

# The Ringer

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“<sup>9</sup>but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power<sup>[a]</sup> is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.” 2 Corinthians 12: 9

I have been considering again our Lutheran Standard of Grace Alone from Luther’s understanding of Paul and the doctrine of “We are justified by grace through faith.” Is that enough for a church to function under? There are many voices from without (and within) that say that it is not enough. Each individual must do “this, and that, and really needs to do this, and feel this way....” in order to be right with God. Paul even struggled with this, and he wrote the words about grace himself. But in the end the voice of God came and declared, “My grace is sufficient!” I will continue to function within the ministry you have called me to with that understanding. Yes, many are telling us to change to a church of “having to do”...but grace is enough, for God’s grace is not just enough, but overflows, riches upon riches for the Glory of God. I for one am thankful for God’s enough.

***In Christ***

***Pastor David***

## Council News

The council did not meet in July.  
The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 12.



In the PDF version of this Ringer you may click the GIVE NOW button here and it will take you to the secure site to make your Redeemer donation. If you have questions, please contact Jan Jackson.

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*Council Meetings are the 2nd Thursday  
of the month beginning at 7 pm.*

## Budget Information

### Treasurer's Report for end of June

Total Income \$143,687.76

Budgeted Income for the year \$260,200

Total Expense \$148,827.83

Budgeted Expense for the year \$289,025

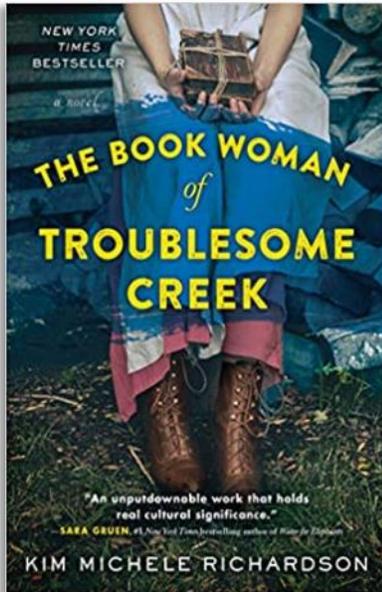
Mortgage Balance \$298,785.38



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# Redeemer News



Tuesday, August 17

The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek

By Kim Richardson

Leader: Becky Shulda

Host: Jean Sedo

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



Rejoicing Spirits is a program for individual of all abilities. Bring the whole family and find new friends. Our next gathering will be Saturday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 11 am. Join us for Food – Fun – Fellowship!



Thank you to everyone who made the July 10<sup>th</sup> Rejoicing Spirits Program a success! If you would like to be a part of this program, contact Jean 404-6222, Sandy 452-2417, Shellee 822-6878. Our next service is August 14th at 11 am. Everyone welcome!

# How Redeemer Gardens Grow



Fritillary butterfly on zinnia — M. Shaffer



Bright orange zinnia — M. Holmquist



Butterfly house near Butterfly bush — M. Holmquist



English brothers with homegrown melon



Butterfly milkweed at Redeemer



Green and yellow beans — M. Shaffer



Mary Shaffer's cucumber harvest



Zinnias attract pollinators at Redeemer



Fritillary butterfly makes a visit to Marty's garden



Praying for rain!

# Redeemer Kiddos!

## Back to School Bash!

**Who:** High School Youth from the ELCA churches in town (and Parents for first 30-45 minutes or so)

**What:** Supper and Games, some planning for the year, and informational meeting about the NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING July 2022

**When:** Tuesday, August 10, 202, 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.(latest)

**Where:** Redeemer Lutheran Church, 743 E. Magnolia (across from South High)



**CALLING ALL YOUTH**

### Friends welcome!

Please RSVP by Sunday, August 8 to Sheila Alstatt at 785-643-0627 (call or text)



## ENDURE – Getting S'more of JESUS

VBS is off to a great start. We had 18 energetic kids come Monday night. Each night will be filled with a story, songs, crafts, science & games all teaching us s'more about God, his son Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

VBS would not be possible without the help of lots of special people. Helping this year are Meals – Charlotte Herrman, Sue Mettlen, Arlene Keil, Shellee & Ryan Callahan, & Mary Shaffer, Songs – Britney English & Ann Metcalfe, Story & Crafts – Debbie Beckman, Science – David Wahlgren, & Games – Mary Mertz. Group leaders for the week were Alan & Britney English, Jean Sedo, Brenda Tonniges, & Kennedy & Maddux Weisshaar. Thank you to everyone who provided cookies for every night of VBS.

We want to share our week with you on **Friday night, July 30**, by singing some of the songs we are going to learn this week. We will present the songs at the end of the evening starting around **7:20**. Invite anyone you would like to share this short time with us.

If you enjoy working with children, Godly Play needs you! Teaching positions are available. Call Carol Keeler at 785-493-5485 or Debbie Beckman at 785-452-5662 or Sandi Drown at 785-452-2417.

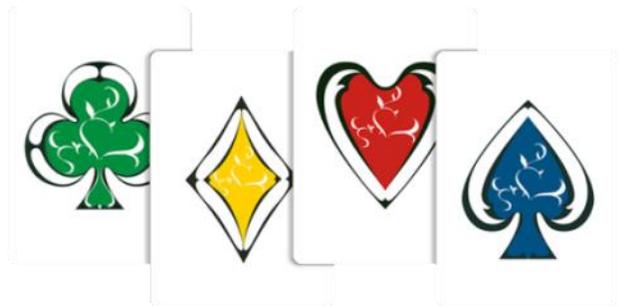


## More Redeemer News

G.U.Y.S. (Gearing Up Your Spirit) is Redeemer's men-in-mission group. We have an interesting program lined up for our next meeting Tuesday August 10. Our own fellow church member, Troy Harding, who is also Department Head at K-State Polytechnic, plans to take us on a tour of the school's engineering laboratories. We will meet at 5 pm in the parking lot of the church and car pool over to campus. After the tour, we will meet for dinner and fellowship at Perkins restaurant. Everyone, Redeemer members and friends, are invited. Please join us and invite a friend. If you have any questions contact Tom Mertz by email ([tom.mertz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tom.mertz@sbcglobal.net)) or phone (785-820-5585).

# GUYS@ KANSAS STATE POLYTECHNIC

Are you a bridge player? Mary, Lee, Marty, & David would like to get Redeemer bridge players together for some cards and camaraderie. If you would be interested in joining the group, give Mary Shaffer a call at 785-826-5661. We are interested in anyone from novice to expert.



Next **Creation Care Team** meeting is Sunday, August 8th at 11:30 a.m. via Zoom (contact Mary Mertz to get on the distribution list).

Thanks!



Pastor David will be attending the Discovery Fair at Kansas Wesleyan on August 11th to encourage the students to visit Redeemer, consider volunteer opportunities, and perform in choir or provide special music for worship. Help us reach out to the students by bringing cookies. Please bring them to Becky a day or two before, August 9 and 10. Help us make this a fun and enticing event for Kansas Wesleyan students!



# Lectionary for August

## August 1 — 10th Sunday after Pentecost

[Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15](#)

[Psalm 78:23-29](#)

[Ephesians 4:1-16](#)

[John 6:24-35](#)

<sup>24</sup>When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were [beside the sea,] they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.



<sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup>Then they

said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' " <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup>They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

## August 8 — 11th Sunday after Pentecost

[1 Kings 19:4-8](#)

[Psalm 34:1-8](#)

[Ephesians 4:25—5:2](#)

[John 6:35, 41-51](#)

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to [the crowd,] "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. <sup>41</sup>Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am



the living bread that came down from heaven." <sup>42</sup>They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" <sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. <sup>46</sup>Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup>Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

## August 15 — 12th Sunday after Pentecost

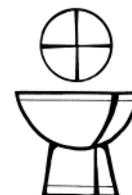
[Proverbs 9:1-6](#)

[Psalm 34:9-14](#)

[Ephesians 5:15-20](#)

[John 6:51-58](#)

[Jesus said,] <sup>51</sup>"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."



<sup>52</sup>The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" <sup>53</sup>So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. <sup>54</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; <sup>55</sup>for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup>Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup>Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup>This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

# Lectionary for August cont'd

## August 22 — 13th Sunday after Pentecost

[Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18](#)

[Psalm 34:15-22](#)

[Ephesians 6:10-20](#)

[John 6:56-69](#)



<sup>30</sup>The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

<sup>53</sup>When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. <sup>54</sup>When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, <sup>55</sup>and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

## August 29 — 14th Sunday after Pentecost

[Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9](#)

[Psalm 15](#)

[James 1:17-27](#)

[Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23](#)

<sup>1</sup>Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around [Jesus], <sup>2</sup>they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. <sup>3</sup>(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; <sup>4</sup>and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) <sup>5</sup>So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" <sup>6</sup>He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

<sup>1</sup>'This people honors me with their lips,  
but their hearts are far from me;

<sup>7</sup>in vain do they worship me,  
teaching human precepts as doctrines.'

<sup>8</sup>You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

<sup>14</sup>Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: <sup>15</sup>there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile."

<sup>21</sup>For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, <sup>22</sup>adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. <sup>23</sup>All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."



# Partners in Ministry

ALTAR GUILD: Marilee Vancil & LaNita Pratt

## PARTNERS IN MINISTRY 9:30 SERVICE

	August 1	August 8	August 15	August 22	August 29
Greeters	Chad & Christine Curl	Ted Wire & Mary Shaffer	Gary & Lana Jordan	Virg Augustine & Noni Strand	Ray & Debbie Beckman
Ushers	Tom Drown & Alan English	Joe Plumer & Mike Ramage	Phil & Jean Sedo	Carol & Wayne Keeler	Diane Conover & Cheryl Itschner
Lector	Alan English	Ted Wire	Lana Jordan	Noni Strand	Kathy Lowman
Communion	David Wahlgren	Joe Plumer	Gary Jordan	Virg Augustine	Diane Conover
Sound	Ray Beckman	Kris Neff	Perry Jurgensen	Britney English	Nate Callahan
Fellowship	Johansons	Jordans	Hendersons	Keelers	Johansons

Save the Date! Sunday, September 12, 2021



**God's work.**  
**Our hands.**

We'll be working at Ashby House again this year. There will be projects for all ages and abilities. Please join us!

More info to come in the September Ringer.



Altar Flowers

Please note that Altar Flowers are now \$27 and what the florist has on hand. Special orders will be an extra charge. A new chart will be up soon in the fellowship hall for this year.

Thank you,  
Cheryl Itschner

# Community

## Immanuel Lutheran Church's Hot Times, Fun in the City Car Show Sunday, August 22 ~ 4pm-7pm 255 S 7th St. Salina

Activities include car show, hot wheel races, food by donation, and cake walk.

### Car Show Trophies:

People's Choice Rat Rods  
 People's Choice Pre 1992 Cars  
 People's Choice Pre 1992 Trucks  
 People's Choice 1993 to Present Cars  
 People's Choice 1993 to Present Trucks  
 People's Choice Special Interest (motorcycles, bikes, etc.)  
 Jim Davis Memorial trophy  
 Pastors' Choice trophies

### Hot Wheel Races Age Groups:

7 & under, 8-16, 17 & up

Proceeds will benefit Sunflower Adult Day Services and Lutheran World Relief.



The  
Salina  
Rescue  
Mission

Our Needs List for **AUGUST:**

Paper Towel Rolls  
 Bottled Water  
 Free & Clear Laundry Detergent  
 Dryer Sheets

Donations may be delivered to the mission 7 days a week from 8 AM to 8 PM. 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.

# Redeemer Celebrations

- 2 Troy & Nancy Harding
- 5 Gary & Sue Mettlen
- 6 Steve & Doreen McDowell
- 9 Randy & Jan Jackson
- 13 Gary & Lana Jordan
- 14 Pastor David & Anita
- 15 John & Ann Garrison
- 22 Tyler & Kayla Nuss
- 23 Mark & Kristi Weiss
- 28 Ronald & Meghan Smith



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|----|------------------|----|-----------------|
| 3  | Talan Pickering  | 18 | Brenda Tonniges |
| 4  | Gary Jordan      | 20 | Brock Alstatt   |
| 5  | Jim Cook         | 22 | Lacey Hasker    |
| 8  | CeCelia Anderson | 23 | Virg Augustine  |
| 9  | Ray Beckman      | 26 | John Nielsen    |
| 12 | Joe Plumer       | 30 | Carol Kuhlman   |
| 14 | Jody Biegert     | 31 | Tanner Thurman  |
| 16 | Nate Callahan    |    |                 |



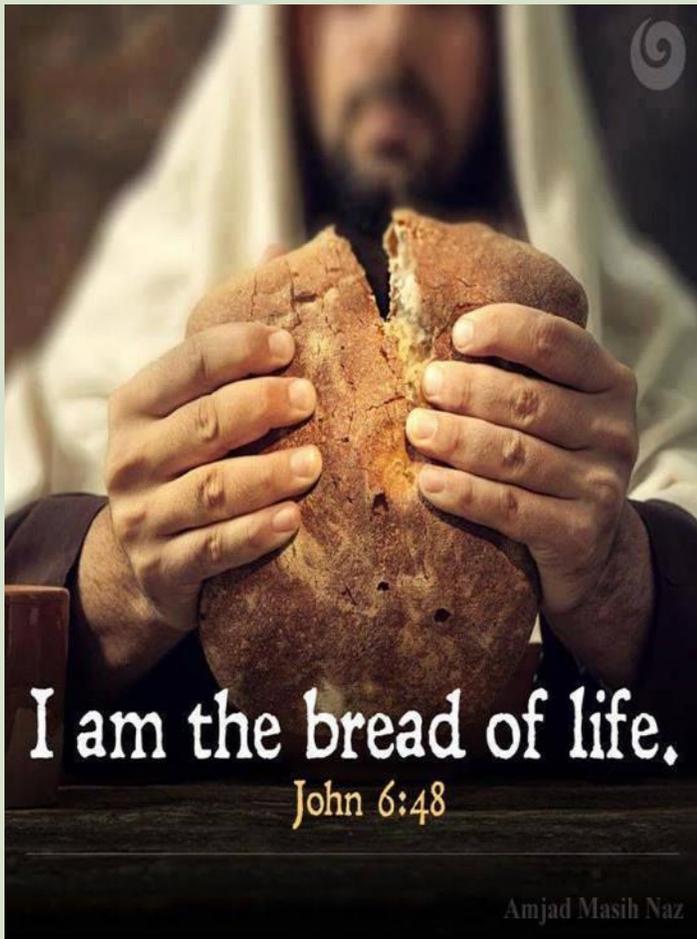
Content of the Ringer depends on you, the members of this church, for articles, photos, important dates, etc. **The September newsletter deadline is August 23rd at 12:00 pm.** Information turned in after this date might not be included. The newsletter is available by email, mail or at the



# AUGUST



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 1130 Creation Care Team meeting via Zoom 	2	3 515 Education 545 Worship & Music	4 1000 Bible Study	5	6	7
<b>8</b> 9:30 In-Person Worship 1030 Fellowship	9	<b>10</b> 500 GUYS 630 Youth Group	<b>11</b> 1000 Bible Study	<b>12</b> 700 Council Meeting 	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 1100 Rejoicing Spirits In Person
<b>15</b> 9:30 In-Person Worship 1030 Fellowship	<b>16</b> 600 Silver Needles	<b>17</b> 400 Page Turners	<b>18</b> 1000 Bible Study	<b>19</b> 930 Silver Needles Sew-In	<b>20</b> 130 Healing Hope	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 9:30 In-Person Worship 1030 Fellowship	<b>23</b> 1200 Newsletter Deadline	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 1000 Bible Study	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 9:30 In-Person Worship 1030 Fellowship	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				
			for worship services always available!			



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### Weekly Church Events

#### Sunday Worship

9:30 Worship

#### Wednesday morning

9:00 Bible Study

**Organist:** Ruth Mirtz

**Choir Director:** Ann Metcalfe

**Bell Director and  
Worship Accompanist:**  
Britney English

### 2021 Council

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