



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

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My Personal Mission



*Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for...your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. **2 Corinthians 9:13***

I would like to explain the background and thoughts that went into starting the RUMC

Caring and Sharing mission. We have always had directories at the church with everyone's name, address, phone number, and sometimes email contact information. If someone mentioned their or another's birthday or anniversary, you could send them a card or message, but it was hit or miss

I have had problems with depression for years. When my depression became severe and I had a mental health crisis a few years ago, I had a lot of time to thank God that I had survived. After a while I came back to church. At that time there was an environment and atmosphere of divisiveness and contention and, because of my fragile emotional status, I stayed away from church for 6-8 months. During that time only two people kept in contact with me. I started thinking of others and their life issues and wanted to make sure that their special life events were honored, that illness, accidents and surgeries were acknowledged with concern and prayers, that absences were noted and that people knew they were missed.

I mentioned my ideas to the pastor and said I would like to send cards and notes and make calls and visits. She thought that it was an excellent idea. I collected many birthdates and anniversary dates and began to send out personal cards. People at church started to come up to me and thank me for the cards, good wishes and prayers.

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This has been very rewarding for me. Along with counseling and medication, it has helped me to get out of my depression. Thinking of others rather than yourself is always life affirming and healing. You are also sharing a part of yourself with other people.

I am planning to continue this personal mission for as long as I can, and I could use your help. If you have any greeting cards or note cards, I will take them. (I prefer them with their envelopes, although I do have a collection of empty envelopes). I can use stamps, and time. If you have not given me your birthdates or anniversary date, plus contact information, please do so. I have been working with Carlotta to have a list of these celebration dates by the end of the year. We are in the process of updating this list. If you know of anyone who needs a card or a phone call please let me know.

I know that many people think that "snail mail" is outdated, but I feel that the personal attention of a special card or note can brighten a person's day, at least I sincerely hope so.

➤ **With Love to all of you, Roberta Hansen, Lay Leader**

Treasurer's Report

Redeemer's General Income for August was \$12,423.31 and Restricted Income was \$1,523.32, for a total income of \$13,946.63. The monthly expenses were \$10,664.04.

➤ **Paige Lockwood, Treasurer**



Fellowship Treats

Our reserve of Fellowship Treats has now been exhausted. I know everyone enjoys a sweet treat with coffee during fellowship time, so please bring some into the church on Sundays. Cookies, cupcakes, vegetable plates, deviled eggs, almost anything would be appreciated. Packaged cookie or homemade cookies that can be saved or put in the freezer for future fellowship times are also wonderful. Just give your donations to Fran and she will make sure they are stored appropriately. Thanks so much for your help and generosity!

Administrative Council Update

The Administrative Council meeting on September 17th continued to concentrate on reviewing and preparing documents for our upcoming **All Church Conference which will be on October 15th at 3:30 PM at Redeemer**. We hope most of our congregation will attend this important annual meeting. Our District Superintendent, Cara Scriven, will be directing the meeting. As reported last month, business items that will be covered are Loving Through Presence (Membership Report), Loving Through Gifts (Pastor's Compensation), Loving Through Service (Election of Officers), Loving Through Witnessing (Approval of Candidates for Ordained Ministry and/or Certified Lay servants), and Loving through Accountability (Any Local Church Business). Prior to the All Church Conference, there will be a short Staff/Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) meeting. In addition to planning for this meeting, the trustees and Pastor Andrew will be working on a plan to replace or spruce up the outbuilding currently on our dumpster pad. Our annual fire inspection, sprinkler system check, and fire extinguisher checks will be completed in the next month. Also, we will be looking for a team to come up with a plan to upgrade our technology, including development of a funding plan.



➤ **Susan Hougham, Ad Council Chair**



Lynn's Musings - Tattoos

I see a lot of tattoos. It gets me wondering about why people get tattoos and what the story behind them is. Some tattoos are for personal decoration, like a flower or a heart or a skull. Still others mark an event, such as a coworker of mine who got a tattoo to mark his first business trip. Others are memorial tattoos. How close to the heart they must be. Our nephew is a police officer in San Diego, and he lost two men from his unit and he has those officers' names tattooed on his body. I met another lady and asked her about the story of her tattoo – a cross with flowers and a woman's name. It turns out the tattoo was in memory of her grandmother who meant so much to her growing up and the tattoo is a visual reminder of shared love. While many people choose ink to tattoo, others have invisible tattoos etched on their hearts. Those tattoos are private, and for many, only God knows of them. What stories those tattoos could tell. Collectively, I think all the heart-etched tattoos tell the story of humanity and the human condition. What tattoo is on your heart? How does God engage you on its story?

➤ **Shalom, Lynn**

“Hands of God” Opportunities



HiHOPE Bag Donation Needed

Donations are needed for the HiHOPE bags being prepared by the youth. These are bags you can buy to have in your car and give to the homeless, as needed.

Items needed include: gallon-size resealable bag; small combs; bars of soap; small packages/containers of lotion, toothpaste, shampoo, and tissues; toothbrushes; water; and granola bars.



Christmas Child

This year Redeemer will have a Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party on November 5th immediately following services, from about 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. These shoeboxes can be an amazing, transforming power in the world. After receiving a shoebox through the local church, the children are invited to 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.

We are collecting items for the shoeboxes through October and boxes will also be available at the church soon, if you want to pack your own box. However, please remember to bring \$9 for each box you pack to subsidize the associated shipping costs. You can also go online and pay \$9/each for trackable shipping labels to discover the final destination of the boxes you pack. Just go to:

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/follow-your-box/>.

You can bring items you’d like to donate to the church and place them in the basket outside the office. The types of items needed include: deodorant, soap, brushes/combs, school supplies, small toys, hats, scarves, socks, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dolls, stationary, flashlights (ideally wind-up), stuffed animals, stickers, coloring books and crayons, travel games, jewelry, etc., BUT REMEMBER, all items need to fit in a shoebox! Also, no candy and no liquids of any kind, including toothpaste! You can get more idea at the following website: <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/>.

So, 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! Thank you!

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.



Fellow Parishioner in Need!!!

Gloria Triebenbach is still in need of assistance. She has two older special needs daughters and is looking for people who would be willing to train as caregivers through the Washington State Department of Social and Health Service, Developmental Disabilities Administration. Once your application is approved by the State, the training and caregiving are paid for at a starting wage of \$12 per hour. Any time you have is appreciated and helpful. This allows Gloria to run errands without having to take both girls with her, making the process much easier. Gloria's current caregiver is 7 months pregnant and will not be able to continue to help her once the baby is born. So, this will become a dire need very quickly. Contact Gloria at batnblueyes2@aol.com for more information on how to apply and a description of the type of support she needs. As a church family, please consider offering support to this fellow church member. Thank you for considering this request.



Feeding the Community

Food Bank Needs

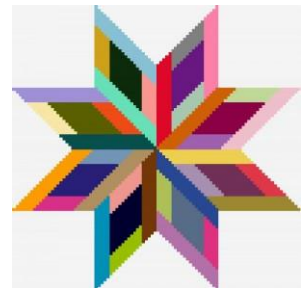
Redeemer United Methodist Church has always supported the Kingston Foodbank. This month, the foodbank is asking for the following items:

- Packages of Cocoa;
- Rice;
- Jello; and
- Salad Dressing

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!



Holiday Bazaar

The Holiday Bazaar will be Friday, November 10th from 10.00am to 6.00pm and Saturday, November 11th from 9.00am to 3.00pm. Donations of non-perishable items are needed for the holiday baskets that will be sold by the Ladies

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Fellowship at bazaar, in addition to fruit pies (in disposable dishes), baked goods and crafts items. Also, any treasures you might have that you're ready to get rid of, such as Christmas ornaments, trinkets, jewelry, china, or ungifted re-gift items in good condition. Volunteers are needed during the bazaar to serve as cashiers, man the book sale room, and sell pie and coffee. In addition, volunteers will be needed on Sunday, November 5th to clean the church and on November 11th to replace the chairs in the sanctuary for the next day's service. Finally, if you or a friend are interested in selling at the bazaar, the cost is \$25.00 for two days if you bring your own table and chair, \$30 to rent a table for two days and \$5.00 to rent a chair for two days. Please see Dawn Ratcliff before or after church services on Sundays for more information.



It's Quilt Raffle Time Again!

Once again you can support the Prayers and Squares Ministry by purchasing tickets for a chance to win a beautiful, award winning queen-sized quilt. The fabric and pattern were donated and the beautiful quilt, pictured above, 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, at Albertsons on Saturday, October 14th, 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.