



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
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Lay Leader Goodbye and Hello



I would like to let everyone at RUMC know that I have been honored to be your lay leader for the last two and a half years. I have learned a lot from all of you and feel that I have gotten to know you better. Together we have been through a big change and are thriving. I thank you so much for your love and support.

Congratulations and success to Michael Stephenson, your new lay leader. May he enjoy your support as much as I did and thrive in this job.

➤ **Blessings to all, Roberta Hansen**

When you see Roberta, thank her for doing God's work and being lay leader these past years. We have many lay members on various committees and ministries. Praise God for their support and continued service!

I am pleased to serve as your new lay leader. For those who don't yet know me, my wife, Debra, and I are originally from Indiana. We are blessed with three children by birth and three more when our kids married well. We have four incredible grandchildren. I believe in serving others, mostly by working in the background. For our size, Redeemer has many committees and ministries, all doing good works. I look forward to attending many of the related meetings. I hope you will join me as all are open to any interested individuals. Our calendar and bulletins provide dates and times.

Want to take a greater role at Redeemer but not sure where to start? In future newsletters, I'll share more about opportunities for you! In the meantime, ask Pastor Andrew, Susan, Roberta or me.

➤ **Blessings to all, Michael Stephenson, Lay Leader**



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2017 Health Insurance Open Enrollment

The open enrollment period for affordable care act insurance has been shortened to **6 weeks, from November 1st through December 15th** this year. Please don't forget to make your selections within the open enrollment period; visit www.Healthcare.gov for more information.

Church Decorating, Setup and Cleanup

After services on **Sunday, November 5th**, the Ladies Fellowship needs your help to remove all the chairs from the sanctuary in **preparation for the holiday bazaar, and to decorate the church for the holidays.**

After the Holiday Bazaar ends on **Saturday, November 11th**, the Ladies Fellowship and Community Connections will need help clearing the tables and **setting up chairs for the Lasana Kanneh Ethnic Song concert on Sunday, November 19th and the Musical Strings concert on Sunday, November 26th.** Please come out and help, it will be very appreciated.

In addition, there will be a church cleaning on Saturday, **November 18th starting at 10:30 a.m. to clean the church after the Holiday Bazaar** on November 10th and 11th in preparation for the concerts. Please come by and help make the church shine!

Thank you all!

Administrative Council Update

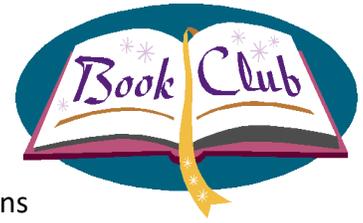
The Administrative Council meeting for October was cancelled due to the All Church Conference. Minutes from the conference will be emailed to the congregation and are available in hard copy upon request. Highlights are: Pastor Andrew's salary will remain full time with support from the Conference continuing at a level slightly less than the 2017 level; the leadership team remains the same, with the exception that Michael Stephenson will assume the duties of our new Lay Leader.



➤ **Susan Hougham, Ad Council Chair**

Book Club Notes

The three books that the book club members have recently read or are currently reading are an interesting mix:



The Fault in Our Stars by John Green. This is a young adult novel about teens in a cancer support group. Two of them develop a relationship that is both funny and tragic.

Farm City: The Education of an Urban Farmer by Novella Carpenter. This is a memoir of a city woman's efforts to have a farm, raising vegetables, fruit, and animals, in inner-city Oakland, California.

How to Be Both by Ali Smith. This is a novel about art and all its forms and evolutions through the point-of-view of the EYES and the CAMERA.

All are welcome to read the books, even if you cannot attend a meeting. We will be changing our third Wednesday meeting time to 9:15 am to allow members to attend the discipleship group at 10:00 a.m.

➤ **Happy Reading, Roberta Hansen**

"Hands of God" Opportunities



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.



Help Needed

Volunteers needed for Hospitality Team to serve in the kitchen on Sundays.



Food Bank Needs

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

- 1) Jam; 2) Rice; 3) Bar Soap and 4) Toothpaste

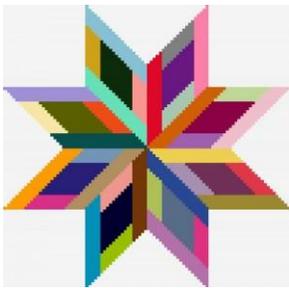
Please place donations in the grocery cart in the foyer.

Christmas Child

The Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party will be on Sunday, November 5th immediately following decoration of the church for the holidays, from about 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Please come and pack a box with love and fun for a girl or a boy, ages 2-4 years old, 5-9 years old, or 10-14 years old! There will also be cards to fill out to send with your shoeboxes. Thank you!



We continue to need help with the costs to send the shoeboxes to kids around the world. Each shoebox costs \$9.00 to ship. This cost includes trucking, airfare and boat/trekking costs to get the shoeboxes to remote villages and locations. You can either go online and pay \$9 for each shipping label that will allow you to track you shoebox and discover the final destination of the boxes you pack (<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/follow-your-box/>) OR you can donate money by calling Carlotta at (206) 595-6711, or seeing her after church on November 5th.



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!

Remember the Quilt Raffle!

The Prayers and Squares Ministry is selling tickets for a chance to win a beautiful, award-winning queen-sized quilt to support the quilting ministry. The fabric and pattern for the quilt were donated, and the beautiful quilt was the result of many hours spent by the quilters sewing it as a group. The brilliant fall colors, with each square a different pattern, would beautify any home. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. They are being sold each Sunday after church and during the annual Holiday Bazaar, Friday, November 10 until 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 11th until 3:00 p.m. The drawing will be held at the close of the Bazaar.





Holiday Bazaar

The Holiday Bazaar will be Friday, November 10th from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 11th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **Donations of non-perishable items are needed for the holiday baskets that will be sold by the Ladies Fellowship at the bazaar, in addition to fruit pies (in disposable dishes), baked goods and crafts items. Also needed are any new or lightly used treasures you might have that you're ready to get rid of, such as Christmas ornaments, trinkets, jewelry, china, or ungifted re-gift items. Items are also needed for the silent auction. Already priced items should be brought to the church on Thursday, November 9th between noon and 3.00 p.m. Volunteers are also needed during the bazaar to serve as cashiers, man the book sale room, and sell pie and coffee. Please see Dawn Ratcliff before or after church services on Sundays for more information.**



Lasana Kanneh – Ethnic Songs

On Sunday, November 19th, Redeemer will host Lasana Kanneh, a Liberian singer who will share his story of suffering, conversion, and redemption through song. Born blind and ostracized by his community, living in a warzone and forced to sing for warlords, he was saved both physically and spiritually by a visiting evangelist. He has escaped war persecution, poverty, abuse and personal failure to bring these beautiful songs of faith, hope and restoration to the world. Please join us for an event you won't soon forget. A good-will offering will be taken at the concert.

Magical Strings: The Tradition Continues on Nov. 26

(With support to Kingston Middle School)

For many Northwesterners (and Redeemer folk), it wouldn't be the holidays without the Celtic sounds of Magical Strings! The tradition continues this year as Magical Strings returns to Redeemer on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 26, in a concert that, as in years past, benefits Kingston Middle School.

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The concert, at 3 p.m., is Magical Strings' 39th year of Yuletide concerts and seventh straight year at Redeemer. The concert, as always, will feature the joyful sounds of harps, hammered dulcimers, violins, cello, whistles, concertina, percussion and more, plus the world-class Tara Academy of Irish Dance—always a highlight of the performance! Returning are fiddler Jocelyn Pettit (award-winning Canadian artist who recently returned from a European tour with Colm), Dublin guitarist Colm MacCarthaigh, vocalist Prescott Breeden, and percussionist Matt Jerrell.

Philip and Pam Boulding founded Magical Strings in 1978. The group has performed throughout the United States, Canada, Ireland and Japan, toured and recorded with Dan Fogelberg, appeared on Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion" and recorded 21 albums.

Tickets are \$22 for adults, \$12 children and \$28 reserved and are available at brownpapertickets.com, after worship services (see Judy Plunkett or Tammy McMullen) and at the door as available. (Tickets sold at the door cost \$3 more per ticket.) A portion of every ticket sold will be donated to the middle school's Where Everybody Belongs (WEB) mentoring program.

Note: We need cookies to provide during intermission. A sign-up sheet will be passed around during services to ask for your donation of 2 dozen cookies. Thank you for any help!