaith Senior Programs Board of Directors
Classes taught	2	<u>Service to the Wider Church</u> Rev. Janis Doleschal, Pastor of Trinity UCC, Brookfield Installation Service
Vacation days		
Available	36	Field Education Commissioning Service at
Used this period	0	Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary
Used to date	20	Elmhurst College Confirmation Day
Continuing Education days		
Available	14	
Used this period	0	
Used to date	2	

Ministry Teams

MINISTRY TEAM SUMMARIES

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.

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Return Service Requested

—SUNDAY SCHEDULE—

9:30 AM Worship & Faith Formation

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 10AM to 3PM

Tuesday 9AM to 2PM

Wednesday 9AM to 2PM

Thursday 9AM to 2PM

Sunday 8:30AM - 12:00PM

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