

The Ringer



Soon it is June and we find ourselves in a new reality. The council met at the end of this month to look towards June and how we together would safely gather. The decision as you have read is to look toward June 28 at the earliest to gather. I like many of you would love to gather in person NOW! But understand the difficulties in doing so when it comes to safely doing so. So we gather “virtually” for a little longer. Yes, businesses are opening. Yes, we have permission to open up, but the numbers in the state are still up and down, day to day. We have a lot of vulnerable people that cross our threshold so the council decided to be cautious. I have decided to offer virtual communion on Wednesday evenings as this may go on for some time and as logistically receiving communion from me and my assistants is tricky. We will be working with Prairie Wind Parish to do it from time to time on Sundays as well. We are blessed in this time to be able to still gather via the Internet, so we hear the word, we pray, we greet each other in new ways and the presence of God never leaves us. So bear with me and the council as we move forward.

In Christ

Pastor David

Council News

Council Highlights for May May 5, 2020 Meeting

- ♦ Virtual online services will continue for now with mid-June being the tentative beginning of in-church services. [Updated at May 26 council meeting to be late June.]
- ♦ Ray Beckman is moving forward with the camera for the sanctuary. Estimated cost is \$4,000 and applying for funds from Memorial and Endowment.

Council Meeting Minutes are available to read on the Council Bulletin Board and in the office.

Council Meetings are the 2nd Thursday of the month



Budget Information

Treasurer's Report for end of April

Income \$193,145

Budgeted Income for the year \$290,400

Total Expense \$97,428

Budgeted Expense for the year \$298,375

Mortgage Balance \$345,548



Redeemer News

Needs of the Month

The needs of the Salina Rescue Mission for June 2020 include:

Breakfast Cereal
Allergy & Sinus Medications
Cough Drops
Razors
Tissues (Kleenex)



This helps to feed and care for the hungry and homeless, it also stretches our general fund dollars. Please help; donations can be dropped off anytime at the Salina Rescue Mission at 1716 Summers Road in Salina, or call us at 785-823-2610.

For more information go on-line to www.salinarescuemission.com



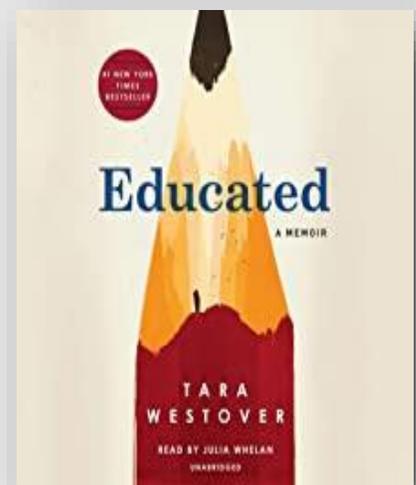
Committee Chairs, please email Becky with the list of members sitting on your committee. Indicate which is Council Liaison as well.

Thank you!



June 16
Educated: A Memoir
by Tara Westover
Host: Marty Holmquist
Leader: Carl Pyle

Pageturners meets the 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 4:00.



Creation Care News

A Bible story on climate change?

Christians should recall the wisdom of an odd authority on climate change. His name is Joe, and he is in prison for assault and attempted rape. His father has children by four different women. Joe's mother is a thief who once traded her husband's sexual attentions for drugs. Joe's brothers are guilty of human trafficking and conspiracy to commit fraud. Christians are instructed in the Bible to learn from this character, for he is Israel's son Joseph, imprisoned in Egypt.

If you pick up Joseph's story in Chapter 41 of Genesis, you will see that his rise to power results from God giving him the ability to predict a 14-year climate cycle, which started 1,300 miles south in the Ethiopian highlands.

Scripture is a story of the way things are, not what we wish they would be. And although it could be argued that Joseph was dealing with weather and not climate, a precedent is certainly established.

The above is an excerpt from an article by Matthew Sleeth, executive director of [Blessed Earth](#) and author of ["Reforesting Faith: What Trees Teach Us About the Nature of God and His Love for Us."](#)

In the Genesis story, Pharaoh listened to Joseph and invested lots of resources into building grain storage during the seven years of plenty. As a result, Egypt had enough food for their country and a surplus to sell to foreigners—like Joseph's brothers—during the seven years of famine.

What does all this teach us? What are steps we can take to avert the worst of the climate crisis God's prophets (in our day we call them "scientists") have told us about?

Joseph's brothers ended up having to leave their home and uproot their entire lives so their family would survive. In the past couple months, we too have lived with a lot of uncertainty about the future. Even after Covid-19 passes, we still have tremendous challenges to face, just like Joseph and the wise Pharaoh. Climate change isn't as obvious a threat as the virus, but it is real and urgent. How will we respond?



Mary Mertz



Just a note to say that I will be out of the office June 1-5 as my husband is having surgery in Kansas City. Thank you for your prayers and your patience while I am away.

Becky

Buy Local!



This is a great time to support your regional farmers and ranchers—the pandemic has helped make us aware of how important it is to have access to local food.

Opportunities in Salina to buy local:

Farmers Markets

Tuesdays 4-7 pm Emmanuel Foursquare Church

Saturdays 7:30-11 am Waters Hardware

Prairieland Market, 305 E. Walnut

Tuesday-Saturday 11-7

At these venues you'll find local meats, vegetables, fruits, honey, soap, canned goods, and more!

And for those of you who like browsing on **Facebook**, there's a page called **Shop Kansas Farms**: just type your location (e.g. Salina, Lindsborg) into the Search bar and you'll find various local growers selling their eggs, cheese, honey, meat, etc.

Community News

A Local Recycling Option



J&N Curbside Recycling
 2952 Tasker Lane
 Salina, KS 67401
 785-342-6107
 785-493-1945
nelson.jerry18@gmail.com
norenenelson69@gmail.com

With the city currently not running its recycling center, you may feel like you have to landfill all your recyclables. **Good news!** Local recyclers Jerry and Norene Nelson are ready to help.

For \$8 per month, they'll provide disposal bags (reusable) and pick up all your recyclables, either weekly or biweekly.

Women's Life Group will
 TENTATIVELY meet on
 Thursday, July 2nd at 1:15
 p.m. at Redeemer.
Welcome back!
Anna Prockish



Slappy
Father's
Day

The righteous
 man walks in
 his integrity;
**His children
 are blessed
 after him.**
 PROVERBS 20:7

FATHER
KIND trust
 nurturing friend
WISDOM
 family man **LO**
 thoughtful
STRONG patient **VE**

Lectionary for Sundays in June

June 7 — The Holy Trinity

[Genesis 1:1-2:4a](#)

[Psalm 8:1](#)

[2 Corinthians 13:11-13](#)

[Matthew 28:16-20](#)

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."



June 14 — 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

[Exodus 19:2-8a](#)

[Psalm 100:3](#)

[Romans 5:1-8](#)

[Matthew 9:35-10:8 \[9-23\]](#)

³⁵Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."



^{10:1}Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ²These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; ³Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, ⁶but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' ⁸Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment."

June 21 — 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

[Jeremiah 20:7-13](#)

[Psalm 69:7-10 \[11-16\]](#)

[Romans 6:1b-11](#)

[Matthew 10:24-39](#)

[Jesus said to the twelve:] ²⁴"A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the rooftops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³²"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;

³⁶and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."



Worship News

June 28 — 4th Sunday after Pentecost

[Jeremiah 28:5-9](#)
[Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18](#)

[Romans 6:12-23](#)
[Matthew 10:40-42](#)

[Jesus said to the twelve:] ⁴⁰Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their re-

ward."



ALTAR GUILD: Kathy & Joe Hienrich

PARTNERS IN MINISTRY 9:30 a.m. SERVICE

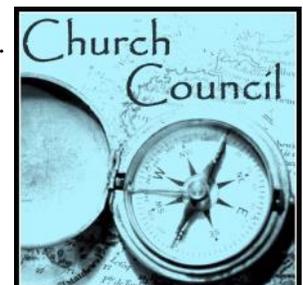
	June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28
Greeters				
Ushers				
Lector				
Communion				
Sound				
Fellowship				

For now we will not assign Partners in Ministry for June, but play it by ear day to day. We will keep all informed via Redeemer's website at www.redeemer-elca.org or on Redeemer's Facebook page. News will be sent out via Realm as well. Those who do not have email will be contacted via postal mail.

Thank you!

Redeemer Congregation,

The purpose of this message is to assure you that the Church Council is continuing to monitor the COVID-19 pandemic, how it is impacting our community, and how we can best serve you safely. It is our conclusion that in-person services will be problematic, if not impossible, to conduct safely and in the communal atmosphere that we all desire at Redeemer. In that spirit, Council has recently decided that virtual services will continue until at least June 28th. As that date approaches, we will continue to monitor the pandemic and determine how, if at all, in-person services can be conducted. We as a council understand that many of you, like us, are anxious to return to church. We look forward to doing so as soon as we feel that we can safely.



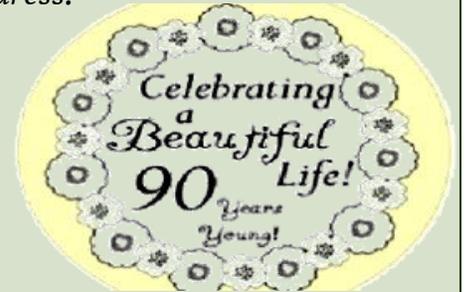
Redeemer Luther Church Council

Redeemer Celebrations



Wishing Esther Jording God's blessings for her 90th birthday on June 12th. Let's do a Card Shower for Esther and shower her with good wishes.

Please mail cards to her address:
1623 Sycamore Street
Salina, KS 67401-5919



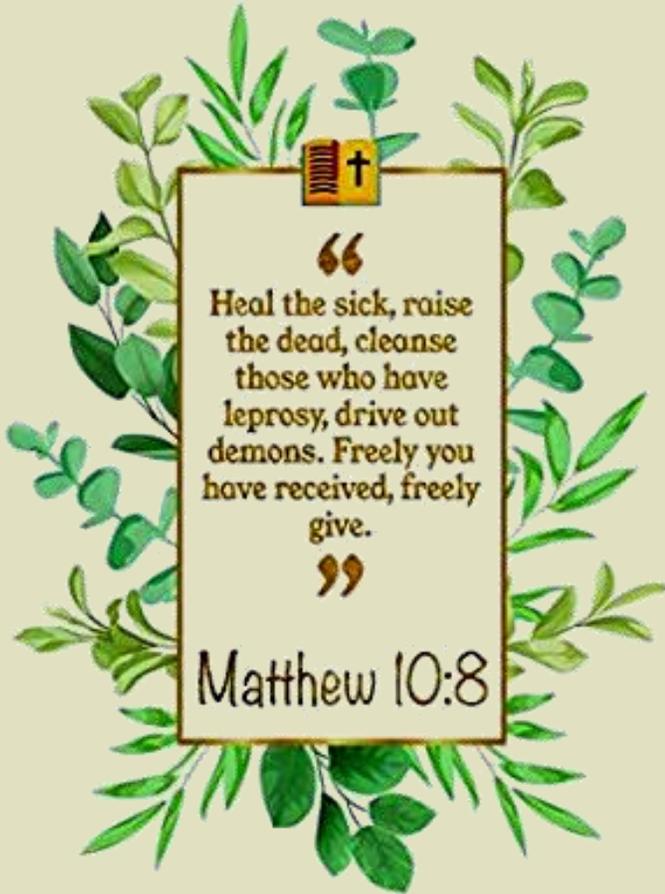
- 5 Loren & Phyllis Harris
- 9 Ted & Barbara Wire
- 10 Mike & Susan Ramage
- 10 Larry & Pam Strahan
- 12 Trey & Kimberly Potter
- 13 Alan & Britney English
- 13 Joe & Janis Plumer
- 27 Tim & Anna Prockish

Anniversaries

Birthdays

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|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 2 Larissa Dusin | 17 Hensely Pickering |
| 3 Gary Mettlen | 18 Jay Aurand |
| 4 Adam Prockish | 20 Carol Keeler |
| 4 John Garrison | 23 Thomas Curl |
| 6 Grant English | 25 Pastor David Strommen |
| 9 Jason Budreau | 29 Janet Whitaker |
| 11 Britney English | 30 Steve McDowell |
| 12 Esther Jording | |

Content of the Ringer depends on you, the members of this church, for articles, photos, important dates, etc. **The July newsletter deadline is June 22nd at 12:00 pm.** Information turned in after this date might not be included. The newsletter is available by email, mail or at the church.



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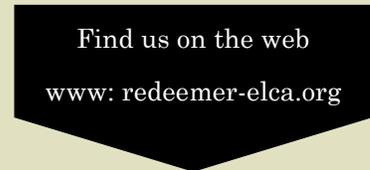
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 Becky Shulda, Administrative Assistant



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Sunday Sermons can now be heard
 on the Redeemer Website



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 God's Work. Our Hands.



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Weekly Church Events

TO BE ANNOUNCED!
 Will send out weekly calendar updates via Realm.

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 Britney English

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