

THE REDEEMER REPORTER

REDEEMER L UTHERAN CHURCH

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Dear Fellow Redeemed,

Most volunteers don't volunteer because of all the recognition that it will bring them. They donate their time and talents because of their desire to serve God and their fellow human beings.

But volunteers do appreciate it when their efforts are recognized so that is exactly what we will be doing on Sunday, November 19. Ideally we would like to recognize all of the many, many volunteers who contribute their gifts to Redeemer but we had to narrow it down to keep it manageable. To get things started the Board of Lay Ministry has chosen three important groups of volunteers to recognize this year: the Altar Guild, the money counters and the video-tapers.

The members of the Altar Guild take care of all things related to the altar and its surrounding area in our sanctuary. The money counters count, record and deposit our weekly offerings and the video tapers record our worship services on video each week so that it can be shared on the local cable TV public access channel and on Owatonna Live.

All the gifts we give whether it is our time, talent or treasure, are given in response to what the Lord has given us. Jesus voluntarily gave Himself for us on the cross so that we might receive forgiveness, life and salvation through faith in him.

Our plan is to honor our volunteers this year with a small gift and a reception in their honor after the worship service on November 19. Hopefully, as we continue to have a regular volunteer recognition Sunday each year, we will eventually recognize all those who volunteer.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Pastor Griebel

REVITALIZATION PRAYER VERSE FOR NOVEMBER:

Psalm 80:18 – Then we will not turn away from you; revive us, and we will call on your name.

BE THANKFUL YOU CAN READ THIS Our Thanksgiving Eve worship service with communion will be held on Wednesday, November 22 at 6:30 p.m. We will give thanks for the gift of sight, both physical and spiritual.

ALTAR GUILD – Thanksgiving Day is rapidly approaching. It's time to give thanks for all we have and Think about the less fortunate in Steele County. The Altar Guild will have a table set up in the narthex starting November 12 through Thanksgiving Eve, November 22nd. Nonperishable food or cast donations will be accepted. Thank you for your support.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND ADULT BIBLE CLASSES AT REDEEMER

Education Hour from 10:15 to 11:15 with classes for all ages from 3 to 103. Sunday School are classes held in Room 113 and our adult class meets in Room 115.

Women's Bible Study meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. in Room 115. Their study is called "The Many Wonders of Heaven" written by Donald Ginkel.

Wednesday Morning from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. This class meets in Room 109.

2017-18 DARTBALLSEASON Dartball is an exciting and unpredictable game that combines dart throwing with baseball. Just about every time we play we have experienced players who miss the board completely and newcomers who hit home runs. Each night the winning team is awarded a traveling trophy and refreshments are served. Our next dartball match will be held on Thursday, November 9, at Trinity, Medford. Meet at Redeemer's Social Hall at 6:30 pm to practice and then share rides to Trinity. Newcomers always welcome.



FALL LEAF CLEAN-UP Healthy Seniors of Steele County is organizing a free yard-raking service for senior citizens on

Saturday, November 4. If you would like your yard raked, or if you would like to volunteer to rake, please call 507-774-7648 by October 23. Donations to defray costs are also appreciated.

DECORATE THE CHURCH We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Saturday, December 2 at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is invited to help.

REDEEMER ON THE INTERNET Our services can be seen anytime on the internet. Simply go to <http://www.owatonnalive.com/Church-services.html> and click on the picture of Redeemer.

REDEEMER ON THE AIRWAVES – Charter Cable TV broadcasts our services on Channel 181 each Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. & Friday at 3:30 p.m.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for the months of October to December are available on the register stand in the narthex. Pick one up for yourself and one to share.

Office Hours:

Tuesday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to Noon

PROVIDING THEIR TIME & TALENTS NOVEMBER:

LAY MINISTER & READER: Dallas Ketchum

ORGANIST: Janda Pitan

ACOLTYES:

November 5 – Isabelle Schwartz-Woosley

November 19 – Claire Schwartz-Woosley

November 22 - Isabelle Schwartz-Woosley

ALTAR GUILD:

November 5 & 12 – Vi Roemhildt

November 19 – Melody, Isabelle & Claire Schwartz

November 22 – Doreen Bogen

November 26 – Jeanette Kispert

USHERS: Steve Vannatta, Steve Frodl, Ralph Bos, Wayne Christofferson

Thanksgiving Eve Ushers – Marvin Worrell, Steve Strusz, Ralland Lurken, Dave Fjordbak, Tanner Strusz

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

As of October 22, 2017

Actual Receipts: \$128,231.71

Budget: \$145,117.69

Over (under) amount: (\$16,885.98)

NEW MEMBERS: Lloyd & Alice Wobbrock – Peace, Claremont

RELEASES: Burton & Vicki Bemmels to Shepherd of the Valley in Apple Valley

FUNERAL: Lloyd Wobbrock 6-12-29 to 10-20-17

NOVEMBER BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Christian Berry	Carol Levos
Peggy Berry	Lucas Litke
Chris Blaker	Bertha Moravec
Wendy Bogen	Arnold Putnam
Kathy Brage	David Radue
Chad Dauffenbach	Steven Rieser
De Etta Erickson	Ardella Schmidt
Rosa Fogal	Ashley Schroeder
Thomas Grunklee	Cari Simonson
Evelyn Jacobson	Khloee Stangler
Rhoda Keiper	Katherine Vierling
Eric Larson	Dana Wood

NOTE: If you baptismal birthday is not on this list and it should be call the church office and it will be added.

THANK YOU I'm so blessed to have you all in my life. Thank you to everyone who gave me the gift of money. I am using it for college. Thank you for helping me grow not only in religion but as a person. Cole Bergeman

THANK YOU – Dear Redeemer Lutheran Church, I am sincerely honored to have been selected as the recipient of the church's scholarship. Thank you for your generosity, which has allowed me to pursue my dream of

becoming a radiology technician. This \$500.00 scholarship will cover the cost of books for my freshman year. As a result, I will be able to cut back on hours working and focus more on my academics. I am very excited to be continuing my education at the University of Minnesota – Rochester, where I will obtain a Bachelor's Degree of Science in Health Professions. Thank you again for your thoughtful and generous gift. I am truly grateful for your support of my education. Sincerely, Sarah Mensing.

COOK'S CORNER

Frosted Oatmeal Cookies

1/2.cup margarine	1/2 cup Crisco
1 cup brown sugar	1 cup sugar
2 eggs	1 tsp vanilla
1 1/2 cup flour	1 tsp salt
1 tsp baking soda	3 cups oatmeal

Cream together shortening, sugars and eggs.
Mix in dry ingredients excluding oatmeal
Mix in oatmeal
Place walnut sized balls on cookie sheet.
With moistened hand flatten slightly.
Bake @ 375 degrees about 7 minutes till lightly browned.
Makes about 4 dozen
Frost lightly while warm.

Frosting recipe

1 T coffee
3 T butter
1 cup powdered sugar
1 tsp vanilla
1/2 tsp cinnamon

CAMP OMEGA UPDATE So far \$1,920,722 has been raised toward the goal of raising \$3.3 million for the new Adult/Family Retreat Center. An opportunity has arisen to purchase land that would enable the Retreat Center to be built in a better location. If the purchase goes through then some re-design work will need to be done before construction can begin. We are grateful for all the support that has been given for this project, including the over \$11,000 that was given from members of Redeemer.

THANK YOU to the team of nine volunteers from Redeemer who help pack over 187,000 meals at the Feed My Starving Children Mobile Food Pack at Trinity, Owatonna, October 13-14. Thanks to your efforts, thousands of hungry children around the world can receive nutritious food.



*Oh give Thanks
to the Lord!*

