



# The Redeemer Review

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One of my dearest theologians from the Eastern Church is John Zizioulas. For him, the great achievement of the early church is that it redefined the nature of Greek ontology. In the doctrine of the Trinity, relationality is our ontology. Ultimate reality (being) is *being-in-relations* (Trinity). Thus, at the heart of reality is a “communio,” the Latin root from which we derive the English words: communion and community. In Trinitarian communion, the persons of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit exist in perfect harmony, maintaining a balance between cohesion and differentiation. They are deeply connected without being enmeshed. They are different without being separate.

I believe that ministry is all about relationships. There are many different ministries, leadership styles and people, and yet all of them are not separated from each other. How to embrace the differences in unity, not uniformity, for God’s ministry sake is the

key guiding factor to restore and maintain healthiness in ministry. In this case, the mutual respect of each person’s role in ministry plays the main role.



I do believe that God has brought us together as a team for God’s mission/vision which connects us purposefully and systematically. In other words, the purpose of our *being-in-relations* is God’s mission/vision. At the **Visioning Retreat on Saturday, February 26, from 1pm to 4pm**, we will recapture the mission/vision of God for us in Christ Jesus. All are invited to the retreat. This retreat is designed based on the congregational survey we have done during the month of January. So, come and contribute your thoughts and passion to the visioning process by being a FROG (Fully Relying On God) Team for Christ! I do believe that God will do mighty things we’ve never thought of if we allow God to be God through our harmonious community.

Ribbit!  
Pastor Sunny



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## **Worship Schedule**

**February 6 Pastor Sunny**

Confession & Thanksgiving

Psalm 32:1-5 & Psalm 103:1-5

**February 13 Pastor Sunny**

Supplication & Intercession

Mathew 7:7-11 & Romans 9:1-3

**February 20 Marianne Rogenski**

Go Into the World and Love Hungry

Isaiah 58:6-9 1 & Corinthians 13

**February 27 Pastor Sunny**

Remember the Past Celebrate the Present

Deuteronomy 6:4-12 & Jonah 4:1-11

**March 6 Pastor Sunny**

Envision the Future

Acts 20:22-24

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## **Sunday Morning**

*People say they don't need to go to church because they can find God in a majestic forest.*

*Yes, God is there, too.*

*But I would miss the children poking their little siblings, the old neighbors who have knelt beside us for a generation, the men and women who make the church a community.*

*I don't get much feedback from fallen leaves.*

from *Daily Meditations for Busy Grandpas* by **Richard Frisbie** - brought to us by **Bruce Bedingfield**

## Souper Bowl of Caring February 6, 2011

On this Super Bowl Sunday you are all invited to participate in the Souper Bowl of Caring! Please bring one non-perishable food item with \$1 wrapped around it to church that morning.

The youth will collect it from you as you come in. All food donations will be used to stock the food pantry at church and all money will be used for the pastor's discretionary fund and for gas and grocery cards.

Thanks for your support!

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## United Methodist Men Super Bowl Spaghetti Dinner

*February 6, 11:30 a.m.*

## Breakfast Meeting

*February 12, 8:00 a.m.*

All men of the church are invited to join us Saturday, February 5 at 8:00 a.m. to manufacture and cook meatballs for the Sunday dinner. Then come Sunday to help cook, serve and clean up.

Also come Saturday, February 12 at 8:00 a.m. for the UMM regular breakfast meeting and book study.

Thanks to all who purchased the UMM holiday snacks. The project yielded \$670 which will be used to support the various worthy organizations that we donate to annually.



## Crisis Center Needs

*by Carlene Thompson*

When it is cold, windy and snowing we all want a warm coat, hat, scarf and gloves. The Crisis Center always offers these items to those who have none. Coats, hats, gloves and scarves are always needed at the CCC. Please be sure they are clean and had gentle use. New pajamas and slippers for women, boys and girls living in the shelter are needed. Also, new thermal underwear in men's sizes small through 2XL

Health Supplies needed are: Acetaminophen, allergy medication, antacids (TUMS), Band-Aids/bandages, calamine lotion, cold/flu products, Ibuprofen, Kaopectate, Neosporin/Bacitracin, pediatric and sinus medications. All supplies must be new, over-the-counter items sealed in original containers and have current dates.

All greeting cards can be recycled either with CCC or St. Jude's Ranch for Children. They need the entire card. They can be placed in the cabinet in the Narthex labeled CCC. What a great cause for items that eventually go in the trash (if reluctantly).

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## 633 Worship Experience May 1, 6:33 p.m.

Our next 633 service will be on May 1, 6:33 p.m. Mark your calendars as this is an evening you won't want to miss!

## Education Ministries

*by Rev. Elizabeth Bowes*

### Children in Worship

Jesus openly included children. He said, “Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.” (Matt. 18:5). Jesus knew children learn by participating and asking questions. Today’s children learn in much the same way. Any qualified teacher will tell you that children learn best as they experience life. There is no better way we can help our children grow in their relationship with God than through worship.

Worship allows children to experience God for themselves. Worship creates a sacred space where children begin to experience the holy. Worship helps children learn the language, symbols, and songs of our denomination. In worship children hear new words, which they will eventually learn the meaning of, such as prayer, hymn, community and the Trinity. Symbols used in worship such as the cross, candles, and liturgical colors lay the foundation for later theological understandings of their significance. Praying, singing, and reading scripture together teach children the importance of corporate worship.

The question is not, “*Should* children be included in the worshipping community?” but “*How* do we help children be a part of the worshipping community?” Those of us involved in education and various other children’s ministries have collectively been discussing how we meaningfully manage to do this.

## Beginning Sunday, February 6 at the 9:00 a.m. worship -

The Cherub choir and Joyful Noise will now sing the FIRST SUNDAY of the MONTH, which is Communion Sunday.

Also, the FIRST SUNDAY of the MONTH there will be NO 9:00 a.m. Children’s SUNDAY SCHOOL offered.

*NOTE: this is a change from what had been planned in August to have the children/youth choirs switch to singing at 10:30 a.m. on the 3rd Sunday of the month.*

This will provide one Sunday a month for children to be in worship with their families. Nursery care will still be provided pre-school children.

Worship materials will be provided by education, such as clipboards, bags and bulletins. We also suggest parents arrive early enough to get settled in to seats, but not so early your child gets fidgety. We encourage you to sit up front ~ this actually helps children focus. For those families who worship at 10:30 a.m., a “Children’s Message” will be included EVERY WEEK in the service.

It is our conviction that by involving children in worship during the early years they will learn the songs, prayers and various parts of worship that will most likely help them to continue to appreciate and participate in worship later in life.

## Vacation Bible School Curriculum OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, February 20 after the 10:30 worship the VBS Steering Committee invites anyone and everyone who wants to come help us select which program we will use this summer for Vacation Bible School, which is offered July 11 -14 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

### Calendar In February

#### *9:00 a.m. Education and Worship*

Feb. 6 – 9 a.m. No Sunday School; Cherub choir & Joyful Noise sing  
- Bring in Souper Bowl of Caring ~ can and \$\$\$  
- 11:30 a.m. UMM Spaghetti Dinner

Feb. 13 – 9 a.m. Sunday school ~ Food Drive all month

Feb. 18 -19 – Pray for 30 Hour Famine participants

Feb. 20 – 9 a.m. Sunday school ~ Famine Sunday & Food Drive

Feb. 27 – 9 a.m. Sunday school – Food Drive

#### *Confirmation schedule*

Feb. 6 - **we don't meet** due to the Super Bowl

Feb. 13 - *11:30 Wesley Hall/Lunch – Gorvett family*

Feb. 20 - **we don't meet** due to 30 Hour Famine

Feb. 27 - *11:30 Wesley Hall/Lunch – we need someone???*

Mar. 6 – *11:30 Wesley Hall/Lunch Hill family*

Mar. 13 - *11:30 Wesley Hall/Lunch – we need someone???*

Mar. 20 – **we don't meet** due to Spring Break

Mar. 27 – **we don't meet** due to Spring Break

Dear families if you have provided lunch once this year please consider signing up again. If you have already signed up and provided lunch twice this year please do not feel the need to sign up again. Thank you for your help and support of this ministry. ~ *Rev. Elizabeth*

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### Wonderful Volunteer Opportunity Available!

*by Sue Zimmeroff*

Do you like having fun? Do you enjoy watching the children's choirs at church? Do you love kids? *Can you play the piano?*

If so, the Cherub and Joyful Noise choirs need you!

Sadly, I must report that **Paula Temple Patterson**, our accompanist for 15 years, is leaving for Florida this summer. In order to keep the Cherub and Joyful Noise choirs going, we need a new accompanist. We rehearse Tuesdays during the school year from 5:00 to 5:45 p.m. – Cherubs from 5:00 to 5:20 p.m. and Joyful Noise from 5:20 to 5:45 p.m.

Please call **Sue Zimmeroff**, 847-812-5295, if you are interested.



## ASP (Appalachia Service Project) News

*by Marianne Rogenski*

Our next meeting for the 2011 ASP team is January 27, 7-8:15 p.m. Please plan on being there if you are going on the trip. Contact Marianne if that will be a problem. The volunteer deposit of \$120 per person is due at or before this meeting. Again, please contact Marianne if that is a problem...there are things that we can do to offset this cost.

### Meetings coming up

March 7, 7-8:15 p.m.

May 13-14, retreat

June 15, 7-8:15 p.m.

June 18-25, the trip!

The website for ASP is [www.asphome.org](http://www.asphome.org) and I would encourage all volunteers to check out the info that is there. Adult leaders—there is some info specifically for you!

We are always looking for fundraising opportunities for this trip. Please contact Marianne if you have an idea.

## Sr. High (9th-12th grades) Youth Group News

First, I want to thank all of the youth that attended the ski retreat in January. It was an amazing group of youth and we all had a

great time! I would also like to thank **Rich Hill** and **Ian Rogenski** for chaperoning with me!  
~Marianne

## February

6 NO YOUTH GROUP

13 Youth Group at church 7-8:30 p.m.

18-19 30 Hour Famine at Church

20 Famine Sunday both morning services.  
No youth group in evening.

27 Youth Group at Zippy's 7-8 p.m.

## 30 Hour Famine 2011

World Vision's 30 Hour Famine will be February 18-19, 2011. This is an event for all jr. and sr. high students at ORUMC and students are encouraged to invite their friends. Participants raise money to help alleviate hunger and poverty throughout the world. They fast for 30 hours (modified fasts are allowed) while participating in games, Bible studies, service projects, and fellowship.

If you are interested in participating, please get a consent form from Marianne. Once that has been signed, you will receive your fundraising packet. Check the youth newsletter for more info and as always you can contact Marianne for more information. Participants will receive a detailed letter 1-2 weeks before the famine.

Please note that youth group on February 27 is only one hour.

## March

- 6 Youth Group at church 7-8:30 p.m.
- 13 Youth Group at church 7-8:30 p.m.
- 20 NO YOUTH GROUP—Happy spring break!
- 27 Youth Group at Chipotle 7-8 p.m.

Please note that youth group on March 27 is only one hour.

*Don't forget to check out ORUMC Sr. High on Facebook!*



**January Ski Retreat**



<b>Karen Greenwalt</b>	<b>2/3</b>
<b>Ellen Swartz</b>	<b>2/11</b>
<b>Michael Hernandez</b>	<b>2/20</b>
<b>Caitlin Wilkes</b>	<b>2/21</b>
<b>Justin Edwards</b>	<b>2/26</b>
<b>Kelsey Lukowicz</b>	<b>2/29</b>



**Saturday, March 12**  
**from 2:30-10:30**  
*Trinity Lutheran Church in Roselle*

*Scrapbook Night/ Silent Auction to benefit The National Multiple Sclerosis Society*

Anyone interested in helping with, donating to, or attending the Crop event, please email **Laura Machonis** at [info@cropforacause.com](mailto:info@cropforacause.com). We need helpers for many jobs including set-up and clean-up.

If you are not a “crafter” please feel free to come by for the auction or just to say hi. There are over 100 items: scrapbooking supplies, leisure items, sports event tickets, gift certificates, golf packages and more.

A few tickets are still available so get yours today. Registration info can be found at [www.cropforacause.com](http://www.cropforacause.com).

## Save the date! Special Community-wide Event

### Collaborating for Kids at Risk *Thursday, March 3, 7-8:30 p.m.*

*Our Redeemer's* will be hosting a special event: Collaborating for Kids at Risk, on March 3, 7-8:30 PM.

This event, which will feature 2-3 outside speakers, will focus on children at risk and how we can help as a faith community. We also hope to encourage greater collaboration among and between congregations and (secular and faith-based) human service agencies to help kids at risk.

The event will be open to the public, so please encourage your friends to attend.

If you have any questions, please contact **Jon Montgomery**, a member of Micah Ministries, at [jla@aol.com](mailto:jla@aol.com).

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## Free Amplified Phones Available

The Schaumburg Township Disability Services Department, One Illinois Blvd, Hoffman Estates, can assist you to apply for FREE amplified telephones. There is no age requirement or income limit. Telephone service is required. A doctor or licensed audiologist's signature is required on the application.

Phones are available to test at the township office. Call 847-884-0030 to schedule an appointment.

## Church Ladies Nite Out *February 16, 6:00 p.m.* *Red Lobster*

The Church Ladies will be going to some great places from February thru July 2011! Please join us and bring a friend! If you have any questions, call **Bev Wilkes** at 847-885-2311.

Please join us for fellowship, fun and good food. Our schedule is as follows:

- Feb 16 Red Lobster on Golf Rd
  - Mar 16 Ballydoyle in Stratford
  - Apr 20 Joe's American Grill by Spring Hill where Floyd's used to be.
  - May 18 John Barleycorn off of Golf Rd
  - June 15 Chef Ping on Algonquin east of New Wilke Rd
  - July 20 Jameson's Charhouse by Stratford off of Schick Rd
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## Part-Time Help Wanted

The Roselle United Methodist Church is seeking a part-time secretary/administrative assistant. This position's duties include answering phones, creating weekly bulletins, filing, organization of church documents, working with church staff and various office duties.

Must be professional, friendly and self-motivating with a good phone voice and a desire to serve others. Excel and Publisher skills are required. Experience preferred. Please send resume by January 31 to Roselle United Methodist Church, 206 South Rush Street; Roselle, IL 60172-attention: Val. Call 630-529-1309 for more information.



## Mom's Night Out

*Thursday, February 10, 7:00 p.m.  
Red Lobster (on Golf Road)*

All moms are invited to go out and enjoy good food and fellowship. Mom's night out is for all mothers but especially those who have children that are school age or younger.

You do not need to be a member of ORUMC to attend! All are welcome.

For more information or reservations, contact **Annette Brown**, 847-882-8629 or 847-341-8445 or email [Anneteb421@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Anneteb421@sbcglobal.net). We do not require reservations, so feel free to join us at the last minute.

### **Future Dates:**

March 10 John Barleycorn  
April 14 Melting Pot  
May 12 Riccardo's  
June 9 PF Chang's



## Scrapbooking Night at Church

*February 25, 6:30 - 11:00 p.m.*

Attention to any adults interested in scrapbooking, making cards or paper crafting. Join us Friday, February 25 from 6:30-11:00 p.m. in Wesley Hall for a time to share in fellowship and a common hobby. If you are an experienced or beginner scrapbooker / card maker or you would like to stop by and learn more about this hobby please feel free to attend. Please bring all of your own supplies and any snacks or beverages for the evening.

Please note, we usually meet on the 3rd Friday of each month, however this month the church will be overrun with hungry teenagers that weekend. So, remember to keep all those participating in the 30-Hour Famine in your prayers that weekend and we hope to see you the following Friday.

Please call **Annette Brown**, 847-341-8445 for more information.

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## ORUMC Travel Mugs

We still have travel mugs available for purchase. If you would like one, see Marianne anytime you are at church. They are \$7 per mug.

## Thank You Dear friends,

We would like to send a heartfelt thank you for all of your help during our move to our new home in Streamwood. During the Labor Day weekend, many of you helped us sort, pack and sell the many books and knick knacks that were accumulated during our 11 years at the parsonage.

Between December 1 to December 15, 2010, teams of volunteers helped us renovate and move into our new home. Some of you pulled the carpet, and demolished the old kitchen, others painted lovingly all the rooms in the new house. Yet others helped us pack and unpack so we could get settled before Christmas. You even came in the freezing cold to help us rearrange the garage so Diep can park her car inside. Every little space in our new home was touched by your loving hands. For us, you all are an amazing testimony of God's love alive in community, and you continue to shower us with your friendship and kindness.

Words are not enough to describe how deeply grateful we feel to have you in our lives. May God bless you always. Please know that you are always welcomed in our home!

**Diep, Tim, Dan and Ian**

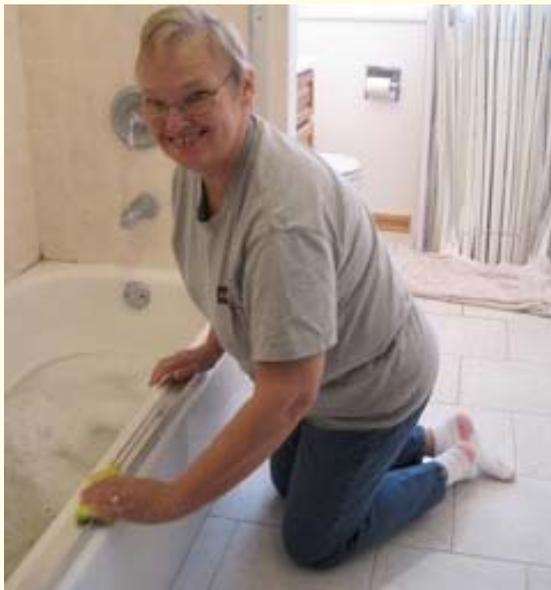


## Thank You Workers

On behalf of the trustees I would like to thank all who sacrificed their time over the holidays to help make improvements to the parsonage. To prepare for our new pastor we painted, replaced kitchen appliances, and the kitchen floor. In addition we removed the upstairs carpet, only to find a beautiful hardwood floor, which we had refinished. To finish things off we added some window treatments.

During the transformation, 41 volunteers spent 630 hours over two weeks. *Our Redeemer's* has many talented and dedicated people. I think I can say that the inspiration we had to complete this project came from **Pastor Bill**, who taught us the importance of serving others. We hope **Pastor Sunny** and her husband **Sung** are happy in their new home.

**Rob Mottar**



# Personal Notes



## Thank you

Thank you with all my heart to my dear adopted *Our Redeemer's* family for all your generous and delicious Christmas gifts. And thank you, too, for inspiring me and renewing my call to ministry. I will never forget you. God bless you and guide you in continued service to our Redeemer.

**Pastor Patricia**

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## Deaths

The congregation extends our deepest sympathy to:

**Diane Kalla** and family on the death of her mother, **Dilys Stahnke**.

**Carlene & Dave Thompson** and family on the death of Dave's brother, **John Thompson**.

**Tim and Misty McGlynn** and family on the death of Tim's mother, **Janet McGlynn**.

## A Beautiful Christmas Surprise

My husband, Ron, my neighbor, Alice and I would like to give a huge THANK YOU to the group from our church that came to our home singing Christmas Carols. YOU WERE ALL WONDERFUL. Some of you I did not know, a few I did know and my family was with them singing beautiful songs. How wonderful for us that all of you took time out of your busy schedule to give us a great Christmas moment! God Bless You ALL!

Hugs and Blessings,  
**Ron and Bev Wilkes**

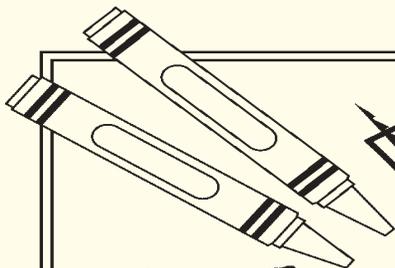
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## Dear ORUMC friends,

I want to thank you so very much for the get well emails, phone calls, cards, visits and gifts regarding my recent surgery. I am blessed to be a part of such a caring church family.

Your prayers and warm thoughts of well wishes were felt by my spirit and I cannot thank you enough for "being there with me" during this difficult time.

Peace and Love,  
**Nancy McPherson**



# PUZZLE

## A Love Letter

In the New Testament, John writes a letter about God's love and the love we should show to other people.

**DIRECTIONS:** Working from left to right, write down all the 1's in the word blanks. Continue with the 2's and finally the 3's. Then read about love, from 1 John 4:11-12, NIV.

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us 1	love 3	we 1	If 2	also 1	is 3	made 3	we 2	ought 1
to 1	love 2	love 1	one 1	complete 3	one 2	another 1	in 3	us 3
another 2	God 2							

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1 John 4:11-12, NIV

Answers: Since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. If we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

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