



MAY, 2021 NEWSLETTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Solomon writes in Song of Songs 2:11-12(ESV) (or Song of Solomon, depending on which translation you are using), “for behold, the winter is past; the rain is over and gone. 12 The flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land.”

If you remember my article from last month’s newsletter, I began with “April showers bring...” So now as we are actually headed into May, we need to think about the beauty of Spring. We awaken to mornings that are filled with the sights and sounds of life. Fresh green grass, trees with sprouting leaves, tulips and daffodils poking through the ground and beginning to flower, birds chirping throughout the day. New life is clearly seen and heard all around us.

So I have to ask the question, is that new life clearly seen and heard in you? By His resurrection, Jesus has given new life to all who believe in Him. This doesn’t mean that we will only receive this new life when we die, or when He comes again in glory. This means that we have new life now, from the moment that we believe in Him, from the moment of faith, from the moment of our baptism. Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 5:17, “2 Corinthians 5:17(ESV), “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.”

Seeing and hearing this new life should mean that people around us should be able to witness the signs of that new life in us, by what we do, by how we speak, by how we love, and by how we interact with each other. New life isn’t just what we will have in the future, new life is what we have and are right now through faith in Jesus Christ, our Savior. His love and His ways and His Word should pervade every part of our lives and our human interactions.

Jesus had given us new life. May it be seen and heard in all of us and let us live it for Him!

In Christ’s love,

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Redeemer Lutheran Church Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Attendance: Lorin Sternberg, Jim Wirch, Jean Borchardt, Ross Corey, Beth Wegner, Pastor Pett, Beth Wegener (Meeting took place via Zoom meeting)

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Chairman Lorin Sternberg. Pastor opened with a devotion.

Minutes from the March 9, 2021 Executive Committee meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Ross Corey to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Jim Wirch. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Pastor's Report:

Dates	Wed. - 4:00	Wed. - 6:30	Sun. - 9:15	W	S	Total
3/3 & 3/7	40	31	113	226	211	621
3/10 & 3/14	37	25	99	89	182	432
3/17 & 3/21	38	32	91	107	171	439
3/24 & 3/28	51	28	143	176	177	575

Teaching

- 4 Adult Bible Classes, 18 Online Noon Devotions

Pastoral Care

- 0 hospital visits, 12 shut-in visits, 1 Counseling Session

New Members

- none

Funerals/Deaths

- Michele Nooyan – died 3/11/21; funeral – 3/20/21

Weddings and Anniversary Services

- none

Other Membership Changes

- none

Membership

- Current baptized membership - 500
- Current communicant membership - 389

Administrative

- Board of Elders – 3/1/21, Board of Property – 3/2/21, Circuit Visitors Zoom Meeting – 3/4/21, Circuit Pastors' Meeting – 3/8/21, Executive Committee Zoom Meeting – 3/9/21, Board of Mission & Ministry Meeting – 3/15/21

Board of Elders:

Communion:

- We discussed when to resume normal communion methods. The elders decided beginning with the first Sunday in May 2021 we will implement the following:
- We will resume kneeling at the rail.

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- Commune and dismiss alternating sides of the rail. Members will be ushered to one rail while members are simultaneously being communed at the other rail. We will need two ushers (vs. one currently) – one to usher members out of their pews and one as the “gate” usher at the front of the sanctuary to direct members to either side of the rail. Currently only one usher is scheduled for each service requiring the elder on duty to select from the members a second usher to assist.
- Continue having two elders for all communions.
- Continue having a sacristan but over time consider/evaluate if a sacristan is needed.

Other discussions:

- Jeff Goin will ask Ruth Borchardt if she will be willing to resume scheduling sacristans and if Ruth also will schedule lay readers.
- Offerings will continue to be placed in an offering plate at the door of the sanctuary upon entering. There will be two offering plates, one on top of the other. After the sermon and right before the prayers, the top offering plate will be brought to the altar by an elder or usher. The second offering plate will remain at the sanctuary entrance for collection upon departing for anyone who forgot to place the offering prior to the worship service.
- There will be no childcare function.
- Acolytes? Elder continue this function for the time being.

The next board of elder meeting is scheduled for Monday May 3, 2021 at 6:00PM.

NEWLSA (Northeastern Wisconsin Lutheran Schools Association) Report:

- There was a Strategic Planning Presentation from Ryan Bredow from Grand Canyon University
 - Gave specific examples of his experience at different school in implementing Branding/Marketing/Communication/Enrollment Strategies
- For enrollment next year, we are 4 students away from having 2 kindergarten classes. Capped for now.
- Working on Schedules and CDC guidelines for Fall – don’t know what’s coming until we’re there, but scenarios are being built out
- Trinity space issues – if there’s a second kindergarten, unsure where they would go
 - Looking for expansion space, need to get approval from Our Saviour, since the current space is leased
- Trinity musical is May 6-7 – Academic Fair will be at the same time to allow guests to view student work, since there hasn’t been much parent involvement at school this year
- NEW Golf Outing is June 16
- Moving forward with Calmes as contractor for building addition at NEW – the plan is to have it completed by the start of school
 - Any capital campaigns would have options to donate to either Trinity or NEWLHS
- Faith Christian Preschool board voted to accept the invitation into the NEWLSA

Board of Mission and Ministry Report: No Report

Board of Property Report:

- Pastor’s new office in school is completed and he is moved in. Final payment to Keith will be going out shortly if it hasn’t already.
- We are going finish securing the door to the new gym shortage area and then hold off on finishing until lumber prices are down. We will concentrate our efforts on opening up the Narthex. We have a work day scheduled to start demo in the office areas in 2 weeks.
- Front sign artwork is approved and will be completed as soon as we get the pieces to install.
- We are looking a metal storage shed design for replacing the white shed this summer. It would provide covered space for Ruby’s and Booyah in bad weather conditions, and be more secure than our current shed. Randy is working on estimates for this project.

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- We got a quote for replacing the plexiglass on the outside of the church stain glass windows at \$3600 for all six windows.
- We got some ideas for new church chandeliers. We getting estimates to put on the memorial project list. Jen is working with a local lighting company to narrow our selection and get pricing.
- We will start up our lawn mowing schedule and are looking for any other volunteers to help spread out the load over summer. If anyone is interested contact Dennis Frye.

Financial Updates:

Checking Account balance as of March 31, 2021 is \$49,286. Designated (Held in Savings) balance is \$152,804.

March 2021 offerings were \$39,184, compared with \$33,200 in March 2020. Total March income was \$42,675 including offerings, other, and Thrivent Choice. Total expenses paid in March were \$30,866. The balance for the Board of Property's account is \$11,497 as of March 31st.

Old Business:

- Still in need of a Chairman Elect.
- Lorin to talk with Laurie Thyges re: Rummage Sale

New Business:

- Budget discussions
 - Will make final adjustments at the May meeting for presentation to voters.
- Memorial Committee "Wish List"
 - Lorin & Pastor will update the Memorial Wish List so the Memorial Committee will have new projects that can be considered.
- Zoom Subscription
 - The Executive Committee decided to keep the Zoom subscription through the summer. Will re-evaluate if it will still be needed at that time.
- Executive Committee summer break
 - The Executive Committee will NOT have their meeting in July 2021.

Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday, May 11, 2021	6:00pm	Executive Meeting
Sunday May 16, 2021	10:25 am	Congregational Meeting
Tuesday, June 8, 2021	6:00pm	Executive Meeting

Adjournment and Closing Prayer:

Ross Corey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jim Wirch seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m. The meeting was closed with a prayer from Pastor Pett.

Respectfully submitted,

Brittany Hyde
Congregational Secretary

PRAYER LIST

International & Local Concerns:

Persecuted Christians
Natural Disaster Victims—flooding, tornado
Victims of Senseless Violence

In Hospice Care:

Almira Bowers—mother-in-law of Dianne Rentmeester
Barb Flagstad-grandmother of Angela Truskowski & Ashley Beavers

Hospitalized:

Janice Pfister—mother of Randy Pfister

Undergoing Treatment:

Lincoln Canady-nephew of Mike & Tiffany Ellingson
Katie Chlopek—niece of Jeff & Bonnie Domke
Elenore DeWinter—mother of Rose Wassenberg
Sharon Eichman
Kim Frye-sister-in-law of Dennis & Susan Frye
Becky Haltaufderheid- LWML NWD President
Lori Harris - fiend of Chris Lehner
Cindi Heidke-friend of Steve & Linda Druckrey
Susan Klatt - sister of Mary Pett
Derek Kosmicki - son-in-law of Susan Lutzow-Buss
Tianna Lange
Gayle Maytan
Jennifer Nehring
Roger Nowak
Jean Palomino
Dave Tucker
Cheryl Waise
Glenda Wipperfurth-friend of Dave Tucker

Recovering:

Doug Behl—1st Grader at Trinity
Klaus Becker—brother of Laurie Zoellner
John Berry-husband of Jennifer Berry
Bruce Burt—son of LaVern Burt
Richard Craven—father of Julie Kramer
Linda Druckrey
Karen Hanson-mother of Jim Hanson
Jill Kern
Llew Kramer
Susan Kupsky
Ann Marks
Marion Schmeling
Don Smith
Carolyn VanMiller
Lyndon Zoellner

School Ministry:

N.E.W. Lutheran High School
Trinity Lutheran School

Ongoing Health Problems:

Neal Anderson
Bob Barrette
Margie Bergelin
Gene Busarow
Louise Christofilis—mother of Chris Stewart
Tom Duffek
Ed Forel—father of Sheila Ferron
LouAnn Gerzmehle—sister of Ron Miller
Orval Howard & Vi Howard
Ron Howard
Sue Kienitz - sister in law of Neal & Ann Anderson
Laura Lee -aunt of Kathy Altergott
Susan Lutzow-Buss
Tom Meath
Marshall & Sheila Piotter -parents of Lorri Sternberg
Mary Pirlot - friend of Delton & Kathy Bongel
Jeannette Raddatz
Phyllis Smeester - mother of Becki Larsen
LaDonna Tratz
Bill Wagner—friend of Pat Taylor

All Caregivers

Families in Crisis

Missionary Overseas:

Elliot & Serena Derricks

Military Personnel Overseas:

Christian Altergott- grandson of Kathy Altergott
Jonathon Beavers
Paige Bogner
Shawn & Tess (Bogner) LaRue
Roy McDonough- grandson of Orvel & Vi Howard
Garret Moen—friend of Bryan & Jennifer Nehring
Maggie Noll - friend of Tess (Bogner) LaRue
Nathan Schroeder - nephew of Pat Taylor

Updated: 4-29-21

CHURCH NEWS

**Dear Church Family,
On Saturday, May 29, at 2:30 pm, our daughter, Abbie is getting married at Redeemer. We would like to invite any of the members who wish to join us for the ceremony.
The Lord has blessed our family with so many wonderful friends, family members, and members of the three congregations where we have served, and all of you mean so much to us. While we would like to invite everyone to the reception, we are limited by our finances, so we could not invite everyone to that portion of our celebration. The service will also be live streamed.
In Christ's love, Pastor & Mary**

HOLY COMMUNION

Beginning on the first Sunday in May, we will resume kneeling at the rail. One side of the rail will be communed while the other side is invited or dismissed. Ushers will be in place directing members when and where to come forward.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

- * Sundays at 10:25am in the Sanctuary. This study is led by Pastor Pett.
- * Tuesdays at 9:30am in the Sanctuary . This study is let by Chuck Nehring
- * Thursdays at 10am in the School Meeting Room. This study is led by Kathy Altergott using the book, Women of Easter, by Liz Curtis Higgs. New attendees are welcome to join in at any time.

MARK YOUR CALNEDARS

Photos for the new Redeemer Lutheran Church directory will be taken June 7-10, 2021.

Redeemer Campout at Jellystone will be June 25-27, 2021.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

March Choice dollars were directed to Redeemer by the following:

Ann and Neal Anderson
Naomi Bahrke
Beatrice Buchholz
Eugene Busarow
Delores and Thomas Duffek

Shawn Frush
Vernon Hartwig
Karen Joski
Roy Krouse
Jean Palomino
Timothy Radtke
Chad Radtke
Dolores Schulz
Patricia Taylor
Janelle and Jason Walton
Steven Wassenberg
Judy Westerfeld
Michael Williams
Hannelore and Lyndon Zoellner
If you have any questions on Thrivent Choice Dollars and designating them, please contact your Thrivent representative.

MEMORIAL FUNDS

Since the memorial committee meeting April 12, following are funds that have been distributed:

Wayne Aprill monies were designated to the media.
Vern Siekman and LaVern Burt monies purchased a water cooler for the Pastors office.
Doris VanMiller monies were designated to music.
Bill Branch monies were used to purchase military flags for military funerals and holidays observed. This flag(s) will be on display for our first holiday, Memorial Day so you will be able to see it.

The memorial committee is working with the Redeemer families of Elmer Nienow, Carl Hazaert and Ed Groh on their specific items or suggestions that have been made.

We are also working with other groups within the church to compile a list of items that monies can be applied to. We want to post this list on the narthex bulletin board near the coat room.

The committee will be meeting again in May to follow-up on suggestion.

COFFEE BAR

Has resumed with a few changes to keep us safe. Goodies will be individually wrapped and juice will also be served in individual containers. If you or your group would like to help with this act of hospitality, please sign up in the Narthex.

THANK YOU

everyone who donated baby items during the RWCS Lenten collection. These items will be donated either at the LWML convention in Kentucky or to House of Hope here in Green Bay. Will Keep you posted.
Thank you! Thank you! Kathy Altergott

Happy Birthday!

May

- 1 Jamie House, Melanie Lanser,
Susan Lutzow-Buss, Alex Smith
- 2 Naomi Kosbab, Joshua Moede
- 6 Sophia Klatt
- 8 Wanda Hilke, Alaina Prah
- 9 Kelly DeGrave, Wendy Delvoye
- 11 Mae Aprill
- 12 Laura Kahl
- 13 Kristina Hazen
- 15 Tricia Kiley
- 17 Douglas Laatsch, Sharon Staats
- 18 Kimberly Schuyler
- 19 Robert Harris, Russell LaPlante, Keith Larsen
- 20 Patricia Ahtonen, Jordan Jensen
- 21 Randy Bellin, Analisa Davis, Mason Teske
- 22 Halston Beavers, Carol Kuske,
Danielle Sternberg
- 23 Thomas Jablonski
- 24 Steven Druckrey
- 25 Neal Anderson, Jeff Herman
- 26 Robert Barrette, Amelia Medinger
- 27 Sherry House, Sara Krouse
- 29 Sandra Desormier, Sharon Eichman,
Laurie Thyes
- 30 Michael Steltenpohl
- 31 Leona Klug

Happy Anniversary!

May

- 5 James & Wendy Delvoye Sr.
Richard & Virginia Somers
- 11 Byron & Mae Aprill
Robert & Sandra Barrette
Gary & Barbara Behnke
Lorin & Lorri Sternberg
- 12 Fred & Phyllis John
- 14 Bryan & Jennifer Nehring
- 16 Mark & Andrea Inman
- 17 Steven & Rose Wassenberg
- 22 Michael & Lori DeGrave
- 25 Timothy & Patricia Ahtonen
- 28 Richard & Pamela Siudak

Official Acts

New Members

Howard & Leona Klug

Upcoming Events

Ruby's Pantry

Monday, June 28, 2021 4-6pm
Monday, July 26, 2021 4-6pm

Church Directory Photos

June 7-10, 2021

Redeemer Campout

June 25-27, 2021

Church Office Hours: Mon- Fri 9am-2pm

Note: The Church office is located in the school building.

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CALENDAR – MAY 2021

CHURCH EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9:15a-Worship HC 10:25a-Bible Study 6:00p-Hoops Club (gym)	6:00p-Elder Mtg	9:30a-Bible Study 2:00p-TKD (gym) 6:15p-TKD (gym) 6:30p-Bd of Property Mtg	2:00p-TKD (gym) 6:15p-TKD (gym) 6:30p-Worship HC	10:00a-Bible Study 6:15p-TKD (gym)	10:00a-NEW CHAA VB (gym) 6:00p-Hoops Club (gym)	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Mothers' Day 9:15a-Worship HC 10:25a-Bible Study 6:00p-Hoops Club (gym)	9:00a-NEW CHAA BB Clinic (gym)	9:00a-NEW CHAA BB Clinic (gym) 9:30a-Bible Study 2:00p-TKD (gym) 6:00p-Exec Comm Mtg 6:15p-TKD (gym)	9:00a-NEW CHAA BB Clinic (gym) 6:15p-TKD (gym) 6:30p-Worship HC	9:00a-NEW CHAA BB Clinic (gym) 10:00a-Bible Study 6:15p-TKD (gym)	10:00a-NEW CHAA VB (gym) 6:00p-Hoops Club (gym)	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
9:15a-Worship HC 10:25a-Congregational Mtg 12:00p-Lavern Burt Memorial 6:00p-Hoops Club (gym)	9:00a-NEW CHAA BB Clinic (gym)	9:00a-NEW CHAA BB Clinic (gym) 9:30a-Bible Study 2:00p-TKD (gym) 5:30p-Mission & Ministry Mtg	9:00a-NEW CHAA BB Clinic (gym) 6:15p-TKD (gym) 6:30p-Worship HC	9:00a-NEW CHAA BB Clinic (gym) 10:00a-Bible Study 6:15p-TKD (gym)	6:15p-TKD (gym)	10:00a-TKD Testing (gym)
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
9:15a-Worship HC 10:25a-Bible Study 6:00p-Hoops Club (gym)	4:00p-Ruby's Pantry	9:00a-NEW CHAA BB Clinic (gym) 9:30a-Bible Study 2:00p-TKD (gym) 6:15p-TKD (gym)	9:00a-NEW CHAA BB Clinic (gym) 6:15p-TKD (gym) 6:30p-Worship HC	9:00a-NEW CHAA BB Clinic (gym) 10:00a-Bible Study 6:15p-TKD (gym)	6:00p-Hoops Club (gym)	2:30p-Pett/Charles Wedding
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