



October 2019 Newsletter
Sponsored by Ruth Bowers
in memory of her husband Al and son, John.

Greetings,

We are fortunate to be able to worship together and continue our ministry together here at Redeemer Lutheran Church. Reverend Dr. Karen Rendall will be with us again this month, leading us in worship and offering communion on the first and third Sundays. We enjoy her enthusiasm and are thankful that she has agreed to minister to us.

Our annual fall bazaar, held along with bazaars at St. Paul Lutheran, Holy Family Catholic, and Alpha House, will be October 12th. Our church, working with these other village churches and missions brings a sense of unity and fulfillment in our community.

An area of future concern and decision making will be what to do with our parsonage. We have been working on evaluating and estimating the over-all replacement and repairs that are needed. There are several costly projects that may need a lot of attention based on what we decide to do with its existence.

We will hold a special congregational meeting on October 6, 2019, following the 10:00 am worship service. At this meeting we will discuss and vote on the future of our parsonage property. Options that will be presented and discussed include:

Option A: Sell the parsonage as is.

Option B: Sell the parsonage after repairs and updates have been made.

Option C: Repair the parsonage and rent it out.

Please come prepared with any questions and thoughts on this important matter.

Thank you,

Redeemer Church Council

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
COUNCIL MINUTES
September 15, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Dan Weisensel

Members present:

President: Dan Weisensel Vice-President: Arla Block
Secretary: Deb Rieck Treasurer/WMA: Peggy Emmel
Education: Mary Peterson
Parish Life: Joy Hartleben, Lois Anderson, Karon Weisensel
Trustee: Paul Pehlke, Brad Zeinert
Worship, Music, & Arts:
A quorum was present.

Motion made by Joy Hartleben, seconded by Mary Peterson, to approve the September 15, 2019 Council Meeting Agenda. Carried.

Council visitors: None

Motion made by Paul Pehlke, seconded by Lois Anderson, to approve the August 2019 Meeting Minutes. Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Peggy submitted the Treasurer's report showing an account balance of \$37,312.71 as of August 31, 2019. Of that amount, \$15,859.99 was budget funds and \$21,452.72 was non-budget funds.

Motion by Mary Peterson, seconded by Arla Block, to approve the September bills as presented. Carried.

Peggy asked the Committees to look at their budgets for adjustments for next year prior to next month's meeting and to please use P.O.'s when reimbursement is needed. Funds were transferred as needed for the Lay Ministry Education. Council decided to give Pastor Lois Grapper one of the Hanks' gift cards we still have as a thank you gift for supplying Redeemer Lay People with her sermons.

PASTOR'S REPORT None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parish Life

-Working on getting Bazaar set-up.

Parish Education

-Sunday School started.

-There are 4 possible confirmation students.

Worship/Music/Arts

- Meeting this upcoming Tuesday to go over October services.
- Communion in October will be the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month.
- Looking at purchasing a new Christmas tree. The old ones are falling apart.

Trustees

- Elevator: Inspection is overdue, however, we were never contacted like we were told to set up an inspection.
- Parsonage: Working with a contractor and a realtor to get quotes on repairs and its value as is and after repairs.
- Paul has been cutting the parsonage lawn.
- Discussion was had on only mowing the church lawn every other week and checking into fall leaf pick-up.

OLD BUSINESS

Parsonage: On October 6 after service, the congregation will be presented with detailed parsonage options to be voted on during this special congregational meeting.

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NEW BUSINESS

-Dan has reached out to other denominations as the Bishop suggested for possible pastors to add to our list to fill in for our services in the future. He has started talks with the Wittenberg Methodist church and the Presbyterian Church in Shawano.

-Dan will be meeting with the Pastor from Zion at one of their Council meetings to discuss our church's need for a pastor and to see if they would be open to discussions on possibly sharing one.

-Church chimney needs masonry work. Dan will get bids.

-Parsonage will need to be winterized if it stays empty.

-Pastor Karen R. is willing to help with funeral services if the need should arise. She may possibly be available for a Christmas Eve worship service.

-No one has come forward to volunteer as the new Funeral Luncheon Coordinator.

Next Council meeting, Sunday, October 13th, after the 10:00 service.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Motion made by Paul Pehlke, seconded by Arla Block, to adjourn. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Rieck
Council Secretary

Our Monetary Discipleship for September 2019

Worship Date	Worship Attend	General Fund	Building Fund	Sunday School Offering	Other
9/1	30	\$ 1205			
9/8	63	\$ 2827			
9/15	48	\$ 968	\$ 12		\$ 150 Lay Ministries
9/22	55	\$ 1365			
9/29	*	*	*	*	*
Total	196	\$ 6365	\$ 12	*	\$ 150

* Information not available when newsletter was printed

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** if you include cash. Using the envelopes insures you get credit for monies given to the church. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sometimes the offerings aren't counted weekly, however, the money is safely at the bank.



The Fall Bazaar, Craft and Bake Sale will be held on Saturday, October 12th, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.

There will be a taco bar luncheon served from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Complimentary coffee will be served throughout the morning as in years past.

Please prepare your items for sale by including your name or initials on the tag along with the price. You will receive 80% of the sale price, and Redeemer will receive 20%. This is to help pay for your ingredients and materials. If no name or initials are on the price tag, it implies you do not want the 80% reimbursement, and are donating 100% to Redeemer.

The church will be open Thursday from 9 am to noon to drop off any non-perishable items.

October Opportunities

St. John's Lutheran Church, W17680 Church Rd, Birnamwood, is having a Fall Bake Sale on Saturday, October 5th from 9:00 am to noon.

Shawano County (The Shawano ADRC is moving on Oct 9! The new address is W7327 Anderson Ave in Shawano) has the following programs offered in our area:

Medicare Basics – This presentation will be offered on 3 different dates. Monday, September 30th at the Wittenberg Community Center beginning at 10:00 am. Wednesday, October 2nd at the Shawano Middle School beginning at 1:00 pm. Monday, October 28th at the Shawano Library beginning at 5:30 pm. Contact the ADRC to register by calling 1-855-492-2372.

Friday, October 18th –The memory café is for those with beginning stages of dementia and their caregivers. This meeting will be at the Stockbridge-Munsee Elderly Center in Bowler beginning at 10:30 am. Contact Miranda for more information by calling 715-793-3044.

Evening of Song and Music

Tues., Oct. 15: Julie and Dan Krolow will be at St. Ladislaus Church, Bevent for an evening of reflection through music/song from 6:30-8:00pm with songs from their new CD “Thy Holy Water”. The songs are all beautiful and very touching. Come for an evening of inspiration, hope, and beautiful music. Julie and Dan will also have CD's available for purchase if you wish to purchase one. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for a remarkable, faith-filled evening. Wine/cheese reception after the concert.



October Birthdays

Kaylin Karcz 10-3
River Mattes 10-4
Nancy Pehlke 10-4
Chase Nier 10-10
Shirley Schmidt 10-12
Ryan Buntrock 10-14
Carol Klinner 10-15
Annie Jo Czerwonka 10-18
Kay Carlson 10-18
Deb Rieck 10-21
Chris Nier 10-23
Kari Zeinert 10-25
Judy Boda 10-27
Cassandra Kreitzer 10-31
Agnes Schlender 10-31

October Anniversaries

Brandon & Callie Hirsch 10-5
Tom & Karen Kersten 10-10
Curt & Evie Low 10-12
Kurt & Linda Evje 10-26
Alan & Kayla Hanke 10-27



October 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6 8:45 am Sunday School and Confirmation 10:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Congregational Meeting Following worship	7	8 Yom Kippur	9	10	11	12 Fall Bazaar 9:00 am – 2:00 pm
13 8:45 am Sunday School and Confirmation 10:00 am Worship Council following	14 Columbus Day	15	16	17	18	19
20 8:45 am Sunday School & Confirmation 10:00 am Worship w/Holy Communion Faith, Hope & Harmony	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 8:45 am Sunday School and Confirmation 10:00 am Worship	28	29	30	31 Halloween		