



**Redeemer
Connection
September 2017**



Redeemer Pre-School begins on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2017

Rinli is the Coordinator
Teachers are JoAnna and Jessie
Para's are Jenifer and Natalie

Welcome Back!

SAVE THE DATE
November 5, 2017

60th



Great is thy Faithfulness

1957

2017

Anniversary Celebration:



Dr. Dean Nadasdy, Minnesota South District/The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod President will preach.



Because He Lives Bible Study singing *How Great is Thy Faithfulness*



Lunch 50s Style with a Hot Dish and Jell-O Cook-off



Money raised for cook-off will support mission work of Britt Odemba in Nairobi, Kenya



Invite your families to celebrate 6 decades of God's faithfulness in Redeemer.



**The next
Church Council
Meeting is 6:30 pm
Monday, September 11, 2017**



**Communion is held on
1st , 3rd & 4th Sunday**

Attendance Record

**July 30--38
August 6--57
August 13-33
August 20--45**

Thursday Evening Bible Study

7:00 pm

Bring your Bible, pen/pencil and notebook.

Contact Margaret Hohenstein for more details. 454-7387



What's Right with the Church

Scripture: Acts 9:31, "Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied" (NKJV).

Last month I wrote about complaining. More often, we hear people complain or give reasons not to attend church. In any case, a tremendous focus is placed upon problems in the church. This month I want to look at a different picture, a picture of a church that was doing it right. Throughout history, Christians have looked to the church in the Book of Acts as a model of what Christ wants in His body. The verse gives five evidences of a healthy church.

1. **Peace.** Notice that the verse begins with the word then. The context of this verse is the conversion of Saul and the resulting decrease of persecution on the church. However, peace involves much more than the absence of persecution. A church can have peace outwardly and not inwardly. Peace involves absence of conflict, both outwardly and inwardly, and the presence of harmony. A church filled with division will not see growth. The climate of peace naturally produces an atmosphere of unity. Are you helping to unify your congregation, or do you create divisions?
2. **Spiritual Growth.** Notice the verse says, "and were edified." Edify here literally means "to build a house," referring to us, the household of God! It's a reference to spiritual growth. A healthy church is one blossoming with spiritual growth in its members. We grow spiritually through spiritual food and spiritual exercise. Our spiritual food is the regular intake of God's Word, and our spiritual exercise is our ministry and service. If you are going to grow spiritually, it will cost you time and effort (see Col. 2:6, 7).
3. **Vitality.** Acts 9:31 tells us the New Testament church was "walking ... in the comfort of the Holy Spirit." This church was alive! A clear spiritual dynamic was at work! Distinct characteristics identify a dynamic church. The church must live by faith (Heb. 11:6; 2 Cor. 5:7). The church must depend on prayer (Eph. 6:18). Without these components, our church would be dead! Are we making progress in these areas?
4. **Growth.** The New Testament church was multiplied. A healthy church will experience consistent numerical growth. Not numbers for numbers' sake, but because numbers represent people and people matter to God! We need to reach people for Christ! A healthy church is a church where lives are changed by the gospel, a church that sees consistent growth. Too often growth is left to the professional staff but that will almost guarantee consistent lack of growth.
5. **Focus on God.** A key phrase in our verse is "walking in the fear of the Lord." Walking involves a way of life. The fear of the Lord portrays an idea of being afraid to offend God in any way. A healthy church seeks God's will above all else. A church that pleases God is a church where the people honor Christ in their daily conduct, in their thoughts (Phil. 4:8), deeds (2 Cor. 7:1), and words (Eph. 4:29).

Will you commit yourself to help build that type of church here?

Pastor Kevin

Redeemer is hosting the movie: **Martin Luther THE IDEA THAT CHANGED THE WORLD** to commemorate the 500-year anniversary of Martin Luther's nailing his 95 Theses on the door of Wittenberg Church in German. Luther's act sent the spiritual temperature of the western world soaring and ignited a fire-storm that led to the rise of Lutheranism as well as several other denominations.

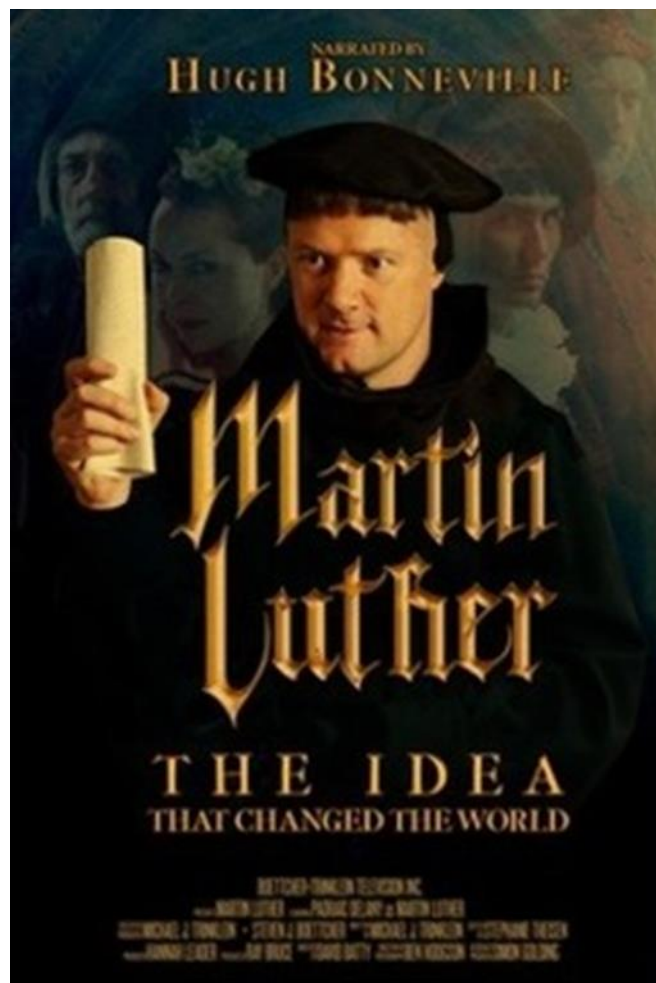
WHEN: September 18 at 7:30 PM

WHERE: Winona 7 theater

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PASTORS SERVING REDEEMER

SIX DECADES



Rev Harold C Braun, minister of the Silo and Stockton Missouri Synod Lutheran churches, was instrumental in establishing the mission church and laid the groundwork for the first service. Subsequent services indicated a strong nucleus of interested members willing to work to make the congregation successful. Services were conducted by Rev. Braun and the Rev. William Petzke, hospital chaplain at Rochester MN. Redeemer started with 11 families.



July 1957 Rev Willard Rinnert installed July 7, 1957 was born near Dearborn, Mi was a classmate at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. He attended Concordia Theological Seminary from 1955-1958. He served as vicar from 1955-1956 at St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburgh, Pa. He was married to Marie and they had two children, Mark David-2 and John Timothy-1. He also served in the Naval Reserve and served as chaplain in the US Air Force Reserve. In



June 1959 Rev David T Pankow Installed June 7 1959 was a classmate at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. Rev Pankow and wife, Anna Ruth, daughters Debra Ann, 14 months and Rebecca Sue 2 months lived in the parsonage at 470 Junction. He was born and raised near Watertown, WI. He served Redeemer for 3 yrs and left to become a chaplain in the Air Force. During his pastorate the congregation has doubled in membership. Total member-

NO PHOTO 1962 Pastor Rudolph Korn served as vacancy pastor.



1963 Rev. Louis Bittner installed April 28, 1963. He was born in East Burns Valley Winona. He served at Ogallala Neb and St. John's Lutheran Church in Stewartville MN. He was married to Irma and had four sons. He served Redeemer 5 years. He remembered observing a young father teaching a Sunday school class while holding his young child on his lap because the mother worked. He also had 13 baptisms one Sunday morning and had 20 men paint the parsonage in 4 hours one afternoon. He served Redeemer for 5 years.



1968 Rev Charles Tansill was installed in September. Born March 11, 1938 in Hagerstown MD. He attended Concordia College, Bronxville, NY and Concordia Senior College. His wife of 8 yrs Yvonne and three children Cheryl-5, Pamela-4 and Cynthia 6 months moved from Ridgeway, NC where he was ordained. He served in the Air Force from 1961-64. He was appointed campus pastor to the Lutheran students of the Missouri Synod living in the Winona Area in 1969. He served Redeemer for 5 years. In 1969, Winona Day Care Center used the basement for a child care facility.

NO PHOTOS August 1972 Pastors Armin Deye and Kenneth William Kruger from St. Martin's Lutheran Church served as vacancy pastors for 1 year.



1973 Rev William Flesch was installed July 8, 1973. Born 1938 in Neenah, WI Was a Chaplain at Swedish Covenant Hospital, Springfield, IL. Moved with wife Sharon and two children Travis and Sarah. He served 30 years and was instrumental In getting the congregation involved in the community. In 1977, Redeemer started a Christian Nursery School. The current church building was constructed in 1984.



Pastor Prange voluntarily served for 15 yrs alongside Pastor



2003 Pastor Vincent Bain installed June 29. Born and raised in East Moline, Ill His wife Paulette and four children Joshua-11, Benjamin9, Elizabeth, 7 and Rebecca 5. He was a second career pastor with a Master's of divinity from Concordia Seminary in St. Louis. His vicarage was done at Trinity Lutheran Church, Cape Girardeau, MO. He served Redeemer for 5 years.



2008 Pastor Brad Stadvold was installed July 6, 2008. Born and raised in Corvallis, Oregon he was a second career pastor who studied in Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana and received a Master of Divinity degree. He and his wife Linda had four children, Amanda-13, Metolius-11, Bradford-7 and Katherine 19 month. He served Redeemer for 2 years



2010-2012 Pastor Preuss filled in as vacancy pastor. He served in four different parishes full-time, multiple vacancy pastor positions, and 20 Years as Circuit Counselor. He served 2 years at Redeemer.



2012 Pastor Kevin Froelich was installed in December. Native of Ortonville, MN attended Concordia Seminary St. Louis, pastored in several congregations and is currently serving

Dear M.C.



In this article, congregation members pose questions to M.C. (our Music Coordinator) who thus responds with whatever words of wisdom the Lord chooses to give him.

Dear M.C., Is the piano project complete? How much did it cost?

MC: Thanks to the generous folks at Redeemer, the piano project is complete and all bills paid. We set a goal to raise around \$6500, since that is what was initially estimated to be the cost. By God's grace, only \$6,290.99 was needed, and the necessary funds were raised in about 6 months. The final breakdown of all related expenses is as follows:

Piano	\$5000.00
Delivery.....	\$400.00
Humidification unit	\$350.00
Cover	\$290.00
Tuning & regulation.....	\$145.00
Old keyboard disposal	\$50.00
Caster cups.....	\$46.00
Dust cloth.....	<u>\$9.99</u>



If you have a question you would like addressed, please feel free to ask our Music Coordinator personally, send an email to paklemp@hotmail.com, or call him at 507-312-4784.



Fall Salad Luncheon

The fifth annual Fall Salad Luncheon will be Saturday, October 7, serving from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. A variety of salads, muffins, bars, desserts, and beverage will be served at a cost of \$8.00.

All profits from the luncheon will be designated for the lighted cross on top of the church. The cross will be repaired or replaced and lighting added.

This activity is sponsored by the Thrivent advocates and hope to receive two Action Team Event grants to off set expenses. The congregation is encouraged to support this project by selling tickets, bringing salads and bars, and help in setting up and serving. Sign-up sheets will be out on Sunday, September 17.

Any questions, contact Arlene Tullius, Jean Neeck, Joyce Beard or Shirley Ballard.



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You Can Tell'em in Church.....

An elderly women died last month.

Having never married, she requested no male pallbearers.

In her handwritten instructions for her memorial service, she wrote.

"They wouldn't take me out while I was alive, I don't want them to take me out when I'm dead."

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Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, "Why is the bride dressed in white?"

The mother replied, "Because white is the color of happiness, and today is the happiest day of her life."

The child thought about this for a moment then said,

"So why is the groom wearing black?"

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A little girl dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class.

As she ran she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear lord, please don't let me be late!"

While she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress.

She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again!

As she ran she once again began to pray; "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late. But please don't shove me either!"

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Three boys are in the school yard bragging about their fathers.

The first boys says, "My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a poem, they give him \$50."

The second boy says, "That's nothing, My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a song, they give him \$100."

The third boy says, "I got you both beat. My Dad scribbles a few words on a piece of paper, he calls it a sermon, and it takes eight people to collect all the money."

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Redeemer Church ...

Welcomes you to come praise His Love for Us!

Sunday at 9 am.

The 1st and 3rd Sundays are Communion Sundays.

Office hours are:

Mon-Thurs 9 a.m.—1 p.m.

Fri 9 am— noon

