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**GOD SAYS NO TO SEPARATING CHILDREN**

There has been a lot of talk lately about children being separated from their parents. The United States Attorney General, Jeff Sessions, has even made the bold claim that the Bible supports the separation of children from their parents. To be sure, Mr. Sessions is no theologian, nor should he be using the Word of God to justify his actions. He should stick to enforcing laws that are currently on the books and encourage Congress to change immigration laws that are not effective and replace them with immigration laws that can benefit ALL immigrants seeking citizenship or refuge in the U.S.

The Attorney General sites Romans 13 where the Apostle Paul has written, "Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment" (Romans 13:1-2). One thing we should all keep in mind about what is written above is that Paul was not writing to the citizens of Rome, rather he was writing to the Christians in Rome. These words are for believers in Jesus Christ to adhere.

The United States of America has laws and these laws should be observed by all people whether they are Christian, Jew, Muslim, Atheist, Mormon, etc. These same laws should be followed by citizens, illegal immigrants, refugees, and so forth. No one should be exempt from these laws. Then, of course, there are those who claim diplomatic immunity. Let's not go down that path – ough!

The bottom line is this: we should all be subject to the governing authorities, that is, we should ALL follow the laws of the land. In so doing, we would live in a land of order and civility. However and as we all know, we live in a land of chaos, vulgarity, and disrespect toward each other and of our laws.

How do we, as Christians and citizens of this great nation, respond to what's going on at the border? We want to welcome all immigrants to our nation within the guidelines of the law of the



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land. This would be pleasing to our heavenly Father who has made us citizens of His kingdom through the life, suffering, death, and resurrection of His Son, Jesus. As we have been received into His kingdom by grace, we also should welcome all people in this same way – with grace, mercy, and peace.

The practice of separating children from their parents is never a good thing. However, when laws are broken by parents, children need to be placed in protective custody. This is the current process for

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both illegal immigrants and law-breaking citizens of the U.S. It's not a perfect process, but the children aren't being left to the wolves. The children do not go off to jail or prison with their parents. They are given over to protective custody, to family members or sponsors, to agencies such as the Department of Family Services or the Office of Refugee Resettlement.

How then can parents prevent their children from being separated from them? The advice I give, I give to all parents as well as to all people – illegal or citizen: STOP BREAKING THE LAWS OF THE LAND.

And yet there is another Law to which we are all called to observe and follow. It is a Law far and above the laws of this land and any other nation under heaven. This Law is the Law given to us from God above and contained in the Holy Scriptures.

In the spiritual realm, we are children of our heavenly Father through the rebirth in the water and with the Word of God in Holy Baptism. We are His and He is ours by His own doing. Read what the Apostle John says about this: "See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know Him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when [Jesus] appears we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He is" (1 John 3:1-2).

And how does Holy Scripture support this? From the pen of the Apostle Paul he writes, "Therefore, if anyone is *in Christ* (that's baptismal language), he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come" (2 Corinthians 5:17).

So then, if you are a child of the heavenly Father why are you separated from Him? Why haven't you presented yourself before Him? Why haven't you observed and kept His Laws?

Let's look at the First and Third Commandments, shall

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### SERVING THE LORD

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## God Says No to Separating Children (continued)

we? The First Commandment reads: You shall have no other gods; and the Third Commandments reads: Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. How are these commandments observed and kept? Luther provides an answer: We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things ... so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it. By not observing these two Commandments faithfully, we sin against God. Moreover, we – the children of God – separate ourselves from Him. God says “NO” to separating His children from Him.

And that’s not all! As parents, yes as parents, we too separate God’s children from Him. For it is most certainly true God gives us children as gifts, and yet we treat them as our own possession. You did well bringing them to the wells of salvation, that is, Holy Baptism. Therefore, they belong to God. They are His children. He is their heavenly Father just as He is our heavenly Father.

But what do we do? We separate them from Him and give our children over to the wolves. We don’t bring them to church. We don’t bring them to Sunday School. We don’t press upon them the importance of learning His Word or the Small Catechism. No doubt this is again a breaking of the First and Third Commandments. And this applies also to sponsors and guardians, grandparents and godparents. We are all guilty of separating children from their heavenly Father as well as their risen Brother, Jesus Christ.

To all of you I give this warning: STOP BREAKING THE LAW OF GOD! By breaking His Laws you set yourself up for Judgment rather than grace. Repent!

Return to the Lord your God and listen to the truth in God’s Word and the Good News of Jesus Christ: “Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. For as by the one man’s disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man’s obedience the many will be made righteous. Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” (Romans 5:18-21).

Again, we are all guilty of separating children from their heavenly Father ... I am not excluded. I too sin.

However, with God there is always forgiveness and restoration, always life and salvation. Return, o child of God, to your heavenly Father and receive from His Son His Word of comforting grace. Bring also your children and grandchildren. Let them hear, listen, and learn of their heavenly Father’s love for them through the life, suffering, death, and resurrection of His Son.

And so allow me to conclude with this prayer: Our Lord Jesus, Your yoke is easy and Your burden is light. Keep us from becoming burdened by laws fulfilled in You, and help us to live lives sanctified by Your Holy Spirit that we might bear witness that in You all things have been made new; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Your Law-breaking Servant in Christ Jesus,

Pastor Jim Kress

## Message from the President

### PRESIDENT'S MID-YEAR REPORT

JUNE 2018

Now that we are mid-way through this year and many of our members are away, I would like to update all of our members as to where Redeemer Lutheran Church is currently.

The Capital Improvement Project, which was approved last August, was started in October with the air conditioning units all being replaced with more efficient ones. That was completed in November. I am pleased to report that portion of the project came in under projected estimates and we are realizing monthly savings in energy costs. The combined savings for the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall for May was \$381.20.

Work on replacing the roof on the church and hall began the first week of June and should be completed by the end of the month. This work has been hampered by the weather and delays in permit inspections but is progressing with minimal surprises.

In July the resealing of our parking area and drives will begin. This will be done on weekends to avoid traffic issues with the daycare. Originally this project was slated as a complete replacement of all the asphalt. But after receiving recommendations from our contractor who pointed out to us that as a whole our asphalt was in good condition except for a few small areas that could be patched, we could get by with resealing it, the Church Counsel decided in favor of this option. New lines and signage will still be done.

Once the outside projects are finished, then work will begin on the inside portion of the Sanctuary and Narthex. This will entail removing all the pews and carpeting so we will be holding our church services in the original church building- the fellowship hall. This should bring back memories for some of our members. With the Sanctuary emptied, work on the ceiling replacement, sound system replacement, lighting and improvements to the chancel and narthex areas will be done. We hope to be finished with it all by fall, possibly November.

Redeemer Child Care is doing well and growing. The board is currently researching options to accommodate this growth and build on it.

Belatedly I would like to welcome our newest members to the counsel board. Steve Wurster-Stewardship, Mindy Duncan-Finance, Anne Varone-Assimilation and Alan Duburg-Youth Ministry. Though what you do is rarely seen, your diligence to our congregation is greatly appreciated. My thanks to all the other members of the Counsel also.

We have much to be grateful for at Redeemer, so I would urge all of us to be thankful every day and share that grace with not only each other but also with our neighbors. I hope to see you all each Sunday and at the July Voters Meeting.

Sincerely, Wade Duncan



**“For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery” (Gal. 5:1).**

We celebrate this month because of the freedoms and liberties our country has afforded us. We are right to do this. We should be thankful for these liberties: the freedom to gather together to worship and to live out what we believe in our daily lives.

But freedom and liberty in our age has devolved. It has become a freedom from duty instead of a freedom for it. Indeed, freedom and liberty in our age has turned into licentiousness: a license to do what we want, when we want.

This license is a submission, again, to a yoke of slavery. For freedom as license to do what we desire when we desire it means we are slaves to our desires, slaves to our passions.

Christ died to set us free from our sinful desires. In Holy Baptism, our Old Adam is drowned and put to death along with all sin and evil desires so that a new man may arise and live before God in righteousness and purity.

In Christ, we are a new creation. We are set free from the passions of the flesh so that we are free to do our duty and bear fruits of the Spirit.

Our duty is what God calls us to do as members of a family, society, and the church.

God calls us to believe in His Word and gladly hear and learn it. He calls us to pray for all people. He calls us to live in faith toward Him and in fervent love for our neighbor. He calls us to put the gifts He gives to us in His service. God calls parents to provide for their children and raise them in the fear and admonition of the Lord. And God calls children to honor their parents and provide and care for them when they are no longer able to do so themselves.

God calls the government to punish those who do evil and to reward those who do good. He calls citizens to pay their taxes and honor the governing officials as God’s servants. He calls pastors to preach and teach the Gospel as well as repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And He calls hearers to support those who teach them with every good thing.

Christ died to set us free from the works of our selfish flesh, giving us the freedom and liberty to do our duty. Stand firm, then, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

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### **Check out our Websites and Facebook pages**

Church — [www.redeemerfl.com](http://www.redeemerfl.com)

Child Care — [www.redeemerfl-cc.com](http://www.redeemerfl-cc.com)

School — [www.redeemerfl-school.com](http://www.redeemerfl-school.com)

FACEBOOK: [Redeemer Lutheran Church](#) [Redeemer Lutheran Child Care](#)

**SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS  
CONTINUES FOLLOWING DIVINE SERVICE**

*STEWARDSHIP BASICS*

This new eight-part Bible study from LCMS Stewardship Ministry, is given to help congregations start a discussion of whole-life stewardship. Like many congregations, Redeemer Lutheran Church struggles financially. Why? Although the members of Redeemer care very deeply for their church, perhaps some or even most are unfamiliar or uncertain about their role and responsibility God has called us into His vineyard as steward.

**This study is being offered to all members, guests, and visitors of Redeemer. This basic study will take place following Divine Service on Sundays (approximately 10:30).** So grab a cup of coffee, a delicious snack and meet in the sanctuary for this eye-opening study

Stewardship is a topic that rarely provokes a neutral reaction. It either brings disdain because it makes those who hear the message uncomfortable, or it promotes a legalism that is not true to the Scriptures. Neither reaction is godly. To arrive at the desired destination, one needs to begin at the proper place.

“Stewardship Basics” endeavors to do this. It starts with the Creator, not the steward, to show that stewardship is a journey that begins with identity. From creation, human beings were tasked with the stewardship of all that the Lord God made. But this stewardship was not left to the will and whim of man. Instead, being created in the image of God, the steward is to reflect the owner’s will in every aspect of his or her stewardship.

Stewards can be good. But because of the first stewardship crisis of Genesis 3, all stewardship is flawed. Usurping the role of the Creator, sinful stewards claimed ownership of what was not theirs. The result was judgment. This judgment did not excuse the steward from his or her created purpose; it only made stewardship an unpleasant labor. But in the blessing of the Gospel, the steward is redeemed and set free to reflect the image of the Creator and Redeemer.

Stewardship that begins in the right place can, by the leading of the Holy Spirit through the Gospel, produce an understanding of stewardship that is liberating. The desired result is faithfulness, not the humorous meme to the right.

This study was the central piece to the Major Applied Project for the Rev. Dr. Nathan Meador’s Doctor of Ministry degree. It is presented here to help congregations find the correct starting point for a renewed discussion of who God has created and redeemed His stewards to be for Him. It is not intended to be a comprehensive study, but rather it is a starting point to frame an ongoing effort in stewardship.

Hopefully, those using it will find that it can be very helpful in starting a discussion of whole-life stewardship that seeks to promote faithfulness. To God be the glory!



## FROM THE TREASURER

### **Treasurer's Report As of May 31, 2018**

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>OVER/UNDER</u>
INCOME	9,427	13,451	(4,024)
<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>18,077</u>	<u>16,008</u>	2,069
+/-	(8,650)	(2,557)	
<b>YEAR TO DATE</b>			
INCOME	64,363	67,288	(2,925)
<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>89,068</u>	<u>80,239</u>	8,829
+/-	(24,705)	(12,951)	



Respectfully submitted,  
*Jean Clappe-Mixell*  
North Star Bookkeeping LLC

## SUMMER SERIES BIBLE CLASS

This summer in the church Narthex, a Bible Class Series is being offered to all members and friends of the Redeemer family each **Wednesday at 10 AM**. The first series is called *Overcoming Doubt*.



Doubting is normal for human beings. Whether our doubts lead us to good or evil depends on what we do with them. We can run to our Lord with them and come out stronger in faith. Or we can let doubt run us away from our Lord. Because Christians are human, Christians also doubt. But surrounded by good Christian friends and the Word of God, it is better to face doubts than to run from them.

As a group of good Christian friends, we can use this Bible Class to get into the Word. Once there, God Himself speaks to our doubts. Expect to meet a God of great patience and unlimited grace who is known to say, “Come now, let us reason together” (Isaiah 1:18).

Assured of His grace, we will explore Scripture as our God speaks to some of humankind’s common doubts.

If you find any interest in this class come join us each Wednesday. Use this Summer Series of Bible Classes to gain insight into the Scriptures. Learn what God is saying about Himself, about you, and about His Good News of salvation in Jesus Christ.



## What's Your Reason for Investing in the Church?

Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) investors know they can invest for retirement, everyday needs and emergencies, all while supporting worship opportunities and Christian development. So why aren't you an investor yet? There are a variety of reasons to join us, such as:

You can meet your financial goals with the interest-bearing StewardAccount®, enjoying convenient access through checks, debit card and online options.

You can invest with LCEF for school expenses or retirement with the peace of mind that your dollars are empowering ministry.

You can develop the habit of savings for your children or grandchildren with the Young Investor Club.

You can invest to reach your goals while directly boosting the financial wellbeing of our ministry servants when they need it most. Investments enable LCEF to make custom loans to pastors and other rostered church workers. At the heart of your decision, no matter the reason, is your wish to empower ministries and keep them vital. Visit [lcef.org](http://lcef.org) or call 800-843-5233 for details and rates.

See Laurie Steinke for more details on how to become an LCEF investor.

.Respectfully submitted,

*Laurie Steinke*  
*LCEF Congregational Advocate*

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## PROPERTY APPRECIATION DAY

We sure could use some help on our Property Appreciation Days every month. There is outside work to do and cleaning and dusting that needs done inside the Church. If you can help, please come to the church and we will put you to work.

**Our next Property Appreciation Day is Saturday, July 21st at 8:00 am.**



***The deadline for the AUGUST Newsletter is July 24th.  
Please have all your submissions sent to [patchas123@gmail.com](mailto:patchas123@gmail.com)  
OR drop them off at the church office by the date indicated above.  
Thank You!***

## PRAYERS



**SHUT-INS:** Judy Clasen, Susan Jahns, Rita Kaufman, Duwayne Schoeneck.

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**FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Linny Aspery, Jean Bajner, Michelle Bernard, Bert Blackford, Grace Blum, Gerry Borwick, Bill Bowers, Jr., Dennis Burchell, Georgia Bush, Jack Carlos, Diane Carr, Sally Chambers, Esther Clapham, Bobbett Clark, Donna Connors, Colleen Conway, Martin Cressman, Molly Criely, Renee Dempsey, Dale & Trudy DesJardins, Ed Detrow, Irene DiTommaso, Barb Dumeah, Anton Durner, Chris Durner, The Family & Friends of Tom Dykhuizen, Bruce Everson, Donna Fancher, Darla Finkenbine, Gerald and Mary Fischer,

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**Military Personnel:** Mark Baranowsky, Michael Broughton, Thomas Francis Styns II, Brian Jackson, Jonathan Koen, David MacLeod, and Charles D. Weishaar.

**Pastor and members of the church are always willing to pray for you, family members and friends. If a loved one appears on our prayer list above, please call Pastor or the church office to give us a health update so that we may either keep or remove their name. Thank you!**

# Those who *Serve*



## ELDER & COMMUNION ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

Date	Elder & Reader	Communion Asst
<b>Sunday, July 1</b>	Mike Nagel	Steve Horvath
<b>Sunday, July 8</b>	Paul Brown	Rev. Mark Steinke
<b>Sunday, July 15</b>	Bob Varone	Mark Horvath
<b>Sunday, July 22</b>	Collins Sita	Rev. Mark Steinke
<b>Sunday, July 29</b>	Mike Nagel	Steve Horvath

## acolyte and crucifier schedule

Date	Crucifier	Acolyte
<b>Sunday, July 1</b>	Mykalina Sabol	Bella Fisher
<b>Sunday, July 8</b>	Alyssa Hancock	Ava Tosto
<b>Sunday, July 15</b>	Kamrie Evanicki	Kyleigh Evanicki
<b>Sunday, July 22</b>	Ariana Miller	John Miller
<b>Sunday, July 29</b>	Toby Hancock	Ava Tosto

## ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE



Date	Set-Up	Clean-Up
<b>Sunday, July 1</b>	Pastor Kress	Lisa Kress
<b>Sunday, July 8</b>	Bob Varone	Gretchen Armstrong
<b>Sunday, July 15</b>	Gretchen Armstrong	Lisa Kress/ Joyce Schneider
<b>Sunday, July 22</b>	Lisa Kress/ Joyce Schneider	Mindy Duncan/ Jean Cote
<b>Sunday, July 29</b>	Mindy Duncan	Gretchen Armstrong

*“Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.” 1 Peter 4:10*

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL





# Happy 4th of July

## Bible Lessons

Chapel is on Mondays  
at 3:45

- 7/2 Jonah and the Big Fish *The Book of Jonah*
- 7/9 Food for Elijah and the Widow *1 Kings 17:1-16*
- 7/16 Elisha & Naaman *Isaiah 5:1-11*
- 7/23 Jesus Calls His Disciples *Isaiah 5:1-11*
- 7/30 Jesus Calms the Storm *Matthew 8:23-27*



Dear Jesus,  
Thank You for being our Savior. Help us follow You and tell others about You.  
Amen.

## Ice Cream Truck

July 2, July 16 & July 30

## Birthdays

- 7/1 Ms. Jadiyah
- 7/3 Natalie Y
- 7/3 Violet C
- 7/8 Alexa G.
- 7/11 Jose
- 7/13 Ariel
- 7/14 Hunter
- 7/30 Melvin
- 7/31 Lola
- 7/31 Ms. Nicole



## Congratulations!

Thank you for making a difference at Redeemer Child Care!

- Ms. Nicole H - 3 Years
- Ms. Brandy - 1 year
- Ms. Kimberly - 1 year
- Ms. Debra M. - 1 Year



Summer is here and we will be having water play activities outside. Please make sure your child has a change of clothes daily. It is Hot outside!



## Important Information

8/1 Yearly \$50.00 supply fee per child will be charged to your account and flu forms will be passed out for you to sign. This is also a good time to update your child's application with new contact information.

## Closings

Child Care will be Closed July 4<sup>th</sup>



# The Parable of the Fig Tree



8 "Sir," the man replied, "leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. 9 If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down."

Luke 13:8-9

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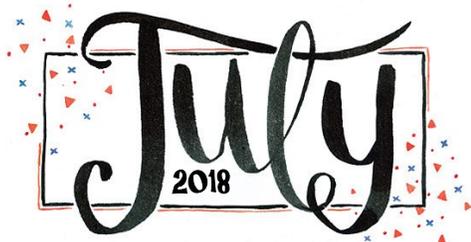
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<sup>6</sup> Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any. <sup>7</sup> So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?' <sup>8</sup> "Sir," the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. <sup>9</sup> If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'" Luke 13:6-9

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REDEEMER REPORTER

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WORSHIP SERVICES:

Divine Service: 9:15 AM  
Bible Class: 10:30 AM  
Sunday School: 10:30 AM

*The Redeemer Lutheran Church, School & Child Care Family are called into the service of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ by His command (Matthew 28:18-20) to:*

- ◆*Disciple all nations, that is, all people;*
- ◆*Baptize in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;*
- ◆*Proclaim the Gospel and teach His Word in its truth and purity; and*
- ◆*Never be ashamed of the Gospel—it is the power of God unto salvation (Romans 1:16).*