

# The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

## *Redeemer Reader*

### March 2020

The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer is a community of diverse people called and guided by the Holy Spirit to nurture with God's love those within and beyond our congregation.

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**Office Hours:**  
Mon.– Thurs: 9:00-4:30pm  
Fridays: Closed

#### Redeemer Lutheran Men in Mission



The Lutheran Men of Redeemer will meet on Tuesday, March 10 at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center. Tommy Fellers and John Green are the head chefs. Brandon Bowers will lead the program. All men and boys are invited to attend!

#### Women of the ELCA

#### WELCA News for March

WELCA will meet on Sunday, March 8, at 3:45 PM, in the church library for its business meeting. During this time, a report on the February 16 meeting concerning the SC WELCA Convention will be given. At 4:00 PM we will be discussing Chapter 9 in our Let It Go books. Please make plans to read this chapter prior to the meeting. All women of the congregation are invited to attend.

This year, SC WELCA is supporting two projects – the South Carolina Network of Children's Advocacy Centers "SCNCAC" and Lutheran Disaster Response. On the form below you will see more information about these projects.

Redeemer WELCA would like to ask for your support in either one or both of these projects. Containers will be available in the narthex for the SCNCAC items beginning Sunday, March 8. Any gift cards or checks may be placed in an envelope and left in the office. Please make sure to label the amount of the gift card on the envelope. All checks need to be made out to **SC WELCA**. Thank you for supporting these worthwhile projects.

## From Pastor Matt

Grace and peace y'all!

So, as I write this, last night was Ash Wednesday; the beginning of the season of Lent. And this morning, I had a big conversation with our youngest child, Miriam.

She listened to the sermon. She saw what we did that night of imposing ashes on our foreheads. And she woke up the next day *pretty scared*. She doesn't want to die.

Which is good, because I don't want that either! However, as people of faith we have tough discussions, we confront what makes us uncomfortable, we *don't* sugarcoat this reality.

I was proud of her. We had a good conversation. We cried in one another's arms. I was amazed and humbled by her deep thinking and her wonderful questions. I was glad to have this difficult conversation.

During this season of Lent, perhaps we shouldn't try to hide from those difficult conversations; those thoughts that weigh heavy on our hearts and minds. We've grown up in a world that doesn't want anyone to be 'uncomfortable' in anyway. Our world and society is designed to make things *easier* for us to live, laugh, and enjoy.

At times, I'm thankful for that. But, the reality is – life is at times pretty difficult and is full of uncomfortable conversations and awkward moments. It's OK to have those deep conversations. It's OK to have a discussion that doesn't end with an answer.

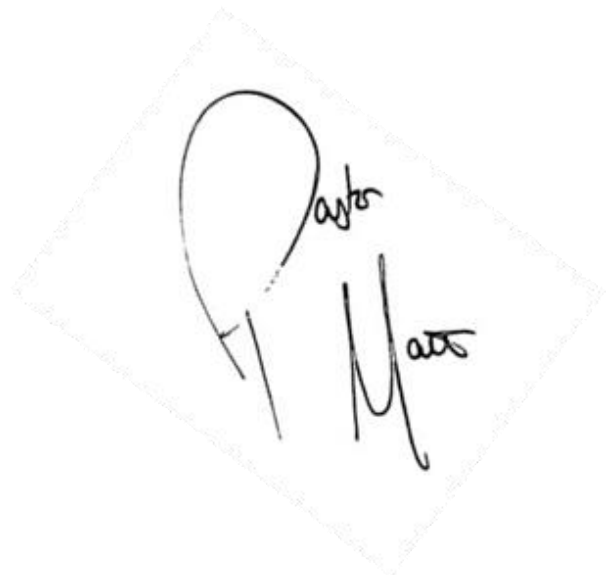
It's OK.

As I told Miriam that morning, no matter what, God's love for us is so great that God will never be away from us. There's nothing we can do or say that will keep God from loving us. No difficult conversation, no hesitant question, no late-night pondering will scare God away from loving us.

God guides us in love to see that we are always in God's presence. That Emmanuel is here. Now. Forever.

Let us open ourselves up to God's guidance. Have those awkward questions, don't be afraid of difficult conversations. God's with you.

I love y'all and I mean it.



Attendance	Sunday School	8:45 am	11:00 am	Total Worship Attendance
February 2	29	35	88	123
February 9	29	32	73	105
February 16	39	43	92	135
February 23	37	50	76	126
Average	34	40	82	122

### Relay for Life

This is the 25th anniversary for Relay for Life, and The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer is planning to be a part of the anniversary celebration which will take place on April 25th from 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm on the campus of Newberry College. The luminary ceremony will be at 8:30 pm. Members will be able to purchase Birthday Cakes for \$1.00, as well as Luminaries for a donation of \$10.00 or more, and Track Signs for \$100.00 and \$125.00 (with a logo), all in Honor of or in Memory of Loved Ones. Forms will be available in the church office and also in the narthex between services during the months of February and March. Those wishing to purchase Track Signs with logos must have that information turned in by March 30th . Luminary forms are due by April 2nd . There are also Sponsorship Levels available and are as follows: Bronze Sponsor - \$500; Silver Sponsor - \$750; Gold Sponsor - \$1,000; Platinum Sponsor - \$1,600; Stage Sponsor - \$2,000; Survivorship sponsor - \$5,000; Presenting Sponsor, \$5,000. There are special recognitions that come along with these sponsorships. If you are interested in becoming one of these sponsors, please see Anne Caughman for more information. These sponsorships are due by March 10th. Survivors are asked to register by either calling 1-800-227-2345 between the hours of 7:00 am to 7:00 pm (Central Time) or going online at [www.relayforlife.org/newberrysc](http://www.relayforlife.org/newberrysc). To become a part of The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer Team, go online to Google and type in Newberry County Relay for Life, and it will take you right to the website. Make sure you register under the church's name. You may also call 1-800-227-2345. Newberry's goal this year is to raise \$125,000.00 for the American Cancer Society.

**LMM YARD SALE CELEBRATION** - Over the past decade and a half, our Lutheran Men's group at Redeemer has sponsored an annual "yard sale" to benefit local charities. It all started as a way to offer financial assistance to the Free Medical Clinic of Newberry, but has grown to support so many other charities in our community. While this has been a labor of love, our men's group has decided to discontinue this sale. We have been brainstorming new ideas, new ministries, and new outreach for our group. (Be on the lookout for these new opportunities to minister.) Please know that your love, support, compassion, prayers, and physical labor have been graciously appreciated. This venture was successful because of you.

In celebration of the success of this community ministry, we are hosting a celebration meal for the congregation and others who have so generously donated their time, energy, items, and service to this sale. Please put Sunday, March 15 at 6:00 pm on your calendar for our celebration meal. If you plan to attend, you must RSVP prior to Monday, March 9 so we can plan accordingly.

RSVP to Huger Caughman, Jr.  
 (803) 276-4836  
[hpcaughman@gmail.com](mailto:hpcaughman@gmail.com)

## Treasurer's report for January 2020

Treasurer's report for Jan. 2020

<u>To meet the monthly Ministry Spending Plan we need:</u>	\$26,576.00
For Dec. - Income:	\$ 21,606.18
For Dec. - General expenses:	\$ 22,144.19
	\$
For Dec. - Income is less than expenses by:	<u>(538.01)</u>
For Dec. - Amick Gift Funds used	\$ -
2019 YTD Income:	\$ 21,606.18
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### Altar Flowers

March 1 - LENT  
March 8 - LENT  
March 15 - LENT  
March 22 - LENT  
March 29 - LENT

### Wedding Anniversaries

March 5 - Nick & Claire Grosshuesch  
March 6 - Adam & Alexis Lockyer  
March 18 - Von & Kathy Dennis  
March 18 - George & Donna Franklin  
March 22 - Tommy & Helen Fellers  
March 25 - Joshua & Mary Nance Joseph  
March 31 - RJ & Cayse Dowd

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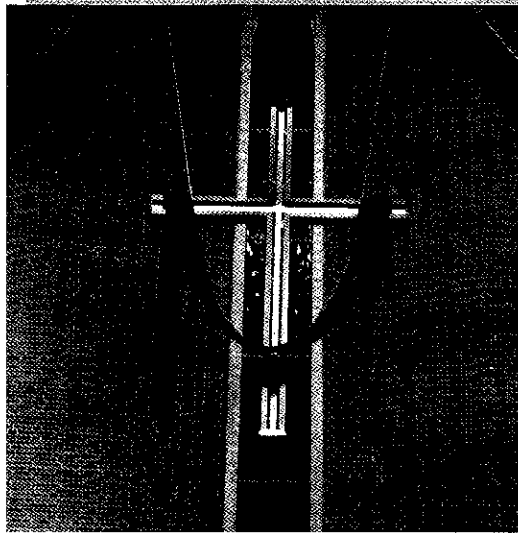
**Daylight Savings Time** begins March 8, 2020. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour.

# The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer — March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> Worship 8:45 AM Children's and Jr Choir 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM White Oak Manor Worship 4:00 PM Property Committee 6:00 PM	<b>2</b> Anger Management 6:00 PM Community Compassion Meeting 7:00 PM	<b>3</b> Library Reserved 6:00 PM Worship and Music-Room 141 6:30 PM Faith Formation Committee 7:30 PM	<b>4</b> Handbell Practice 6:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Daylight Saving Time Begins Worship 8:45 AM Children's and Jr Choir 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM WELCA 3:45 PM Confirmation - St Paul 4:00 PM	<b>9</b> Anger Management 6:00 PM	<b>10</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry-Library 10:30 AM Finance Committee 6:00 PM Library Reserved 6:00 PM Endowment Committee Meeting 6:30 PM Lutheran Men in Mission in FLC 7:00 PM	<b>11</b> Handbell Practice 6:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> FLC Reserved	<b>14</b> FLC Reserved
<b>15</b> FLC Reserved Worship 8:45 AM Children's and Jr Choir 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Yard Sale Banquet-FLC 6:00 PM	<b>16</b> Anger Management 6:00 PM Congregation Council 7:00 PM	<b>17</b> St. Patrick's Day Library Reserved 6:00 PM	<b>18</b> Handbell Practice 6:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM	<b>19</b> First Day of Spring (March Equinox) Newsletter Deadline FLC Reserved	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> Worship 8:45 AM Children's and Jr Choir 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 11:00 AM Confirmation - Redeemer 4:00 PM	<b>23</b> Anger Management 6:00 PM	<b>24</b> Prayer Shawl Ministry-Library 10:30 AM Library Reserved 6:00 PM	<b>25</b> Handbell Practice 6:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:00 PM Senior Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
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# The Seven Last Words of Christ

by Theodore Dubois



Good Friday  
April 10, 2020

7:00 PM

1515 Boundary Street  
Newberry, SC

 Presented by   
The Senior Choir of  
The Lutheran Church of The Redeemer

Director: Gayle D. Lindley

Organist: Huger P. Caughman, Jr.

Soloists: Dr. Chris Sheppard, Corey Shaver,

Melissa A. Sheppard, Alvin Shaver

No Admission Charged



### Prayer Concerns

**Redeemer Members:** Cindy Draeger, Nell Gantt, Darr Wise, Bobby Metts, Georgette Livingston, Dean Mayer, Bobby Summer, Debbie Metts

**Extended Parish Family:** Vernon and Maxine Koon, cousin of Debra Metts; Kent and Mary Beth Richardson, cousins of Debra Metts; Robert Johnson, brother-in-law of Ernest Shealy; James Conley, brother of June Seymour; Patricia Stiles and Reese Burdette, sister and great-niece of Ernie Shealy; Stuart Harmon, husband of Adele Saylor Harmon; Danny Burden, friend of Jessica Draeger; Todd Sanders, friend of congregation; Donnie Brown, friend of congregation; M. C. Yarborough, friend of Lloyd Layman; Tom Phair, friend of June Seymour; Cheryl Bedenbaugh, friend of Polly Davis; Harriett Kinard, friend of Dale and B. L. Brown; Pastor Dick and Jeannie Webber, friends of congregation; Chris Cleveland, father-in-law of David Metts, Jackie Perry, friend of Ann Stone; Robin Duncan, former member of Redeemer; Karen Chasteen, sister-in-law of Jane Moose; Stephanie Neel, friend of Mary E. Hammond; Terri McMurtury, niece of Debbie Metts, Mia Stabile and family, great-niece and family of Ann Jacobs, Walter Jacobs, and Susan Jacobs Thomasson.

*If you have updates to the prayer list, please notify the church office.*

Supper Club - Watch for updates for March meeting.

## *Happy Birthday!*



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|---------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 01-Mar Polly Davis              | 13-Mar Ronnie Dickert Sr. | 25-Mar Lora Setzler     |
| 01-Mar Huger Caughman Sr.       | 13-Mar Miles Hawkins Jr.  | 27-Mar Arlo Hill        |
| 01-Mar Austin Longshore         | 13-Mar Tres' Newell III   |                         |
| 01-Mar Colson Cooper            | 14-Mar Jimmy Weir III     | 27-Mar CJ Clary         |
| 04-Mar Christie Whitaker        | 14-Mar Zarek Reid         | 28-Mar Justin Felix     |
| 06-Mar Bradley Setzler          | 18-Mar Joye Senn          |                         |
| 07-Mar Margery "Sis" Williamson | 18-Mar Christy West       | 28-Mar MaryAlex Kopp    |
| 07-Mar Mike Mature              | 18-Mar Erin Derrick       | 29-Mar Michelle Long    |
| 10-Mar Helen Fellers            | 19-Mar Steve Sligh        |                         |
| 10-Mar Benji Westwood           | 19-Mar Andrew Cousins     | 30-Mar Davy Wilson III  |
| 10-Mar Stevie Sligh III         | 21-Mar Mary Sue Clary     | 31-Mar Tessie Bannister |
| 12-Mar Sybil Cousins            | 22-Mar Mitchell Lewis Jr. |                         |
| 12-Mar Walter Cousins           | 22-Mar Erin Titus         |                         |
| 13-Mar Andy Sidden              | 23-Mar Joshua Joseph      |                         |
|                                 | 24-Mar Grace Lindsay      |                         |

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# Worship Assistant Schedule

<i>Duties</i>	<i>March 1</i>	<i>March 8</i>	<i>March 15</i>	<i>March 22</i>	<i>March 29</i>
<b>8:45 am Communion Prep</b>	Vickie Wiseman/ Beth Hipp	Vickie Wiseman/ Beth Hipp	Vickie Wiseman/ Beth Hipp	Vickie Wiseman/ Beth Hipp	Vickie Wiseman/ Beth Hipp
<b>11:00 am Communion Prep</b>	Hugh Smith Family	Hugh Smith Family	Hugh Smith Family	Hugh Smith Family	Hugh Smith Family
<b>8:45 am Lector and Communion Assistant</b>	Kelly Bannister	Nikki Chapman	Tony Chapman	Claire Grosshuesch	Johnny Lind- say
<b>11:00 am Lector and Communion Assistant</b>	Angela Reid	Deryll Satter- white	Bob Montgom- ery	Cathy Turner	Gaillard Smith
<b>11:00 am Greeters</b>	Community of Redeemer	Community of Redeemer	Community of Redeemer	Community of Redeemer	Community of Redeem- er
<b>Acolyte</b>	Zarek Reid	Julianna Smith	Gaillard Smith	Reese Long	Zoe Reid
<b>Crucifer</b>	Andrew West	Morgan Harshaw	Katerina Long	Kathy Rigglin	AC Cary
<b>Refreshments</b>	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
<b>Unlock Church</b>	James Long	James Long	James Long	James Long	James Long
<b>Lock Church</b>	Tommy Fellers	Walter Jacobs	Ben Bowers	Matt Bowers	Walter Ja- cobs
<b>Usher 8:45 am</b>	Tommy Moose	Tommy Moose	Tommy Moose	Tommy Moose	Tommy Moose
<b>Usher 11:00 am</b>	Andy Senn Rey Lominack June Lominack Steven Stenn	Andy Senn Rey Lominack June Lominack Steven Stenn	Andy Senn Rey Lominack June Lominack Steven Stenn	Andy Senn Rey Lominack June Lominack Steven Stenn	Andy Senn Rey Lominack June Lominack Steven Stenn

Worship Assistant Schedules for the entire year can be found in the Annual Directory.



# THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER CONGREGATION COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Church Library

February 17, 2020

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***Note that after officially approved, the full minutes of the Congregation Council meetings will be available for review in the church office***

Call to Order

Welcome

Members Present: Ernie Shealy, Claire Grosshuesch, Matt Bowers, Jerry Haltiwanger, Walter Jacobs, David Wiseman, Mary Maercklein, Deryll Satterwhite, Sarah Bowers and Robert Kneece

Members Absent: Drew Senn and Arlo Hill

Celebrations and Prayer Requests

Prayer Request: Margery Williamson is in Newberry County Memorial Hospital.

Reports:

Community Compassion Report – Mary Maercklein,, liaison

Finance Committee and Treasurer’s Report – Jerry Haltiwanger, liaison and chairperson – The church ended the year with a short fall of \$776.49.

Inspiring Worship Report – Drew Senn, liaison

Matt Bowers gave a report. The grand piano should be delivered this week.

Property Committee Report – Matt Bowers, liaison

The outside entrance doors to the office and the outside doors to the youth hall have been replaced.

Minutes from January meeting – A correction to the January minutes, Names of the new officers of the Endowment Committee were added to the minutes.

Old Business

Part-time youth worker – Pastor Matt did some investigating on salaries for a youth worker. Huger Caughman, Jr. distributed copies of the duties of the prospective youth ministry worker.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Deryll Satterwhite, seconded by Claire Grosshuesch, to accept this as information. The motion passed. Pastor Matt was not at the meeting and the council felt that he needed to be present before any action was taken. Sarah Bowers agreed to be the council liaison to the Children and Youth Committee.

Playground Committee Update – The committee met. Money has been approved and we are waiting for the playground to be staked out.

Needs and Wants List – New lighting for the sanctuary is at a critical stage. Matt and the other property committee members have talked with a person from Productions Unlimited out of Roebuck, SC and he has submitted a proposal. The work could possibly be completed within one week at a cost of \$87,500.00. Jerry Haltiwanger will talk to Woody Cornwell. A motion was made by Jerry Haltiwanger, seconded by Claire Grosshuesch, to split the money between the money in the major maintenance budget and the wants & needs money.

Abundancia Appeal: This will be a joint project between LMM and the community compassion committee.

Executive Session – The council went into executive session and quickly adjourned.

Comments for the Good of the Order – Matt Bowers and the property committee were commended for all their work on the lighting situation in the sanctuary.

Adjournment and Lord’s Prayer – After praying the Lord’s Prayer, the meeting was adjourned.

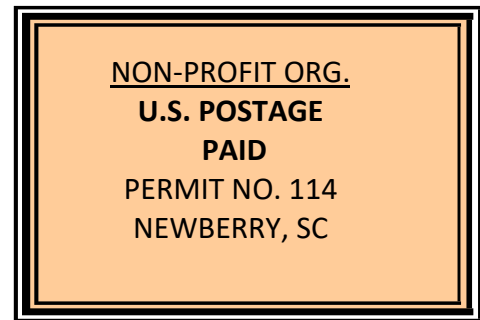
Reminders:

LMM Yard Sale Banquet for all church members – March 15, 2020

Next meeting: March 16th, 2020

*Respectfully submitted, Deryll Satterwhite*

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