

November 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. – 11:30 a.m. Green Light Diner, Poulsbo

Wednesday 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Redeemer UMC

> **Thursday** By Appointment

To make an appointment call the Redeemer office at (360) 297-4847

CONTACT THE PASTOR:

(256) 302-2246 or hello2redeemer@gmail.com

Can you Help???

Unfortunately, I am being called to serve in another spiritual community and will no longer be able to produce the newsletter. So, this is a call for help. Would anyone be able to take over the newsletter in my absence? If you are familiar with how tables work in Microsoft Word and have some minimal writing skills, it's a simple process that takes about 3 to 4 hours a month. In addition, most of the articles are written by others. So, with the exception of editing text and preparing small ads or articles regarding the various ministries, you don't have to write anything that you don't want to write. I will prepare instructions and help whoever volunteers to produce the January newsletter, but if no one volunteers, January will be the last Redeemer newsletter that will be produced. Thank you for considering to volunteering.

> Blessings, Carlotta Cellucci

Bazaar Success and Raffle Results

At the end of the Ladies Fellowship Holiday Bazaar, Jansen Gregg drew the winning ticket for the beautiful Opportunity quilt being raffled off by the Prayers and Squares ministry. Our own



Steve Bella was the winner! The Ladies Fellowship would like to thank everyone involved for making the Holiday Bazaar a huge success. In addition, the Prayers and Squares ministry would like to thank everyone for successful quilt sales which will allow the ministry to continue through 2018.





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Sharing God's Love and Forgiveness With North Kitsap

Cookies needed for the Pre-Christmas Service



Redeemer will be hosting a pre-

Christmas Eve service on Saturday, December 23rd at 5:10 p.m. for parishioners, their family, friends and neighbors. Coffee and cookies will be served, but, **cookies without nuts or peanut butter are needed**! If you plan to bring your cookies in to the church before December 23rd, please mark then for the pre-Christmas Eve service, so they are not used during Sunday fellowship time.



Administrative Council Update

The Administrative Council meeting for November concentrated on reviewing two proposed projects.

Tim Norris has worked with Sweetwater

Music Instruments and Pro Audio to provide a proposal for an upgrade to our worship service presentation technology. This update would allow us to live-steam the pastor or any performance onto the screens on either side of the front of sanctuary. The estimate for this upgrade is \$11,300 (includes hardware, software, required cables, etc.). Our own Dorothy Mann has started us off toward this goal with a generous contribution, which has already been matched by another member.

The other project is to renovate and enclose the area currently on our dumpster pad. Pastor Andrew submitted a "materials only" estimate for this project of \$6700 (includes the estimate for the roll up door). We would provide the labor for demo, construction, and painting.

The church would be grateful for any support you might offer toward these projects and given the current conversation around potential tax law changes, a contribution before the end of 2017 might be a wise idea.

> Susan Hougham, Ad Council Chair



Roberta's Ramblings – Pause and Think!

Recently, one of my sisters and I were talking about how many people seem to be so reactive in response to issues these days. Just view social media sites and check out local and national news where the reporters want immediate reactions and opinions about issues, events, or statements. Everyone has a right to their opinion, but often it

is given without time to reflect on what you know, what you can find out, and how your personal beliefs (cultural, ethical, and religious) affect your viewpoint and opinion. Not taking that time to reflect and research is how rumors, misinformation, and hurtful comments are spread around.

You can take time to reflect on your response by giving pause and thinking carefully. Here are two ideas on how to do this:

1) Practice the Pause

Pause before judging

Pause before assuming

Pause before accusing

Pause whenever you are about to react harshly and you will avoid doing and saying things that you will later regret

2) Think Before You Speak

ls it:

- T true
- H helpful
- I important
- N necessary
- K kind

Some may say these ideas are too simplistic, but by breaking down the practices of pausing and thinking before reacting you can become a more kind, thoughtful, helpful, and informed friend and citizen. That, my fellow parishioners, is a good thing and a goal to be proud of.

Happy Reading, Roberta Hansen

<u>"Hands of God" Opportunities</u>

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.

Food Bank Needs

Redeemer supports the Kingston Foodbank and this month, the foodbank is asking for the following specific items:

1) Olives; 2) Syrup; 3) Jello and 4) Cereal

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Prime Timer's Christmas Party

Prime Timer's will be having a Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 5th at noon at Joe and Faye Sanford's house. The party will be a luncheon potluck. Faye will provide the main dish, so attendees are asked to bring a salad or dessert. Please meet at the Church at 11:30 if you'd like to carpool to the

Sanford's. The Sanford's address is 11289 Tulin Road NE in Kingston and their phone number is (360) 297-7157. Hope to see everyone there!







Community

Youth Holiday Events

The youth will celebrate Advent and Christmas in fun and meaningful ways!

- We will be studying a new Advent curriculum series built around the movie "Scrooge." The curriculum goes "deep" into the age-old plot and studies "The Spiritual Scrooge."
- The Youth will enjoy a Christmas party at the home of Tammy McMullen on Saturday, December 9th, starting at 5:30 p.m. Food, games and a movie are all on the agenda (and possibly caroling, weather permitting).
- Finally, the youth will ring out the old and ring in the new at a New Year's Eve party at the church on Sunday, December 31st, starting at 7:00 p.m. Details will be sent by email.

Additionally, mark your calendars now for January 19th, when the youth will be meeting for food and fun at the Stephenson's home. As always, friends are welcome.

Pre-Christmas Eve Service

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