

# REPORTER

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#### "SPIRITUAL WARFARE AND THE CHURCH"

In his letter to the saints in Ephesus, St. Paul paints the picture of the church as a body, a very unique and special body. In fact, the church is the body of Christ. He writes, "And He [God the Father] put all things under His [God the Son's] feet and gave Him as head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all." (Ephesians 1:22-23).

There is "one body, one Spirit," says Paul, referring to the church, "the body of Christ," (Ephesians 4:4, 12). Jesus, ascended to the right hand of the Father, gives gifts to His body.

Paul writes, "... until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, so that we may no longer children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love" (Ephesians 4:13-16).

Do you get the picture? It's beautiful, isn't it? Just as our bodies have different parts, a hand here, an eye there, a foot down there, so too does the Body of Christ, the Church. All of us are bound up into Christ, into one body, walking and working and rejoicing together.

But now, at the end of his letter, Paul gets to something he's been hinting at all along; this body is under attack. This body, in fact, is a soldier, and the soldier is at war.

This may be a bit of a surprise. Could it be that this body of Christ is a dancer, or a construction worker, or a king? Nope, not this body, not the body Paul is referring, not the body of Christ, not the Lord's Church. You see, you are a soldier. And we, as soldiers of the cross, are under attack.

So let us look closely at what Paul has written in order that by this letter he may answer a number of questions for us. We will consider five in all: (1) Who is the enemy? (2) Where is the battle? (3) What is our role? (4) What is our protection? And, (5) What weapons are we given for the battle?

First question: Who is our enemy? Who is your enemy? Who is trying to destroy your society, your family, your church?

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## **STEWARDSHIP**

Stewardship doesn't have to be difficult. We often make it more difficult than it need be. The fundamentals of stewardship come from answering these basic questions: Who are you? To whom do I give? And how much? It's that simple.

So who are you? Look at the Table of Duties in the Small Catechism. Are you a hearer of God's Word? Are you a citizen of society? Are you a member of a family? Stewardship covers these three estates: church, society, family. We don't particularly struggle to give to society or family. Our struggles, our difficulties and questions, arise in giving to the church.

So what are our stewardship duties as members of the church? The Table of Duties gives us a guide. If you are a hearer, a member of the church who receives instruction, St. Paul taught: "Anyone who receives instruction in the word must share all good (Gen 4:4; Prov 3:9; Lev 27:30) with a spirit of eagerness (2 Cor 9:2), earnestness (2 Cor 8:7), cheerfulness (2 Cor 9:7), and love (2 Cor 8:23).

In other words, giving to the church is not to be an afterthought, given after everything else is spent. In this way, it is deliberate. We set it aside beforehand, before anything else is spent. From those first fruits, we set aside a proportionate and generous amount. Ten percent was the standard for the Israelites. This was a command for them. We're not bound to that command in the same way as they were. Just like we are not bound to all the regulations of the Sabbath day (no physical labor, no hot meals, etc.). But the pattern remains: Christians still gather for worship once a week, for how could we do less than the Israelites did? Likewise, does it seem right that we would support the New Testament ministry at a rate less than the Israelites supported the Old Testament ministry?

### And how are we to give it? We give it with eagerness and earnestness.

things with his instructor" (Gal 6:6). This means that the local congregation is primary.

The primary recipient of stewardship resides here.. Your pastor is the one called to preach the Gospel to you and administer the Lord's blessed sacraments to you. Your congregation is the place where those things are given out. Therefore, we give to the local congregation to ensure that this continues. We don't vote with our giving. We don't let the pastor or the congregation know we are unhappy by how we give: because we are supposed to see our giving as giving to our Lord!

Thus, when God calls us to give to the church, He has His work in mind – especially right where we live. For "the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel" (1 Cor 9:14). "Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows" (Gal 6:7).

How much do we give to the local congregation? Our only instructions are these: to give regularly (1 Cor 6:1–2), proportionally (1 Cor 16:1–2; 2 Cor 8:12), and generously (2 Cor 8:20) of our first fruits

And how are we to give it? We give it with eagerness and earnestness. We give it cheerfully and with love, not out of compulsion. For through the preaching of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments, God has made us His children, forgiven us all our sins, given us grace upon grace, promised us life everlasting with Him in His kingdom, and filled us with His own Spirit, the Holy Spirit. This makes giving a joy. For it is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts 20:35).

It's that easy. And it is joyful. For in stewardship, our gracious and giving Lord invites us to take part in the work that He accomplishes here on earth, providing for the ongoing preaching of the Gospel as well as those who are in need. Taking part in that, makes all our work holy work, work that is done in service to the Lord as priestly members of His kingdom.

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#### "SPIRITUAL WARFARE AND THE CHURCH" cont...



The devil loves it when we think our enemy is flesh and blood, that our real enemy is in Washington, or our real enemy lives next door, or is in our family, or whatever. But Paul is emphatic: "For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but

against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places" (Ephesians 6:12).

This attack is not from people, no matter how wicked; the real attack is from the devil and the demons. The war is a spiritual one. The battle is unseen. Our enemy is the devil. He is the one who attacks the church. This has to do with the second question.

Where is the battle? Is it in the media? Is it in Afghanistan? Is it in Washington DC? Or is it down on Dearborn Street or Beach Road?

The devil comes raging against the Church. His attack is on the Lord's Body. There are two theaters of this cosmic war: the Church and your conscience. And the two are related. Jesus came and still comes to save you, to forgive your sins and hand you over to a good conscience to stand before Him, in this life, and on the Day of Judgment, and forever. The devil comes to undo this work, to unravel the kingdom of God. He does it by attacking God's order, the order in society, the order in our families, the good order of the church, and God's ordering of your conscience in the forgiveness of your sins.

This also means that we don't have to go looking for the fight, but that the fight will come to us.

And this brings us to our third question: What is our role? As soldiers of the cross, we are not given the command to "Charge!" but the command to "Stand!" That's right, "Stand!"

"Stand," says St. Paul to the Christian Church in Ephesus. Four times in four verses. He writes, "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you

may be able to *stand* against the schemes of the devil ... Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to with *stand* in the evil day, and having done all, to *stand* firm. *Stand* therefore ... (Ephesians 6:10-11, 13-14a, *emphasis mine*)

Paul is giving the saints of Ephesus (and the saints in the church today: you and me) a new duty, addressing them like soldiers, and stationing them as sentries.

As the Roman Empire expanded, one of the most important jobs was that of the sentry, guarding the borders, staying at a post watching and listening for the enemy to attack. There were two offences for which a sentry could be immediately killed with no trial and no court, just a sword: (1) abandoning his post (and this was either to retreat or to charge because he was not supposed to attack, but to call for reinforcements), or (2) falling asleep.

We are to stay awake. Now this doesn't mean that we don't sleep at night and it certainly doesn't mean that you're put to death if you fall asleep during the sermon. Rather, we are to be spiritually awake, which means we are watchful in our prayers. The sleeping Christian is the Christian who does not pray. We are on the front of the devil's attacks, and we are stationed as sentries to watch and pray so that the devil would not find a way in.

This, of course, is dangerous work. So we come to the fourth question: What is our protection?

Paul gives an inventory of five things, five pieces of armor that give us the confidence to stand. He writes "... having fastened on the *belt of truth*, and having put on the *breastplate of righteousness*, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the *readiness given by the gospel of peace*. In all circumstances take up the *shield of faith*, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and *take the helmet of salvation* ..." (Ephesians 6:14b-17a)

My friends, this is our protection. Not your strength. Not your power. Not your works or awesome goodness. You are clothed in Christ. Your armor is Him. His truth wrapped around your waist like a belt; a mind readied with His Gospel on your feet; His righteousness protecting your heart like a breastplate;

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#### "SPIRITUAL WARFARE AND THE CHURCH" cont...

His salvation protecting your head, your mind, as a helmet; and the shield of faith, doused by baptism, to extinguish all the fiery darts. This faith is not *that* you believe, but *what* you believe, the Creed, the mighty fortress of the Lord's Name.

The Armor of God, it turns out, is God Himself! The blood and righteousness of Jesus are like a bullet-proof vest to the devil's onslaught of attacks. His attack on your conscience is to condemn you, but Jesus has been condemned already. You are acquitted. So the devil brings you all your sins again and again. Moreover, he uses them to condemn you, but the accusations won't stick. Why? Jesus is risen!

"You did this," the devil shoots an arrow. "Died for by Jesus," we say, and it bounces off the helmet of salvation.

"You thought that evil," the devil shoots again. "I am forgiven," we say and ping, it bounces off the breastplate of righteousness.

"You are wicked, miserable, godless," the devil spouts out again out of frustration. "My Jesus suffered for me, was buried for me, rose for me," and all the arrows are extinguished in the shield of faith. God be praised.

Let's be honest, we could never endure this sort of attack on our own, could we? The Good News is: there is one who fights for us, who holds the field. "Ask ye, Who is this? Jesus Christ it is, of Sabbaoth Lord, and there's none other God. He holds the field forever" (*LSB 656 st. 2*).

And this brings us to the fifth and final question: What weapons are we given for the fight? There is only one. Just one weapon Paul tells us we are armed, "Take up ... the sword of the Spirit, which is the **word of God**" (Ephesians 6:17b).

Our reading ended there, but the sentence doesn't. It concludes this way, "... and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, *praying* at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak" (Ephesians 6:17-20).

This is a surprise. The Lord gives us this spiritual sword; in fact the Sword of the Holy Spirit Himself, which is the Lord's Word, and how are we to yield it? Swing away at the enemy? Stab the demons that attack? Nope. We are to pray. We use the Lord's Word to pray, to ask Jesus for help. "Everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Acts 2:21).

The Roman sentry, when he heard the enemy approaching, would sound the alarm and call in the troops. We sound the alarm and call for the

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#### **SERVING THE LORD**

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## "SPIRITUAL WARFARE AND THE CHURCH" cont...

Champion, we call for Jesus, to come and fight for us, to protect and keep us.

Jesus, after all, has won the battle.

The devil knocked Him down into the grave, but He stood up. In victory and grace He stands triumphant over sin, death, and the power of Satan. And, dear saints, we stand with Him. He is our Hope. Jesus is our Victory.

Your Shepherd in Christ Jesus, Pastor Kress

# FROM THE PRESIDENT

As you all know for the past several months our church family has been in great turmoil and instead of focusing on the work at hand we have been spending our energy fighting with our Brothers and Sisters in Christ. We all have suffered, some of us have been wounded, some of us feel betrayed, and friendships may have been lost. But, you and I know that we have a GREAT HEALER and in time we will look back at this time and see how much stronger we all are because even though the process is painful the church always grows as a result of turmoil.

Now it is time to focus our energies and the resources that He has provided for the work at hand. I believe that God will provide us with the resources that we need to do His will and I pray as I do each day that He will guide us to do his will.

First as His stewards we must determine our financial status and meet our outstanding obligations. I think as a congregation we must adapt a mission church mentality. That is more in reach (fellowship) and outreach. We are very fortunate in that we have the facilities in place. We have a church, fellowship hall and a childcare center which is a great mission field right in our yard.

There is much work to be done and positions to be filled. So if asked please say yes. Life is a lot more enjoyable and fulfilling when you have something meaningful to do.

With God's help let us make this the best year in the life of Redeemer.

Your brother in Christ, Joe Carlos

# LCEF (LUTHERAN CHURCH EXTENSION FUND)

It's that time of year again! It's time to make our New Year's resolutions! How about a resolution to increase ministry opportunities within the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and also Redeemer Lutheran Church, Englewood, Florida? Opening an account with Lutheran Church Extension Fund will start you on the road to keeping that resolution.

LCEF has many investment choices available to choose from and offer comparable interest rates to local financial institutions. Who uses the money that you invest? LCMS congregations and church workers have access to the money for loans to help finance ministry

growth and needs. To me, that's a win-win situation. I know that the money that we have in our LCEF Family Emergency Steward Accounts will be used for purposes that will further the mission and ministry **of MY church** and is also available to help church workers.

Start your New Year's Resolution on the right path Open an LCEF account today! If you need more information, please stop by the table in the narthex or see me, your LCEF congregational advocate. I will answer your questions or find the answers for you!

Respectfully submitted, Laurie Steinke

#### **PRAYERS**

**SHUT-INS:** Carl & Betty Bertka, Marjorie Boliere, Helen Perry, and Ruth Sutley.

**HEALING:** Caleb Borza, Elma Cancellieri, Pat Finkenbine, Arlene Harden, Bernice Heppner, Erwin Janke, Sandy McGrath, Carolyn Plesner. Steve Procuk, Ron Ratzlaff, Henry Rudolph, Michael Sanders, Duwayne Schoeneck, Ted Simis, Russ Spooner, Earl Stuck, Marie Talley, Fred Toth, Lois Webster, Arlene Wiley, and KC Wright.

**Friends & Relatives:** Esther Ahtila, Catherine Armstrong, Linny Aspery, Gioconda Barlow, Grace Blum, Michelle Bernard, Dennis Burchell, Georgia Bush, Jack Carlos, Beverly Carper, Diane Carr, Debbie Carr, Esther Clapham, Bobbett Clark, Martin Cressman, Renee Dempsey, DiTommaso, James Dodge, Barb Dumeah, Bruce Everson, Darla Finkenbine, Marla Flores, Manual Galan, Glenn Galway, Liam Garland, Diane Giroux, Nancy Gleis, Shelley Roedel Gutz, Debbie Harrison, Larry Headun, Claudette Hendershot, Joel Heppner, Walter Heppner, Glory Herget, Robin Hincman, David Hirtle, Larry Hladun, Carol Holmes, Linda Holt, John Hunter, Linda Hunter,



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Military Personnel: Mark Baranowsky, Michael Broughton, Brian Jackson, Joshua Jones, Jonathan Koen, David MacLeod, Michael Monson, Steven Seigmundt, 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.



Facebook: Redeemer Lutheran



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Web—Child Care: www.redeemerfl-cc.com

The deadline for the February Newsletter is January 16th Please have all your submissions sent to redeemerfl@verizon.net OR drop it off at the church office to Deb by the date indicated above.

Thank You!



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## **NEW SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY**

# DYING TO LIVE The Power of Forgiveness

A nine part DVD series featuring Rev. Dr. Harold Senkbeil

More and more it seems that the world and its media are shaping our culture. We work to be spiritual people ... but how does one get and stay connected to the Creator?

In this DVD series Rev. Senkbeil helps us to better understand as baptized Christians how this spiritual relationship takes place, and how this gives us a life of forgiveness and hope.

Each DVD session is approximately 20 minutes in length. A study guide is also included that provides appropriate discussion questions for each segment. The sessions include:

Part I: The Incarnational Foundation of the Christian Life
Our Dying World
Our Living Lord
Our Death/His Cross



Part II: The Sacramental Focus of the Christian Life Holy Baptism: Water of Life Holy Absolution: Word of Life Holy Supper: Feast of Life

Part III: The Liturgical Shape of the Christian Life Divine Service: The Liturgical Life Together Private Prayer: Liturgical Life Alone Christian Vocation: Liturgical Life in the World This series will begin Sunday, January 4, 2015.

Come join us on Sunday mornings at 9:25 AM between services.

# **QUARTERLY VOTER'S MEETING**

The January 2015 Quarterly Voter's Meeting will be held January 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 AM (between services). Ratification of appointed chairpersons and elections of offices and committee members will be on the agenda. All registered voting members and associate members are eligible to vote on all of these matters. All members and associate members who signed the Registry during the last quarter are now also eligible to vote. If you are a member or an associate member, but have yet to sign the registry, you may do so at this meeting. All voting members are encouraged to attend this very important meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Joe Carlos, Pastor Kress or the church office.

## **CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**

2105 Contribution envelopes are on a table by the drinking fountain in the Narthex. If you don't see your contribution envelopes, please contact Deb Horner, Financial Secretary @ 475-2410.

# **HUMAN CARE**

The Human Care Board has many responsibilities relating to our church community. In the past we have had ten members on the board. Due to some of our family regretfully leaving the board we are now left with few members. The following is a list of our work for the Lord.:

Visiting shut ins, care notes, senior fellowship, redeemer singles luncheon, caring network, Stephen Ministry, blood donations, blood pressures, greeting cards and prison ministry. In 2013 we were involved with Relay For Life, 2012 we had a pancake breakfast and silent auction with proceeds going to Pastor and Lisa Kress's grandsons family due to illness.

I ask you to please pray about your gifts and hopefully you will find that you are led to our Human Care effort.

Our meetings are the first Wednesday of every month, 10:00am in the narthex. If you are led to our meeting, a full explanation of each endeavor will be given at that time.

"Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth"

1 John 3:18

#### SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Everyone is invited to the Fellowship every Thursday, starting at 10:00. Several of our Snow birds are returning an we have a full house of tables. We are happy to add more. The most popular things to play are: Pinochle, Phase 10, SkipBO, and Hand & Foot. We also have Dominoes or other games if they are requested. There must be something you would like to have fun with, so come on out. Once in awhile we have a special home made lunch but usually everyone brings a bag lunch. Drinks and dessert



## PROPERTY APPRECIATION DAY

We sure could use some help on our Property Appreciations Days every month. With the weather getting a little cooler, we can tackle more jobs around the property. We want to get spruced up for the return of our Northern members. We meet the second Saturday of every month at 8:00 AM. If can help, come to the church and we will put you to work. **Our next Property Appreciation Day is January 10th.** 



#### **ENGLEWOOD HELPING HAND**

At this time of year, Englewood Helping Hands is very busy and are always in need of supplies for their pantry. Also, if you would like to volunteer to help at the pantry, contact Englewood Helping Hands at 941-474-5864. If you would like to donate to their pantry, following is a list of the current needs: canned chicken, tuna or ham, peanut butter & jelly, mac & cheese, canned fruit, cereal, rice, soups, toilet paper, paper towels, bar soap, shampoo, clothes



#### KRAFT KORNER

We are always in need of items we can sell in our corner. Even if you think it is junk "remember, your junk is someone else's treasurer. Please check around and see what you might have. We have a pretty good supply of books if you need to read while relaxing or waiting in Drs office. Come check it out.

## **QUILTERS GROUP**

The quilting group will begin meeting again on Monday, January 5th at 9:00 AM. If you have some skill in sewing, stitching, or needlework please consider joining us every Monday morning for a couple of hours or as much time as you can offer to make and create beautiful tapestry.

## **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**









...Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people...

Mark 2:10





# **CHILD CARE SANTA LUNCH**



#### REDEEMER CHILD CARE



Redeemer Child Care wishes you a Happy New Year!



### Bible Lessons

<u>Chapel is on Tuesday at</u> 3:45

1/7 God's Word Is Important

Luke 2:41-52

1/14 Jesus Is Our Substitute

Matthew 3:13-17

1/21 God Has Mercy on His Children

Luke 17:11-19

1/28 Jesus Is All Powerful

Luke 8:40-56



Dear Jesus, give me eyes of faith to see that You are God's beloved Son. Amen

<u>Congratulations on your</u> years of service!



Ms. Jackie—8 Years Ms. Cherylann—5 Years

## **Birthdays**

Csenge 1/2
Ms. Katie 1/3
Anthony 1/7
Shawn 1/7
Noah 1/8
Dimitri 1/14
Isabella 1/15
Brayden 1/16
Joslyn 1/17



## Congratulations to:

Ms. Miranda on graduating from FGCU with a Bachelor's in education.



Thank you to all the members of Redeemer who give to the Angel Scholarship Fund.

A GREAT big thank you to the Secret Santa who gave the Child Care a big box full of art supplies.

# What We Are Learning

1/6-1/10 Boy Jesus
Studies In The Temple
1/13-1/17 Jesus' Baptism
1/20-1/24 Jesus Heals
The Ten Lepers
1/27-1/31 Jesus Raises
Jairus's Daughter From
The Dead

## Santa Lunch



Thank you to all the members of Redeemer Lutheran Church who gave a gift off of the Angel tree for the Santa Lunch! The children had a wonderful time and loved their gifts!

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU TO SANTA!

Submitted by Wendy Horvath

#### **CLASSIFIEDS**

Sales—Rentals Pineapple Gulf Properties—Glenda McDorman, Owner/Broker (Lessie

Kirch's Daughter),350 S. Indiana Road Englewood, FL 34223.

Office: 941-473-0300, Cell: 941-330-7922.

**Cleaning Services** Free estimates! Please contact Sheila Murphy at 941-473-1747.

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**Construction** Call Rob Long! A.C.S., Inc. - Licensed General Contractor - Anything

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call for a free estimate at 941-475-5008.

**For Sale** Electric wheelchair/scooter—only used for two months. In brand new

condition. Has battery and charger. You will need a way to

transport the chair. Please contact Deb Horner @ 941-468-3923, if

you are interested.

#### LOST AND FOUND

If anyone is missing any items, namely eyeglasses, gloves, umbrellas, etc., please check the Lost & Found box located in the narthex.

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January 25th	TBD
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#### **PUZZLE PAGE**

#### Across

- 1. Jeer
- Part of a circle
- 9. Stop
- 13. Coconut meat
- 14. Exclude
- 15. Court panelist
- 16. Help
- 17. Oculus
- 18. Herb with aromatic seeds
- 19. Associated
- 21. Prescribe
- 23. Appearing bloodshot
- 24. Traditional music
- 25. First woman
- 28. Travel by horse
- 30. Scaling device
- 35. Hobble
- 37. Layer of paint
- Appeared with Bogart in The Maltese Falcon, Peter \_\_\_\_
- 40. European river
- 41. Tally
- Temporary provision of money
- 44. Office worker
- 46. Reign
- 47. Misplace
- 48. Plaid design
- 50. Genuine
- 52. Church bench
- 53. Gown
- 55. Rend
- 57. Environmental condition
- 61. Consign
- 65. Automaton
- 66. Epoch
- 68. The Little Bear, Ursa \_\_\_\_
- 69. Develop
- 70. Pelt
- 71. Excessive
- 72. Outdo
- 73. Hankering
- 74. Wading bird

#### Down

- 1. Indication of previous damage
- 2. Inlet
- 3. Gemstone
- 4. Mendicant
- 5. Waver
- 6. Not up and about
- 7. Beam
- 8. System of beliefs
- 9. Search and pursue
- Melody for solo voice
- Disorientated
- 12. Large plant
- 15. Canine mammal
- 20. Decree 22. Unwell

- Characteristic
- 25. Choose
- 26. House
- Glowing fragment
- of coal
- 29. Threshold
- 31. Child's plaything
- 32. Wilt
- 33. Delete
- 34. Regenerate
- 36. Saucy
- 38. Story
- 42. Acquire knowledge
- 45. Martial art
- 49. Negation of a word

- 51. Paper used to test
- acid or alkali 54. Burly
- 56. Produced from a photographic negative
- 57. Crustacean
- 58. Traditional knowledge
- 59. Long-billed bird
- 60. The greatest number
- 61. Acquire by effort
- or action
- 62. Release a fastening
- 63. Rancid
- 64. Journey
- 67. Regret

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We, the members of Redeemer Lutheran Church are called into the service of our Lord by accepting His command (Matthew 28:18-20):

•Making disciples of all nations/peoples

•Baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

•Proclaiming the Gospel and teaching the Word.

Christ's love for us compels us to serve our neighbors as He served us.