



Newsletter - September 2021

*To reach out to God and others that all may know and reflect Christ's love.*

Thoughts  
from  
Pastor Jeff

I have been truly blessed by learning about the history of Redeemer. I have heard stories from attendees, read books about the denomination that planted Redeemer over 100 years ago, and gleaning from the collection of past newsletters that are in our library!! I love to see how the congregation of Redeemer evolved over the years.

The Annual Congregational meeting is coming up on September 26th. Please take time to mark your calendars now. All of our congregation, and especially our members, needs to attend. In looking through the past newsletters, I found a quote by Pastor Friz that is relevant.

*It is with pleasure that we note the marked increase of interest shown by our members in the regular meetings of the congregation. So it should be, for the affairs of the church are not only the business of the Council or the pastor, or a few members, but are the business of the entire membership. Absence, without proper cause, is an injustice to the entire organization. We cherish the hope that our people will all feel that their presence is needed and most welcome at these meetings. Helmut R. Friz, Pastor Jan 1925.*

I love this. Each member of Redeemer is an integral part of the mission God has given our church. As we look toward the future of Redeemer, we should look back at our heritage that has made Redeemer a fixture in the Princeton Heights Community over the past 100 years. And by God's grace for another 100 years in the future.

To accomplish this mission, God has called and equipped each member for this mission.

Let us consider Ephesians 4:11-16, <sup>11</sup> "And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup> until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, <sup>14</sup> so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. <sup>15</sup> Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love."



God is calling us all to be built up for the work of ministry and unity in Christ. God calls all of us to utilize our time, talents, and treasure to accomplish this mission. Here are some specific ways you can help prepare for our Annual Meeting.

1. Be there. Giving our time to be in attendance will enable you to be informed and how you can help.
2. Consider Helping. Using your gifts and experiences will help our church grow in proclaiming the goodness of Christ and the gospel. We are specifically looking for three new Council members.
3. Be Prayerful. Gathering to discuss the upcoming year is significant as we set our sights on growth in the coming year. We want the Holy Spirit to guide us. Pray we would be in accord as Redeemer hope to continue its impact on the community in the coming year!

Dear Member (s),

The Annual Congregational Meeting of Redeemer Evangelical Church has been called for **Sunday September 26, 2021** immediately following worship. as previously announced in the September 2021 "Newsletter".

As we gather on the 26<sup>th</sup>, let us, as the Apostle Paul said,

*"Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit - just as you were called to one hope when you were called - one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all."*  
Eph. 4:3-6

In accordance with Part 5, Section 5 of the Constitution, the Council reminds you that only members in good standing shall have the right to voice and vote in the congregational meeting, except that members under eighteen (18) may not vote on matters involving buying or selling property or incurring indebtedness.

A packet of information will be available for each family to pick-up on **Sunday, Sept. 19th** (all packets not picked-up will be mailed that afternoon). Please take the opportunity to review all the information prior to our meeting on **Sunday, Sept. 26**. This packet will contain the agenda for the meeting, last year's minutes, data regarding candidates for the Church Council and other important information.

May God continue to bless you and everyone here at Redeemer Church! **See you on Sept. 26.**

Yours in Christ,

Julie Voss,

Corresponding Secretary

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## Kuelker Missions - Your Missionaries to México

Well, another month has gone by quickly. We hope that everyone enjoys the upcoming holiday. Labor Day, it seems that every day is a day of labor. Those days seem unbearable but remember when you are overwhelmed. The words Jesus spoke in Matthew 11:28-30 *Come to Me all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke on you and learn of Me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and you shall find rest to your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.*

**Becky:** She has been busy trying to finalize her Ladies Conference this month by communicating with the hotel and restaurant. She has seven ladies paid in full and 3 tentative participants. She, still, has the Ladies Breakfast once a month. During the time between finalizing for the conference and the Ladies Breakfast, she has been meticulously preparing her teachings.

**Mike:** I have been busy as well. This month I have given out school supplies at one village and will continue to give them out this month. This month getting to one village was a problem with the boat and motor. This trip I, with others, were stranded in middle of the lake. God turned a problem situation into a time of sharing the Word with the other passengers. The villages I reached, the leadership and the brethren were receptive to the teaching "How to Reach the Lost". The groups at the Fiscalia and the prison are going little by little. It is tough ground but so worth the time.

### Pray:

- 1) Pray for the Ladies Conference that God touches their hearts
- 2) Continue good health as there it is the same here (Covid)
- 3) Finances to reach more villages

Keep C.O.O.L. (Christ Over Our Lives)

Mike, Becky & Berenice

**Seeking New Council Members for 2021-2022: We have 3 openings to fill for the Church Council.**

Leanne Senniger and Dave Ederle will be completing their 2<sup>nd</sup> 3-year term. Gus Frank will be completing his 1<sup>st</sup> 3-year term and is eligible for a 2<sup>nd</sup> 3-year term. Gus will be retiring and not seeking a 2<sup>nd</sup> term.

**Name of Council Member Nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for prayerfully considering the Council Leadership qualifications and for putting forward the above name to prayerfully consider serving on the Church Council beginning in October.

Our Council serves to help direct the affairs of Redeemer Evangelical Church.  
(1st Timothy 5:17)



**Here are the qualifications:**

1. A committed Christian, who lives out their faith daily. (John 3:16-21)
2. A person with a consistent demonstration of serving Christ through Redeemer through good use of their time, talent and treasure. (1st Corinthians 12:1-20)
3. A person who has an understanding of Redeemer’s mission as a church – *To reach out to God and others that all might know and reflect Christ’s love.*
4. A person who is over the age of 18 and an active member in good standing for at least two years. (1st Timothy 3:10)
5. A person who is caring and sensitive while possessing leadership skills and ability. (1st Timothy 3:1-15; Titus 1:5-9)

Please complete the form and return to the Church Office. If you prefer, you may give the completed form to any of the Trustees: Leanne Senniger, Dave Ederle, Gary Chambers, Gary Jones or Pastor Jeff.

**Women's Fellowship  
Meeting  
Thursday, September 2nd  
10:30 a.m.**

Lunch following meeting. Please bring a sandwich, drinks and dessert will be provided. Please join us!



We will be discussing the possibility of a Spaghetti Dinner in the Fall.

**“Bring-A-Meal” Sunday, September 5**

“Bring-A-Meal” is an on-going outreach ministry where each family or member is asked to bring canned goods and non-perishable food items that can then be donated to the local food pantry to be given to needy families in Princeton Heights Neighborhood and surrounding community.



If you would prefer to donate financially, please place in an envelope marked “FOOD PANTRY DONATION” and we will be happy to make sure this gets to them.

**Together we can make a difference!**

Please place your donations in the container located in the rear of the Sanctuary- south side.  
**Thank you for your generosity and support.**

## Church Council: August 9, 2021 Meeting

**Opening prayer and Leadership Development** — Pastor Jeff asked us why we exist as a Church. What is our mission and who do we serve as a church. It is important to know “why” in order to develop growth. This should be the center of going forward. “Why” can be multi faceted – Family; Traditions; and loving our neighborhood. We will delve into this in the following months.

**Minutes and Treasurers Reports:** were reviewed and approved.

**Worship:** Pastor Jeff has started a new sermon series on the Book of 1st Peter on August 1st.

### **Worship Information - On line and in person**

This information is from Facebook and YouTube and our Website. Each “view” represents one computer, phone, or television that watched the service (partially or in its entirety). It does not tell us how many viewers there were on each device.

June	Facebook	YouTube	Website - Sermon
Average views/week	29	4	31
Average in person - 51			

**GSA—South School:** Update from Pastor Jeff regarding his recent meeting with Ms. Gilliam and two of their assistant principals, Todd and Debbie. Questions they discussed—How can Redeemer Help GSA –South School? What are current and future needs. Possibly helping with school supplies or classroom supplies in the 2nd semester. There is a need for uniforms for some of the students (see action items). Cheryl is making a Welcome Back Teachers treat (possibly breakfast goodies, snacks, drinks, ect.) and will set it up at the school for the teachers on 8/11 teachers first day back. The students return on Monday 8/16.

**Men’s Fellowship & Bible Study:** Is taking a break until Gary Gilbert can attend.

**Women’s Bible Study**—Amber Hutchings will be leading a women’s study on repentance beginning Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. There are a total of 8 ladies attending from both Redeemer & Kings Cross and will be meeting every other Tuesday.

**House and Grounds** - please see under Church Building and Grounds.

**Sanctuary Sound System**—is 21 years old and has some issues. Pastor Jeff has one bid and will be getting a second.

**Time away:** Patti will be gone 8/14—8/22 and back in the office on 8/23. Pastor Jeff will be away on 9/7—9/12 and back at the church on 9/13. Pastor Baker will be with us on 9/12.

**Wedding** - November 6, 2021—Katie Elbert & Dallas Francis.

**Online Giving**—Exploring options for accepting online giving and memorials. What is the charge for this service per gift and what would be the best option.

### **Action Item (Items to be acted upon)**

**Picnic Games:** Jeff & Lori Ronecker would like to borrow some of our picnic games to use this weekend for Arise Church Summerfest.

**Mission Outreach Funds :** GSA –South. School Uniforms for students in need. After discussion, It was approved to used \$1,000 for this purpose.

**Congregation Meeting**—has been set for September 26th—following worship.

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## **Memorials to Sustain the Vision**

Lovingly remembering Rich Metzger on his 75th Birthday (August 6), by Ruth Ann & Art Frank

In loving memory of Leonard Schenk (passed 6/29/2021), by Paul Hillyard

In loving memory of Evelyn Hartman, (passed 8/1/2021) by Joyce Frenzel; Phyllis Follmer; Dolores Cassimatis.

In memory of Erica Patton.

## **Memorials to Mission**

In memory of Evelyn Hartman, (passed 8/1/2021) by The Koutsogiannis Family

# Missions and Ministries We Supported through our 2020—2021 Giving

## Local

Food Pantry at Bethel Church  
(formerly Kingshighway Baptist Church) [bethelchurchfamily.org/services/food-pantry/](http://bethelchurchfamily.org/services/food-pantry/)  
Gateway Science Academy—South School [gsasouth.org](http://gsasouth.org)  
(School Supplies, Food for Food Pantry 9/2020 & School Uniforms (8/2021))  
English as a Second Language  
Little Free Library

## Regional

Up Unleashing Potential [upstl.org](http://upstl.org)  
Habitat for Humanity [habitatstl.org](http://habitatstl.org)  
ECH (Every Child's Hope) [everychildshope.org](http://everychildshope.org)  
Emmaus Home [emmaushomes.org](http://emmaushomes.org)  
Bridge Bread [bridgebread.org](http://bridgebread.org)  
Nurses for Newborns [nursesfornewborns.org/home/Missouri-2/](http://nursesfornewborns.org/home/Missouri-2/)  
Brace 4 Impact 46 (North City—St. Louis) [braceforimpact46.com](http://braceforimpact46.com)  
Christmas Mission Giving through St. Louis County

## Global

Mike & Becky Kuelker—Missionaries in Mexico [makuelker.com](http://makuelker.com)  
Brace 4 Impact (Haiti) [braceforimpact46.com](http://braceforimpact46.com)  
Micah Project (Honduras) [micahprojecthonduras.org](http://micahprojecthonduras.org)  
Africa Inland Missions—Amana School in Kenya (Sunday School)



## **Beautiful Handmade Small Quilts Baby Size or Wall Hanging**

**Tickets: \$1 each or 6 for \$5**

**Tickets available from any Quilter (Sharon Leicht, Jan Kemper, Marilyn Buechel)  
or please see Patti in the Church Office.**

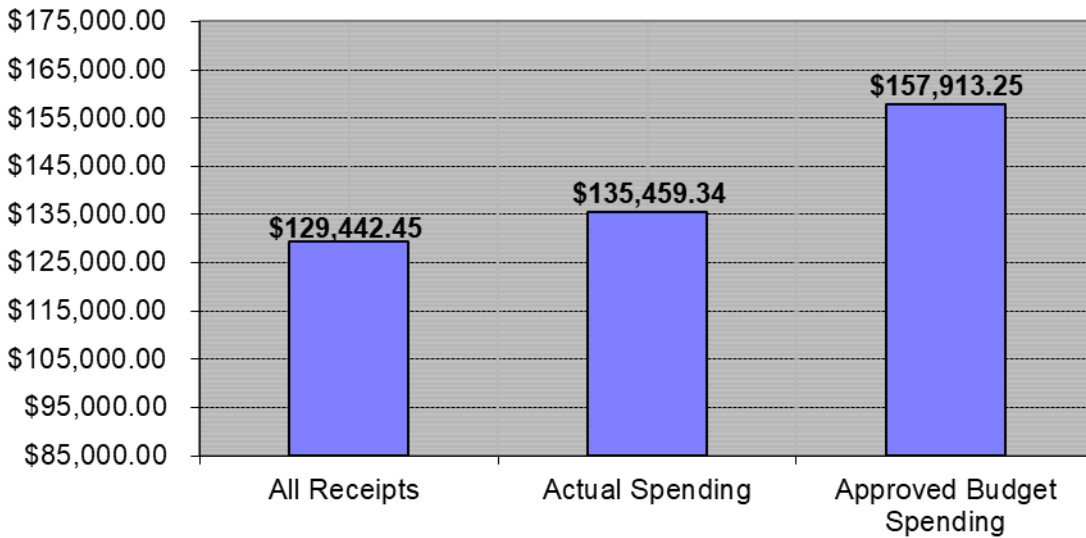
**Proceeds are donated to the church.**



### **Do you like to Embroider?**

The Quilter's are looking for people who like to cross-stitch and would like to share this talent with them by cross-stitching blocks for Baby Quilts. Please talk with Jan Kemper or Sharon Leicht if you would like to help.

**Year to Date**  
**9/1/2020—7/31/2021**



**Tithes and Offerings:**  
As we continue through our fiscal year our prayer is that God's tithes and our offerings will continue to be a blessing to the mission of the church. The Council is grateful for everyone who is continuing to strive to support God's work through His Church!

**Missions:** Please continue to keep all the missions that we support as a church in your prayers. Many have found that new forms of serving are required as they adapt to the COVID19 guidelines and restrictions.

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**Church Building and Grounds:** Pastor Jeff has been coming up on Monday's & Thursday from 9 to Noon; Tuesdays and Wednesday 9 to 2—besides Saturday & Sunday. If you need to contact Pastor Jeff please call him at 314-373-5862. Patti continues to come up to the church office on Monday through Thursday from 9 am to 3 pm; besides Sunday). Carl Reisinger, Harry Archambault and Dave Ederle has been coming up and taking care of Building maintenance and A/C issues. Voss Electric has completed all electrically work scheduled. . Northwest (back) wall of the balcony is water damage. Glandt Roofing has completed repairs on the roof. . A/C in the front of the sanctuary has been looked at and repaired —A/C in the balcony has to have compressor replaced. A/C's were put in during Sanctuary Renovations in 2004. Council is continuing to prioritize the many projects which need attention.

In Christ,  
*Your Redeemer family*

# September 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
English as a Second Language Classes are individually scheduled			1 Women's Fellowship Fellowship Hall 6 to 7 pm Girl Scout Troop Meeting - Library 7:00 p.m. Princeton Hieghts Neighborhood Meeting	2	3	4 5:00 PM Kings Cross Community Church Sanctaury
5 "Bring a Meal" Sunday 9:00 am Family Worship, Communion Young People remaining in worship Social Distant Coffee Hour following worship in Fellowship Hall	6 Labor Day	7	8 6:00 PM Princeton Heights Board Meeting in the Library	9	10	11 5:00 PM Kings Cross Community Church Sanctaury
12 9:00 am Family Worship Guest Speaker - Pastor Lawrence Baker Young People remaining in worship Social Distant Coffee Hour following worship in Fellowship Hall	13 9:00 am Quilters 6:30 pm Theatrical Sewers Meeting 6:30 pm Church Council meeting in the Library	14 7 to 9 pm Women's Bible Study	15 Pastor Jeff Vacation	16 Pastor Jeff Vacation	17 Pastor Jeff Vacation	18 5:00 PM Kings Cross Community Church Sanctaury
19 9:00 am Family Worship Young People remaining in worship Social Distant Coffee Hour following worship in Fellowship Hall	20 9:00 am Quilters	21	22	23	24	25 5:00 PM Kings Cross Community Church Sanctaury
26 9:00 am Family Worship Young People remaining in worship Congregation Meeting immediately following worship	27 Street Cleaning day 9:00 am Quilters	28 7 to 9 pm Women's Bible Study	29	30		

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and check out the daily verses posted. Join our group too!**

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**9:00 a.m. Sunday**

**Family Worship**

Names of officers of organizations and council members are available on request at the church office.