

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, September 7 and Monday, September 8, 2008



1. ARE YOU A VISITOR? WELCOME!

We want you to feel and know you are welcome at this congregation, just as we welcome fellow members. We pray the worship service is Christ-centered and meaningful in its application to your life. You are invited to join the congregation for a fellowship time immediately after worship in the fellowship hall for coffee/donuts. If you are interested in learning more about Redeemer as a Church home for yourself and family, speak to Pastor Bode to arrange a time to visit.

2. NURSERY/CRY ROOM -- RESTROOMS

There is a nursery/cry room available for families during church as needed. The room is located upstairs towards the NW corner of the Sanctuary. If you cannot find it (it can be hard to locate for a visitor) please ask an usher to assist you. The restrooms are located in the Fellowship Hall (right of the Kitchen area) and on the second level in the same general area. Remember the back three pews are intended for families with little children, and there are children's worship tote bags in the entryway filled with books, crayons and coloring pages. You can also pick up a worship activity bulletin from an usher.

3. SERMON COPIES

Pastor Bode has available copies of his sermons on the table in the entryway. They may be helpful for those with hearing difficulties or for sharing with someone that might appreciate its lesson for the day.

4. AUGUST KINDER HAUS DISPLAY AND VIDEO

See the August display and hear the children sing and tell the story of Moses on the video in the Fellowship Hall.

5. A GRIEF OBSERVED

Grief can and will enter all of our lives at some point. In the classic, "A Grief Observed" by C.S. Lewis we can in honesty and without embarrassment begin to struggle to understand the purpose of love and loss. The book is only four chapters long (76 pages) and by reading it together (one chapter a week) it will serve as the discussion and source of our conversation. You will need to purchase the book (any bookstore has it) or rent it from a library. This class is for those who are acutely aware of grief in their life. We meet Sundays at 8:00 AM --- before worship starting September 7th.

6. LYF EVENT GRADES 7-12 S'MORE AND OUTDOOR MOVIE ~ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 @ 5:30PM

All youth in Grades 7-12 are invited to join us for s'mores and a movie night at the home of Pastor Grant and Gail Bode, 57034 Brookview Lane (call if you need directions). We will make s'mores over the campfire and then will watch a movie outdoors. Fixings for s'mores will be provided. **Please bring a lawn chair and your own beverage.**

7. SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP MEETS WEDNESDAY

All senior high youth: Join us this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the church library for an organizational meeting. This is your time to gather together as God's children to dig into His Word, plan activities, snack and fellowship together. See you then!

8. MUSIC GROUPS NEED NEW MEMBERS!

We are looking forward to our music groups resuming their rehearsals this fall. The following groups need members:

- **Youth Choir:** Youth in Grades 1-6 are invited to join Youth Choir. Rehearsals are Tuesdays from 3:15-3:55 beginning Tuesday, September 9th.
- **Jr. Bells:** Youth in Grades 3-8 are needed for our Jr. Bell group. Rehearsals are Tuesdays from 4:00-4:55 beginning Tuesday, September 9th.
- **Adult Choir:** Senior high youth and adults are needed for our Adult Choir. Rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 10th at 7:00 p.m.
- **Adult Bells:** Senior high youth and adults are needed for our Adult Bell group. Rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 10th at 8:00 p.m.



Participating in our music groups is a great way to get to know other members and to sing and ring praises to our Lord in our worship services. Join us!

9. KWIK TRIP YOUTH FUND RAISER

We have been offered a great fund raiser through Kwik Trip. For a limited time, we can purchase gift cards for 20 percent off of their face value. For instance, a \$20 gift card costs us only \$16, so you can buy the card for \$20 to purchase \$20 worth of gas or any items in the store, and the youth get to keep the \$4. This is a great way for the youth to make money to help fund upcoming youth activities and also a mission trip next summer. If you don't buy gas or groceries from Kwik Trip, perhaps you would consider buying a card to give as a gift. The youth will begin selling the cards on Sunday, Sept. 21st following the worship service and on the following communion Sundays. You can buy cards in the amount of \$5, \$10, \$20 or \$50. Thank you for helping out the youth!

10. OFFICER AND BOARD REPLACEMENTS

We are currently in the process of looking for candidates for some board and officer positions for the 2009 church year. The officer positions open for election are: President (1 year term), Vice-President (1 year term), Secretary (1 year term) and Treasurer (1 year term). The board positions open for election are: 3 Elder positions (3 year term), 2 Trustee positions (3 year term), 1 Stewardship position (3 year term), 1 Education position (3 year term), 1 Finance position (3 year term) and 2 or 3 Youth positions (2 year term). Please prayerfully consider involvement with one of these committees.

11. COOKBOOKS

The cookbooks have arrived. We have to get some final things done and then they will go on sale. Watch for more information! The cost of the cookbook will be \$12.00. All proceeds from the cookbook sales will go to the Kitchen Remodeling Fund.

12. FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Fellowship groups will be starting again this fall and you are invited to sign up and join us. We hope to have participation from all segments of the congregation, from children to senior citizens, from new to longtime members. A sign-up sheet will be available in the fellowship hall this Sunday and all through September. Use this opportunity to get to know and share Christian fellowship with new and old members as we have been received into His church by God's grace.

13. STEWARDSHIP INFORMATIONAL DRIVE

The Stewardship committee is planning a stewardship informational drive during September and October to help members begin to think of how they can share their time, talents and treasures with each other and with God's church. "Giving until it hurts" is the way the world looks at giving. "Giving until I am delighted" is how God looks at giving to us. Can we give back in that same way?

14. BLEICK FUND GRANT APPLICATIONS

It's that time of year for members to apply for the Bleick fund grants. If anyone has an idea for a need in our congregation either for Missions or Capital improvements, you can present your idea to an existing Board and the application can be written and presented to the Stewardship Committee. If you have any questions, you can ask a member of the Stewardship Committee- Shirley Nelson, Gloria Effenberger or Kathy Luepke. The deadline for applications is the end of November.

15. BLEICK TUITION FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR 2008-2009 ACADEMIC YEAR FOR IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL (K-8)

See announcement in the September newsletter if you are interested in applying.

16. THRIVENT FINANCIAL FOR LUTHERANS- FINANCIAL REPRESENTATIVE



Do more than make a living ... make an impact. Join our Fortune 500 organization and help people achieve their financial goals...and we'll help you achieve yours! Contact Adam Benson at 612-770-3358 or visit www.thivent.com/careers for more information.

17. APPLES

Are you looking for apples? Lonnie Bode (a frequent visitor to our church) called and said that he has an apple tree that has many apples waiting to be picked. If you would like to pick some you can go to his home at 47799 478th St Nicollet (take Cty Rd 25 out of Courtland and go 6.5 miles it is on the south side of the road).

WORSHIP SERVICE PARTICIPANTS & GROUPS:

September Elders: Sven Eelma and Ernie Schauland

Organist: Lucy Dolly

Lay Reader: Tom Wheeler

Acolyte: Ellen Wiederhoeft

Fellowship: Steinberg and Vogl Families

Altar Group: Marie Ristau and Eileen Shellum

Ushers: Dale Grund Group

Greeters: Emery and Betty Haus

Finance: Carol Hoffmann, Al Hoffmann and Marie Sperling

Next Week Fellowship: Sven and Jean Eelma and Tom and Mary Schwarz



THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE AT REDEEMER

- **SUN. RALLY SUNDAY;** 8:00 Grief Observed; **9:00 Worship** with installation of Education Staff (**Communion**); 10:00 Fellowship; 10:15 Sunday School; 10:30 Adult Bible Study
- **MON.** Election set-up; **6:30 Worship (Communion)**
- **TUES.** 7:00am-8:00pm Elections; 3:15 Youth Choir; 4:00 Jr. Bells; 6:00 Kinder Haus Meeting; 6:15 Bd. of Ed.
- **WED.** Election take down; 5:30 Midweek; 6:30 Sr. High Youth Group; 7:00 Adult Choir; 8:00 Adult Bells
- **THUR.**
- **FRI.**
- **SAT.** 3:30 Scheman Wedding at German Park
- **SUN.** 8:00 Grief Observed; **9:00 Worship;** 10:00 Fellowship; 10:15 Sunday School; 10:30 Adult Bible Study; 5:30 LYF S'mores and Outdoor Movie at Pastor's house

18. RECYCLING PROGRAM

The LYF is conducting a recycling fundraiser. There's nothing to buy. We are simply asking you to protect the environment by donating your used cell phones, inkjets, laptop / notebook computers, iPods, digital cameras, & digital video cameras. Your used item(s) will be recycled in accordance with EPA regulations or refurbished and sold. 100% of the proceeds will go to the LYF. There is a box in the downstairs double classroom for your donation. This will be an ongoing fundraiser for the LYF.