



# The Redeemer Review

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## Ready, Set and Go!

I love September because it is that time of the year when it is not hot and it is not cold. The small picture above is of a box turtle, with firework or small rocket attached to the body with what appears to be rubber bands and a lighted match. The picture looks better in color, but you can get the idea that this is something silly. It may be a board game with four or five different colors of plastic pieces ready at your turn.

### *Ready, Set and Go!*

Words that can mean so many different things as we start again and sometimes leaving behind the familiar.

There are a lot of great Bible study resources just waiting to teach us more about

God, about scripture, and about living a Christ-like life. Daily devotional materials are like “sprints” to get us going quickly and yet offer relevant stories enough to get your heart racing for God each morning.

Our small groups are digging deeply about how we relate to God and one another. Our Sunday school groups are teaching the basics of faith to our children. Our youth group is a place to explore the meaning of faith and how the youth connects to the world.

I hope we can start a foundational class and learn to appreciate the uniqueness of the Old and New Testament. ( If you are interested in this, please let me know so we can plan together.) *Ready, Set and Go!*

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We are back to our two worship services every *Sunday at 9:00 am and 10:30 am beginning September 13, 2015.*

We are praying that we can offer something different for both services. The focus on sharing the Good News will remain the centerpiece in all that we do.

We also look forward to our *Stewardship Sundays* on *October 4, 11, 18* and *Commitment Sunday on October 25.*

Generosity is also our missional witness and you will find in the newsletter about the request so that we can honor our commitment to pay off the balance of our roof and wall project. Together we can move forward and accomplish this.

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.” (Hebrews 12:1)

“Therefore go.. and make disciples.” (Matthew 28:19)

*Ready, Set and Go!*

(for God and for Our Redeemer's UMC)

*September 13- Rally Sunday (back to Sunday School)*

*October 4- World Communion Sunday (A festive day with different breads)*

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The Second Annual August Rummage Sale is over, and although the income is still being counted, it was a great success in fund-raising for the UMW Missions, both within the church and across the world. Shoppers in the community were happy to find many bargains, and church members were able to happily clean out and recycle many treasures! Early numbers indicate the proceeds will be the same or better than 2014, at least \$3,000.

If you missed your chance to donate, it's not too late! Saver's Thrift Store at 26 Golf Road in Hoffman Estates will donate to UMW for items brought to their store from Sunday 9/13 through Saturday 9/19. Flyers with information are available in the office.

**YOU MUST TAKE A FLYER WITH YOUR DONATION!**

This sale is a result of many contributors hard work. At the risk of missing some, UMW is especially grateful to:

The Rummage team – **Sharon Jung, Betty Miller, Susan Jackson, JoAnne Gregorash, Ronda Wilkes, Robyn Gatti, Donna Echtner, Roberta Conrad, Vren Esguerra, Cathy Mottar, Melinda Taylor and Julie Kuhn**

Tireless Workers (some who gave their entire week to Rummage work) – **Betty and Fred Miller, Shirley and Jerry McDaniel,**

**JoAnne Gregorash, Robyn Gatti, Susan Jackson, Roberta Conrad, Doug Meneely, Jeff and Gwyn Greenwalt, Sharon Felski, Mary Knoppel, Ronda and Colleen Wilkes, Donna, Kim and Jimmy Echtner, Pam Miller, Lori Randall, Robyn Jung, Emily Kuhn, Melissa Bland, Sarah and Austin Calderwood, Melinda Taylor, Vren and Litany Esguerra, Edie Machonis, Annie Weyhee, Sally Hedenberg, June Guthrie, Nancy Shallcross, Judy Wayda, Mary Zalay, Karen Moore and Julie Kuhn.**

The Men - Huge thanks for packing and toting on a very hot day! – **Rob Mottar, Jerry McDaniel, Pastor Romir, Darrell Taylor, Tom Kuhn and Fred Miller.**

Boy Scouts Pack 195

All who donated items for sale

This was truly a team event and a great example of how the UMW and church community can come together to achieve a tremendous result! Miraculously, ORUMC business cards and a beautiful updated ORUMC welcome brochure appeared and were handed out to all shoppers. There are numerous anecdotes of community visitors asking questions about our church, so we have done one small step in making connections to the local community.

Thanks again to all involved, and apologies to those whose name was inadvertently left off the list.

See you next year!



by Marianne Rogenski

## **Education:**

### **Rally Day is September 13!**

We hope to see you at 9am—begin in the sanctuary and the teachers will be introduced and lead the kids back to Wesley Hall for One Room Sunday School. Parents will pick up in Wesley Hall.

Sunday School will be held each Sunday during the 9am service in Wesley Hall—beginning September 13. On the first Sunday of each month the students and teachers will return to the sanctuary for communion. Parents will always pick up back in Wesley Hall.

Be on the lookout for emergency cards to be filled out for the coming school year. They will be sent via email and Marianne has some at church if you would like to get one that way.

If you are a jr. high or sr. high student and would like to help with Sunday School please contact Marianne.

## **Youth:**

### **Youth Kickoff is September 13!**

This year our kickoff will be at The Sport Center, 1141 W. Irving Park Road, Schaumburg.

#### ***We will have a Bubble Soccer Party!***

This will be from 7-9pm on September 13. Marianne needs to know if you will attend by September 4.

While we would normally encourage friends, space is limited. So, I would like to open this up to youth group only at first. If you have a friend that is interested, please let Marianne know and she will let you know after September 4 if they can come.

It is going to be so fun!

### **Big Worship Gathering on September 20!**

Four times this year we will be getting together with several other church youth groups at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church (on Higgins right by HEHS) to worship and share in fellowship. The first of these is September 20, 6:30-8:30pm.

We will meet there and parents will pick up there. There will be worship music, teaching, small group time (with each youth group meeting separately), games, and more!

We would love to see you there and to have you bring friends!

### **Soup Kitchen on October 18!**

On 10/18, 1:30-8:30pm, we will be heading to the soup kitchen in Roger's Park.

We leave ORUMC at 1:30, go to prepare and serve dinner, stop at fast food for dinner on the way home (send money!), and arrive back at ORUMC around 8:30pm.

Please let Marianne know by 10/4 if you will be there.

Parents—we need your help driving and chaperoning! If you can help please let Marianne know that also!

## Youth Group Schedule:

### September

13 Kickoff—Bubble Soccer at The Sport Center 7-9pm

20 Big Worship Gathering at Prince of Peace 6:30-8:30pm

27 Youth Group at ORUMC 6:30-8:30pm

### October

4 Youth Group at ORUMC 6:30-8:30pm

11 NO YOUTH GROUP

18 Soup Kitchen in Roger's Park 1:30-8:30pm

25 Youth Group at ORUMC 6:30-8:30pm

If you are a jr. high or sr. high student and would like to help with Sunday School please contact Marianne.

## ASP News:

Believe it or not it is already time to start thinking about ASP 2016! If you are interested in the trip please let Marianne know!

## Acolytes:

If you are interested in being an acolyte during this school year please contact Marianne. We are hoping to have 2 acolytes each Sunday at 9am beginning on September 13. Many students have been trained and that does not need to be done again. If you are interested and have not been trained just let Marianne know that and we will get it done!



Simon Enriquez	9/1
Wesley Enriquez	9/1
Ryan Randall	9/1
Jenna Edwards	9/4
Christopher Machonis	9/4
Sean Nichols	9/4
Lindsay Oster	9/4
Sarah Pepper	9/9
Garret Brown	9/23
Joshua Brown	9/29
Taylor Swartz	9/29

Our birthday file is out of date. Please notify Donna in the office if we we have missed your child's (or your own) birthday.



**Habitat**  
**September 19**  
**7:00 a.m.**

Grab your hammer and join the Habitat gang at church September 19 at 7:00 a.m. We will carpool to the Lake County Habitat site and spend the day helping work on a Habitat house. We return to church by 4:00 or 5:00 p.m.

Call **Mert Rutledge**, 630-289-4334, if you have questions.



## Community Crisis Center

*by Sally Donaldson*

The Community Crisis Center Food Pantry is always in need of canned fruit, canned meat meals, beef stew, chili, ravioli, etc. Also cereal/oatmeal, jelly, peanut butter, mac & cheese, pork & beans, powdered milk, saltine crackers, soup/ramen noodles, spaghetti/marinara sauce, spaghetti type canned items, tuna, and hand can openers.

Back to School Supplies: folders(2 pocket/solid color), spiral notebooks(one subject, wide rule/solid colors only), pencils(10-count standard # 2 yellow wood), black pens, erasers, scissors, glue sticks (0.21oz), rulers, crayons (24 pack/Crayola preferred), and waterproof backpacks. All school supplies should be gender-neutral.

Autumn is in the air! Hats, gloves, and mittens are needed along with ice-melt for sidewalks and driveways. Halloween costumes for children(non-violent).

Medicine Chest Items: (All items must be new, sealed and with current dates). Non-alcohol cough syrup, non-aspirin pain reliever (for adults and children), antacids, RID shampoo, diarrhea medication, Orajel, Pedialyte, bandaids, antibiotic ointment, gauze, adhesive tape, disposable thermometers, peroxide, rubbing alcohol, and facial tissues.

Baby Needs: Formula, bottles, and cups with lids.

Toiletries: Nail clippers, emery boards, and feminine hygiene products.

Please leave all items for the Crisis Center in the CCC bin in the Narthex cabinet, located to the left of the information desk.

Thank you so much for your generous and thoughtful donations. Your gifts mean so much to those in crisis.



## Women of Faith September 25 & 26

Women of Faith is approaching quickly. If you haven't heard from us yet, you will be soon. We would like to organize carpooling for both days and set up a dinner on Saturday after the program ends, perhaps at Morettis. We will need a head count to make reservations early.

Hopefully we'll have a large group. If you've changed your e-mail address, or never gave it to us, please do so now as that will be our main way of contacting everyone.

Tickets have arrived. We will pass them out at the next UMW meeting and at church in September.

Looking forward to a wonderful weekend.

**Mary Stehlin and Pam Miller**

## Capital Campaign

In September, *Our Redeemer's* UMC will officially begin our Capital Campaign to pay for the mortgage the church set up to pay for the repair our roof and building. For the past 50 years we have witnessed many lives changed by the transforming power of Jesus; and by the grace of God, our congregation has continued to serve his will... and our confidence in Jesus as Lord, as our Forgiver and Leader strongly remains the cornerstone of our faith!

While we could just look at our past and remember the great things God has done, we also know God is calling us to look to the future and anticipate the great things that he desires to do through the people here at Our Redeemer's and the communities we serve. As part of this process, the church entered into a \$135,000 mortgage earlier this year.

In light of this unique opportunity that we believe God has placed before us, we are embarking on a capital funds campaign. The name chosen for our campaign is "Touching Tomorrow Today." The priority of the campaign is to pay off our mortgage in three years.

Any gifts received beyond the payment of the mortgage will be used to reinvest in our church's heating system and general building maintenance.

This is a very large amount of money, but we serve a big God who is in the business of parting Red Seas and multiplying a few loaves of bread and fish to feed thousands. Again, during this capital funds campaign, this is a

time to look beyond our own strength and resources and look to our God. On our own we can't meet these challenges, but with God all things are possible. "Don't be afraid, just believe."

The following shows the range of giving available over a three year period vs. weekly and monthly amounts.

<b>Range of Gifting Over 3-Year Period</b>			
<b>Total Gift Amount</b>	<b>Annual Amount</b>	<b>Monthly Amount (for 3 years)</b>	<b>Weekly Amount (for 3 years)</b>
<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$3,333</b>	<b>\$278</b>	<b>\$64</b>
<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>\$1,667</b>	<b>\$139</b>	<b>\$32</b>
<b>\$4,000</b>	<b>\$1,334</b>	<b>\$112</b>	<b>\$26</b>
<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$84</b>	<b>\$19</b>
<b>\$2,500</b>	<b>\$834</b>	<b>\$70</b>	<b>\$16</b>
<b>\$2,000</b>	<b>\$667</b>	<b>\$56</b>	<b>\$13</b>
<b>\$1,750</b>	<b>\$584</b>	<b>\$49</b>	<b>\$11</b>
<b>\$1,500</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$42</b>	<b>\$10</b>
<b>\$1,250</b>	<b>\$417</b>	<b>\$35</b>	<b>\$8</b>
<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>\$334</b>	<b>\$28</b>	<b>\$6</b>
<b>\$900</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>\$6</b>
<b>\$800</b>	<b>\$267</b>	<b>\$22</b>	<b>\$5</b>
<b>\$700</b>	<b>\$234</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>\$4</b>
<b>\$600</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>\$17</b>	<b>\$4</b>
<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$167</b>	<b>\$14</b>	<b>\$3</b>
<b>\$400</b>	<b>\$134</b>	<b>\$12</b>	<b>\$3</b>
<b>\$300</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$9</b>	<b>\$2</b>
<b>\$250</b>	<b>\$84</b>	<b>\$7</b>	<b>\$2</b>
<b>\$200</b>	<b>\$67</b>	<b>\$6</b>	<b>\$2</b>
<b>\$100</b>	<b>\$34</b>	<b>\$3</b>	<b>\$1</b>



All men of the church are invited to our next breakfast meeting September 12, 8:00 a.m. at church. After the meeting some of the group are invited to go to Villa Park to pick up 1000 pounds of potatoes. We will distribute 400 pounds to our food pantry and the balance to the Hanover Park pantry.

All men are also invited to the annual UMM Spiritual Congress at Conference Point September 18-20. In the past we have had a group go up for the day on Saturday, September 19. Contact Rich Hill if you are interested.

All men are also invited to our local UMM retreat at Conference Point October 30-31. Contact Marshall Nystrom if you are interested.

## **Pizza**

The men will be taking orders for pizza in September for delivery October 4.

## **Holiday Snacks**

The men will be taking orders for holiday snacks in November and December for delivery December 13.



## **United Methodist Women**

All women of the church and friends are invited to join us for our September UMW Potluck on September 1 in Wesley Hall @ 6:30 p.m. Bring your favorite dish to share and be prepared to have a great evening with your church friends.

Our speaker will be **Alyson Klausing** on her recent 6 month mission trip to Malawi, Africa. We will also be distributing tickets for Women in Faith, reviewing the Rummage Sale, and planning the Heavenly Treats Sale in November.

### ***Upcoming 2015 UMW Events:***

Tuesday, September 1st -UMW Potluck and Meeting in Wesley Hall - @ 6:30 p.m.

Friday & Saturday, September 25 & 26 -Women of Faith- @ Sears Center – Hoffman Estates

Sunday, November 22 -UMW Heavenly Treats Sale

Tuesday, December 1st -UMW Holiday Potluck and Meeting in Wesley Hall - @ 6:30 p.m.

## Opportunities to Serve!!

Have you been asking yourself how you might serve in a new way at Our Redeemer's? Well, here's your chance to contribute to our worship experience. We are always in need of **ushers, Scripture readers, greeters, and liturgists**. If you would like more information on any of these service opportunities, please contact the following people.

### Liturgists

#### Joanne Gregorash

joanne.gregorash@gmail.com

### Ushers and Scripture readers

Jill Wood-Naatz

jill.woodnaatz@gmail.com

### Greeters

Betty Miller

bettyjean8@hotmail.com

These are all Sunday morning opportunities with no preparation needed except for liturgists, who need to review the service and their role before worship begins.

We will all be happy to welcome you in whatever role you choose. Just let us know! Thank you for whatever role you play at Our Redeemer's!

## Other Help Wanted

The Ad Council also needs help on a regular once per month basis. If you could attend one meeting a month (usually the third Thursday) the Ad Council needs a recording secretary. Your function would be to record and prepare minutes of the meeting and email the minutes to Ad Council members.

If you are interested, please contact **Bruce Bedingfield**  
drbrucebed@aol.com.

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## Worship Times

In the spring, the worship team held two open forums where we listened to your opinions regarding times for worship services at *Our Redeemer's*.

The vast majority of those who attended or who gave us written input preferred to keep our two service times. The two most mentioned reasons were Sunday School issues and flexibility of times and worship styles.

Therefore, **beginning September 13, our services will return to 9:00 and 10:30 am**. We want to do what will enable us to bring the word of God to more people.

Thank you very much for sharing your opinions and demonstrating your love for God and for His church.



## Personal Notes



Our deepest sympathy to **Peg Sanford** and family on the death of her husband, **Floyd Sanford**.

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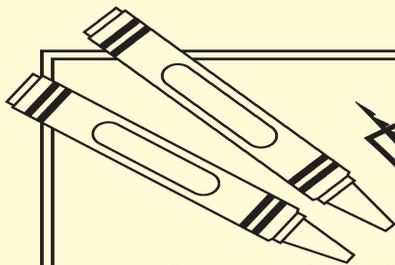
## VBS Volunteers

Ronda Wilkes and Pam Miller would like to say thank you to all who donated food and drinks for the VBS volunteers' dinners. You helped us keep the cost to a bare minimum and everyone enjoyed not having to cook dinner before rushing off to help at VBS.

Thank you!



## UMW Rummage Sale



# PUZZLE

## STAY NOURISHED

Eating nutritious foods such as apples helps keep our bodies healthy. But Proverbs tells us about other important sources of “nourishment.”

**Directions:** Use the words in the apples to complete Proverbs 3:7-9, NIV.



Do not be  in your own  ;  
 the  and shun  .  
 This will bring  to your   
 and nourishment to  bones.  
 the LORD  your wealth,  
 with the firstfruits of  your .

PROVERBS 3:7-9, NIV

Answer: Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones. Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops.

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**Sept 13 - Back to two services**