

The Ringer

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September 2019 Newsletter



The summer has gone by quickly this year it seems. I hope you all had time to reconnect with family and friends and perhaps get some projects done. This September begins the term for our new Bishop, although she will not be installed until October. The Rev. Susan Candea is our new bishop and some of you may know her already. She has preached a couple times here at Redeemer. She was Bishop's Associate for the last six years. Transitions can be difficult as many of you know. She has put a staff together keeping in mind that our Synod budget is not as healthy as it once was. I am hopeful that some deep conversations can be had and solutions found for the many vacancies we have in our Central and Western Kansas churches. I ask Redeemer to pray on this. Given the clergy shortage and the fact that many of our churches are rural and quite small it is difficult to recruit "out here"...our city churches are also having this problem. If you know of people that have thought about seminary send them to me to have a conversation. We have programs now that really help with people who are lifted up to do ministry in their context. In some ways we are not so different than the pioneers who first came here. There were some clergy they recruited from overseas to come and see to their spiritual needs, but as more and more of our ancestors boarded ships for the Promised Land and spread out across this country they realized that there were not enough in the Old Country and that they had to start encouraging people in their midst to study for the ministry. So pray for our new Bishop, give thanks for Bishop Roger as he retires, and pray for solutions to our ministry needs in Central States Synod.

We are excited that Rejoicing Spirits will begin this month. If you still have questions see me or Jean. This is an opportunity for us to welcome many people from the Salina community and express to them what it means to part of Redeemer!

Godly Play and Wednesday Night activities will start this month as well. This is also a wonderful way in which we at Redeemer tell Salina we have open doors to teach about the love of God in Christ.

God's Works, Our Hands Sunday is September 8. Remember we have our 8a.m. service. Then we meet at Ashby House for a work day. If you have gloves, please, bring them.

***In Christ
Pastor David.***

FYI

THE CLIMATE FOR CHANGE IS NOW.

PARIS

TO

PITTSBURGH



Want some good news about climate change?

Come to a FREE film profiling cities and towns across the U.S. that are embracing the transition to a lower-energy future.

Thursday, September 26, 7:00 p.m. at Kansas Wesleyan's Fitzpatrick Auditorium

The event is co-hosted by Redeemer's Creation Care Team and Kansas Wesleyan University. Discussion to follow.

To get your free tickets, call or email Mary Mertz: 820-5585, mary.mcginis@juno.com

Do you have unfinished projects? Do you have DIY holiday décor items you've meant to make and never found the time? Bring those projects (and snacks, too) to Redeemer for Finishing, Fellowship, and Fun! For more information contact either Anna Prockish at 785-212-0685 or Becky 785-827-8195.



Projects Play Day
Friday, September 27
10 AM till 12 Midnight



The Endowment Fund

FYI: Redeemer Endowment and Memorial Committee funds are available to our members by application. There are application guidelines for each committee. For more information please contact Wayne Keeler for endowment and Cheryl Itschner for memorial.

Redeemer Family –

I want to thank you for the prayers, calls, cards and donations I received. It meant so much to me. At a time like this, we realize how much friends and being a part of a church family means. What a blessing it has been. It was comforting and nice to have Pastor David taking part in the funeral service. Our family appreciated that very much.

*In Christian Love –
Arlene Keil & Family*



Reminders & News

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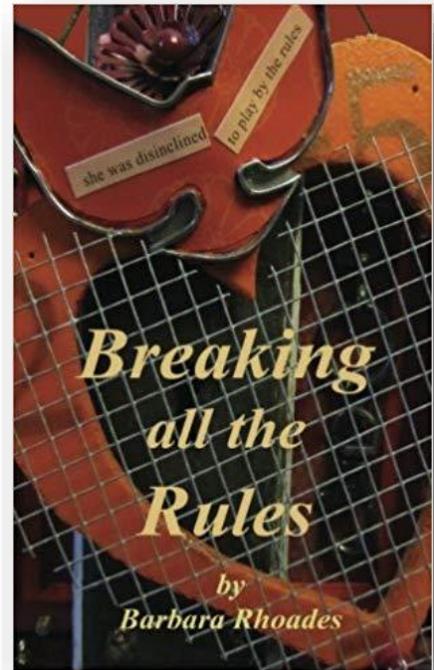
September 17

Breaking All the Rules

Hosts—Lonnie & David Wahlgren

Book Club Meets on
the 4th Tuesday of
the month.

(there are a few exceptions)



A special thanks to all our musicians and soloists for providing music this summer! Their amazing talents greatly enhanced our worship, and we want to give them another round of applause for their work: the Jubilation Ringers, Kendra Albin, Gary Jordan, Ann Metcalfe, Jennifer Labes, Elizabeth Labes, Sam Neff, Owen Freiburger, Jeanne Lucas, RoJean Loucks, Leslie Mangrum, Audrey Ash, and Abigail Rishel-Barnett.

As of the end of the church year this year 2019, which actually goes to February 1st, I will no longer oversee the Kitchen, Kitchen Closet Supplies, and Fellowship assignments. If anyone wants to discuss a plan to go forward or volunteer, just let me know. I'm here to help with the transition. Thank you!

Kris Johanson



Lectionary for Sundays in September

Sunday, September 1—12th Sunday after Pentecost

[Proverbs 25:6-7](#)

[Psalm 112](#)

[Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16](#)

[Luke 14:1, 7-14](#)



¹On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

Sunday, September 8—13th Sunday after Pentecost

[Deuteronomy 30:15-20](#)

[Psalm 1](#)

[Philemon 1-21](#)

[Luke 14:25-33](#)



²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with [Jesus;] and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not

first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

Sunday, September 15—14th Sunday after Pentecost

[Exodus 32:7-14](#)

[Psalm 51:1-10](#)

[1 Timothy 1:12-17](#)

[Luke 15:1-10](#)



¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to [Jesus.] ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³So he told them this parable: ⁴“Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ ⁷Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸“Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

Lectionary for Sundays in September

Sunday, September 22—15th Sunday after Pentecost

[Amos 8:4-7](#)

[Psalm 113](#)

[1 Timothy 2:1-7](#)

[Luke 16:1-13](#)



¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' ⁷Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Sunday, September 29—16th Sunday after Pentecost

[Amos 6:1a, 4-7](#)

[Psalm 146](#)

[1 Timothy 6:6-19](#)

[Luke 16:19-31](#)

[Jesus said:] ¹⁹"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' ²⁵But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' ²⁷He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—²⁸for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' ²⁹Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' ³⁰He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' ³¹He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.' "



Partners in Ministry

ALTAR GUILD: Teresa Nelson & Marilee Vancil

PARTNERS IN MINISTRY 8:00 SERVICE

	September 1	September 8	September 15	September 22	September 29		
Greeters	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">9:30</p> <p><u>Greeters</u> Ray & Debbie Beckman</p> <p><u>Ushers</u> Kendra Albin & Kathy Heinrich</p> <p><u>Communion</u> Dan Metcalfe, Kris Neff & Anna Prockish</p> <p><u>Lector</u> Wayne Keeler</p> <p><u>Sound</u> Tom Mertz</p> <p><u>Fellowship</u> ???</p> </div>	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">8:00</p> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">Worship</p> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">9:30</p> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">God's</p> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">Work</p> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">Our</p> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">Hands</p> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">Ashby</p> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">House</p> </div>	Virg Augustine & Noni Strand	Cheryl Itschner & Sue Mettlen	Gary Mettlen & Mary Shaffer		
Communion			Charlotte Herrman, Virg Augustine & Noni Strand	Mary Shaffer, Cheryl Itschner & Marilee Vancil	Diane Conover, Jan Jackson & Kathy Lowman		
Lector			Charlotte Herrman	Mary Shaffer	Denise Dusin		
Sound			Perry Jurgensen	Perry Jurgensen	Perry Jurgensen		
PARTNERS IN MINISTRY 10:30 SERVICE							
Greeters			Rod & CeCelia Anderson	Jim & Viv Cook	Chad & Christine Curl		
Ushers			Jon Hotaling & Dennis Kuhlman	Grant & Kris Johanson	Gary & Lana Jordan		
Communion			Mike Ramage, Joe & Janis Plumer	Larry Strahan, Phil & Jean Sedo	Sandi Drown, Ray Beckman & Kendra Albin		
Lector			Carol Kuhlman	Mary Mertz	Tom Drown		
Sound			Mary Mertz	Tom Mertz	Kris Neff		
Fellowship	Koers & Johansons	Callahans	Jordans				

News & Info

For now the Ladies Nights Out are being discontinued indefinitely. This does not mean, however, that we might not have occasional and impromptu events. Stay tuned!



Vacation Bible School Donations

Working with the theme "Who Is My Neighbor?" and the story of the Good Samaritan, our July VBS students and parents brought gifts of food and clothing to help Redeemer's efforts to be a good neighbor in Salina. We collected a car load of clothes for Ashby House, and more than 100 nonperishable food items were taken to the Food Bank. Many thanks to all who shared what they had!

God's Work, Our Hands



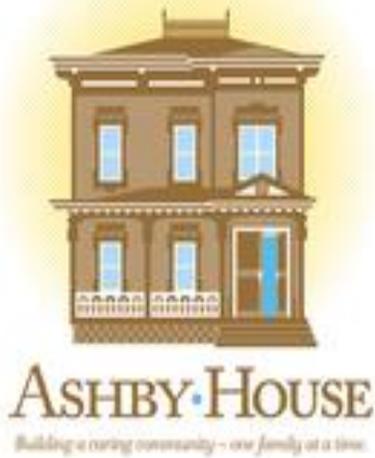
Members of Immanuel, Redeemer, and St. John's Lutheran Churches will again team up for **God's Work. Our Hands** Sunday on **September 8, 2019**. This year, we will be working at Ashby House here in Salina as we join thousands of ELCA members that day who are engaging in service work to make a positive change in their communities, build and deepen relationships, and share God's love.

Redeemer will hold our regular early worship service at 8:00 a.m. for those who wish to attend. Then we'll meet at Ashby House (exact location will be announced as we get closer to September 8) at **9:30 am** to help with either yard work or work in the new shelter for 2 hours. We will have projects for all ages and abilities, including putting together Baby Kits and School Kits for Lutheran World Relief. **All Hands** are needed as we serve!

During the weeks before September 8, members are encouraged to donate items for the ministry of Ashby House. (Please see list on next page and take items to your congregation for collection.) For the day of September 8, you are encouraged to wear a Thrivent T-shirt (shirts are available if you need one), a **God's Work. Our Hands** T-shirt, or a shirt that represents your congregation. Pastor Ed Foster of St. John's will be our official photographer, and we invite you to take pictures of your own to share.

If you have any questions please contact Mindy Tillberg of Immanuel (mt2820b@gmail.com), Tyler Henoach at St. John's (tylerhenoch@carrollswab.com), or Noni Strand at Redeemer (nonistrand@gmail.com).

Take Note!



Wish List

Bath and Bedroom

Toilet paper
Twin size sheet sets
Twin size blankets (no comforters)
Pillows

Kitchen / Laundry

Paper towels!
Dish cloths
Laundry detergent
Dish soap
Coffee (regular & decaf)

Clothing

Children's gloves and hats
Women's underwear and bras (new)
Children's underwear (new)
Women's socks (new)
Children's socks (new)

Over-the-Counter / Personal Care

Feminine hygiene products
Deodorant
Cold and Flu Medication (alcohol-free)
Ibuprofen / Acetaminophen (Tylenol)
Band-aids
Diapers (Sizes 1-5)
Diaper rash ointment
Baby lotion
Baby shampoo
Antibiotic ointment
Baby wipes

Household

Windex
Latex gloves
Multi-surface cleaner (409, etc.)
Lysol spray

General

Cash donations
Office supplies (scotch tape, dry erase markers, copy paper, etc.)
Gift cards (gas/food)
Children's school supplies (construction paper, markers, crayons, white glue, scissors, backpacks, etc.)

Godly Play Begins September 4th

Have a busy week?

We are open late on Wednesday and you can leave the cooking to us.

Wednesday night at Redeemer is a rewarding and relaxing time for everyone.

Come and join us for all or part of the evening activities.

Childcare is provided free of charge starting at 6:00.

For more information contact: Carol Kuhlman at 577-2365, Sandi Drown at 452-2417, or Carol Keeler at 493-5485.



5:30 - Weekly Meal

The evening begins with a light supper, prepared and served by Redeemer volunteers, in the fellowship hall. The meal is free, but donations are accepted.



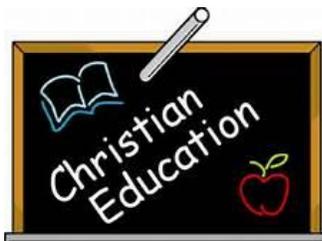
6:00 - Godly Play for children age 3 through 3rd grade.

What is Godly Play? A child-honoring way of entering into and experiencing the biblical story. We use manipulative story characters and imagination to experience the biblical story through narrative story, parables, liturgical actions and silence. Children are not told what to believe, but are exposed to the story experience. Through this open-ended approach we hear the deepest invitation to come play with God.



6:00—Connect for 4th-6th Grade class with Debbie Beckman

6:00 - Worship—An informal Communion worship service is held every week.



After Worship stay for more learning

7th & 8th Grade Confirmation with Pastor

High School with Sheila Alstatt

Adults with Pastor David Strommen



7:15

We are Family

09/03 Dan & Janet Gill
 09/13 Wayne & Carol Keeler
 09/17 Ken & Tresa Mayfield
 09/17 Aaron & Amanda Nuss
 09/27 Tom & Sandi Drown



Happy September Birthday!

2	Ayden Whitaker	16	Bailee Steinle	22	Corey Pennington
3	Phyllis Harris	17	Sam Shaffer	23	Kelley Koers
6	Noni Strand	19	Jordan Alstatt	25	Kahlan Metcalfe
7	Mary Mertz	20	Heather Wagoner	25	Gus Peterson
10	Kimberly Prockish	21	Harold Klaege	27	Jan Jackson
10	Shelli Bell	21	Beth Curchy	27	Ann Garrison
12	Jon Plumer	21	Larry Manz	29	Kayla Nuss

FLOWER CHART

If you are interested in providing flowers for our worship services on a specific date, please sign the chart. Make sure to use only a dry-erase marker.

Cost will be \$20.

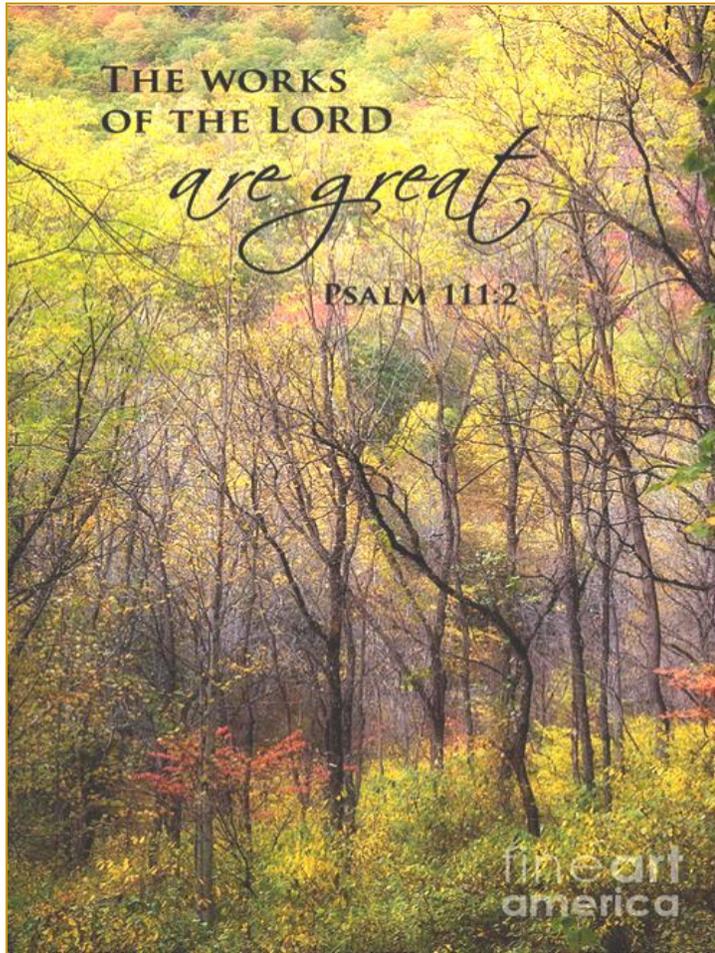


Content of the Ringer depends on you, the members of this church, for articles, photos, important dates, etc. **The October Newsletter deadline is September 16th at 12:00 pm.** Information turned in after this date might not be included. The newsletter is available by email, mail or at the church.

September



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 930 Worship	2	3 545 Worship & Music	4 900 Bible Study 530 Godly Play	5 100 Women's Life Group	6	7
8 800 Worship 930 God's Work Our Hands	9 1200 Newsletter Deadline	10 630 GUYS	11 900 Bible Study 530 Godly Play	12 100 Women's Life Group 600 Council Meeting	13 Becky on Vacation	14 1100 Rejoicing Spirits
15 800 & 1030 Worship 200 Silver Needles Workshop	16 600 Silver Needles Meeting	17 400 Page Turners	18 900 Bible Study 530 Godly Play	19 930 Silver Needles Sew-In 100 Women's Life Group	20 1100 PEO Chapter Meeting	21
22 800 & 1030 Worship	23	24	25 900 Bible Study 530 Godly Play	25 830 Breakfast at IHOP 100 Women's Life Group	27 1000 Projects Play Day	28
29 800 & 1030 Worship	30					



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 on the Redeemer Website.



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Weekly Church Events

Sunday Communion Worship

8:00 Communion worship
 10:30 Communion worship

Wednesday morning

9:00 Bible Study

Wednesday Evening Activities

5:30—Dinner
 6:00—Godly Play
 6:15—Communion Worship
 Followed by Education
 7:15—Music practice

Organist: Ruth Mirtz

Choir Director: Ann Metcalfe

**Bell Director and
 Worship Accompanist:**

Britney English

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