2018 NETWORK

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Thanksgiving weekend is at our door. We are reminded that we are to be thankful to God for all His blessings. Even non-believers celebrate Thanksgiving, realizing that they have many things to be thankful for (although they do not say that they owe it all to God). ''I'm thankful, that I have so many things; a family, a car, a house, a good job …'' People speak like this at important event, or moments, and on Thanksgiving weekend.

Thanksgiving, for us Christians, is a lifestyle rather than just a periodic thing we do. Ephesians 5:18-20 tells us to "be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ". Colossians 3:16 tells us, "Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God". To be in a spirit of thanksgiving means to live in contentment. It is the opposite of lust, of coveting, of always wanting more. It is to be happy with the blessings God gives us and be thankful for them. It is applying the 9th and 10th Commandments by daily thanking God for who and what we have instead of complaining to God about what we don't have.

But our greatest thanks goes our Heavenly Father for sending His Son as our Saviour. We thank Him for His inexhaustible love and friendship for us in our daily lives, for the forgiveness of our sins by the blood of His dear Son, for the Holy Spirit who created faith in us and maintains us in the joy of the children of God. In thankfulness, we thus let the Word of Christ dwell in us by taking every opportunity to hear and study it at church and home, so we can better apply it.

Yes, we, indeed, have more reasons to be thankful than to complain.

Pastor Jason

ORGAN RECITAL AT REDEEMER REFORMATION SUNDAY OCTOBER 28 3:30 p.m.

On October 28th, Reformation Sunday, David Troiano will present an organ recital here at Redeemer Lutheran Church, at 3:30 p.m.

Dr. David Troiano, tenor, organist and choral director, holds a Master of Music Degree in Vocal Performance from Wayne State University, a Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry from S.S. Cyril and Methodius Seminary in Orchard Lake, Mi. and a Doctoral in Church and Organ Studies from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

As an Organist he has appeared throughout the United States, Canada, Europe (Italy, Portugal, Finland, Sweden, Norway) and in some of the Sacred Spaces in Mexico, including LA BASILICA DE GUADALUPE in Mexico City. In 2017 he performed in Germany for the Reformation Celebration.

He has served many church communities as music director and organist, conducting various choral and instrumental ensembles for worship services.

His performance at Redeemer will feature music of the Reformation, quite appropriate for Reformation Day.

We'd like to invite you all to come and enjoy this awesome performance. Do bring friends and family as we want to share with as many people as possible!

Director of Outreach
Betty Smith

A free will offering will be collected. Proceeds from the concert will be donated to "Harmony House", Sarnia.

Oktoberfest Dinner

Sunday, October 21st

5:00 p.m.

$10 for Adults, $5 for age 12 & under, under 5 free, or $35 per household

There will be a sign-up poster in the church foyer. Please fill in your name and the number in your family/group who plan on attending. This is necessary for preparation purposes. Payment for the meal will be taken at the door at the event.

Volunteers are needed for set-up on Saturday, October 20th at 10:00 a.m., and also for food preparation, serving, and clean-up. The participation of both men and women of Redeemer is essential to make this event a success.

Please contact Director of Fellowship, Sheila Ginn, Dinner Coordinator, at 519-542-3663 or e-mail her at sginn@cogeco.ca if you can assist in anyway. *Thank you.*

W.O.R.S.H.I.P. NEWS
(Women Of Redeemer Sharing Helping In Prayer)

SEPTEMBER SPECIAL MEETING

Our first meeting of the fall was a soup lunch on Wednesday, September 28 at noon. This joint meeting of W.O.R.S.H.I.P.and the Men's Group was attended by 18 members of the congregation. Our guest speaker, Bonnie Kearns, a dedicated volunteer with the Canadian Red Cross gave an inspiring presentation about her volunteer endeavours. Thank you to all who provided the lunch and who helped in any way with clean up and set up.

STUDENT ENCOURAGEMENT PROGRAM

It is that time again! The names and addresses of students away at college or university are being collected so that we can put them on our mailing list for our "encouragement package" mailouts. Each package contains a letter from W.O.R.S.H.I.P., a message from Pastor, and other seasonal material, as well as a gift card from Tim Hortons. If you would like your student(s) to be added to the list, please forward their name(s) and postal address to Sheila Ginn at the email address in the church roster or leave the information in her mail box at the church. Our first mailing will be going out in late fall.

FUNERAL RECEPTIONS

If you would like to be a part of the Funeral Reception Team, please contact Sheila Ginn at 519-542-3663, or by email. Volunteers are necessary so that we can provide families with caring service during their time of need. Both men and women are a part of this group.

KITCHEN NEWS

Please refer to the user-friendly maps posted in the kitchen to locate dishes, utensils, etc. *When working in the kitchen,* ***please return items to their proper places*** *and ensure that all used items are emptied and cleaned before being put away.* ***Anyone wishing to donate items to the kitchen should first contact Sheila Ginn.***

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be a soup lunch on ***Wednesday, October 24 at noon****. Look for further information in your church bulletins. All women of Redeemer are welcome.*

Please join us!

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE

Phone number change:

Bjarne & Grethe Pedersen
519-908-9600

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

If you are the parent (or grandparent) of a child in Grade 7, Grade 8 or higher this year, please speak with Pastor Jason as soon as possible about enrolling them in Confirmation Class.

The Tuesday ladies' sewing group is again meeting on Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. This group sews and ties blankets and rolls bandages for Canadian Lutheran World Relief.

The group happily welcomes more ladies and *no* sewing experience is necessary. Bring your own bag lunch!

As well, the group can always use donations of clean large pieces of fabric, as well as blankets to use as filler.

Please speak to Betty Smith for more information.

THANKSGIVING DECORATIONS

A list of fruits and vegetables that are needed to decorate the church for Thanksgiving Sunday, October 7 is posted in the foyer. These items will be delivered to the Women's Interval Home following the service. If you would like to donate items, please sign up in the foyer.

The items need to be at the church by 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 6.

Please speak with Jennie McPhail, or call her at 519-336-3055 if you have any questions.

Happy 73rd Anniversary John & Leta Slancek

The church family at Redeemer would like to take this opportunity to wish a very Happy Anniversary to John and Leta Slancek. John and Leta will celebrate 73 years of marriage on October 6. May God continue to bless you and your beautiful family with His love and care.

The 3rd Annual L.A.F. GOLF EVENT took place on the sunny afternoon of September 23 at the Holiday Inn course.

Team 3 (Jason Kouri, Lorna Wyville, Michael Paisley) and Team 4 (David Paisley, Debbie Paisley, Ray Klages) tied for the top honours of the day. Second place went to Team 1 (Michel Poliquin, Diane Nyp, Paul Kleinsmith, Mitchell Paisley) and third place belonged to Team 2 (Pete McPhail, Kathy Dunlop, Matthew Paisley).

Thanks to Sheila Ginn for hosting 23 people for a steak BBQ and swim following golf. "Merci" to Chef Michel Poliquin for his excellent grilling skills!

MEN AND WOMEN OF REDEEMER
PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER JOINING THE ALTAR GUILD

If you are looking for an opportunity to offer your time and talents, why not consider joining our Altar Guild Team? Every Sunday, a team of four is scheduled to set out the communion ware and prepare the altar for the worship service. Each team is scheduled approximately two Sundays every nine weeks. Training will be provided, and you will not be scheduled until you are comfortable with the assigned duties. For spouses or family members who have been considering offering to serve together, the Altar Guild is a great opportunity.

Our next Altar Guild meeting takes place on Saturday October 13 at 10:00 a.m. at the Church. If you would like to join us, please contact our Altar Guild chairperson Jennie McPhail at 519-336-3055 for more information, or to volunteer.

Pastor Jason will be attending the Lake Erie Pastoral Conference on October 16, 17 and 18.

He can be reached in an emergency on his cell phone at 519-332-9401, or you may contact Elder Peter McPhail at 519-336-3055.

Our church secretary will also be on vacation beginning Tuesday, October 16 and will return to the church office on Tuesday, October 23. Please feel free to email during this time and she will respond when she returns to the office.

REDEEMER TO RECEIVE 2018 CITY OF SARNIA ACCESSIBILITY AWARD

Pastor Jason received a call to inform him that our congregation has won the **2018 CITY OF SARNIA EXCEPTIONAL ACCESSIBLE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT AWARD.**

Congratulations to all of our members who financially support our facilities and our facility directors and volunteers through the years. Thanks also to our ushers who are welcoming, open doors and assist those who need help.

Pastor will attend a ceremony on October 1 at 3:30 p.m. at Sarnia City Hall to accept our award.

New Monday Evening Service Begins October 1

A Divine Service (with communion) will be held on **Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m.** at the church beginning on October 1. The Biblical readings, sermon, the Service Setting and hymns will be the same as on Sunday. The service is expected to last about 50-55 minutes.

This service is offered to accommodate those who cannot make it on Sunday mornings because of health issues, work, or because they were away on the weekend. There might be other good reasons why you'd wish to attend on Mondays. The Sunday morning 10:00 a.m. service remains our main service.

There will be no Saturday Services.

The Worship Committee, the Board of Directors and Pastor Jason hope this will provide an option to receive God's gifts in Christ through the Divine Service for people who cannot make it on Sunday.

PASTOR JASON'S DAY OFF TO CHANGE

Because of our new Monday worship service beginning on October 1, Pastor Jason will be taking his weekly day off on Friday instead of Monday.

SERVING AS WE WORSHIP IN OCTOBER 2018

OCTOBER 7, 2018

USHERS: F. Brown, B. Loerke, G. Laucek, H. Wygergangs
LECTOR: Michel Poliquin
COMMUNION: A. Bork, R. Honke
ALTAR: J. McPhail, D. Cook, J. Schooley, G. Behm, J. Behm
ALTAR LINENS: Jennie McPhail
COFFEE: George Laucek

OCTOBER 14, 2018

USHERS: B. Cadman, J. Cadman, T. Yarc, J. Mutis
LECTOR: Bill Cadman
COMMUNION: J. Burchill, R. Steinman
ALTAR: J. McPhail, D. Cook, J. Schooley, G. Behm, J. Behm
ALTAR LINENS: Jennie McPhail
COFFEE: Bill & Jane Cadman

OCTOBER 21, 2018

USHERS: I. Lough, B. Bork, B. Rose
LECTOR: Dana Heno
COMMUNION: T. Cooper, P. Kleinsmith
ALTAR: B. Smith, K. Mutis, D. Paisley, J. Huzevka
ALTAR LINENS: Jennie McPhail
COFFEE: Sheila Ginn

OCTOBER 28, 2018

USHERS: R. Steinman, J. Roszell, R. Honke, S. McPhail
LECTOR: Jeff Burchill
COMMUNION: D. Barraclough, L. Kleinsmith
ALTAR: B. Smith, K. Mutis, D. Paisley, J. Huzevka
ALTAR LINENS: Jennie McPhail
COFFEE: Kelly Mutis & Kristian Barraclough

BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER

October 1 – Grace Brown, Matthew Brown
October 2 – Patrick Mott
October 3 – Ron Garvie
October 8 – Yvonne Carey, Eva Emrich
October 9 – Harvey Doell, Ralph Playfoot
October 11 – Cathy Fielder
October 13 – Henry Nyp, Debra Rayson
October 14 – Gail Trombley
October 15 – Ian Lough
October 16 – Peter McPhail, Hilary Ryan
October 17 – Julie Easterby
October 18 – Karl Brown
October 20 – Arlene Olson
October 22 – Doris MacKenzie, Marcy Vanderveen
October 23 – Jill Myllyoja, Julia Nesbitt, Lisa Winter
October 24 – John Soper Jr.
October 25 – Jane Cadman, Bonnie Werschler
October 29 – Louise Brazier, Mary-Ellen Dion

ANNIVERSARIES IN OCTOBER

Ted & Sue Cooper
October 1, 1983
35 years!

Jeff & Rhonda Jordan
October 3, 1992

Ken & Dorothy Burchill
October 5, 1963
55 years!

John & Leta Slancek
October 6, 1945
73 years!!!

Terry & Linda Townson
October 8, 1977

Bryan & Jennifer Beaudoin
October 9, 2004

Ron & Julia Nesbitt
October 9, 1965

Jim & Carol Henrikson
October 10, 1970

Bill & Julie Fairbairn
October 11, 1986

Ralph & Emilie Playfoot
October 14, 1961

Brian & Joanne Loerke
October 19, 2013

Merv & Gail Behm
October 22, 1966

Jeff & Colleen Hodgson
October 24, 1987

Andrew & Lisa Cadieux
October 30, 2004

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"Now thank we all our God,
With hearts and hands and voices"
LSB 895

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:30 pm Worship 	2 9:30 am Living Way Bible Study 11:30 am Sewing Group	3	4 9:00 am Men's Bible Study 7:00 pm Redeemer Choir	5	6 9:00 am Thanksgiving items due to church
7 8:45 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship 10:30 am Sunday School 	8 6:30 pm Worship 	9 9:30 am Living Way Bible Study 11:30 am Sewing Group	10 7:00 pm Board of Directors 	11 9:00 am Men's Bible Study 7:00 pm Redeemer Choir 	12	13 10:00 am Altar Guild
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