



North Kitsap Redeemer United Methodist Church

August 2017

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

**9:30 a.m.**

Adult and Youth  
Classes

**10:30 a.m.**

Fellowship Time

**11 a.m.**

Worship Service

## PASTOR'S HOURS

**Monday**

By Appointment

**Tuesday**

**9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Green Light Diner,  
Poulsbo

**Wednesday**

**9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

Redeemer UMC

**Thursday**

**1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Redeemer UMC

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This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "*Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do, unless God is with him*" John 3:2 RSV

It is August, and there are already ads for back to school clothes and supplies for children of all ages. As adults, we also need to get back to school. Learning is a continuing process that should never stop, no matter how old we are. Many of us take Continuing Education courses offered at the local parks and recreation department, community center, church, and YMCA as well as other offerings. We also read, both in study groups and independently.

We need to remember to go to the greatest teacher of all, Jesus. By reading and studying the Bible we are learning from Him. This can be done in many ways: adult Sunday school, Bible study groups, Discipleship classes, personal devotion and Bible reading, among them.

Also, once we learn something, we should not always keep it to ourselves. Sharing knowledge is a gift you can give that only costs your time and effort. This does not mean you have to get up in front of a big group and give a lecture (unless you want to). One-on-one conversations or small group discussions are great opportunities to share what you have learned through insights, tidbits of information, and personal reflection. This works with general information, but especially imparting God's word.

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***Sharing God's Love  
And Forgiveness  
With North Kitsap***

According to Titus 2:7, ".....in your teaching show integrity, gravity and sound speech..." (RSV). So, keep studying, learning, sharing, and teaching. Jesus, our friend, counselor, and teacher shows us the way.

➤ **Blessings to all of you students and teachers,  
Roberta Hansen, Lay Leader**

## **Ladies Fellowship**

Ladies Fellowship will be a potluck lunch at Carol Moser's home on August 24th at noon. Contact Carol at [cjmmsr@comcast.net](mailto:cjmmsr@comcast.net) or (360) 297-5101 and let her know if you can come. Her address is 24520 Taree Blvd. NE in Kingston. Reminder: It is also time to consider projects for the November Bazaar.

## **Prime Timers'**

Prime Timers date will be changed to August 8th and will be a potluck lunch at Carol Moser's home at noon. Contact Carol at [cjmmsr@comcast.net](mailto:cjmmsr@comcast.net) or (360) 297-5101 and let her know if you can come. Her address is 24520 Taree Blvd. NE in Kingston.

## **Project Workshop Time Change**

Project Workshop has changed time from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Thursdays, August 14th and 28th. Anyone with craft ideas or who enjoys crocheting, knitting or making projects for charity is welcome to attend. We would also appreciate donations of unused yarn.

## **Financial Report**

Our general income for the month of June 2017 was \$14,123.95, and our designated income was \$1,455.52, for a total income of \$15,579.47. Monthly expenses totaled \$14,500.61, which includes a payment of \$3,255.00 to complete the contract for church power washing and painting.

➤ **Paige Lockwood, Treasurer**

## Administrative Council Update

The Administrative Council meeting on July 16, 2017 included discussion of the following issues, in addition to reviewing ongoing action items. The council approved continuing membership in the Kingston Chamber of Commerce. We will also be hosting one of the meetings during which we will be distributing informational flyers about Redeemer's mission in the community. The team that has been testing the new Cloud version of Servant Keeper, our church management software, recommended that we make this change permanent. The council approved both the monthly fee for the software and cloud hosting and the annual fee for the helpdesk subscription. The council also approved Pastor Andrew's request to use some of the money from the memorial fund: part for the new furniture and part for painting the foyer and sitting room. We are continuing to collect updated information and new photographs for the Redeemer Directory. Look for and thank Michael Stephenson who has graciously volunteered as our photographer. And remember to SMILE!



➤ **Susan Hougham, Ad Council Chair**



## *Lynn's Musings - Let's Dive In*

Hot, hazy, and humid - a typical weather forecast in July and August in the south. The heat rises from the pavement and sears your legs. The air is so thick you wonder if you can exhale. People seek refreshment in glasses of iced tea, popsicles, watermelon, and trips to the beach where cooling ocean breezes bring welcome relief. But these cooling respites are only temporary and the sweltering heat will again take hold. This reminds me of the story of Jesus told in John 4, where Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink at the well. Upon her reluctance to draw up water for him to drink he said to her, *"If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."* And later shared with her, *"Everyone who drinks this water (meaning the water from the well) will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life."*

Sometimes our spiritual lives are parched like those hot summer days and we need refreshment. Fortunately, just as Christ offered living water to the Samaritan woman at the well, he offers us that same water, too. We don't have to settle for temporary methods of our own devising to quench our thirst, rather we can avail ourselves of the eternal living waters. When we accept Jesus'

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invitation to the living water, I don't think it is always served up in an ever-full glass from which we can replenish our internal thirsting for God and His grace and peace. Rather, it is possible that the living waters are larger than a Big Gulp cup, larger than oceans even. And they invite us to dive in and immerse ourselves fully in their boundless depths. Soaking, floating, swimming, or drinking in the living water offered to us by our living God is a wonderful way to refresh ourselves from those hot, dry places we can find ourselves in, in our sometimes messy lives. The water restores us and reminds us of the promise of our eternal home with our creator.

Would any one like to join me in a dip in the living waters? Should we all dive into the deep end together?

➤ **Shalom, Lynn**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

### **Teen Movie Night!**

On August 25th from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Redeemer will host a Teen Movie Night at the church. There will be free snacks and a movie, so tell any teens you know, everyone is welcome. If teens are being dropped off, they must be retrieved by no later than 8:45 p.m.



### **Music Summer Camps**

Rupert Kettle will be hosting music summer camps at Redeemer UMC again this year. The camps will be held July 31<sup>st</sup> through August 3<sup>rd</sup>, August 14<sup>th</sup> through 17<sup>th</sup>, and August 21<sup>st</sup> through 24<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will be \$175/student, with a 10% discount when signing up for two or more camps. Ages 8 through 15 are preferred, but other ages considered, depending on the student's maturity level.

Camps will focus on band dynamics, ensemble performance and guitar, bass, ukulele, drums, and music theory instruction. All instruments are welcome. For more information please contact Rupert Kettle at [206-595-6769](tel:206-595-6769) or [ark3music@gmail.com](mailto:ark3music@gmail.com).



## A Parking Lot Rummage Sale! HELP!

The Ladies Fellowship is planning a Parking Lot Rummage Sale on Saturday, August 12, 2017, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. They could use some help setting up for the sale on Friday, August 11th and on the day of the sale, August 12. They will also be taking donations on Friday afternoon. If you have items to drop off, please call Carol Moser at (360) 297-5101 and let her know when it would be convenient for you to drop off your donations.



## Contemporary Christian Music Concert

On Saturday, September 30, Redeemer will be hosting a contemporary Christian music concert featuring the local band *The Exchange*. Tickets will be \$5 each and will become available in August online at Brown Paper Tickets and at Redeemer. This will be an amazing event for any of the youth you know; a chance to hear uplifting songs of faith and to worship together in a new way.

So please tell all the youth you know about this event. More information will be coming!

## “Hands Of God” Opportunities

### Church Needs

There is now a white board by the sink in the kitchen where people can write a list of things needs at the church. If you'd like to help out with an in-kind donation, you can check the board for items needed. If you intend to purchase an item from the list, please contact Shirley Wiley at (360) 297-5882. Shirley will ensure that duplicate items are not purchased. Thank you for your support!



### For the Schools!

Please save Campbell soup and Box Top labels; the schools get 10 cents for each label. Just give your labels to Carol Moser.

## School Supply Drive

Redeemer supports the local school every year by supplying items that students need but can't afford to replace or buy, including composition notebooks, spiral-bound notebooks, backpacks, plain hooded sweatshirts, and pens. Just a gentle reminder, since back-to-school sales will start in early August... There will be a collection bin for these items at the church in July and August, so we can bring the items to the school before classes start. Thank you!



### Feeding the Community

## Food Bank Needs

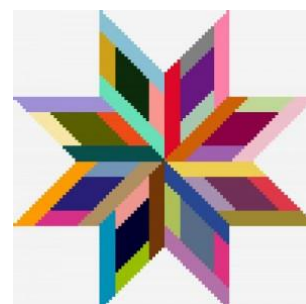
Redeemer United Methodist Church has always supported the Kingston Foodbank. This month, the foodbank is asking for the following items:

- Canned Milk
- Dish Soap
- Bread
- Dried Beans

Please place donations in the grocery cart in the foyer.

## Bless the Sick or Newly Born

Our Prayers and Squares Ministry can always use your help. All you need is a sewing machine and the ability to sew a ¼-inch seam; they will supply all other material and equipment. They have lots of great fabric and patterns and will gladly mentor any new quilter, either at the 2nd Saturday meetings, at your home or at the church. Just give one of these ladies a call if you're interested: Fran Larrabee, Betty Thunder, Susan Houghman or Phyllis Wahlquist. If you need contact information, just call or e-mail Pastor Andrew at (256) 302-2246 or [hello2redeemer@gmail.com](mailto:hello2redeemer@gmail.com).



## Christmas Child

This year Redeemer will have a Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party. We will be collecting items for the shoeboxes through October and will have a packing party on Sunday, November 5, 2017 immediately following church. Come pack a box with love and fun for a girl or a boy, ages 2-4 years old, or 5-9 years old, or 10-14 years old. These shoeboxes can be an amazing, transforming power in the world. After receiving a shoebox through the local church, the children are invited to

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enroll in a class entitled “The Greatest Journey,” a 12-lesson discipleship program. So, each shoebox has the potential to change more than one life. The types of items needed include: deodorant, soap, brushes/combs, school supplies, small toys, hats, scarves, socks, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dolls, stationary, flashlights (either wind-up or with extra batteries), stuffed animals, stickers, coloring books and crayons, travel games, jewelry, etc., BUT REMEMBER, it all needs to fit in one shoebox! Also, no candy and no liquids of any kind. A more extensive items list will be available for pickup at the church. Thank you!



Team Redeemer sating our neighbors thrust as part of the Kingston Fourth of July Parade