

The newsletter of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Boise, Idaho

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Though the Seasons Change

A Message From Pastor Mariah

One of my favorite contemporary worship songs is "Seasons Change" by United Pursuit. The chorus of the song starts with the words "Though the seasons change, Your love remains." As we enter into the month of October, the season is beginning to change. The weather is beginning to cool off, and soon the leaves will start shifting into bright reds, yellows, and oranges. At Redeemer, we are also entering into a new season of life. After the long season of the call process you faithfully went through, we are entering into a new season together. Redeemer's new season of a new pastor, and a new season in my life, as I begin my first call as your pastor.

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As the seasons are shifting around us in the air and the leaves, and within our own lives and faith community, may we be grounded in the truth that as the seasons change, God's love for us remains the same. God has been faithful in the seasons of the past, and we can trust that God will be faithful in all of the seasons to come.

A big part of this new season is getting to know one another, as we discover and discern together what God is calling us toward as a faith community. Throughout the month of October we will be having gatherings, or cottage meetings, to help the congregation get to know me as the new pastor, and to build connections with one another. As you sign up for these cottage meetings, I invite you to think about three questions:

- 1. What has your faith journey been like throughout your life?
- 2. What do you love about Redeemer?
- 3. What are your hopes and dreams for Redeemer?

These are the questions I plan on having us talk about at the cottage meetings, to learn more about you all and what is important to Redeemer as a community of faith. I am excited and expectant as we grow together and listen to the Holy Spirit's leading. And as we grow, discover, learn and change, may we hold onto the promise that whenever seasons change, God's love for us remains, always.

Grace and peace during this crisp October, Pastor Mariah Mills



Cottage Meetings

Would you like to spend some time with Pastor Mariah and some fellow Redeemer folks getting to know each other better? We have scheduled four gatherings in October and more will be scheduled in November with just that purpose. You are invited to come to a member's home, have light refreshments, get to know each other and Pastor Mariah and share your thoughts, hopes and dreams for Redeemer. These group will be 8 or fewer people and are in different areas of town and at different times of day. If you would like child care, let Bonita Hammer know and we will set up a gathering with child care. You can sign up by using the link or button on the next page or by contacting Bonita Hammer, 208-841-9563 (call or text), or bonitahammer@icloud.com

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Here are the dates and hosts:

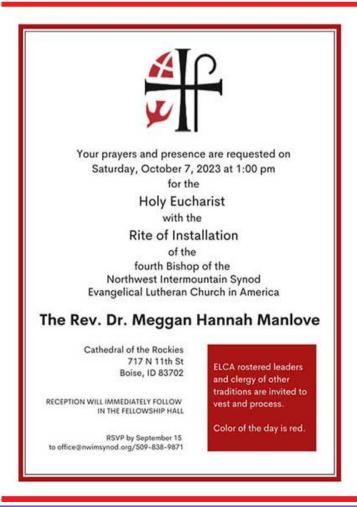
Tuesday, October 3, 7:00 pm, Carolyn Rapp's home, East Boise Tuesday, October 10, 2:00 pm, Dale and Karen Franks's home, Meridian Wednesday, October 11, 7:00 pm, Aaron and Terri Lindemann's home, Meridian Wednesday, October 25, 7:00 pm, Ashley and Connie Seymour's home, Boise

More dates to come for November!

Be sure to sign up - this is going to be fun and informative!

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Axsad5mtXNm0z5tDif5oMmuMKXAH5Vlar3wh5g0Au9o/edit?usp=sharing

Bonita Hammer, President



October 7, 1:00 PM



The Rev. Dr. Meggan Hannah Manlove



All IN THE FAMILY

Hannah Menzner, Miss Idaho



Hannah Menzner

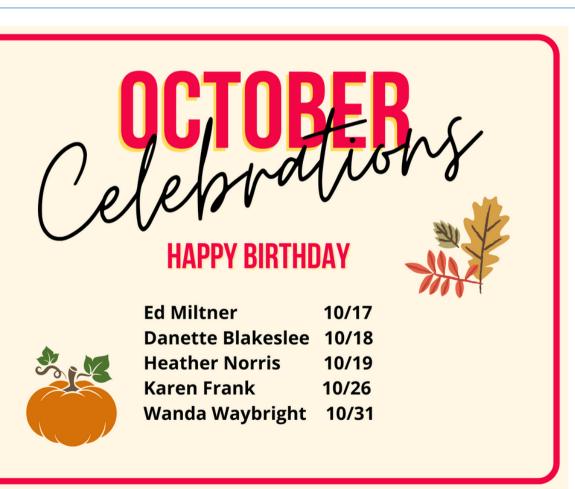
The Miss USA pageant is Friday, Sept 29th in Reno, NV and Hannah is competing as Miss Idaho.

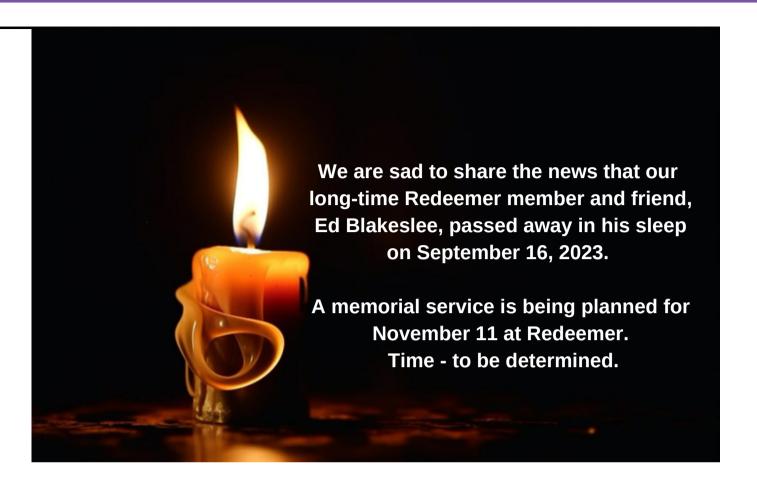
People's choice voting is now available.

(Miss USA website:

https://missusa.com/peoples-choice/)

It will be aired on the CW TV channel (Channel 35 on Sparklight)





Keeping in Prayer

CARES AND CONCERNS

Mike Wallick
Jill Carlson
Pam Mayer
Roger Oldenberg
Bonnie Yamaski

GRIEVING

MILITARY

Seth Erickson
Devan Irons
Logan Kostick
Jonathon Negron
Jon Savage
Jim Schmeits
Brian Waybright

Family of Ed Blakeslee

Family of Judi Ratzleigh (Anderson)

Family of Kathryn "Kitty" Patton, McCaskill/Patton

Family of Anna McCully - Dale Frank's sister

Family of Pastor Stan Hoobing

Family of Cheryl Walsh

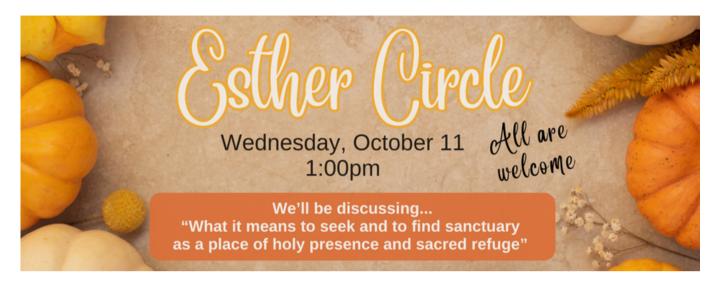
Family of Dale Edstrom

Family of Charlene Kidner

Family of Kari Spencer

COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

Bible Study, Fellowship



WWW - Wash, Wipe, Wear

It seems we are having a warm end to summer! It was a beautiful, warm day this Saturday on distribution day. We were blessed to have Dom Ishimwe's friends from his campus ministry group at BSU help with the Saturday handout. I gave them instructions, and let them handle the rest. They are a great group of young adults!

They handed out 75 bottles of detergent, 75 bottles of body wash, and 75 washcloths and 300 rolls of toilet paper to 75 families. They also have our 1875 diapers. Thanks to Gale Faber for picking up the diapers, Linda Alexander for picking up the Dollar tree order, thanks to Connie S, Martina N, and Linda A for packaging the items, and thanks to Dom's campus ministry group for handing it all out. We are a village!



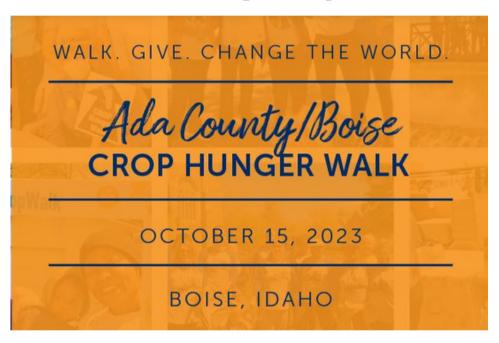
On-going Outreach Ministries to Support

Your Rags to Riches

Please continue donating old towels, dish rags, and cotton t-shirts.

Little Free Pantry

Ada County Crop Walk



October 15th Sunday at 3:00pm

in Julia Davis Park, (starting at the Agriculture Pavilion)

There is a 3-mile loop and a 1-mile loop that people can choose from for the walk. This year's goal for the walk is to have 150 walkers from area churches and raise \$30,000, which will support the work of Idaho Foodbank and Church World Service. If you would like to sign up to be on Redeemer's team for the CROP Walk, you can register online at events.crophungerwalk.org. You can also donate toward the fundraiser online. If you have any questions about the CROP Walk or registering for Redeemer's team, please contact Jean Pollock pollockjean3@gmail.com.

Remember to go to Instant Church Directory and sign in with your email address. Upload a photo!

FINANCIAL REPORT

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT					
	July 2023 Actual	Aug 2023 Actual	Monthly Budget	Annual Budget	
Income	\$10,285	\$10,460	\$12,513	\$145,960	
Expenses	\$6,321	\$17,846	\$17,402	\$166,381	
Net Gain (Loss)	\$3,965	(\$7,387)	(\$4,889)	(\$20,421)	
	Aug 2022 YTD	Aug 2023 YTD	2023 YTD	Annual	
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Budget	
Income	\$90,810	\$88,768	\$95,907	\$145,960	
Expenses	\$71,192	\$80,868	\$96,272	\$166,381	
Net Gain (Loss)	\$19,618	\$7,901	(\$366)	(\$20,421)	
BALANCE SHEET AS OF AUGUST 31, 2023					
	As of 08/2022	As of 08/2023			
Women's Checking	\$1,257	\$1,184			
Good Samaritan Fund	\$2,053	\$1,692			
Regular Checking	\$45,178	\$62,449			
Regular Savings	\$93,428	\$40,851			
Mission Investment	\$22,635	\$23,371			
Endowment Fund	\$249,631	\$287,493			
Total Assets	\$414,181	\$417,039			

Total Income for the month of August 2023 was below budget by \$(2,053). Offering income for August was \$(1,165) below budget. Total income YTD through August is below 2022 total income by \$(2,042). Total expenses for August were above budget by \$444. Total Net Loss for August was \$(7,387) and YTD gain was \$7,901. August YTD gain was below 2022 by \$(11,717) and \$8,266 above budget YTD. Actual expenses for August included one-time pastor moving expenses of \$10,461. Note that a Balance Sheet comparative of 2022 and 2023 account balances through August has been included again this month (see above). Thank you for your continuing financial support of Redeemer's mission.

Submitted by Larry Kidd

Redeemer Treasurer