

# The Ringer

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”Thus says the LORD: ”Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.” *Isaiah 56:1 RSV*

This is an interesting verse that should not be left on its own, out of context. The context of this is going home to Judah for a people held in exile for seventy years. It is a reminder of what the prophet had told them before the “ax fell” seventy years prior; how they had become a people of division and bitterness. How they had left God’s ways for a show of religiosity over following the spirit of God in loving and doing good for their neighbor. In this “going home” prophecy, those excluded (those with certain blemishes, those that were foreign but still held to the LORD) are told they are embraced by God. It is summed up in verse 8 “Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered.” That is good news for us today. For many this has been a year of exile despite our ability via media to stay connected. We who have been able to be vaccinated, we can now safely gather as before. As we return let us consider those that were perhaps excluded before for various reasons most often devised by ourselves. How can we welcome them?!?! We believe as Christians that this “going home” prophecy was not only for those returning to Israel from Babylon, but was embodied in the very person of Jesus Christ. Those left out are being called by and through him. We who have heeded his call then act to God’s glory to gather more, the “eunuch, the foreigner”...the \_\_\_\_\_????\_\_\_\_\_ of today. That should be our vision as a church. Let us work on this during these summer months as we gather again after our exile.

***In Christ***

***Pastor David***

## Council News

### Council Highlights for May

May 13, 2021 Meeting

- ◆ Council will choose the dimensions of The Blessing Box at the June meeting. Plans are to have the box done and placed by the time school starts next August.
- ◆ The ELCA Grant-Open Doors application was submitted on behalf of our church, potentially for Rejoicing Spirits, Seeds of Hope, and The Blessing Box.
- ◆ Fellowship will start back up in June.
- ◆ Troy & Nancy Harding are transferring from St. John's as New Members. Welcome!



*Council Meetings are the 2nd Thursday  
of the month beginning at 7 pm.*

## Budget Information

### Treasurer's Report for end of April

Total Income \$109,875.81

Budgeted Income for the year \$260,200

Total Expense \$103,450.27

Budgeted Expense for the year \$289,025

Mortgage Balance \$318,671.96



Online  Giving

In the PDF version of this Ringer you may click the GIVE NOW button here and it will take you to the secure site to make your Redeemer donation. If you have questions, please contact Jan Jackson.

[Give Now](#)

# Redeemer 2021 Committee Roster

**Art and Environment Committee:** Lana Jordan (Chair), Mary Shaffer, Carol Kuhlman, Jody Biegert, Betty Henderson, Carol Keeler, and Rebecca Pyle.

**Audit Committee:** TBD.

**Creation Care Team:** Noni Strand (Chair), Mary Mertz, Mary Shaffer, Rod & Rosemary Anderson, Cheryl Itschner, and Alan English, council liaison.

**Education Committee:** Debbie Beckman (Chair), Carol Keeler, Sandi Drown, and Kris Johanson, council liaison.

**Endowment Fund Board:** Wayne Keeler (Chair), Kathy Lowman and, Kris Johanson, council liaison.

**Evangelism/Outreach:** \_\_\_\_\_(Chair), Gary Jordan, Mike Ramage, Mary Shaffer, and Dan Metcalfe, council liaison.

**Funeral dinner coordinators:** Charlotte Herrman and Sue Mettlen.

**Generosity/Finance Committee:** Shellee Callahan (Chair), Rick Henderson, Lana Jordan, Mary Shaffer, Joe Heinrich, Brenda Tonniges, and KC Potter, council liaison.

**Memorial Committee:** Cheryl Itschner (Chair), Denise Dusin, Kathy Lowman, Mary Mertz, Susan Ramage, and Charlotte Herrman, council liaison.

**Mutual Ministry:** Tom Mertz (Chair), Pastor Strommen, Chad Curl, LaNita Pratt, and Kris Neff, council liaison.

**Nominating Committee:** Sheila Alstatt, Tom Drown, and Dan Metcalfe.

**Personnel Committee:** Mary Shaffer (Chair), Wayne Keeler, Tom Drown, and Jody Biegert, council liaison.

**Property Committee:** Ray Beckman (Chair), Mike Ramage, Joe Heinrich, Joe Plumer, Alan English, Carl Pyle, and Ray Beckman, council liaison.

**Rejoicing Spirits:** Jean Sedo (Chair), Pastor Strommen, Cheryl Johnson, Sandi Drown, Valerie Johnson, and Jean Sedo, council liaison.

**Synod Representatives:** Tom Mertz and Lonnie Wahlgren.

**Worship/Music:** Ann Metcalfe (Chair), Britney English, Lana Jordan, Vivian Cook, Ruth Mirtz, Mary Mertz, and Charlotte Herman, council liaison.

PLEASE NOTE: Pastor David Strommen is considered to be a continuing member of ALL COMMITTEES.



In an effort to update this roster the office requests that if you know of any changes please contact Becky.

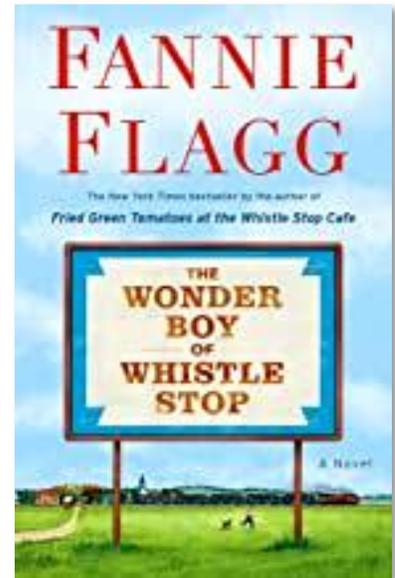
Thank you!

# Redeemer News



Tuesday, June 15 at 4 p.m.  
*The Wonder Boy of Whistle Stop*  
 By Fannie Flagg  
 Leader: Becky Shulda  
 Host: Becky Shulda at Redeemer

Pageeturners meets the  
 3rd Tuesday of the Month  
 at 4:00



Hope to see **EVERYONE** on June 12, 2021 at 11 a.m. Let's enjoy games and tacos! Come join us and sing praises to the Lord, shake the music makers, listen to special music and see familiar faces! Hallelujah!



Rejoicing  Spirits



## May 9th baptism of Oakley Dusin and Jarrett Dusin

Left to Right: Britany Crump, Ashley Dusin, Dustin Dusin, Oakley Dusin, Pastor Stommen, Derrick Dusin, Jarrett Dusin, Larissa Dusin, Ethan Clark and Raquel Clark



# Redeemer News



*Congratulations!*

CLASS  
of  
2021



On May 16th Redeemer's graduating seniors Jordan Alstatt and Emily Strommen were honored at the Senior Recognition reception after worship.

## Gearing Up Your Spirit



**GUYS** are meeting again for the first time since Covid!

At Redeemer on Tuesday, June 8 at 6:30 p.m.

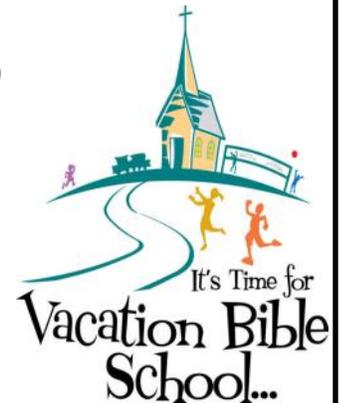
Dinner will be served and reorganization will be discussed.

More information to follow.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

## Education News!

ENDURE! Getting s'more of Jesus is coming to Redeemer this July as our VBS, which will be the week of July 26-30 from 6:00 - 7:30 each evening. If I can find someone interested in doing a simple meal each night that will be from 5:15-6:00. If you are interested in helping in any way let Debbie Beckman know at 825-6551. I am looking for someone to lead crafts, science (very simple session each night), games and songs. I also need group leaders. VBS is open to all kids ages 3 years to having completed 5th grade.



The Godly Play children learn the meaning and significance of Pentecost.

The Holy Spirit was present!



# Creation Care Team news

## *Earth Day Seeds Sprouting*

The good news: The zinnia and basil seeds we planted at our Earth Day celebration are springing up. The bad news: They are too crowded. We planted them in what looked like an empty spot on the west side of the building, but other (wanted) plants are coming to life there. Solution: We are moving them to the area by the front doors to the church. More people will be able to enjoy them there, so we hope they survive their transplanting. And for all you volunteer weeders—please note that they are not weeds!

Many thanks,

The Creation Care Team



## *Where to Support Your Local Farmers* *Fresh produce, meat, cheese, eggs and more!*

~Tuesdays~

Harvest Farmers Market

Emmanuel Foursquare Church

1325 E. Cloud Street 4-7 PM

Indoors or in the parking lot (depending on weather)

~Saturdays~

Salina Farmers Market

Waters Hardware parking lot

460 S. Ohio Street 7:30-11 AM

Outdoors

~Tuesday thru Saturday~

Prairieland Market

305 E. Walnut Street

Indoors 11 AM—7 PM



## How does your garden grow?

We enjoyed everyone's photos of flowers, veggies, and hardworking gardeners last summer. Let's do it again!

Please send your pictures to Becky in the Redeemer office  
[redeemer@redeemer-elca.org](mailto:redeemer@redeemer-elca.org).



Aaron and Aaden Nuss planted the Zinnia seeds they received with their Butterfly wheel on April 4. Aaden is so excited as he shares how they are growing in May.

# Lectionary for June

## June 6 — 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

[Genesis 3:8-15](#)

[Psalm 130:7](#)

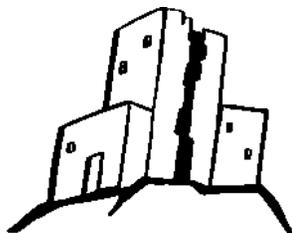
[2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1](#)

[Mark 3:20-35](#)

[Jesus went home;] <sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup>Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin" — <sup>30</sup>for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." <sup>33</sup>And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."



## June 13 — 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

[Ezekiel 17:22-24](#)

[Psalm 92:4, 12-15](#)

[2 Corinthians 5:6-10](#)

[\[11-13\] 14-17](#)

[Mark 4:26-34](#)

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, <sup>27</sup>and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

<sup>30</sup>He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

<sup>33</sup>With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; <sup>34</sup>he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.



## June 20 — 4th Sunday after Pentecost

[Job 38:1-11](#)

[Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32](#)

[2 Corinthians 6:1-13](#)

[Mark 4:35-41](#)

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him,



## Lectionary for June cont'd

"Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

### June 27 — 5th Sunday after Pentecost

[Lamentations 3:22-33](#)

[Psalm 30](#)

[2 Corinthians 8:7-15](#)

[Mark 5:21-43](#)

<sup>21</sup>When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. <sup>22</sup>Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet <sup>23</sup>and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." <sup>24</sup>So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. <sup>25</sup>Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. <sup>26</sup>She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup>She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup>for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." <sup>29</sup>Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup>Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" <sup>31</sup>And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" <sup>32</sup>He looked all around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup>But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup>He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

<sup>35</sup>While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" <sup>36</sup>But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." <sup>37</sup>He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. <sup>38</sup>When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup>When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." <sup>40</sup>And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup>He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" <sup>42</sup>And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup>He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.



# Partners in Ministry

**ALTAR GUILD: Rod & Rosemary Anderson**
**PARTNERS IN MINISTRY 9:30 SERVICE**

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<b>Greeter</b>	Ted & Barbara Wire	Gary & Lana Jordan	Marilee Vancil & Arlene Keil	Jim & Viv Cook
<b>Usher</b>	Alan English & Dan Metcalfe	Virg Augustine & Noni Strand	Joe Plumer & Mike Ramage	Mary Shaffer & Jan Jackson
<b>Lector</b>	Tom Mertz	Virg Augustine	Mary Mertz	Wayne Keeler
<b>Communion</b>	Self service	Self service	Self service	Self service
<b>Sound</b>	Britney English	Kris Neff	Ray Beckman	Ray Beckman
<b>Fellowship</b>	Jordans	Plumers	Andersons/Keil	Heinrichs

Partners in Ministry, when you are unable to fulfill your assignment, please make arrangements for someone to take your place. I would be happy to provide you with a roster for your convenience.

Thank you!

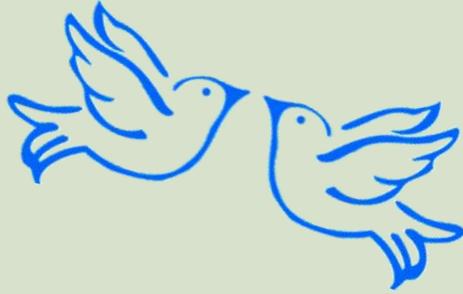
Becky



If you enjoy working with children, Godly Play needs you! Teaching positions are available. Call Carol Keeler at 785-493-5485 or Debbie Beckman at 785-452-5662 or Sandi Drown at 785-452-2417.

*Thank you!*

# Redeemer Celebrations



## Happy Anniversary

June 5	Loren & Phyllis Harris	June 10	Mike & Susan Ramage
June 9	Ted & Barbara Wire	June 10	Larry & Pam Strahan
June 10	Dustin & Ashley Dusin	June 12	Trey & KC Potter
		June 13	Alan & Britney English
		June 13	Joe & Janis Plumer
		June 27	Tim & Anna Prockish

- 2 Larissa Dusin
- 3 Gary Mettlen
- 4 John Garrison
- 6 Grant English
- 9 Jason Budreau
- 11 Britney English
- 12 Esther Jording
- 12 Jarrett Dusin
- 18 Jay Aurand
- 20 Carol Keeler
- 23 Thomas Curl
- 25 Pastor David
- 29 Janet Whitaker
- 30 Steve McDowell



Content of the Ringer depends on you, the members of this church, for articles, photos, important dates, etc. **The July newsletter deadline is June 25th at 12:00 pm.** Information turned in after this date might not be included. The newsletter is available by email, mail or at the church.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 515 Education 545 Worship & Music	2 900 Bible Study	3	4	5
6 9:30 In-Person Worship	7	8 630 GUYS	9 900 Bible Study	10 700 Council Meeting 	11	12  1100 Rejoicing Spirits In Person
13 9:30 In-Person Worship	14 	15 400 Page Turners 	16 900 Bible Study	17 930 Silver Needles Sew-In	18 130 Healing Hope	19
20 9:30 In-Person Worship FATHER'S DAY	21 600 Silver Needles	22	23 900 Bible Study	24	25 1200 Newsletter Deadline	26
27 9:30 In-Person Worship	28	29	30 900 Bible Study			
 <b>for worship services always available!</b>						



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### Weekly Church Events

#### Sunday Worship

9:30 Worship

#### Wednesday morning

9:00 Bible Study

**Organist:** Ruth Mirtz

**Choir Director:** Ann Metcalfe

**Bell Director and  
Worship Accompanist:**  
Britney English

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