

March 2022 Newsletter Sponsored by Tune Norrhom In Leving Memor

June Norrbom – In Loving Memory of her husband Carl & son Loren

Zion/Redeemer Lent and Holy Week Worship - 2022

Lent is a time to lead us with Jesus to the cross. Forty days to get ready for Easter when we will celebrate the glory of the resurrection. By taking time to reflect on who we are, where we do well and where we fall short, we can better understand how much we need God to resurrect our lives. What do you need to die to so that you can be set free to enjoy God's abundant life? How might repentance renew your faith? Come, hear what God offers to each of us every day!

See you at worship,

Pastor Sharon

Ash Wednesday March 2 5:00 pm at Zion 6:30 pm at Redeemer

(Light supper served before worship at Redeemer 5:30-6:15 on March 2 and 4:45-5:15 on March 9 & 16. We will have Easter breakfast at 9:30 am on April 17.)

Five Destructive Distractions (All Wed. at 5:30pm)

Wednesday Worship - Please sit up near the piano so that we can hear each other sing and pray in this quiet, contemplative setting. Your children are welcome; they can color and draw quietly at a table in front.

Soup/Sandwich Supper 4:45-5:15 at Redeemer (Zion confirmands light supper)

March 9	Rede	emer	When We Worry	Too Much	Luk	te 12: 22-31
March 16	Rede	emer	When We Are Ju	st Too Busy	Luk	e 10:38-42
March 23	Zion	When We V	Von't Let Go of Re	sentments	Ge	n 50:15-21
March 30	Zion	When the S	park Goes Out of I	Life (Apathy)) Ma	ork 10:13-16
April 6	Zion	When Guilt	Weighs Us Down	Mt 11:28	Heb 4:9	Ps 46:8-11

Holy Week

Palm Sunday Drama	April 10	Redeemer 8:30 am	Zion 10:30 am
Maundy Thursday	April 14	Zion 5:00 pm	Redeemer 6:30
Good Friday	April 15	Redeemer 6:30 pm	
Easter	April 17	Redeemer 8:30 am	Zion 10:30 am

(There is a sign up on the bulletin board to bring desserts for Lenten meals. Thank you!)

******Thank you to those who contributed to Greater Wausau Christian Services. We sent them a total of \$225. (\$200 was our goal!)*****



THE POWER OF PRAYER WORKS!!

Please remember in your prayers our homebound members...

Ann Block Grace Hartleben Verna Tellock Gordon & Agnes Schlender Lorna Alberg Kay & Reuben Carlson Arletta Crowell Vian Kersten Donna Kubiaczyk Eugene & Joanne Pruess Maggie Guestchow June Norrbom Marcia Tellock

We are thankful for continued healing of Evie Low, Joanne Pruess, Reuben Carlson, Nancy Pehlke, and Saul Hanke!

Your calls and visits are greatly appreciated. Pastor Sharon tries to visit monthly. She would welcome a volunteer to help. If you'd like to add a prayer request to this list please call the prayer chain below or the church at 715-253-2590 and leave a message. Redeemer Prayer Chain....Please call anyone on this list with the name(s) of the person for whom you would like prayers. That person will call the next one on the list, etc. etc.

 1) Lorna Alberg
 715-253-2721
 4) Faith Kristof
 715-253-2637

 2) Ida Brekke
 715-253-2734
 5) Lee Innerebner
 715-253-2200

 3) Gail Koehler
 715-253-6275
 6) Mary Netzler
 715-253-6290

Our Monetary Discipleship for January 2022

Worship Date	Worship Attend	General Fund	Missions	Building Fund	Sunday School Offering	Other Income	Total
2-6	32	\$2005.00			\$26		\$2031.00
2-13	27	\$1225.00					\$1225.00
2-20	37	\$1035.00			\$1+\$99.59: Noisy coin		\$1135.59
2-27	21	\$1265.00			\$25.00	\$20 memorial:Audrey Hartleben	\$1310.00
Total		\$5530.00			\$151.59	\$20.00	\$5701.59

Offering envelopes are available in the wall rack near the main entrance door in the Gathering Space.

Please use an envelope with your offering and write your name and amount on the envelope.

Using the envelopes insures you get credit for monies given to the church and helps with the accounting. Thank you!

2022 ALTAR GUILD:

The duties include set up and clean-up of communion, changing the altar cloths (when needed) and watering the plants.

There is a sign-up for next year's Altar Guild in the Gathering Space. Please volunteer!

January: Ruthie & Dick Olsen and Gail Koehler February: Ruthie & Dick Olsen and Gail Koehler

March: Dianne Long & Kari Zeinert April: Dianne Long & Kari Zeinert

May: June: July: Lois Anderson & Nancy Pehlke

August:

September: Peggy Hartleben & Kimberly Timm

October: Deb Rieck

November: Lori Hartleben & Fay Rosenow December: Linda Evje & Judy Boda

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Please sign up today!

Our list is located on the table in the gathering space. Be an usher, greeter, reader, communion assistant, or videographer. For those trained in counting collections after church, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the secretary's office. We still have some openings on council (Vice President and 2 Trustees), so please contact a council member if interested or if you have any questions on what the job entails.

Thank you for helping!



Charlie & Bonnie Sparr 3-13
Rev Reuben L Carlson & Karen 3-30

Birthday!

March Birthdays

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March Anniversaries

There will be a
Fellowship/Devotional time in the
Gathering Space on Thursday
March 3rd at 1:00 p.m. ALL ARE
WELCOME!



Youth News:

Thank you to the parents of our Sunday School and confirmation students for bringing your children! February 20th (the 3rd Sunday of the month), the youth served as ushers, readers, greeters, and singers. Thank you, Laura Clark, our music leader! It was also Noisy Coin Sunday! Thank you for contributing \$99.59 to support Ana Luis, our Compassion International child from Mexico (now 18 years old and training to be a nurse!) How wonderful that we are privileged to help Ana in her needs and goals to become a nurse!!! The children will be participating again on March 20th and April 17th (Easter).



Thank you so much for the wonderful job you have done for the past MANY years as our custodian, Linda Evje! Enjoy your retirement!

Unfortunately this means that we are now looking for a new custodian. If

anyone is interested in the church custodian position, please contact Pastor Sharon or Paul Norrbom. If you have questions, ask Linda Evje.

Community Event:

Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre 2022
Sam Club Private Eye in the Case of The Malted Falcon
Fridays and Saturdays, March 25th & 26th and April 1st & 2nd
at the WOWSPACE

Meal catered by 2510 Restaurant. Dinner choices are glazed pork tenderloin or baked cod. Tickets are \$45, available at Hanke's Sentry, from cast members, or by calling 715-253-3525.

Doors open at 5:30, dinner at 6:00 pm.

Join us at the WOWSPACE for a marvelous meal, mayhem, mystery, and of course a murder! This event has become an annual favorite for many area sleuths. Tickets may be purchased in March from Hanke's Sentry Foods, or by calling 715-253-3525.

(You will see several familiar faces from our congregation!)

Redeemer Lutheran Church Council 2022

Pastor: Sharon Fox Bogen, <u>sfoxbogen@gmail.com</u>, 715-507-0618

President: Paul Norrbom <u>norrb5@gmail.com</u> 715-881-1247 ***Vice-President:** Needed (1 year, to complete term)

Secretary: Deb Rieck, drieck2bze@yahoo.com, 715-881-0387

Treasurer: Peggy Emmel, <u>pemmel06@gmail.com</u>, 715-881-0858

1st year, 1st term exp. 12/23 1 year, exp. 12/22 (elected annually, no term limit)

Parish Life

Gail Koehler 715-253-6275

2nd year of 2 year term, 1st term exp. 12/22

Arla Block <u>abblock@outlook.com</u> 715-454-6498 1st year, 1st term, exp.12/24 (appointed by council for 1 year to 12/22) Lois Anderson <u>bltanderson0@gmail.com</u> 715-253-2603 to complete term-elect someone exp 12/23 (appointed to 12/22)

Peggy Hartleben, hartlebenpeggy@yahoo.com, 715-581-2339

Financial Secretary

Paul Norrbom, norrb5@gmail.com 715-881-1247 1st year, 1st term exp. 12/23 Congregational President

Trustee Committee

*Needed (1 year term)

to complete term- ,1st term exp. 12/22

Clint Horne, shornegraphx@gmail.com 715-851-4508

2nd year 1st term exp. 12/23

*Needed (3 year term)

1st year, 1st term exp 12/24

Deb Rieck <u>drieck2bze@yahoo.com</u>, 715-881-0387
*Vice President-needed to

elected annually, no term limit Congregational Secretary to complete term, 1st term exp. 12/22 Congregational Vice President

Parish Education Committee

Ann Hawley, annh54440@aol.com, 715-446-2119

Tracy Dombeck, dertra94@hotmail.com, 715-454-6524

Mary Peterson, norwaypetefm@aol.com, 715-454-6603

to complete term. 1 year, exp. 12/22 2nd year, 1st term exp. 12/23

1st year, 2nd term exp 12/24

Worship, Music and Arts Committee

Linda Evje golfnhunt2@gmail.com 715-454-6613 Kimberly Timm kimsuetimm@gmail.com 715-691-6017

Carla Hanke hankefarm1898@gmail.com 715-253-6042

 3^{rd} year, 1^{st} term exp 12/22 2^{nd} year, 1^{st} term exp. 12/23

1st year, 1st term exp 12/24

Fay Rosenow, plake@frontiernet.net, 715-793-4665

Miriam Nelson, <u>ycswi.miriam@gmail.com</u>, 715-432-1202

Barb Nelson, bknbwdwi@gmail.com, 715-449-3077 Linda Clough, alincl@hotmail.com 715-253-2789 Member at large Member at-large Organist

Organist

Joint Parish Council

Lois Anderson, bltanderson0@gmail.com, 715-253-2603

Fay Rosenow, plake@frontiernet.net, 715-793-4665

 2^{nd} year, 1st term exp. 12/22 2^{nd} year, 1st term exp 12/22

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REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

COUNCIL MINUTES February 10, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Norrbom

Members present:

President: Paul Norrbom Treasurer: Peggy Emmel
Secretary: Deb Rieck Pastor Sharon Fox Bogen
Trustees: Clint Horn Parish Life: Gail Koehler

WMA: Linda Evje, Kimberly Timm, Carla Hanke Education: Tracy Dombeck, Ann Hawley

A quorum was present.

Opening Devotions: Kimberly Timm

Motion made by Linda Evje, seconded by Kimberly Timm, to approve the agenda. Carried.

Council Visitors: Arla Block and Lois Anderson

New Council Members Welcomed.

Motion made by Linda Evje, seconded by Gail Koehler, to accept the Council's nomination of Arla Block and Lois Anderson to the Parish Life Committee for the 2022 calendar year. Carried

Motion made by Kimberly Timm, seconded by Tracy Dombeck, to approve the January 2022 minutes. Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report shows an account balance of \$72,512.18 as of January 31, 2022. Of that amount, \$37,882.53 is non-budget, and the budget has a balance of \$34,629.65. Motion made by Carla Hanke, seconded by Kimberly Timm, to approve the Treasurer's Report and the bills as presented to be paid. Carried.

PASTOR'S REPORT

- Preparing Lent and Holy week services. Worked with Ann to prepare newsletters and bulletins as well as prepared annual reports.
- Made visits and calls to the homebound and sick and led worship for Rainbow Apt. group.
- Completed Boundary Training and attended Shawano Conference with the Clarks.
- Next Vacation is March 24-April 5. This will include 2 Sundays and 1 Lent Service.
- Paul shared thank you card that was received from the Bogens for the Christmas gift card.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

<u>Trustees</u>

- Linda had gutters looked at for possible leaf guards. White ones we can clean. Brown gutters would need extenders in order to make leaf guards possible. Working on getting quotes.
- Faucets in both downstairs bathrooms have issues.
- Smoke detector batteries changed.
- Linda submitted her resignation as custodian as of the end of February 2022. Thank you Linda for all your years of service.

Parish Life

• Worked on marriage policy revisions.

Parish Education

• 3rd Sunday of the month kids will help with service and will be a Noisy Coin Sunday

Worship/Music/Arts

- Lenten/Holy Week Schedule shared. There will be a Soup & Sandwich supper Ash Wednesday and March 9 & 16 at Redeemer. WMA & Parish Life plan on buying the soup and sandwich supplies. Parishioners will be asked to provide the desserts.
- Planning for an Easter Breakfast this year.
- Liturgy of Joy will be used again after Easter.
- Volunteers are still needed on a regular basis to help with service. Parishioners are asked to please sign up whenever they can.

OLD BUSINESS

• Council is asked to read the revised copy of the marriage policy by the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- Appointed new Parish Life members to fill open positions. Still looking for 2 Trustees and a Vice-President. Anyone interested is asked to please contact a council member.
- A cemetery committee is being formed. Anyone interested in being part of this should contact Arla Block, Kimberly Timm, or Peggy Emmel. A grave site was recently gifted back to the church.
- April's regularly scheduled council meeting falls on Maundy Thursday, so it is rescheduled for April 7th instead.

Next Council meeting, Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 5:30pm.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Motion made by Kimberly Timm, seconded by Pastor Sharon Fox Bogen, to adjourn. Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Deb Rieck Council Secretary

Pastor Sharon will be on vacation from March 24-April 5th. In case of pastoral need, please contact Pastor Lois Graper at 715-853-2549.

Guidelines for a Safe Sanctuary:

- In an effort to keep everyone healthy and safe, we ask that you consider the wellbeing of those around you.
- Masks, while not required, are considered a way to reduce the spread of airborne illness and the use of them is encouraged.
- Upon entering the church, during the service and after church, please allow ample distance to those outside of your family that are around you. The personal space and comfort zone around each and every one of us has increased over the last year. Please be aware.
- If you are not feeling well, please stay home. If you are a part of the service, we will find someone to fill in for you. You will be missed and we will most certainly pray for you.

Easter Flower Garden

- If you would like to share a plant or flowers for the April 17th Easter Sunday worship, please call the office to arrange a drop off time or bring them to church during office hours (2-4 pm on Thursdays).
- If you would like someone to pick up a plant for you, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space towards the end of March.

Do You Want to Fast This Lent? In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
Fast from worries and have trust in God.
Fast from complaints an contemplate simplicity.
Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

Lent Quotes

"All the wickedness in the world that man might do or say was no more to the mercy of God than is a live coal dropped in the sea." William Langland Piers Plowman

"When we are separated from the stars, the sea, from each other, we are in...isolation we die; in interdependence we live." Madeline L'Engle A Live Coal in the Sea

From A Stone for a Pillow: Journeys with Jacob 1986

"Here I am caught up in this fragment of chronology, in this bit of bone and flesh and water that makes up my mortal body, and yet I am also part of that which is not imprisoned in time or mortality, partaker simultaneously of the finite and the infinite. I do not find the infinite by repudiating my finiteness, but by being fully in it, in the me who is more than I know. This me, like all creation, lives in a glorious dance of communion with all the universe. In isolation we die; in interdependence we live."

Shawano Area Conference 2/06/22

(Gary and Laura Clark and Pastor Sharon attended.)

Meeting was called to order by Jim Hanson, conference chairperson.

Devotions by Pastor Lois Graper, who also introduced the new clergy and reported on the status of pastoral vacancies.

Secretary's, Treasurer's, and Council reports were given and approved.

Pastor Asher O'Callaghan from the Synod office spoke on transitions in the synod. Eleven congregational votes have been sent out to call pastors and are pending at this time.

Theme for this year's synod is "Baptismal Vows: To Live Among God's Faithful People."

Synod Assembly will be May 13-15. Friday will be Friday from 4-9 and Saturday 8-5. There will also be an online worship service on Sunday. Keynote speaker will be from Music That Makes Community on Paperless Worship.

Elections were discussed: Synod positions include council secretary, 4 year term, lay or rostered (any conference); Committee on Discipline, Shawano Conference, 6 year term, lay person.

Shawano Area Conference positions: two 2 year term at large positions.

No volunteers were found. Delegates were asked to go back to congregations and ask for volunteers.

Budget for 2022: Conference dues stand at 25 cents per baptized member. St. John's Marion gifted the conference with \$500.

Disbursements were paid \$100 to Zion Church for hosting the conference. \$385 was given to Crossways Ministries, Homme Home Family, ELCA, and Church of the Wilderness. It was noted that, Faith, Clintonville, closed their doors in December and did not accept their disbursement.

Since the disbursement was not paid out last year, motion was made and passed to give \$250 to the Synod Assembly Service Project: Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

Since past disbursements have been less over the past few years, rather than adding another charity, a motion was made to increase the percentage of the remaining charities. Motion carried.

Budget was passed.

Motion was made to amend the constitution to drop Pulaski, Our Savior's and Clintonville, Faith, and add Seymour, Immanuel, who had inadvertently been left off the list. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned.

More Excerpts from Children's Letters to God compiled by Stuart Hample and Eric Marshall

- Dear God, I keep waiting for spring but it never come yet. Don't forget! Mark
- Dear God, I think the stapler is one of your greatest inventions. Ruth M.
- Dear God, I am eight and a half. We live across the street from the park. I have a dog name Buster. I used to have a hamster but he got out and ran away. I am small for my age. My hobbies are swimming, bowling, my chemistry set, reading, coin collecting, and tropical fish. Right now I have three kinds. Well I guess I said a Mouthful. Goodbye. Always a friend, Simon
- Dear God, I think about you sometimes even when I'm not praying. Elliott
- Dear God, I bet it is very hard for you to love all of everybody in the whole world. There are only 4 people in our family and I can never do it. Nan
- Dear God, Of all the people who work for you, I like Peter and John the best. Rob
- Dear God, My brother told me about being born but it doesn't sound right. Marsha
- Dear God, If you watch in church on Sunday, I will show you my new shoes. Mickey D.
- Dear God, I like the story about Noah the best of all of them. You really made up some good ones. Glenn
- Dear God, I would like to live 900 years like the guy in the Bible. Love, Chris
- Dear God, I don't ever feel alone since I found out about you. Nora
- Dear God, We read Thomas Edison made light. But in Sunday School they said you did it. So I bet he stoled your idea. Sincerely, Donna
- Dear God, If you let the dinasor not exstinct we would not have a country. You did the right thing. Jonathan
- Dear God, The bad people laghed at noah—you make an ark on dry land, you fool. But he was smart he stuck with you. Thats what I would do. Eddie
- Dear God, It is great the way you always get the stars in the right places. Jeff
- Dear God, I do not think anybody could be a better God. Well I just want you to know but I am not just saying that because you are God. Charles
- Dear God, I didn't think orange went with purple until I saw the sunset you made on Tuesday. That was cool. Eugene
- Dear God, I am doing the best I can. Frank

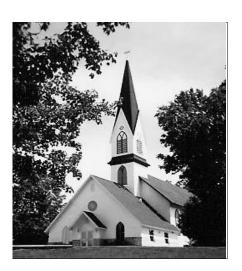
March 2022						
Sunday	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1	Adult Bible Study Breakfast 9 am at Schultz Restaurant in Tigerton (Bring Bible) Confirmation: 3:30-5 at Zion, Ash Wednesday service w/Communion 6:30 pm (Meal 5:30pm)	Fellowship & Devotions 1:00 in Gathering Space. Church office hrs: 2-4 pm	4	5
8:30 Worship w/Holy Communion 9:30 Sunday School	7	8	Confirmation: 3:30-5 at Zion Lent Service-Redeemer 5:30 pm (Meal 4:45 pm)	Church office hrs: 2-4 pm Church Council 5:30 pm	11	Crossways Camps Annual Meeting in Clintonville 9:30 a.m.
13 8:30 Worship 9:30 Sunday School	14	15	16 Adult Bible Study Breakfast 9 am at Schultz Restaurant in Tigerton (Bring Bible) Confirmation: 3:30-5 at Redeemer, Lent Service Redeemer 5:30 Meal 4:45	17 Church office hrs: 2-4 pm	18	19
20 8:30 Worship w/Holy Communion *Children participate *Noisy Coin Sunday 9:30 Sunday School	21	22	23 Confirmation: 3:30-5 Zion Lent Service-Zion 5:30 pm	24 Church office hrs: 2-4 pm	25 Murder Mystery at the WOWSPACE	26 Murder Mystery at the WOWSPACE
8:30 Worship 9:30 Sunday School	28	29	30 Confirmation: 3:30-5 TBA-Zion Lent Service-Zion 5:30	31		

Communion: Communion will be given on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of March and Ash Wednesday, March 2nd.

***In case of inclement weather, be sure to check your email, Facebook, or our website (or call the church. We'll try to leave a message on our voicemail if church is canceled).

	2022 Lenten	Worship Schedule	
Ash Wednesday, March 2	<u>Meal 5:30-6:45</u>	6:30pm Redeemer	5:00pm Zion
Wednesday, March 9	<u>Meal 4:45-5:15</u>	5:30pm Redeemer	
Wednesday, March 16	<u>Meal 4:45-5:15</u>	5:30pm Redeemer	
Wednesday, March 23			5:30pm Zion
Wednesday, March 30			5:30pm Zion
Wednesday, April 6			5:30pm Zion
Maundy Thursday, April 14		6:30pm Redeemer	5:00pm Zion
Good Friday, April 15		6:30pm Redeemer	
Easter Sunday, April 17 <u>Eas</u>	ster Breakfast 9:30 am	8:30am Redeemer	10:30am Zion

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The mission of Redeemer Lutheran Church is to care for all people through the proclamation of the Gospel, celebration of the sacraments, and service to our neighbor.

We strive to accomplish this by our witness at church, home, school, work and play, all to the glory of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Bringing people to Christ ~ Bringing Christ to people