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#### I Have a Dream

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in his "I have a dream" speech said he has a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal."

I say the dream I have is one day ORUMC will rise up and live out the true meaning of its essence—"We are to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by becoming HOME—welcoming, nurturing, and celebrating God and everyone while upholding its core values which are:

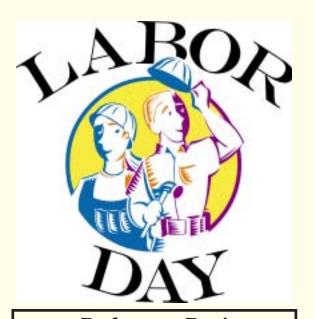
- (1) We believe in the Triune God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)
- (2) We believe in God's Word (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- (3) We believe in Prayer
- (4) We believe people matter to Jesus Christ."

I am dreaming that ORUMC will be a place where people experience the joy of salvation and peace. I am dreaming that people will be rejuvenated by the presence of God and tender-loving-caring people at ORUMC. I am dreaming that all people of God at ORUMC will help others find their way back to God.

I am dreaming that ORUMC will grow in perfect harmony and peace by welcoming all people of God, regardless of age, national origin, economic condition, physical/mental ability or sexual orientation. I am dreaming that we will have no concern about the audiovisual system in being/doing church together.

I am dreaming of many youth playing basketball and volleyball at the church gym built on the top of the office building. I am dreaming that ORUMC will become a teaching church someday.

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I am dreaming that we have a full-time staff to oversee the music/worship/creative art ministry. I am dreaming that we have a full-time staff to oversee the Christian Education ministry for all ages, especially children, youth and young adults to help them to become the disciples of Jesus Christ more efficiently, effectively, and creatively.

I am dreaming that ORUMC will celebrate its 100th anniversary in October, 2064 as a vital congregation of God. I am dreaming....

Yes, I am a dreamer dreaming God's dream without any restriction. The bottom line of the dream I am dreaming is that everyone will be happier by drawing closer to God at ORUMC.

I want everyone to be happier in each and every day. Jesus Christ died on the cross for us all already by taking our sins. He suffered for us already. He conquered death already through his resurrection power.

Therefore, I would say to everyone - rise up, chin up, look up, and boldly face present-future life God has given us joyfully. Let's trust God in us and in the process of living the life God has given us.

Tomorrow will be a happier day than today. The best is yet to come! Dream with me by fully relying on God! May the new school year 2012-2013 fill us full of God's joyful dreams.

Ribbit! ~Pastor Sunny



#### Youth News

by Marianne Rogenski

# ASP (Appalachia Service Project) News

Thank you to everyone who supported the team of 31 who went to Magoffin County, KY, in June. We truly appreciate your prayer and financial support as we were able to serve 5 families.

For the 2013 ASP trip please watch email and also the October newsletter for the date of our first meeting.

# Youth Group

During the 2012-2013 school year we will generally have youth group on Sunday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm. This will be when both the Jr. High (7th-8th grade) group meets as well as the Sr. High (9th-12th grade) group. The two groups will meet separately from 6:30-8pm and then they will be together for fellowship and games from 8-8:30pm.

Here is the schedule:

#### **September**

- 2 No youth group Labor Day weekend
- 9 Campfire Kickoff at ORUMC 6:30-8:30pm
- 16 Youth Group at ORUMC 6:30-8:30pm
- 23 Youth Group

- at ORUMC 6:30-8:30pm
- 30 Youth Group at ORUMC 6:30-8:30pm

#### October

- 7 Youth Group at ORUMC 6:30-8:30pm
- 14 Youth Group at ORUMC 6:30-8:30pm
- 21 Youth Group at ORUMC 6:30-8:30pm
- 28 Youth Group to soup kitchen Roger's Park 1:30-8:30pm

For the kickoff on September 9, we would like for the parents to stay for the first 20 minutes. Thank you for your support.



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Simon Enriquez	9/1
Wesley Enriquez	9/1
Ryan Randall	9/1
Jenna Edwards	9/4
<b>Christopher Machonis</b>	9/4
Sean Nichols	9/4
<b>Lindsay Oster</b>	9/4
Sarah Pepper	9/9
<b>Garret Brown</b>	9/23
Joshua Brown	9/29
Taylor Swartz	9/29



# September 9 - BIG DAY!

# Rally Day -Sunday School Begins

Sunday, September 9, **Rally Day**, marks the return of children's Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. The complete children's Sunday School program will be available at 9:00 a.m. with nursery care provided during both the 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. hours.

Thanks to all who helped with Summer Sunday School.

# Worship Schedule Resumes

Rally Day also marks the return to our normal worship schedule in the sanctuary at both 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. and the resumption of the Chancel Choir and Redeemer Ringer schedules.

# Adult Sunday School Resumes

Adult Sunday School also resumes September 9 at 9:00 a.m. Thanks also to all who prepared and participated in the Redeemer Café worship experience at the 9:00 a.m. hour during the summer.



ORUMC Potluck Cookout Picnic

Sunday, September 9
Following the 10:30am Worship
Service

Mark your calendars for Our Redeemer's Annual Church Picnic. This year's picnic promises to be an afternoon of fun with your church family. We'll have great food, *SNOWCONES* (they're back!), our traditional volleyball games and fun Olympicstyle activities for everyone.

Check the event wall in the narthex for a potluck sign up sheet (so we can avoid having too much of a good thing). Also check out our list of things that we need to borrow or have donated for our picnic activities. And if you don't feel like cooking, feel free to make a donation to our Grilling Fund to help purchase items for the grill. See Gwyn Greenwalt or Donna in the office for details

And of course, volunteers are always welcome. Are you an expert at setting up the volleyball net? Do you have a real knack for face painting? Or maybe you can bring a cooler full of water balloons.

If you can help out with the picnic, please contact **Gwyn Greenwalt** at jgreenwalt 1 @ att.net or 847-884-1392.

## Choirs Resume

#### Children's Choirs

We have two children's choirs – the Cherub Choir - ages 4 years through 2nd grade and Joyful Noise – ages 3rd grade through 8th grade. Both choirs rehearse on Tuesdays – Cherubs from 5:00 to 5:20 p.m. and Joyful from 5:20 to 5:45 p.m. beginning September 11. They perform on the first Sunday of the month at the 9:00 a.m. service beginning in October. On a few occasions they perform at both services.

**Sue Zimberoff** is the director and **Jill Wood-Naatz** is the accompanist.

# Adult Choirs Resume Wednesday, September 5

All members of *Our Redeemer's* are invited to participate in the adult vocal and chime/bell choirs.

The Redeemer Ringers and Chancel Choir resume rehearsals Wednesday, September 5. The Redeemer Ringers rehearse chimes and/or bells every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and perform about once a month during the school year. **Karen Moore** is the director.

The Chancel Choir rehearses every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. and performs at four services per month: 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. on the second Sunday and 10:30 a.m. on the third and fourth Sundays. They do not perform on the first Sunday of the month. **Cathy Scott** is the director of the Chancel Choir.

#### Praise Bands Need You!

If you're in high school or older, and you enjoy singing, or playing guitar, drums or keyboards, and you also enjoy contemporary Christian music, please consider joining one of the **Praise Bands** at *Our Redeemer's*. (Parts may also be available for flute, violin, saxophone, and other instruments.)

We are truly hoping to welcome some additional musicians to these groups in the months ahead, so don't be shy! Our regular rehearsal schedule will resume on Tuesday, September 4, 2012, at the times described for each group below.

High school students can join **Ember Days**, which will rehearse on Tuesdays from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Ember Days will help lead worship at the 10:30 a.m. service one to three Sundays per month.

About four times per year, the group leads worship at the 633 service, a special Sunday evening service.

High school graduates and twenty-somethings can join the **Young Adult Praise Team**, which will rehearse on Tuesdays from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The Young Adult Praise Team will also help lead worship at the 10:30 a.m. service one to three Sundays per month.

Adults 30 and over can join **Sounds of Grace**, with rehearsals on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Sounds of Grace will lead worship at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. on the first

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Sunday of each month, and at 9:00 a.m. on the third Sunday.

If you are interested in joining one of our praise teams, please contact **Ron Zemke**, Director of Contemporary Music, at 630-837-0283, or by e-mail at musicmanz@me.com. We're looking forward to working with YOU as we make a joyful noise to the Lord!



# United Methodist Women

#### Potluck Dinner Sept 4, 6:00 p.m.

Please join the women of our church for a potluck dinner for our quarterly meeting Tuesday, September 4 at 6:00 p.m. at church. We will have a guest speaker from the Elgin District Mission Team to talk to us about UMW connections.

We will also be discussing gifts to various Out Reach Ministries as well as planning some more fun events for the fall. Note - We will also be collecting donations for the "Net Church" that **Eric Blachford** spoke to us about at our June meeting.

Come for Good Food, Good Fun and Good Fellowship!



# United Methodist Men Breakfast Meeting Saturday Sept 8, 8:00 a.m.

All men of *Our Redeemer's* are invited to attend our monthly breakfast meeting Saturday, September 8 at 8:00 a.m.

After the breakfast meeting, we will continue the study, *Life in the Spirit*.

## UMM 2012 Spiritual Congress September 14-16 Williams Bay, WI

All men of the church are invited to attend the Northern Illinois Conference United Methodist Men's Spiritual Congress September 14 –16 at Conference Point in Williams Bay, WI.

The program of worship, music, workshops and fellowship runs from Friday evening to Sunday morning. Rev. Larry Hilkemann, with 46 years of ministry in the Northern Illinois Conference will lead the program. Rich Rubietta will lead music and worship.

You can attend any or all parts of the program. Contact **Steve Miller**, 630-837-5205, or **Marshall Nystrom**, 847-884-9973, for more information.

# Kids Hope USA We need you!

We are beginning an exciting opportunity for ORUMC—to pair up with a local school and mentor at-risk kids in that school. Last spring Marianne went to a gathering of clergy and the speaker was from Kids Hope USA which is an organization that partners with schools and churches to help these children. The superintendent of district 54 was also there because he would like to see each school in the district plugged into this program.

If you would like to check it out go to www.kidshopeusa.org. What we are looking for is interest. We need people who would like to give of themselves once a week in a local school. We would start our mentoring in January or the spring and they ask that you commit one hour per week for the school year—you will be with one student that whole time.

They ask that the mentors come in and meet with the children over their lunch (so really less than an hour) and work on whatever that child might need to work on—sometimes just getting to know that child and letting them know that you are there for them. This is something that people who work close to Schaumburg could even do over their own lunch break once a week.

We also need a volunteer director for this program. This is a person that would need to give a little more time up front but Kids Hope trains this person completely. This person would take care of the paperwork (everyone

needs to have background checks and fingerprints taken since we are going into the schools) and train the mentors.

There is a Kids Hope director training on September 20 and 21 at Willow Creek. If we want to start in January we really need a director to be at that training.

Marianne will work closely with the director so you would not be completely on your own—and Kids Hope is also good about working closely with us to get this started!

Please pray about this...this is such a wonderful opportunity to be the church in our own community.

Please let Marianne know if you are interested in being the director (not as scary as it sounds!) or if you are interested in being a mentor.



Habitat Sept 15, 7:00 a.m.

Grab your hammer and join the Habitat gang at church September 15 at 7:00 a.m. We will carpool to the Lake County Habitat site and spend the day helping work on a Habitat house. We return to church by 4:00 or 5:00 p.m.

Call **Mert Rutledge**, 630-289-4334, if you have questions.











Joplin Mission Trip













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## Feeding the Hungry

ORUMC has been making weekly donations to various local food pantries for well over 20 years—first to Northwest Community Food Pantry in Elk Grove Village, then to our Schaumburg Township Food Pantry. When the Schaumburg pantry teamed up with the Greater Chicago Food Depository they became less in need of donations, so we switched our food delivery to Hanover Township Food Pantry.

Please say a word of thanks to our current team of food deliverers— Carlene Thompson, Ellen Kobylewski, the Balks, the McDaniels, along with our new additions, Sally Donaldson, Jeff McPherson, and Peggy Miller.

But still more important, LET'S KEEP THEM BUSY! They can only make deliveries if we give them food to deliver. Donations for Hanover Township can be placed in the designated wagon in the narthex.

Also remember that we keep our own "food pantry" as well—food set aside for hungry neighbors who stop by the church, requesting food. This pantry is faithfully maintained by Fred and Betty Miller, with donations carefully disbursed by our church secretary, Donna Echtner. We have a wagon designated for this purpose as well. Gift certificates for food are also very welcome at "our pantry" (and given directly to Donna.)

This week, and every week, please buy a little extra when you do your grocery shopping, bringing it to place in our wagons.

"For I was hungry, and you gave me food"

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#### **Community Crisis Center**

by Carlene Thompson

The Crisis Center FOOD PANTRY is always in need of canned fruit, canned meat meals, beef stew, chili, ravioli, etc. Also cereal/oatmeal, jelly, peanut better, mac & cheese, pork & beans, powdered milk, saltine crackers, soup/Ramen noodles, spaghetti/marinara sauce, Spaghettio type canned items, tuna, and hand can openers.

The Crisis Center is still in need of BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES: folders (2 pocket/solid color) spiral notebooks (one subject, wide rule/solid colors only), pencils (10-count standard #2 yellow wood), black pens, scissors (gender-neutral color), glue sticks (0.21 oz), rulers (wood or gender-neutral color), crayons (24 pack/Crayola preferred), and gender-neutral backpacks.

Please leave all items for the Crisis Center in the CCC bin in the Narthex cabinet (the bin is labeled). Or if you prefer, leave items in the church office.

Thank you very much.

## Church Ladies Nite Out September 19, 6:00 p.m. Hibachi Grill on Barrington

Everyone is invited to join the Church Ladies Nite Out once a month at 6:00 p.m. Call **JoAnne Gregorash**, 630-837-5155, if you need a ride or have questions. The following is the schedule for the rest of the year.

October 17 Hibachi Grill
November 14 Giordano's off Barrington
near Walmart
December 19 Friendship Village

# Pastor Sunny's Office Hours

Due to the nature of pastoral ministry, it is hard to guarantee that Pastor Sunny will be in the office for specific hours every day. However, she does try to be in the office *Tuesday-Thursday*, *11am-6pm*.

Hospital visitations, visitations for sick/homebound people, meetings, and conferences are often scheduled during that time.

People can get hold of her via phone (cell: 630-501-8130) or email, pastorsunnyahn@gmail.com, all the time (24/7) if she is not in the office.

# New Life Bible Study Monday, September 10,7:00 p.m.

All are invite to participate in the Monday evening New Life Bible Study that resumes Monday, September 10 at 7:00 p.m.

We take on a series of topics during the year with leaders from the group.

## Tuesday Book Study September 11, 10:00 a.m.

The women's book study will begin again on Tuesday, Sept. 11 at 10:00 am in Room 2 at the church. All women of the church are invited to participate.

We'll be reading "I'm Fine with God...It's Christians I Can't Stand." Join us for sharing, prayer, and lively discussion!

## **Booth Help Needed**

Help is needed in the booth during Sunday morning worship. You would be operating the video displays and controlling the sound system as needed during the service.

The schedule is flexible, but you would work perhaps one or two services per month

PC knowledge is required, but training on the system will be provided. If you are interested, contact **Steve Miller**, 630-837-5205, or **Marshall Nystrom**, 847-884-9973.

# **Personal Notes**



#### **Births**

Congratulations to **Alvin** and **Khareen Raiz** on the birth of their daughter, **Samantha Raiz**, who was born on March 31.

Her proud grandparents are **Albino** and **Elenita Raiz!** 

Congratulations to **Lauren** (**Randall**) **Carranza** and **Cesar Carranza** on the birth of their daughter **Domenica Leigh Carranza**. She was born on July 24.

Her proud grandparents are **Lori** and **Jeff Randall**!

#### **Anniversaries**

Congratulations to **Carlene** and **Dave Thompson** who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 11.

Congratulations to **Bob** and **Kathie Kapp** who celebrated their 45th Wedding Anniversary on August 19.



#### **Deaths**

The congregation extends sympathy to **Marilyn Gac** and her family on the death of Marilyn's mother, **Iona Branch**.



# Dear Our Redeemer's Church Family

Our family has been so deeply touched by your kindness and love to our family.

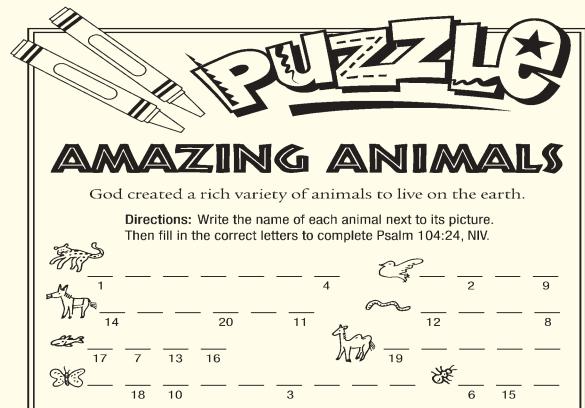
With thanks and God's Blessings, **Diane Kalla** 

#### Thank You

from the editor

Thanks to **Ron Gorvett** (with special help from **Brendan**) for putting out the August newsletter.

Thanks also to **Bob** and **Kathie Kapp** for their continuing support of the newsletter mailing operation.



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Answers: "How many are your creatures." (Psalm 104:24, NIV)
earth is full of your creatures." (Psalm 104:24, NIV)

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