



Teen Trip to NOLA July 2024

September 2024 -Monthly Newsletter
 Redeemer Lutheran Church
 2384 E. Landis Ave Vineland, NJ
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The Rev. Heather Sugden, Pastor

RALLY DAY

September 8, 2024
 see details inside this
 newsletter



Special thanks to Rev. Neil Jaggie for his many years of pulpit supply when needed. We, at Redeemer, thank you and wish you all the best in your FULL retirement. You are always welcome at Redeemer as our friend.

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

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR HEATHER

We have been making our way through what is known as the "Bread of Life" series at worship during the month of August. In John's gospel, this is the way the story of the Feeding of the 5,000 is told: not just as a miraculous story of abundance, but a sign of what God looks like on Earth that requires some time for reflection.

It might seem tedious (and it certainly can seem tedious to the preacher some years!), but the way the gospel is spread out over 5 weeks forces us to eat slowly and truly consider what it means that Jesus feeds people with the Bread of Life. Yes, Jesus shows us, we are to be generous and use the blessings of this world to feed one another, just like the little boy's 5 loaves and 2 fish that feed 5,000 people. Yes, Jesus proves to us, we have enough of what we need to be satisfied. Yes, Jesus points out to us, true life is found in him.

But I also think we need to consider the actual feeding process itself. If you notice the way the story is told (check out John, Chapter 6!), it takes a while for the crowd to figure out how Jesus feeds them differently than any earthly power. This is not the Emperor throwing bread at them, or a soup that is thinned out with water to accommodate a growing crowd. No, Jesus offers the *best* food that satisfies *every* hunger. Everyone who comes to him will be filled, and will have eternal life.

I like to compare the bread of life Jesus offers to the typical food that fills our bellies by thinking about fast food versus slow food. I don't hate fast food. In fact, I find myself craving French fries WAY too often! But if we eat it all the time, we know it will make us sick. Slow food, on the other hand, is like gathering vegetables out of our garden, baking bread, and cooking with our loved ones to create a beautiful meal we sit down together to eat. The meal is not just the food itself, but the entire relationship with the people around us and the earth which provides.

Faith is an exercise in slow food. We can get by most of the time with the fast food the world offers cheaply and by doing our best to be a good person. But the food that truly satisfies our deepest hungers is a relationship with Jesus that sustains us our entire lives.

I pray we all might have the time to slow down and feast on God's abundance during this season of blessing.

In Christ,
Pastor Heather

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PLEASE NOTE. *The deadline for information to be included in the newsletter is **the 15th of every month.***

*Please e-mail your information to: **RLCOffice2384@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.

Have You Remembered Redeemer In Your Will?



LADIES TEA & MEN'S BREAKFAST

I-Rise received 18 new tea kettles plus \$415 in additional items from the tea and Pastor's Discretionary Fund received \$155 from the men's breakfast. Thank you to all who made these gifts possible.

Thank you to Jeff Munsick for providing the sound system for the luncheon and to all those who made these events possible.



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Special thanks to our musicians:
Fabulous Silver Wings, Andy Dimacale &
Friends, Louis Vincent Jazz Band and Bo Rains!

Donations made to:
Vineland Soup Kitchen, Vineland School Band,
Lutheran Disaster Response & Vineland
Veterans Home

Special thanks to the Concert Committee &
Volunteers for making this great!



"The After Party" Bible Study Begins September 12th

For those who are in despair over political divisions in our nation and in our own families, this study looks to re-center us on Jesus' teaching. Join us to learn more about how we might put relationships ahead of our need to think we are right.

Thursday, September 12th
Manor House Living Room
6:30 PM
Light dinner provided

Speak with Pastor Heather for more information.



Grandparent's Game Night September 6th 6:00 PM

Join us as we celebrate our grandparents!

Grandparents bring your grandchildren (children are invited too) for a night to have fun and relax. Teach them some of your games and maybe learn one of theirs! Grandchild/grandparent not required to attend.

All are welcome for this month's Senior Activity.

Bring your favorite game, board or electronic!

Light dinner provided.



CELEBRATING

OUR YOUTH TRIP TO NOLA



ON AUGUST 18, 2024

THE YOUTH WHO ATTEND THE ELCA YOUTH TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS SHARED
WITH THE CONGREGATION ABOUT THEIR TRIP FOLLOWED BY A PICNIC
THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED AND MADE THE TRIP POSSIBLE
AND TO ALL WHO HELPED MAKE THE POSSIBLE.

RALLY DAY

Followed by breakfast
and activities for the
kids!

September 8, 2024

Join us for one service at
9:30 AM



September Birthdays

September Anniversaries

8 - Wayne Fisher
George Steinbronn
13- Richard Shenton
14 - Harry Ackley
17 - Kathy Schad
18 - Jim Clay
10 - Anch Gbolo
20 - Gayle Penven
22 - Nicole Stanewich
23 - Julianna Hermanson
25 - Karen Golway
26 - Florence Bizzari
29 - Hildegard Krump
30 - William Lomberg
Dale Nichols

2 - Pete & Joan Freimanis
12 - Jim & Kathy Clay
21 - George & Jody Steinbronn
24 - Tom & Susan Burch
25 - Chris & Becky Williams
28 - Keith & Susan Bradbury



REMINDER: In light of recent postal regulation changes and our commitment to being good stewards of our resources, we're making a few adjustments to how you receive Clippings.

Starting with this issue of Clippings, copies will now be available at **church on Sundays**. Copies will be accessible at church throughout the month.

Would you like to keep receiving our newsletter by mail? No problem! Please contact the church office with your preference. As always it is available on the website:
redeemervineland.org/newsletter



Upcoming Senior Events for those 55+ish.

Call the church office for more information or to RSVP for these upcoming events.

September 6th - 5:00 PM
Celebrate Grandparents Game Night!
Bring your families (not required)
Bring your games to share video or board)
Light refreshments will be served. (RSVP)

October 4 - Van Trip to Winterthur (RSVP)

November 1 - "Expand your taste buds"
luncheon (RSVP)

December 21 - Santa & the White Elephant



A Thank You:

Dear Pastor Heather,
On behalf of my fellow Veterans here at the VMH Vineland, I want to personally thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity for sponsoring a summer concert for our benefit. There are no other words that will express our gratitude other than thank you. May God bless you and all your parishioners for your consideration and continued support here at Vineland.

Sincerely,
Gregory R. Miller, President Resident Council

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Please keep in prayer the long term needs of: Betty Anderson, Jerry Amari, Jerry Carter, Jim Clay, Tracy and Jud Edwards, Bob, Ellie & Tim Federwitz, Ernestine Gbolo, Linda Haines, Violet Harris, John Hoffman, John Jones, Joan Lyons, Alice Motter, Scott Nagele, Peggy & Oz Schumacher, Dick & Carol Shenton, Kevin Thurlow, Katy Tyler, John Warren, Ginny Workman, and our College Students

Donations made in memory of:

- Roy Bradbury on the 100th anniversary of his birth (8/8/1924)
- Harry Fisher by Doris Allewelt

All troops serving our country and the world including:

Matt Collins, Meredith Conley, Albert M. Floriani,
Michael Gonzalez & Kevin Sykes

Living Lutheran Review by Joan Freimanis

Hymn of the Month – Living Lutheran August 2024

This month's hymn selection, Sent Forth By God's Blessing, is composed to ASH GROVE an upbeat Welsh Folk Tune (Ev. Luth. Worship, pg. 547).

The hymn was written by Omer Westendorf "during a time of great transition for the Catholic Church" in less than a year after the Sacrosanctum Concilium.

The Sacrosanctum Concilium, Second Vatican Council, Dec. 04, 1963, undertook "the reform and promotion of the liturgy" (Second Vatican Council, 12.04.1963) and; "transformed how congregations engaged with the church, increasing participation and unity" (LL. August, 2024).

Sent Forth By God's Blessing – read or sing and note the liturgical reference AND the word "By".

Mark your calendar for the South Jersey Shore "Walk to End Alzheimer's."

Team Thrivent (with host Glen Stewart) will "Walk with Purpose" on Saturday, October 26 at the Ocean City Boardwalk as we walk in support of family, friends, co-workers, neighbors touched in some way by this disease.

Meet at the Ocean City Civic Center, 6th and the Boardwalk. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. with the Walk beginning at 10:30 a.m. Free Parking in the 6th Street lot.

Sign up ahead of time to walk and donate:

<http://act.alz.org/goto/thrivent>

Alzheimer's is more than just memory loss --it is a progressive and fatal disease that devastates families, 190,000 people are living with Alzheimer's...and more than 270,000 people are care givers.

Please gather after the Walk for refreshments and fellowship under the black Thrivent tent. We hope to see you there as we Live Generously and make a difference in our community.



CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

If you would like a complete Church Council Report, please contact the Church Office.

FROM AUGUST COUNCIL MEETING

PASTOR'S REPORT: The New Orleans Youth Gathering was a great success. Details will be given at the picnic on the 18th. In 2027, the event will take place in Minnesota. The Nurture Committee is in need of leadership. A Bible Study is being planned for Sunday mornings. Pastor completed a training to create a safe church policy for our congregation.

NURTURE COMMITTEE: Susan Papiano has several events planned for the youth, including Ginger Bread Houses, Cookies for Homebound. A Church Open House is planned for December 8th.

CARE COMMITTEE: The Playground equipment will be dismantled and removed on the recommendation of the insurance company. Having the gutters and certain areas power washed was recommended and approved. A new garage door was installed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Was approved.



BOOK REVIEW - By Joan Freimanis REDEEMER LIBRARY FOR KIDS (3-6yrs)

"What does it mean to be made in the 'image of God?'"

"You know God the Father, but God is your Mother too." She makes things new. She waits for new life to begin. She teaches, She plays, She protects, She is a Hen gathering her chicks under Her wings. She is wise, generous and creative.

"For a powerful feminine depiction of God" you can borrow MOTHER GOD by Teresa Kim Pecinovsky found in your Redeemer Library.

"God's love transcends single-gender expression"

2024

SEPTEMBER

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--|---|------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------|
| 01 | 02 Office Closed  | 03 6:30 PM AA Meeting | 04 | 05 | 06 6:00 PM Celebrate Grandparents Game Night  | 07 9:00 AM AA Mtg (Women) |
| 08 RALLY DAY 9:30 AM Worship (one service only)  | 09 | 10 6:30 PM AA Meeting 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting | 11 | 12 6:30 PM "The After Party" Bible Study | 13 | 14 9:00 AM AA Mtg (Women) |
| 15 8:30 AM Worship (outside) 9:15 AM Sunday School/Confirmation 10:30 AM Worship (inside) | 16 | 17 6:30 PM AA Meeting | 18 1:30 PM Thrivent | 19 (Quilt Pickup) | 20 | 21 9:00 AM AA Mtg (Women) |
| 22 8:30 AM Worship (outside) 9:15 AM Sunday School/Confirmation 10:30 AM Worship (inside) | 23 | 24 6:30 PM AA Meeting | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 9:00 AM AA Mtg (Women) |
| 29 8:30 AM Worship (outside) 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship (inside) | 30 | 01 6:30 PM AA Meeting | 02 | 03 | 04 Senior Trip to Winterthur  | 05 |
| 06  | | | | | | |

*events subject to change

CELEBRATE 100 YEARS



*You are invited
October 20, 2024*

The families of Redeemer Lutheran Church have accomplished so much in these past 100 years and we want to celebrate!

YOU ARE INVITED AS OUR GUEST

to a special celebration service at 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary followed by a luncheon at noon on Sunday, October 20th at Merighi's Savoy Inn

Please invite your family to join us

At this time we will bring together past and present members, renew friendships and share some of the highlights of these past 100 years

Please respond by **October 6th** to:

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856-691-4278 , ext 102

or following the link/QR Code below

<https://forms.gle/SLubfiDcNiKJEPbi9>



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Merighi's Savoy Inn (Ballroom)
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3.3 miles east of Redeemer