Lutheran Church of the Redeemer 2384 E. Landis Avenue Vineland, NJ 08361



Sunday Schedule:
Services will be announced weekly on Facebook and in emails.
Please keep your eye out on these Social Media platforms for up-to-date information during this time.

AUGUST 2020-Monthly Newsletter Redeemer Lutheran Church 2384 E. Landis Ave Vineland, NJ 856-691-4278 The Rev. Heather Sugden, Pastor

THIS IS A CONDENSED CLIPPINGS - BE SURE YOU ARE WATCHING YOUR EMAILS AND FACEBOOK FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION.



JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR ALL AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 VIRUS:

those who are ill and all those caring for them; those who are vulnerable and worried; those who have lost their livelihoods.

May they experience peace and healing during these difficult times.

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

- Pastor's Message
- Birthdays & Anniversaries
- Pictures of the ongoing work in the courtyard
 - Much More!!

Connecting People to Christ, Growing in His Love, Serving Him. "Come and See, Go and Tell, the Good News for All!"

The Monthly Newsletter Redeemer Lutheran Church www.redeemervineland.org

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PLEASE NOTE. The next mailing of the "Newsletter" will be the
September 2020 Issue: The deadline for information to be
included in the upcoming newsletter is August 15, 2020.
Please e-mail News & Articles, Birth Announcements, Family Events,
Thank You Notes, Etc. to: RLC2384@Gmail.com

Redeemer's Mission Statement As a welcoming and nurturing community of faith we: invite all to celebrate Christ's love, empower one another to grow in Christ's love, share Christ's love as we minister to the world.

Redeemer's Vision Statement Come and see, go and tell, the Good News for all!

Just a Reminder! Please write your offering envelope #
(if you know it, or have one) on every check you write to Redeemer.
This is a Big Help to our money counters. Thank You.



Scan this symbol with your Smartphone to view our Church website.

Remember to visit our website: www.redeemervineland.org

"like" us on Facebook RedeemerLutheranVineland

Visit us on YouTube: shorturl.at/alRZ1

Amazon Smile Link smile.amazon.com/ch/21-0684080

Have You Remembered Redeemer In Your Will?



WE ARE BACK!

August 8th (rain date August 15th)

8:00 AM

Watch Facebook for updates Or contact Jerry Amari at 609-247-7470

Water and snack will be available. Don't forget your own mask.

Meet up at the soccer fields on Spring Rd. Vineland

he will draw near to you

JAMES 4:8

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Please remember our loved ones in prayer.

Betty Anderson, Linda (Borman) Burke, Jennifer Czarnecki, Kim DiMarchi, Teresa Fiordimondo, Carl Marinelli, Bill Niglio, George Papiano, Mike Pratzner, Peggy Schumacher, Philip Shenton, Albert Tamagni, Richard Taylor, John Warren.

++Pray for the Geisser & Flebbe Families upon the passing of Lieselotte (Lisa) Geisser on July 12, 2020.

All troops serving our country and the world.

A Message from Pastor Heather Sugden

A sower went out to sow.... A field of wheat entangled with weeds... The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed....

This has been a summer full of parables here at Redeemer, as we read through Jesus' stories in the gospel of Matthew. Parables are stories that appear simple at first, but the more we think about them, the more complicated they get. Such is the appeal and the torment of a parable: its simplicity makes it seem like we "get" it, until we realize we do not fully understand what God is really like.

Parables are a process unto themselves. They draw us in, pull us close, and leave us scratching our heads at the parts that still seem far away. Parables are like a life of faith, I suppose, with God both assuring and confounding us in the mysteries of life.

It feels like we are living in a time of parable. A virus so tiny no one can see it stops the world in its tracks. Some wear a mask and some refuse; what happens next? A church tried to be church outside the building they call church. People realizing the importance of being together while physically apart. Does the kingdom of God care more about statues than people?

The images and stories of our pandemic world begin in ordinary experiences, and yet also seem like they are from another planet. They confound us, surprise us, give us hope, and challenge us to see God at work.

We could each add our own parable images, as we live our pandemic story and try to make sense of a world upside down and inside out. Somehow, faith assures us, there is a story about God to be found in this life we are living each day. As a church, we are called to live the story deeply – jumping into the contradictions, listening carefully to one another, and meeting God in new ways.

I am blessed to be on this pandemic parable journey with all of you. Keep telling me what you see, and keep sharing how you have met God with the world.

In Christ, Pastor Heather



9:00 AM



Drive In Worship in the back parking lot.

If you don't want to sit in your car, feel free to bring a lawn chair.

10:30 AM



Worship Service in Church.

Be sure to follow all social distancing guidelines. Masks must be worn and there will be no socializing after service.

Online

www.RedeemerVineland.org (there are buttons for both Facebook and YouTube)

Facebook - www.facebook.com/ RedeemerLutheranChurch_Vineland

YouTube - search Redeemer Lutheran Church Vineland NJ

LivingLutheran

June/July 2020 Issue highlights.

"Sweet Magnolias" a new series that premiered on Netflix May 19 was written by TV writer Sheryl Anderson and based on a series of novels by Sherryl Woods. The series is on a secular platform but Anderson was able to include much of what is important to her faith as a Lutheran: grace, redemption and the power of coming together.

The church in the novel by Woods is not Lutheran but Anderson intentionally depicts it as an ELCA congregation based on her experiences.

"Sweet Magnolias" centers on the lifelong friendship of three women and on their Pastor, a woman, who doesn't dictate but listens, suggests and guides when the three friends cannot find solace with each other.

A review of the Netflix series begins on page 36 - **A Faithful Witness**.

Faithful Families contains stories of ELCA families who remain faithful as they overcome adversity, celebrate blessings and carry on with everyday life with the support of their congregations.

Generation to generation navigates the dialogue between father-son duo Martin 52 and Seth 21. That exchange shows how a father and son see faith and masculinity.

An Age of anxiety highlights several Lutheran ministries that address teen mental health issues, COVID-19 fears. Several strategies are suggested and many have been put into practice. "Youth are anxious today, but social media makes it worse."

Our Youth need to "talk" and be supported with relationships focusing on individuals in our ministry, going beyond videos and digital presentations.

And, when you just need a change of pace from reading or watching TV there's always the **Crossword: Abraham's Visitors** on page 47.





BACKPACK COLLECTION

We are collecting backpacks and general school supplies to be given to students in the community. Backpacks will be blessed on August 25th at a community worship at Giampietro Park. Items can be left in the plastic tote on the portico. Suggestions:

- Notebooks
- #2 pencils
- Rulers
- Pens
- Glue sticks
- Construction paper
- Lined Paper
- Crayons/markers

Text the word GIVE to 833-547-0104 to give. Follow prompts on screen. Be sure to select Redeemer Lutheran; or visit our website (www.redeemervineland.org) for safe & easy tithing.



July 30 - Cole Panico Carl Marinelli

- Bill Loeschke
- Maya Day Tammy Williams
- 3 Gloria Hauser **Anthony Hermanson**
- 5 Ellen DéFeo
- Jim Rizzo Georgia Salvaryn
- 9 Frank Benson II Bill Niglio Kendric Shollenberger
- 10 Kristin Kenyon
- 11 Teri Drogo
- 12 Thomas Allewelt Fred Nurge
- 13 Frank Benson III Scott Shollenberger
- 18 Joan Freimanis Jena Wiese
- 19 Barbara McDevitt



- 21 Dawn Amari Ann Bradbury Martin Caverow
- 24 Diane Salvaryn
- 27 Dana Marino
- 28 Aimee Cervini
- 29 Sheryl Kenyon
- 30 Griffin Bracall Nancy DiSanto
- 31 James Clay, Jr. Doris Perino



- John & Nancy Manzoni
- Brian & Betsy Harrison Terry & Eileen Love
- 20 Anthony & Dana Marino
- 30 Doug & Lisa Rishel













COURTYARD CHANGES 2020



To the hardworking men and women who have helped and overseen all the work going on in the courtyard everyday, especially in this heat, to make sure everything will look amazing.















