

Greetings

— A note from a member of the council—

Greetings to you all. I am the first of our council members to be able to write to you during Pastor Ken's sabbatical.

First of all I would like to start with a prayer:

Heavenly Father, please watch over the Carrothers on their many travels. Let them fully take advantage of this time together enjoying each other, renewing connections with family and friends and reaping the benefits of this Sabbatical rest.

Amen.

Some of you may know that I am a birth doula. The birth of a child is the beginning of so many things. The short definition of my job is that I am a coach for people having their baby. I meet with them before, during and after the birth of their child to support them. I provide physical, emotional and educational support. I love being there for the birth of a family but my work is very consuming. I am on-call for my clients and could have to jet off at a moments notice to serve them. So my life has to be lived in a certain way. Trips and family time has to be planned. I have been doing this for the past 5 years. I can't do this job without the support of my family and friends to be able to jump in and help when I am gone-sometimes for more then a day at a time.

At the beginning of this year I started to notice that when I got the call for a birth my enthusiasm might not have been as high as it has been in the past. Living my life on call was taking its toll. It was time for a break. Also we had found out that my daughter needed knee surgery in April. Her recovery was going to deserve my full attention. Amazingly enough I had no clients yet for that time frame (thank you God) and I recognized that I needed to purposely block off some time this summer to allow a rest and the ability to be spontaneous with my family. Even before I made this decision I was not getting calls for client bookings for June and July so I was getting the nudge from God to participate in this break.

I have now been off call since the middle of May and am just returning now for a client due at the beginning of August. My family has been camping *out of cell phone range* twice. When I take my kids swimming I am not thinking about if I am too exhausted to attend an all night birth—I am more fully present in these activities. I also undertook a bathroom remodel. Not exactly restful but I could not have relaxed knowing that I may have to leave the project in limbo for a client.

WORD OF GOD

WAY OF LIFE

When Pastor Ken returns from his sabbatical I will be excited to hear of the reflections he has made--to witness his rejuvenation.

As a community we then get the opportunity to take part in his sabbatical--listening to other pastors messages, engaging in conversation with them and each other about what support looks like for him, recognizing what our expectations are for him and the community we worship in.

Participating and seeing the birth of a child gives me the chance to witness the emergence of possibilities. Sabbatical is a rebirth and what emerges is something we all get to benefit from.

Peace,

Heather Norris

First Thursday Soup

First Thursday lunch will be

August 2nd.

We begin at 12:00 p.m. for soup, salad, breads, and desserts.

The cost is \$2.00 per person and *children* are free. Bring a friend and join us for good food and great fellowship.



Do you have a child who will be in 3rd grader this fall in your home?

One of the highlights of our Children's Ministry at Redeemer Lutheran is the privilege of presenting our 3rd graders with their very own Bible.

In baptism we, as a church, promise to support and pray for the one being baptized.

One way in which we show that support is by placing the Holy Scriptures into the hands of our children giving them the opportunity to read and study God's and our story.

We will be presenting the 3rd graders their Bibles in August.

Please contact the office if you have a 3rd grader in your home so we can include them.



Please sign up for Flowers and/or Fellowship hour
The sign up sheet is located in the
Fellowship Hall.

The Altar Guild will order your flowers at a cost of \$27 and
place your dedication in the bulletin for the week selected. You can take your flowers home
after the final worship service.

For Fellowship hour make coffee, provide juice/food, and set up/clean up for the date you
have selected. Instructions are near the sign up sheet. If you have not done it before, or you
are able to set up/or clean up let the church office know and we will find someone to help.

THANKYOU!

BIBLE STUDY

11AM ON THURSDAYS

The format for the study is quite simple. We open in prayer asking for the Spirit to guide us in our study. Then we read a passage and discuss.

- What stood out to us?
- What do we hear God saying to us today?
- What questions does it raise?

As the discussion lessens and time allows we continue by reading another passage. This type of study does not require any prep work to join. Simply come and we will read the bible together. Please consider joining us



WILL BE MEETING THE FIRST MONDAY
THIS MONTH

MONTHLY MEETING:
MONDAY, AUGUST 6 (7PM)

WHERE:
SOCKEYE GRILL & BREWPUB
(3019 N COLE RD. BOISE, ID)

Questions

What has gone well this past month?

What has not?

Any prayer concerns that you would like to bring to the group.

Acting Secretary, Steve

Esther/Naomi Circles

The Esther~Naomi Circle

will meet again on

Wednesday, **September 12th** at 1:00 p.m.
in the church Fellowship Hall.

We will use the *Gather* Bible study.

If you have a treat to share,
please bring it. There will be water and
coffee.

All are welcome.

RUTH CIRCLE

Ruth is now changing to quarterly events in January, April, July and October.

We are looking for volunteers to lead each event

(Jan=social, April=faith/book club, July=social and Oct=service).

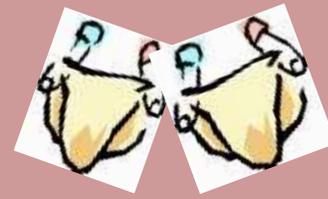
Please let Arielle know if you want to lead any event in the upcoming year.

ariellejune@hotmail.com or 208-860-9522

If you'd like to be included in the email list, please let the Redeemer office know. Remember friends are invited and encouraged to join any Ruth Circle event.



Wash, Wipe, Wear Distribution in July



July my favorite month! We gave away 116 packages of Laundry Detergent, Toilet Paper and Diapers to our visitors from 14 different countries. We believe we do offer a good service to help those new to our country.

Big thanks to those great helpers earlier in the week: picking up products and sorting: Katherine, Gale Faber, Marilyn Smith, Sandrina, Blessing, Martina, Julie and Linda.

On Saturday, Martina helped organize items and set out cookies for our visitors.

Helpers on Saturday stuffing bags: Sandrina, Blessing, Larry and LaDawn.

Handing out bags: Larry, Brenda and Blessing.

Writers: Alice and LaDawn

Handing out numbers and tracking our visitors' country origin: Luanne

Here is what we gave away on Saturday, July 21, 2018

Diapers	2850
Rolls of TP:	464
Laundry Detergent:	116
Extras	75

Please sign up to help at WWW the third Saturday of each month. Thank you everyone for a successful outreach day!

Submitted by,



August Mission of the Month

The ministry of the Redeemer quilters is to provide quilts for those in need. This group of dedicated and talented quilters meet every Tuesday at 9:30am and quilt until about 1:30pm.

They design, sew blocks together, pin, tie, and hem the quilts. These quilts are then donated to

local charities and shipped to a Lutheran World Relief warehouse in Maryland. From this warehouse they are shipped globally to areas in need.

The quilts are used for warmth, shelter, and sometimes as a soft place to rest. The quilts that are donated locally focus on children in foster care. Children in the **foster system love having their very “own” quilt to take with them through the process.** We, also, give them for celebrations in our own congregation, such as graduates and babies.

In 2017 the quilters exceeded their set goal and donated 108 quilts. Their goal is to always

make and donate a minimum of 100 quilts. These quilts will again be donated and shipped to Lutheran World

Relief along, local charities, and Redeemer celebrations.

We can help our Redeemer quilters meet this goal by donating money for the shipping costs

and to purchase quilt batting. Also, they need gently used or new sheets or fabric to use for the

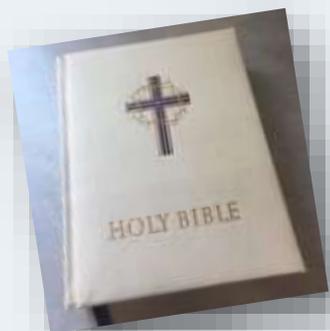
quilts.

We appreciate you choosing us for your mission of the month.

Many Thanks,
The Quilters

The Sather Family donated two beautiful bibles

*Please check out both of them!
One will be in the church office and the other will be in the
Church library.*



Feel free to check out our library during office hours.

REDEEMER PHOTO DIRECTORY

We have exciting news! A professional photographer, in our congregation, has volunteered to take family photos for an upcoming church directory. We need a volunteer assistant to collaborate with her during the process. The expected commitment is around three months. Also, now is the time to update contact information. Please contact the church office to change your information or get ahold of the photographer.

Thank you!

July 20-22, 2018

Retreat Theme

“From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.”

John 1: 16 (NRSV)

Please register online

Www.lutherheights.org

\$95 per-person *after July 1st*

If any questions, please call 208/886-7657

SAVE THE DATE - 2018 IDAHO DISCIPLESHIP CONFERENCE

-inspire, renew and empower followers of Christ in a changing world —

Your are invited to attend the 2018 3rd Annual Idaho Discipleship Conference.

• **Tickets are available at www.idahodiscipleship.org**

- **October 19-20** at Cathedral of the Rockies in downtown Boise.
 - Theme: Gritty Grace...

Come be inspired and empowered in Christ in an ever changing world! Grace has a human and imperfect face.

We will share and discuss methods to learn how everyone identifies with God in their own beautiful and, sometimes, “outside the box” way.

Early bird pricing: \$75/adult : \$25/ages 18-30 : \$10/child : \$180/ family cap

Childcare available



A long time ago, God's people lived in the land of Judah. This was the land God had promised to their ancestor Abraham. In the town of Bethlehem, which was in the land of Judah, there lived a man named Elimelech. Elimelech was married to Naomi. Elimelech and Naomi had two sons, named Mahlon and Chilion.

One year, there was a famine in Judah. The people grew hungry. Elimelech and Naomi decided to move their family to the land of Moab, where there was plenty of food. And there in the land of Moab, Elimelech, Naomi, Mahlon and Chilion settled down. Mahlon and Chilion grew up in Moab, and married women from that land. Mahlon married a Moabite woman named Ruth, and Chilion married a Moabite woman named Orpah.

But then more hard times came. Elimelech died. Mahlon and Chilion died too. Naomi and Ruth and Orpah were deeply sad. When Naomi heard that there was food again in the land of Judah, she said to Ruth and Orpah, "Do not come with me to Judah. You stay here in Moab. This is your land. Find other men to marry." Ruth and Orpah cried loudly. They loved Naomi very much, and they did not want to leave her. But Naomi insisted, "You must stay here. Your parents and other relatives are here. Remain with them in Moab."

Finally Orpah agreed. She hugged Naomi one last time and went to find her other relatives. Ruth, however, refused to leave Naomi. Ruth said to Naomi, "Wherever you go, I go. Wherever you will live, I will live there too. Your people will be my people. Your God will be will my God. Not even death will separate us!"

And so the two women traveled together to the land of Judah. One day Naomi said to Ruth, "Here in Judah we have a law from God that reminds us to take care of the poor. When workers go into the fields to harvest grain, they are to leave part of the grain behind for the poor to collect. You and I are now poor women with nothing to eat. So you must go into the fields and collect the leftover grain each morning along with our other poor neighbors."

Ruth did as Naomi told her. Every morning, Ruth got up and went outside to work in the fields, collecting the leftover grain. Then she would bring the grain home and Naomi would make bread for them to eat. In this way the women took care of each other and supported one another through difficult days.

The fields where Ruth worked belonged to a man named Boaz. Boaz saw how Ruth worked hard every day, and he saw that she and Naomi took good care of one another. As time went by, Boaz fell in love with Ruth, and Ruth fell in love with Boaz. They were married, and they later had a son named Obed. Now Naomi, Ruth, Boaz and Obed all lived together. When Obed grew up, perhaps he told his own children and grandchildren the story of his mother Ruth, and his grandmother Naomi, and their devoted friendship.

1. Read the above story about two friends named Ruth and Naomi.
2. After you finish the story think about or talk with someone else about.
Ruth and Naomi supported one another during a very difficult time.
Have you every supported a friend who was going through a hard time?
Or think about a friend who supported you during a difficult time.
3. Friendship Activity: On a piece of paper, draw three columns.
At the top of the 1st column, write "**Friends like to.**"
At the top of the 2nd column, write, "**Friends are.**"
At the top of the 3rd column, write, "**Friends can.**"
4. Think about the friends in your life, and think about how you are a friend to others.

August 2018

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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August 5	Ruth 3:1-18
August 12	Matthew 6:19-34
August 19	Luke 12:13-34
August 26	

June Altar Guild: Erin Fischer 208/371-5167

	Flowers:	Coffee and Fellowship:
Aug 5	<u>Jay</u>	_____
Aug 12	<u>Jean Pollock</u>	<u>Brenda</u>
Aug 19	<u>Blakeslee</u>	_____
Aug 26	<u>Nowela</u>	<u>Nowela</u>

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: *New prayer requests are shown in bold print.*

Family Ryan Albers
 Family of Rev. Baughman
 Clay Binford
 Peter Bond
 Joy Brizee
 Family of Tom Bryant
 Family of Rob Bursik
 Darla Bylinski
 Ray Carleton
Family of Lorraine Chavez
 Don Coffman
 Family of Janice Collins
 Bev Cordes
 Connor's Family
 Family of Katie Davis
 Kristi Davis
 Debbie Deidhaar
 Family of Darrell Dorn
 Dowell Family
 Jennifer Draney
 Draney Family
 Mike Edgekoski
 Lori Floyd
 Family of Louise Gaedeke
 Thom Garzone
 Dani Goodson
 Everly Goodson
 Waverly Goodson

Alice Holmes
 Harold Horton
 Patsy Horton
 Julie Hulvey
 Ingraham Family
 Family of Ed Irons
 Family of Larry Irons
 Gloria Jay
 Family of Marilyn Jennings
 Betty Kidd
 Grace Kinsey
 Loren Larson
Richard McCaskill
 Joe Mogen
Roger Oldenburger
 Kitty Patton
 Andrew & Becca Pike
 Tina Qualls
 Lucy Roberson
 Grace Ruddy & Family
 Family of Hank Sather
 Sonia Safron
 Anita Searcy
 Family of Russ Schroeder
 Family of Flora Schweitzer
 Scott and family
 Maxine Spears
 Family of Stoor/Smith

Anna Sutherland
 Alan Syron
 Jennie Trott
 Jonah Udstuen
 Leia Vogt
 Family of Michael Zipser

If you have a prayer request for a friend or loved one, please write it on a prayer request card found in the pew pocket and leave it in the offering plate or let the church office know. Prayers will remain on the list for one year or until the person making the request asks for it to be removed by phone call or email.



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