

The Ringer

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From the
Pastor

²³ and I will sow him^[a] for myself in the land.
And I will have pity on Lo-ruhamah,^[b]
and I will say to Lo-ammi,^[c] "You are my people";
and he shall say, "You are my God." Hosea 3:23

²³ and what if he has done so in order to make known the riches of his glory for the objects of mercy, which he has prepared beforehand for glory — ²⁴ including us whom he has called, not from the Jews only but also from the Gentiles? ²⁵ As indeed he says in Hosea,

"Those who were not my people I will call 'my people,'
and her who was not beloved I will call 'beloved.'"

²⁶ "And in the very place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,'
there they shall be called children of the living God." Romans 9: 23-26

⁹ But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people,^[a] in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

¹⁰ Once you were not a people,
but now you are God's people;
once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy." 1 Peter 2:9-10



Pastor's Message continues

The three references that I show on the previous page have great import to the Church. Originally in Hosea it was a witness to and for Israel. They had gone astray. Hosea was ordered to take a wife that would not be acceptable among his people. This act was to reveal to Israel that they had left the covenant of their God. They had become "Godless" and being Godless meant they had lost their full identity. God though would in patience wait and act and receive them again with mercy and identity. Later in the church, both Peter and Paul use this theme from Hosea as the call that all receive from God through Jesus Christ. It is much more expansive that Hosea ever dreamed. The promise of identity and mercy extends to both the wayward Israelites and the Gentiles.

This is an important concept with a little, persecuted, "outside" group in a sea of many strong identifiers, especially the identifier of "Roman Citizen". Those in that position seemed to have it all. They were either born on or accepted onto an escalader as opposed to a flimsy rope ladder in how to make it in a society that had many strata of people, peoples, and castes. This little concept of mercy and identity, preached into a group that felt left out, even by fellow Jews if you were born into that "people", was a ray of hope when all seemed dark, cruel, and lost.

This month we will be having a discussion on Race via Zoom and in person for those that would like to come to church for the dialogue (note that all things are subject to change based on Council recommendations). The idea of Race was foreign in the time of Jesus. There were ethnic distinctions and even within the borders of Judea there were distinctions between what the outside world saw as one people, namely Jews and Samaritans. The idea of Race is in relative terms a new one coming about really in the late 1500s and 1600s. So as a group we look at that and consider what it means to be a people by God's grace and mercy in Jesus Christ.

In Christ,

Pastor David.

Council News

Council Highlights for October

October 8, 2020 Meeting

The Council agreed to lift the restriction that people need to call in to reserve a spot at the service. An email was sent out with this announcement. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

The new camera is installed and working for our online services. A big thank you to Ray Beckman for all his hard work on this project!

You should have received a letter from the Finance Committee with a pledge card. If you haven't returned your card, please get it sent in. This information is important in preparing our 2021 budget.

Since Godly Play will be delayed until at least January 2021, the Education Committee is putting together a curriculum based on the Spark Story Bible. The Education Committee is providing books and materials and ideas to spark each child's own home time. The committee will deliver the books and projects to the students. Keep watching for more information!

Full council minutes will now be available on Realm. Financials are available upon request.



*Council Meetings are the 2nd Thursday
of the month beginning at 6pm.*

Budget Information

Treasurer's Report for end of September

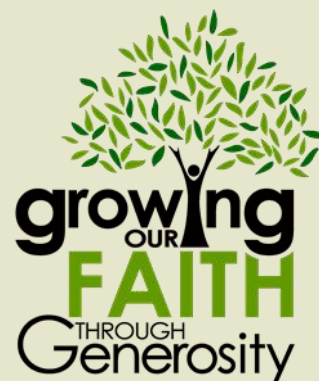
Income \$275,242.20

Budgeted Income for the year \$290,400

Total Expense \$205,694.01

Budgeted Expense for the year \$298,375

Mortgage Balance \$329,926.41



Church Council Members

ELECTION INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR REDEEMER COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR 2021

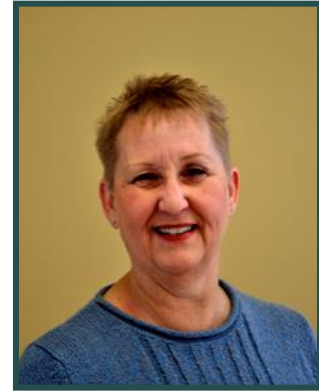
COUNCIL MEMBERS CONTINUING TO FILL OUT THEIR ELECTED TERMS



Ray Beckman



Kris Neff



Jody Biegert

MEMBERS WHO HAVE CONSENTED TO SERVE, COVERING VACATED TERMS



Alan English - 2 year term



Jean Sedo - 2 year term



Charlotte Herrman - 1 year term

I was born and raised in North Dakota where my husband Phil and I raised our five children. I worked as an RN in hospitals, nursing homes, and clinics in areas where there were shortages of healthcare providers. My greatest interest has always been to assist individuals who are at a disadvantage though programs like Rejoicing Spirits, Special Olympics, The ARC of Saline County, the Food Bank, and volunteering time at a free- clinics. I also enjoy reading, walking, dancing, and spending time with my family and friends.

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CHURCH MEMBERS WHO HAVE CONSENTED TO SERVE

Kris Johanson
(3 year term)



I'm Kristina (Kris) Johanson. My girls and I married Grant in 2007 and we moved from Haviland, KS to Geneva, NE where we lived from 2007 to 2014. We moved to Salina in July 2014 and after "church shopping" for a church to transfer to, from Prince of Peace in Geneva, I chose Redeemer as our new church based on how friendly everyone was when I came to a few services. Grant's daughter Katie lives in Durango, CO; my oldest daughter Brittnei married Boone Wells on October 5, 2019 here at Redeemer and resides here in Salina and they are going to give us our FIRST grandbaby April 2021; then my youngest daughter Bailee, attends UNL college in Lincoln, NE. Go Huskers! We do not have children together, but we claim our male yellow lab as our son....Buck! I'm a BIG HUSKER FAN (my mom is from Nebraska)!! I LOVE to hunt, fish, swim, sing, dance and spend any time we can find, with our family.

Dan Metcalfe
(3 year term)



Dan Metcalfe was born in Kansas City and raised in Overland Park, Ks where he grew up in the ELCA. Dan attended college at Bethany College in Lindsborg, Ks where he met his wife Ann (Labes) Metcalfe. Dan and Ann live in Minneapolis, Ks with their daughter Kahlan and Dan is the store manager of the Dollar General store in Lincoln, Ks. In his free time Dan loves to be in the great outdoors with his family or cheer on his beloved Kansas City Chiefs.

KC Potter
(3 year term)



My name is KC Potter. My husband Trey and I have been in Salina for about ten years and have three wonderful little girls. I am the manager of the Radiation Oncology Department at Tammy Walker Cancer Center. I look forward to working with our church in helping our community.

Redeemer News

A button for Online Giving has been added to Redeemer's website. You will find it at the top underneath the address. Click on the button and send a text to code number 73256. In the text field enter "giverlc". You will then receive a prompt to provide your information. Please contact Jan Jackson if you have questions.



In this season of thanksgiving for bountiful harvests, a couple of employees from The Land Institute will speak at Redeemer. Abbi Han and Edy Cheremond will tell us a little about the perennial crops breeding program at The Land Institute, and how they hope one day to feed the world with grains, legumes and oilseeds that come back year after year.

Abbi and Edy will join us Sunday, November 15 at the 9:30 service, and they'll also participate in the Zoom fellowship at 10:30 to answer questions.



A free-will offering will be collected to support their work.

Please join us in person or on Facebook Live!

Learn more at <https://landinstitute.org/>.

Thank you, Mike Ramage, for doing the grilling!



2020 Christmas Poinsettias

It is time once again to order poinsettias to decorate the church for the Christmas season. The suggested minimum contribution is \$20. Make checks payable to Redeemer Lutheran Church. Please fill out this form and return it to the office by Sunday, December 13th.

Ordered By: _____

Number of Plants: _____

In Honor/Memory of: _____

(please circle one)

Redeemer News



Thank you to everyone who helped make 54 baby kits going to Lutheran World Relief. Whether you were a sewer who sewed blankets and jackets, a shopper, a packer of the boxes or giver of monetary support, your help was very much appreciated. Each kit had a monetary value of around \$30-35 and contained 2 receiving blankets, 4 cloth diapers, 2 t-shirts, 2 pajamas (or a t-shirt/pants set), jacket with hood or jacket and cap, 2 pairs socks, 8 oz. bar of soap, hand towel and 2 large safety pins. The clothes were to fit up to size 2. When we were packing the kits, we made the decision to make the kits again next year, so if you would like to help with sewing, shopping or giving a monetary gift let Debbie Beckman know. Monetary gifts may be given through the church; just put LWR baby kits in the memo. Last year some of our kits, if not all, were sent to El Salvador. I put tracking on two boxes this year so we'll see where they end up. Thank you again to everyone for your help.



November 20
Host: Jean Sedo
Leader: Pastor David
Will meet at Redeemer

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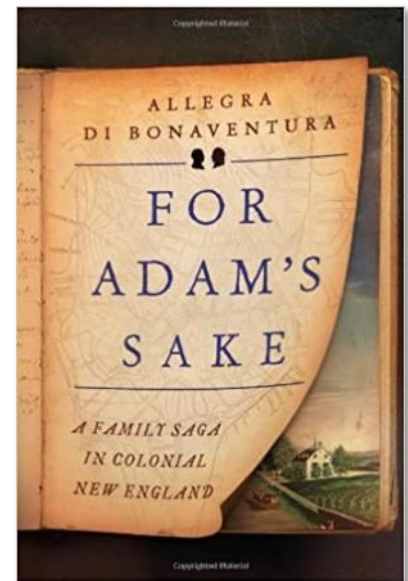
Join Zoom Meeting

Time: Oct 20, 2020 04:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89868373229?pwd=Z3Z4UzlTNmIMdjZ3cG02a2RyakRydz09>

Meeting ID: 898 6837 3229

Passcode: 366193



Please note that Altar Flowers are now \$27 and for whatever florists have on hand. Special orders will be an extra charge.

Thank you,
Cheryl Itschner

Lectionary for Sundays in November

November 1 — All Saints Day

[Revelation 7:9-17](#)
[Psalm 34:1-10, 22](#)
[1 John 3:1-3](#)
[Matthew 5:1-12](#)



¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:
³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
¹¹"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

November 8 — 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

[Amos 5:18-24](#)
[Psalm 70:5](#)
[1 Thessalonians 4:13-18](#)
[Matthew 25:1-13](#)



[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' ⁷Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' ⁹But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' ¹⁰And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. ¹¹Later the other bridesmaids came also,

saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' ¹²But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' ¹³Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

November 15 — 24th Sunday after Pentecost

[Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18](#)
[Psalm 90:1-8 \[9-11\] 12](#)
[1 Thessalonians 5:1-11](#)
[Matthew 25:14-30](#)



[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁴"For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' ²¹His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' ²³His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' ²⁶But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

November Lectionary cont'd

November 22 — Christ the King

[Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24](#)

[Psalm 95:1-7a](#)

[Ephesians 1:15-23](#)

[Matthew 25:31-46](#)

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ³¹When the Son of Man comes in he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' ³⁵Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁶And when was it that we saw you naked and gave you clothing? ³⁷And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' ³⁸And he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you will not inherit the kingdom.' ³⁹Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are cursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴⁰for I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴¹I was naked and you gave me no clothing, I was sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴²Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' ⁴³Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' ⁴⁴And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."



his glory, and all the angels with him, then gathered before him, and he will separate from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink, I was naked and you gave me clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' ⁴⁰And he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you will not inherit the kingdom.' ⁴¹Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are cursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was naked and you gave me no clothing, I was sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

November 29 — First Sunday of Advent

[Isaiah 64:1-9](#)

[Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19](#)

[1 Corinthians 1:3-9](#)

[Mark 13:24-37](#)

[Jesus said:] ²⁴In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with power and great glory. ²⁷Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth. ²⁸From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, know that the kingdom of God is near. ³⁰Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³²But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the Son, nor the Father, nor the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Beware, do not sleep, for you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands them, 'Be on the watch; ³⁵for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, ³⁶or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. ³⁷And



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ALTAR GUILD: Cheryl Itschner & Jean Sedo

PARTNERS IN MINISTRY 9:30 SERVICE

| | November 1 | November 8 | November 15 | November 22 | November 29 |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Ushers | Joe Plumer | Debbie Beckman | Alan English | Jan Jackson | Joe Plumer |
| Lector | Debbie Beckman | Britney English | Charlotte Herrman | Ann Metcalfe | Dan Metcalfe |
| Sound | Ray Beckman | Ray Beckman | Ray Beckman | Ray Beckman | Ray Beckman |

If you are comfortable volunteering for the Partners in Ministry positions listed above, please either call Becky at 827-8195 or send an email to redeemer@redeemer-elca.org. Thank you!

Redeemer Celebrations

11/08 Verle & Doris Simpson

11/10 Brian & Denise Dusin

11/26 Ed & Kris Neff



11/02 Charles Mayfield

11/05 Ann Metcalfe

11/08 Janis Plumer

11/09 Wally Koers

11/09 Mark Weiss

11/12 Kris Neff

11/13 Anita Hartley

11/13 Elise Tonniges

11/17 Ivy Potter

11/18 Ken Mayfield

11/18 Jon Stohs

11/18 Ed Neff

11/20 Dennis Kuhlman

11/24 LaNita Pratt

11/25 Austin Green

11/26 Rodney Anderson

11/26 Lexie Kelly



11/28 Alan English

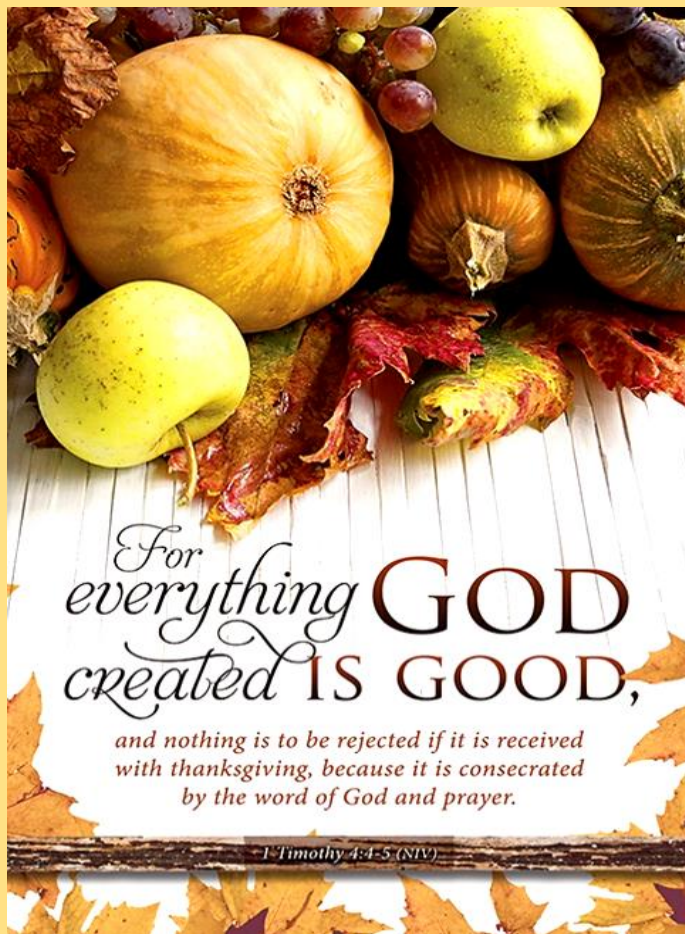
11/28 Tresa Mayfield

11/29 Jackie Aurand

Content of the Ringer depends on you, the members of this church, for articles, photos, important dates, etc. **The December newsletter deadline is November 23rd at 12:00 pm.** Information turned in after this date might not be included. The newsletter is available by email, mail or at

November

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|--------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---|-----|-----|
| 1 930 Worship  | 2 | 3  545 Worship & Music | 4 900 Bible Study 630 Worship | 5 230 YMCA Tour | 6 | 7 |
| 8 930 Worship | 9 | 10 200 Education | 11 900 Bible Study 630 Worship | 12 600 Council Meeting | 13 | 14 |
| 15 930 Worship | 16 600 Silver Needles | 17 400 Page Turners | 18 900 Bible Study 630 Worship | 19 930 Silver Needles Sew-In | 20 | 21 |
| 22 930 Worship | 23 1200 Newsletter Deadline | 24 | 25 900 Bible Study 630 Worship | 26  ~Office Closed~ | 27 | 28 |
| 29 930 Worship | 30 |  for worship services always available! | | | | |



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Weekly Church Events

Sunday Worship

9:30 worship

Wednesday morning

9:00 Bible Study

Wednesday Worship

6:30 worship

Organist: Ruth Mirtz

Choir Director: Ann Metcalfe

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

2020 Council

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