

“FACEBOOK DID NOT MAKE YOU A LIAR?”

Social media has its pros and cons. It allows us to communicate with family and friends who live hundreds of miles away. It allows us to see up-to-date pictures and videos of grandchildren. It even allows us to get in touch with high school classmates we haven't seen or talked with since graduation day. Social media also provides an avenue for comments and news articles you disagree with, and not to mention the annoying pop-up advertisements. It tempts you to go places you know not to go, but you do because the temptation is so strong. Social media has its pros and cons.

Social media, such as Facebook and Twitter, permits us to leisurely sit behind a computer screen, iPad, or smart phone in the safety of our home, office, or car as we become more and more confident to make bold comments, submit questionable opinions, or simply feel free to add our “two-cents worth” to any particular conversation. Some of the ugliest things are read on Facebook ... and some of the ugliest things that are read on social media we authored.

Social media isn't always ugly though. Many times we write something that makes us look good. Or we write something that may compliment somebody or give encouragement. That's great! However, not everything we post is accurate.

Take for example the picture you see on this page. It was the day Lisa and I moved into our home, September 2009. We were obviously removing the 'For Sale' sign from the ground since the home was now ours. The truth is the bank holds the deed and we pay a mortgage. Furthermore, I'm not sure we could legally remove that sign. Also, this was not the real estate agent we used to find the house. We never even met her. This isn't even the company we used to finance our home. The house was in foreclosure and was owned by another bank. There are some lies about this picture (even though they seem harmless).

Certainly buying a home and then moving into it is a joyous occasion and the picture portrays that joy with the smiling faces of the new homeowners. What was not

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STEWARDSHIP

The devil, though defeated by the death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ, remains a very capable and clever foe. He is smarter than we are. He's been watching us and taking notes for a very long time. He knows what we want, and he knows how to lure us away. And he does this by telling us what we want to hear. That's what makes it so difficult.

To us who are greedy, he says: "You are not greedy. You are prudent. You are frugal. You are a good steward with your money. God doesn't want you not to have all the things you want. He wants you to be happy. He wants you to have the latest and greatest toys for both young and old." So if you consider yourself to be wise in the way of money and finances, beware of who just might be telling you these things.

Satan is a liar. He tells us what we want to hear. He lures us away from repentance and confession and faith, so that we harden our consciences and place our souls in peril. We must not underestimate the enemy. We have all taken his bait. We have all failed in this. None of us can say that we have fought this temptation to hold back with everything we have and won.

And we must repent. Yes, God wants us to be happy. But this happiness is never at the expense of faithfulness. We have a calling. We are a member of His family, the church. That relationship places a duty upon us: to give a generous proportion of the first fruits of the income He provides.

Only God is true to His Word. Only God is true to His promises. His promises never fail. His Word endures forever. His mercies are new every morning. He is faithful. He provides everything that we need. He provides food and clothes, house and home, everything that we pray for in the fourth petition of the Lord's Prayer.

There are a whole host of things that we have that we do not need. The question that we need to ask ourselves is whether these have come at the expense of our faithful, generous proportion of the first fruits of our income. If they have, then we must repent, turning away from our selfishness to Him who is faithful by giving His Son into death so that we are reconciled to Him and justified in His sight.

The devil will always tell you what you want to hear. But God tells us and gives us what we need to hear. With law and gospel, he cuts us to the heart, so that we will repent and believe His Word and promises. He is faithful. He is good. He will not forsake you, or leave you destitute. So believe and trust in Him. And you will not only be happy. You will be blessed.

FROM THE TREASURER

As of July 31, 2016:

<u>ACTUAL</u>		<u>BUDGET</u>		<u>OVER/(UNDER)</u>
INCOME:	10,504	INCOME:	15,311	(4,807)
EXPENSE:	15,751	EXPENSE:	15,580	171
+/-	-5,247		-269	
 <u>YEAR-TO-DATE</u>				
INCOME:	95,252	INCOME:	98,974	(3,722)
EXPENSE:	122,430	EXPENSE:	123,436	(1,006)
+/-	-27,178		-24,462	

PLEASE NOTE: The financial details listed above and also in the weekly church bulletin do tell a very alarming situation for us, Redeemer Congregation. It is true we need to collect \$4,036.71 each week in our offering plate to meet the demand for operating costs of Redeemer Church. In addition, our buildings and equipment are aging, and as such, require more maintenance than we may be accustomed. These costs are not predictable but are certainly inevitable. If you were to go back the last three months or so, you would note that we have been falling short, way short of meeting these financial demands. As treasurer, it is impossible to write checks for operating costs of the congregation when there are no funds in our checking account to pay them. We are members and associate members of this congregation. We are family. Therefore, it is our responsibility to meet the financial demands in order for the ministry of Redeemer to continue. Please pray and trust in God to move us all to become more responsible to our church's financial needs. Thank you and God bless you. – Denise Fountain, Treasurer



SERVING THE LORD

Pastor	Rev. James Kress
Seasonal Pastor	
<u>LHM Ambassador</u>	
Child Care Director	Wendy Horvath
Office Secretary	Deb Horner
Organist	Bill Bowers
Choir Director	Collins Sita
Newsletter Editor	Deb Horner

OFFICERS

President	Stephen Wurster
Vice President	Terry Fountain
Treasurer	Denise Fountain
Secretary	June Brown

BOARDS

Head Elder	Collins Sita
Christian Ed.	
<u>Human Care</u>	
Outreach	Cindy Johnson
<u>Assimilation</u>	
School Board	Bill Bowers
Stewardship	Rev. Mark Steinke
Youth	James Straw
Financial Secretary	Deb Horner
Property Mgmt.	Jim Metzger

GROUPS/GUILDS

Ladies Guild	Sally Zierdt
<u>Men's Group</u>	
<u>Altar Guild</u>	
<u>Coffee Hour</u>	

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revealed in this photo was the exhaustion that each of the homeowners experienced at the time. Behind those smiling faces were fear, anxiety, and uncertainty. The picture also doesn't reveal the large mortgage as well as all the other responsibilities that go along with owning a home. Don't get me wrong, this day was a great day for the Kress household. The point is that the picture doesn't always reveal the truth. And so it is with some of our posts through social media.

Facebook did not make you a liar. Here is the truth: we are all liars and thieves and murderers and adulterers and gossips and gods of our own making. Social media is not to blame. Your parents are not to blame. Your spouse is not to blame. We need only to look in the mirror to meet face to face the one to blame.

The LORD said, "every inclination of the human heart is evil from childhood" – Genesis 8:21.

Jesus said, "For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander" – Matthew 15:19.

The Psalmist David confesses, "I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me" – Psalm 51:5.

And the Apostle Paul explains, "the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these" – Galatians 5:19-21.

We may be able to hide behind the truth in pictures and Facebook posts, but the Word of

God exposes us for who we really are: sinners. "The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from His sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account" (Hebrews 4:12-13).

On this page you see another picture. We don't need social media to help us understand what this picture reveals. I'm not very confident social media would disclose the truth anyway. However, as Christians, we know what this portrait reveals. We've been taught what this portrait means in Sunday School. We have been catechized about the crucifixion through confirmation class. We have listened to Christ-centered and cross-focused sermons in worship. We study this picture in greater detail in Bible Class. We are taught more and more about what this picture reveals because to us this picture is more than just a man hanging on a cross. This is Jesus, Son of God, paying the price for sin.



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What isn't portrayed in this picture is that Jesus not only pays the price for sin by His death, but He also becomes sin. “For our sake [God] made [Jesus] *to be sin* who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God” (2 Corinthians 5:21). On the cross, Jesus becomes sin. Another way of saying it: Jesus becomes the liar, the thief, the murderer, the gossip, the adulterer, the idolater. Jesus becomes your sin, my sin, your parent's sin, your children's sin, your spouse's, the world's sin. Jesus died on the cross for every sinner and sin ever committed or ever will be committed by you or against you. Jesus died that you may live and have life to the full (John 10:10).

And don't make the mistake in thinking you can take some credit in putting Jesus on the cross, as if your sins are so hideous and shocking, God had to do something. Don't sensationalize your sins. They are not that important. Although you are important, your sins are not. They are filthy rags that are in

need of removing. And because you are stained by sin, you are in need of cleansing.

Your dirty deeds did not put Jesus on the cross. It was GRACE; God's undeserved divine favor toward man. You see, Jesus doesn't blame you or me or the world because He died on the cross. He went to the cross willingly and lovingly to die, that is, to pay the price for sin, so that we might become His righteousness, purity, and holiness forever. He did it out of obedience to His Father and He did it out of love for you and me and all mankind. By the merits, the works of Christ Jesus, God bestows upon us His love and mercy. By God's grace we receive what we do not deserve – forgiveness, eternal life, and salvation.

The Word of God reveals the truth: “For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God” Ephesians 2:8.

In the Service of Jesus,
Pastor Kress



POSITION DESCRIPTIONS

Below are just a few of the positions which are vacant at this time. Please read the descriptions and prayerfully consider stepping up to fill one of these positions. Without the many wonderful and faithful volunteers, we would not be able to fully minister to our congregation and the community.



SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT: The primary duties would be to coordinate the schedules for Sunday School teachers, prepare the materials & make sure they are available, review attendance and work with parents to encourage attendance and see if rides are needed (not to necessarily provide the rides, but to contact somebody who could); work with Pam Replinger to address any concerns of Sunday School teachers, and assist in Rally Day and Vacation Bible School as able.

BOARD OF HUMAN CARE: The Chair of this very critical board works closely with the Pastor to insure proper care to individual members and families of the congregation. The Board of Human Care is expansive as it gives attention to emotional, physical, psychological, and spiritual maladies of God's people. With the help of the Pastor, the Chair trains members of the Board of Human Care to make hospital visits as well as visits to the shut-in and the infirm. The Chair oversees a prayer-chain with members who are not connected to the internet to receive E-prayers. The Chair also assigns a Coordinator to other programs of mercy within the congregation, i.e. Monthly Blood Pressure, Disaster Preparedness, Stephen Ministries, Caring Network, Cards of Comfort, and Christian Support Groups. The Board of Human Care may also participate in community events, i.e. Blood Drives and Relay For Life. The Chair of this board is also required to attend the monthly Church Council Meeting (2nd Monday at 7 PM), and prepare a brief report of the board's work to the Council and to the Voters' Assembly each quarter.

BOARD OF ASSIMILATION: The Chair of this important board works with the Pastor and the Chairs of other boards and committees to integrate new members into the life of the congregation. The Chair monitors the guidelines for proper use of the visitor's desk in the narthex. The Chair delegates the following responsibilities to the members of the Board of Assimilation: Supply greeters for Sunday Church services; Provide 'visitor bags' for first time visitors to Redeemer before Sunday services; Provide New Member Packets for all incoming new members; Take pictures of all new members; Place pictures in New Member Showcase (located in the narthex); and Provide the Newsletter Editor with pictures of all new members. The Chair of this board is also required to attend the monthly Church Council Meeting (2nd Monday at 7 PM), and prepare a brief report of the board's work to the Council and to the Voters' Assembly each quarter.





VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT OF THE MONTH



Sally Zierdt is the shining star in our volunteer spotlight this month! She has been volunteering her time and talent at Redeemer for many, many years! In her generosity, she has purchased new dinnerware for our Midweek Advent and Lenten dinners as well as for other occasions. And if that weren't enough, she also purchased the brand new sink to wash those dishes. In previous years, Sally and her late husband, Conrad, donated the beautiful organ used in our sanctuary and they also donated our first school bus. These are just a few of the many wonderful treasures that Sally has generously donated to Redeemer. More often than not, Sally will be the person to greet you with her bright smiling face and warm welcome when you come to worship on Sunday mornings. We can always use more Sally's greeting at the door, hosting coffee hour, or ushering during worship services. Thank you so much Sally for your kindness and charitable giving. You are a true treasure for us at Redeemer.



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FAMILY BREAKFAST

Redeemer's first Family Breakfast—Paint Fundraiser was a great success! Thank you so much to Neva Aldene for overseeing this event! The breakfast brought in almost \$600... That went a long way to help raise the money for the church stucco repair and paint.

We would like to thank Neva's helpers:



FARWELL – This will be the last time I have the opportunity to edit the Redeemer Reporter newsletter. I hope everyone has enjoyed it as much as I have enjoyed the job. - Deb Horner

PRAYERS

SHUT-INS: Carl & Betty Bertka, Alice Borowski, Susan Jahns, Betty Keller, Helen Perry, and Ruth Sutley.

HEALING: Mickie Abel, Wilma Adair, Bob Aldene, Madalen Campbell, Kathy Demma, Sharon Eisele, Pat Finkenbine, Bernice Heppner, Rita Kaufmann, Doug Meyerink, Carolyn Plesner, Tom Poyer, Duwayne Schoeneck, Fred Toth, Bob Varone, Robert Vicky, and Artie Zipp.

FRIENDS & RELATIVES: Linny Aspery, Dick and Marilyn Bjornas, Bert Blackford, Grace Blum, Michelle Bernard, Bill Bowers, Jr., Dennis Burchell, Georgia Bush, Jack Carlos, Diane Carr, Debbie Carr, Sally Chambers, Esther Clapham, Susan Clapper, Bobbett Clark, Dick Clemens, Joanne and Randy Clymo, Martin Cressman, Renee Dempsey, Dale DesJardins, Ed Detrow, Irene DiTommaso, James Dodge, Barb Dumeah, Bruce Everson, Donna Fancher, Darla Finkenbine, Marla Flores, Lou Fountain, Denver Fredett, Manual Galan, Liam Garland, Sandra Gettings, Nancy Gleis, Mary Guilfoyle, Melisa Gustavus, Shelley Roedel Gutz, Jake Harper, Debbie Harrison, Larry Headun, Claudette Hendershot, Joel Heppner, Walter Heppner, Glory Herget, Joan

Hillis, Robin
Hincman, David
Hirtle, Larry
Hladun, Carol
Holmes, Linda
Holt, John Hunter,
Linda Hunter,
Stanley and Lynne
Jablonski, Bill

Jaquest, Chris Johnson, Heather Johnson, Rachel Kagay, John Kearns, Elizabeth Lynn Klopfenstein, Stacey Lampert, Ray Likowski, John Lockhart, Sean Maki, Joe Manson, Candace McGowan, Jeff Mix, Pete Mogg, John Montondo, Mike Morrissey, Trista Mosier, Charles Pentecost Jr., John Purdy, Mary Raines, Rev. Ronald Rock, Sally Rodgers, Ashley Scudder, Nancy Sly, Denise Bjornas Smith, Virginia Stanley, Charles Tolley, Samantha Jo Ann Toth, George Vespa, Steven Walker, Christy Wallace, Helen Weishaar, and Gordan Winkel.

Military Personnel: Mark Baranowsky, Brian Jackson, Joshua Jones, Jonathan Koen, David MacLeod, and Charles D. Weishaar.



Pastor and members of the church are always willing to pray for you, family members and friends. If a loved one appears on our prayer list above, please call Pastor or the church office to give us a health update so that we may either keep or remove their name. Thank you!

***The deadline for the OCTOBER Newsletter is SEPTEMBER 23rd
Please have all your submissions sent to redeemerfl@verizon.net OR drop it off at
the church office to Deb by the date indicated above.
Thank You!***



Date	Set-up	Take-down
Sunday, Sept 4th	Vicki Fernald	Deb Horner
Sunday, Sept 11th	Gwen Wurster	Gretchen Armstrong
Sunday, Sept 18th	Jane Harty	Lisa Kress
Sunday, Sept 25th	Bob Varone	Gwen Wurster

TO OUR NORTHERN MEMBERS, GUESTS, & VISITORS:

It is that time of year again when we again say good-bye to our northern brothers and sisters in Christ. We are so very sad to see you leave, but we are overjoyed in the number of weeks and months we shared together worshipping, working, and playing. Please contact the church office notifying us of the date of your departure and verification of your northern address in order that we may continue to correspond through our monthly newsletter and other publications. The Lord grant you safety while you travel.

PROPERTY APPRECIATION DAY

We sure could use some help on our Property Appreciations Days every month. There is outside work to do and cleaning and dusting that needs done inside the Church. If you can help, please come to the church and we will put you to work. **Our next Property Appreciation Day is September 10th at 8:00 AM.**



SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Everyone is invited to the Fellowship every Thursday, starting at 10:00AM. **The more people attending, the more FUN we can have!!!** The most popular things to play are: Pinochle, Phase 10, SkipBO, and Hand & Foot. We also have Dominoes or other games if they are requested. There must be something you would like to have fun with, so come on out. Once in awhile we have a special home made lunch but usually everyone brings a bag lunch. Drinks and dessert furnished.

Teaching Lutheran Hymnody: Learn 29 Hymns in 2 Years!

by Pastor Roberto Rojas Jr.

Learn 29 hymns in 2 years! Not just any hymns, but good, faithful, Lutheran hymns! I know. It sounds like some sort of gimmicky “weight-loss pill” commercial. But, it’s not a trick. I have nothing to sell. I’m simply encouraging pastors and congregations to realize that it is actually possible to “teach old dogs new tricks.” Zion actually did learn 29 Lutheran hymns in 2 years, though.

Being Called to a congregation in the Florida/Georgia District that did not previously use or have the Lutheran Service Book, it was quite a challenge to introduce the Liturgy (an article for another time), and Lutheran Hymnody. Moreover, being surrounded by many Baptist, Pentecostal, Non-Denominational churches, and being surrounded by many LC–MS churches that already abandoned Lutheran hymnody, it was quite a task, to say the least.

Despite that, I had to teach this congregation the treasure of our Lutheran hymnody! We have the greatest hymns in the world. Sadly, many Lutherans don’t know or sing them. Throughout my life, I’ve heard many complaints about the difficulty of learning our own hymnody. Regrettably, many pastors and parents have used “difficulty” as an excuse to no longer learn, teach, or sing them anymore. As a result, many have abandoned the faithful words and beautiful melodies of Lutheran Hymnody for easy-to-sing,

American-Evangelical radio songs that fail to be true to the Word of God!

However, rather than cower away from the “difficulty” of teaching these hymns, we must all learn why Lutheran hymns are beneficial, first. Lutheran hymnody is worth teaching because it faithfully preaches God’s Word and causes us to remember it. Pastors shouldn’t teach hymns simply for the sake of teaching hymns; rather, they should teach hymns because hymns teach!

The purpose of hymnody is to teach. Hymnody is the combination of theology and music. The Church does this because words set to music are easily remembered and recalled. Therefore, in order to help members recall the True Doctrine revealed by God, it has been set to music!

Since music is powerful—in the sense that it causes us to remember words—we must be careful which words are set to music! If the True Doctrine of God’s Word is set to music, then it is the most beautiful and comforting treasure! However, if false doctrine, frivolity (the absence of any doctrine), or a mixture of Truth and half-truths are set to music, then, this is extremely dangerous and damaging to the Christian. It’s hazardous because it harms the soul. Constantly hearing lies about God and our neighbor will eventually kill both faith and love. This is why we must be careful which hymns we teach God’s

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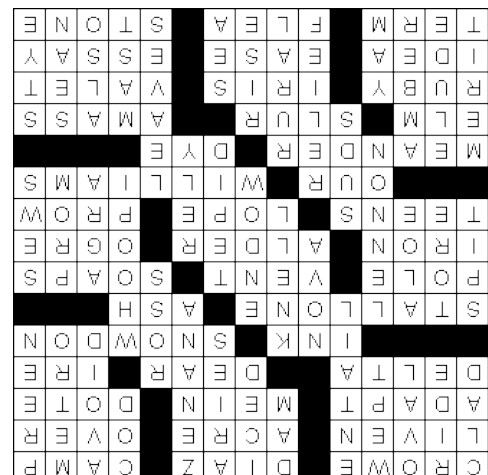
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people: we want people to forget man-made false doctrine; we want them to remember God's Doctrine! Good hymnody is distinctly efficient at doing this!

Knowing what is beneficial, we must also concern ourselves with how to teach it! Before teaching, you must learn it. Pastors should learn, and sing these hymns to themselves, to their families, and to their own sheep. Now, even though the benefit of these hymns outweighs the "difficulty," for many, they still remain a challenge. However, they are "difficult" mostly because they are "new." I say, "New," because, for the most part, many Lutherans have not heard them before (even though these hymns are about 500 years old, or older). As with everything unfamiliar or unknown, it is a challenge. But, it's not impossible.

So, in order to teach the wealth of our Lutheran hymns, I implemented a "Hymn of the Month." The idea simply puts into practice the old adage: Repetition is the mother of learning. This is how you can learn 29 hymns in 2 years:

Create a list of faithful, Lutheran hymns.

Once you have that list, organize the hymns from the simplest melodies progressing to more challenging ones. I started in August 2014 with LSB 754, "Entrust Your Days and Burdens." Make sure the hymn is appropriate to the season. A good idea is to look up the chief hymns, or the hymns of the day, for the year, and use that as a list. This way, you can teach before or after the service why you are singing that specific hymn.

Give the list to the Organist to practice.

Chances are that if the congregation hasn't sung the hymn, the Organist doesn't know or play it either. However,

if you give this to the Organist with enough time, depending on his ability, he can begin practicing a month in advance. Sadly, if a hymn is played poorly, it becomes distracting and many will not "like" the hymn. Although, if it's played as written, many will learn to love it!

Inform your Congregation about the Hymn of the Month. Tell them that you would love to teach them these great Lutheran hymns, and that this will be a good way to learn our hymnody! Write about the theology of the hymn in the Newsletter, if your church has one. Include notes about that hymn in the Bulletin on Sundays.

Play the Hymn music as the Prelude, and during the Offering each Sunday. Have the Organist play the melody before the service, and during the collection of offering. By hearing the melody twice before singing it, they will be a little more familiar with the hymn when it is sung.

Place the Hymn of the Month as the final hymn in every service. When we first implemented a hymn of the month, it was at the beginning of the service. However, I quickly learned that it did not give anyone enough time to hear the melody before hand. It was quickly forgotten with all the other music in the service. So, place it at the end of the service; this becomes the last hymn they hear before leaving. Many of my members told me that they would find themselves humming the melody of this hymn during the week, while at home and at work!

Introduce it on the first Sunday of the month. After the congregation has

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heard the melody during the Prelude and the Offering, it would be helpful to have the Organist play the entire melody once, as an introduction. Then, on the first Sunday it is introduced (or, as needed), the pastor or the choir can sing the first stanza of the hymn alone. Then, the congregation can join in with the second verse. If done in this way, the congregation will have heard the melody four times in about an hour before singing it themselves. As the pastor, turn the microphone up or sing loud for the remaining verses as well. The wonderful thing about hymnody is that the melody repeats each verse. If it is difficult for the congregation to learn, then continue each Sunday of the month with the same routine. By the third Sunday of the month, everyone will know it well and sing it confidently.

Keep the hymn in rotation. After the month, the congregation will know the hymn. Continue to use this hymn during the services of the next month as well. For example, you do not have to sing it every Sunday. But, for one or two Sundays of the next month, have the congregation sing that hymn during the distribution of the Lord's Supper. Continue to bring up the newly learned hymns 2 to 3 months after learning it. In about 5 to 6 months, you can use all 6 hymns in a service! Every hymn sung will be one that was recently taught!

You might have noticed that Zion learned 29 hymns in 2 years, instead of 24. It's because I chose some hymns that had multiple words to the same melody. For example, I chose LSB 453, "Upon the Cross Extended," during Lent, which is also the same melody for LSB 880, "Now Rest beneath Night's Shadow." So, for

Vespers or Compline, we could sing LSB 880 easily. Also, I used the same concept of a "Hymn of the Month," for Advent and Lent. During our Midweek Services, we would learn a hymn appropriate to Advent or Lent in the same way we learned on Sundays. When you add all of this up, Zion did indeed learn 29 hymns before the Anniversary of my 2nd Ordination. The hymns that were once unfamiliar to them are now what we sing on a regular basis. Be faithful, and persistent. Teach these hymns that teach God's Word. Many, sadly, will not remember the sermon you preached last month; but, many will remember these hymns the rest of their life.

The list of hymns will depend and vary with each congregation. Some congregations know some Lutheran hymns, some do not know any at all. Though this might not be applicable to your congregation, here's a list that might help get you started:

August: LSB 754, "Entrust Your Days and Burdens"

September: LSB 594, "God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"

October: LSB 546, "O Jesus So Sweet, O Jesus So Mild"

November: LSB 585, "Lord Jesus Christ, with us Abide"

Midweek Advent Services: LSB 889, "Before the Ending of the Day"

December: LSB 334, "O Lord, How Shall I Meet You"

January: LSB 402, "The Only Son from Heaven"

February: LSB 760, "What God Ordains is Always Good"

Midweek Lenten Services: LSB 453, "Upon the Cross Extended" (also, LSB 880)

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March: LSB 438, “A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth”

April: LSB 458, “Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands”

May: LSB 556, “Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”

June: LSB 708, “Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart”

July: LSB 865, “Lord Help Us Ever to Retain”

August: LSB 581, “These are the Holy Ten Commands”

Here are all the hymns we learned in two years:

- Entrust Your Days and Burdens (LSB 754)
- God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It (LSB 594)
- O Jesus So Sweet, O Jesus So Mild (LSB 546)
- By All Your Saints in Warfare (LSB 517/518)
- Before the Ending of the Day (LSB 889)
- O Lord, How Shall I Meet You (LSB 334)
- The Only Son from Heaven (LSB 402)
- Jesus, Refuge of the Weary (LSB 423)
- Lord, ‘Tis Not That I Did Choose Thee (LSB 573)
- Upon the Cross Extended (LSB 453)
- Now Rest Beneath Night’s Shadow (LSB 880)
- Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands (LSB 458)
- Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me (LSB 756)
- Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart (LSB 708)

- Grant Peace, We Pray, in Mercy Lord (LSB 777)
- Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me (LSB 683)
- Evening and Morning (LSB 726)
- Dearest Jesus, We are Here (LSB 592)
- Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide (LSB 585)
- From Heaven Above to Earth I Come (LSB 358)
- O Bride of Christ, Rejoice (LSB 335)
- O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright (LSB 395)
- What God Ordains is Always Good (LSB 760)
- Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior (LSB 627)
- Christ, the Life of All the Living (LSB 420)
- The Strife is O’er, the Battle Done (LSB 464)
- Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice (LSB 556)
- These are the Holy Ten Commands (LSB 581)
- Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain (LSB 865)

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Redeemer Child Care

Bible Lessons

Chapel is on Monday's at
3:45

8/31 God Made Me

Genesis 1-2

9/7 God Made The
World

Genesis 1

9/14 The Flood

Genesis 6:11-8:22

9/21 Abraham's Call

Genesis 12:1-9

9/28 Abraham's Son

Isaac Is Born

Genesis 21:1-7



Dear God,
Through the power of
Your word, you created
such a beautiful world.
Thank You for it! Amen.

Submitted by Wendy Horvath

Birthdays

9/1 Ayden J.

9/1 Diego

9/3 Jayden

9/4 Braxton

9/5 Samantha

9/6 Jordan

9/10 Ayden D.

9/16 Matthew

9/21 Alyssa

9/23 Connor Z.

9/24 Tyson



Special Days in September

9/5 Labor Day - Child
Care is CLOSED

9/6-9/12 Book Fair

9/6 Open House

9/23 Child Care is CLOSED
- Teacher Conference

What We Are Learning

Mondays - Redeemer
Kindergarten class Piano
Lessons

Thursdays - Ms. Vicky's
class, VPK &
Kindergarten
Gymnastics class 10:30-
12

Open House
September 6, 2016
from 6 to 7 pm.

Stop by a see your child's
room, talk with your child's
teacher & take a look at
cute projects that the
children have been working
on. Also stop by and check
out the Scholastic Book
Fair.



September 6-12
In the Cafeteria

CLASSIFIEDS

- Lawn Care** Call Todd Armstrong at (941)961-7584 for your lawn care needs.
- Cleaning Services** CK-Clean LLC—Residential cleaning service—Kristine Bowers Baltimore (941) 681-6514
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LOST AND FOUND

If anyone is missing any items, namely eyeglasses, gloves, umbrellas, etc., please check the Lost & Found box located in the narthex.

ELDER & COMMUNION ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

DATE	ELDER	COMMUNION ASSISTANT
Sept 4th	Mike Nagel	Steve Horvath
Sept 11th	Paul Brown	Dennis Replinger
Sept 18th	Stephen Wurster	David Giroux
Sept 25th	Collins Sita	Mark Horvath

GREETERS

<i>September 4th</i>	<i>Sally Zierdt Randy & Myra Schaubs</i>
<i>September 11th</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>September 18th</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>September 25th</i>	<i>TBA</i>

Submitted by



COFFEE HOUR

<i>September 4th</i>	<i>Collins & Paulette Sita</i>
<i>September 11th</i>	<i>Lisa Grayson</i>
<i>September 18th</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>September 25th</i>	<i>Carol Spooner</i>

Submitted by Brd. of
Community &
Parish Fellowship



PUZZLE PAGE

Across

1. Surname of *A Beautiful Mind* actor
6. Actress, Cameron ____
10. Bivouac
14. Invigorate
15. Land measure
16. Finished
17. Rewrite
18. Chow ____
19. Show excessive affection
20. Fertile plain
21. Expensive
23. Anger
24. Writing fluid
27. Highest mountain in Wales
29. Surname of Rocky actor
34. Volcanic debris
35. Earth has a north and south
36. Opening
38. TV serials
42. Golfclub
43. Type of tree
45. Fiend
46. Adolescent years
48. Trot
49. Bow of a ship
50. Belonging to us
52. Surname of Oscar-winning *Good Will Hunting* actor
54. Wander
58. Coloring material
59. Nightmare street
60. Disparaging remark
62. Accumulate
67. Gemstone
69. Part of the eye
71. Personal attendant
72. Notion
73. Simplicity
74. Composition
75. Limited period of time
76. Leaping insect
77. Laurel Hedare in the 2004 movie, *Catwoman*, Sharon ____

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Down

1. Clothed
2. First American woman in space, Sally ____
3. English cricket ground, sounds geometric
4. Cried
5. Imply
6. Water barrier
7. Frozen
8. Star sign
9. Light quilted fabric
10. Fish
11. Obviate
12. French Underground railway
13. Clean with a bill
22. Surname of *Lady Sings the Blues* star
25. Kind of star
26. Sound of a bell
28. First name of *Sister Act* actress
29. Skewer
30. Ripped
31. Succulent plant
32. Surname of ex-Beatle
33. Empower
37. Lukewarm
39. Site of the Taj Mahal
40. School dance
41. Darns
44. Depend
47. Foam
51. Respite
53. Departs
54. Virtue

55. Evade
56. Translucent fossil resin
57. Pertaining to country life
61. Ascent
63. Vertical spar
64. As well as
65. Former Bond actor, ____ Connery
66. Eye infection
68. Edible tuber
70. Expanse of water

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Sunday School: 9:15 AM

CHURCH OFFICE PHONE: 941-475-2410

The Redeemer Lutheran Church & School Family are called into the service of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ by His command (Matthew 28:18-20) to:

- Disciple all nations, that is, all people;*
- Baptize in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;*
- Proclaim the Gospel and teach His Word in its truth and purity.*