



# *The Redeemer Review*

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## **The Great Commission**

It is no secret; our generation looks to institutions to solve the problems that plague us. When it comes to the needs of mankind or problems of society, we expect to find institutional solutions.

When it comes to the work of Christ, we expect the church to do it. This causes us to believe that such an important work as the great commission (Matthew 28:16-20) must naturally fall to the church or missions organizations, rather than individuals.

Yes, as we have already seen, this commission was given to each of us. Followers of Christ have been given the mandate to reach the people within their own sphere of influence.

As we are going through life, we are called to make disciples of those God brings into our lives on a regular basis.

That means junior-highers reaching junior-highers, high-school students reaching other high-school students, young adults reaching young adults, senior citizens reaching senior citizens, teachers reaching teachers, police officers reaching police officers...

Can you sense the potential for penetrating an entire generation together? In a generation that is skeptical of religious institutions, it is people, not steeples, that will point others to Christ.

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Who are the people God has brought into your life who do not know Christ? Think about them for a moment. You are the window through which they see the truth about Christ.

Living out the great commission on an everyday, personal level means taking responsibility to build redemptive relationships with your peers.

Let us restore the joy of salvation in the hearts of people around us by living out the great commission joyfully on an every day, personal level by fully relying on God.

Ribbit!

~Pastor Sunny

## ***Redeemer Review***

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## **Pastor Sunny's Office Hours**

Pastor Sunny will be in the office Tuesday-Thursday, 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. unless she has to be on duty away from the office. People can reach her via her cell phone (630-501-8130) or via her email: ([pastorsunnyahn@gmail.com](mailto:pastorsunnyahn@gmail.com)) if she is not in the office.



## UMW Annual Rummage Sale

*April 27 - Set up Wesley Room  
April 28 to May 2 - Accept Items  
May 3 - 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. - Sell  
May 4 - 9 a.m. to Noon - Sell  
May 4 Noon - Pack & Clean Up*

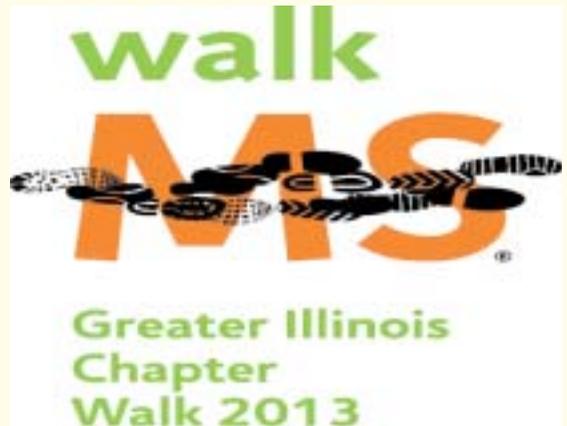
Beginning on Sunday, April 28, after the second church service we will be accepting treasures for our ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE in the Wesley Room. We will be ready to take your treasures each day in the afternoon and evening until Thursday afternoon.

This year we will NOT be able to take: COMPUTERS, TVS, TIRES, PLUMBING PARTS, BABY CRIBS, MATTRESSES OR CHILD CAR SEATS.

We will need people to help us all week long and of course, on the days of the sales. Please look for the sign up sheet that will be posted in the narthex in April. We also need hangers, paper and plastic grocery bags, and newspapers. Look for drop-off spots near the nursery in April.

- Please be sure your rummage sale items are Clean and Usable.
- If you have small appliances, please tell us if they need repair.
- If your items have been in a garage sale, please remove your tags.

If you have any questions or need help getting your treasures to us, please call the church, 847-882-6116, or **Melissa Bland**, 224-653-8236.



## 2013 Walk MS *Sunday, May 5*

On May 5th our team “Crop for a Cause: Making MS a Memory” will participate in WALK MS at Harper College in Palatine. We would like to invite you to join our team.

For information on how to register go to [www.cropforacause.com](http://www.cropforacause.com) and click the “Join our Walk MS Team” link. If you are unable to join us for the Walk but would like to help you can sponsor us by making a donation to our team. Every penny makes a difference!

Please send your tax deductible check (made out to the National MS Society) to:

Machonis Family  
126 Amherst Dr  
Bartlett, IL 60103

Thank you, everyone, for your support and prayers as we work together to fight multiple sclerosis!!

**John, Edie, Jim, Laura and  
Chris Machonis**



by Marianne Rogenski

## Youth Group (Jr. and Sr. High)

*May*

**May 5** Youth Group at ORUMC  
6:30-8:30pm

This is our last regularly scheduled meeting for this school year!

## Appalachia Service Project (ASP) News:

\*We will have a bake sale during the Rummage Sale on May 3 and 4. If you are part of the ASP team, please plan on bringing some baked goods to the church by May 2! If you are able to help sell on Friday or Saturday please contact Marianne.

\*We have our day retreat on May 18, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Please plan on being there. We will serve lunch only so please have breakfast before you come. We will be doing a couple of sessions and we will also have construction projects. I will need forms filled out by this time—please watch email for those.

\*Our trip is June 15-22 and we will be in Knox County, KY!



## Graduate Recognition May 19, 10:30am

We will be recognizing all graduates (high school, college, etc.) at the 10:30 service on May 19—Education Sunday. If you are a graduate or have a graduate in your family, please contact the church office. Also, all graduates and families are invited to a luncheon immediately following the service—please let Marianne know if you will be there.



<b>Rebecca Gilbert</b>	<b>5/6</b>
<b>Alec Hill</b>	<b>5/7</b>
<b>Brian Nordli</b>	<b>5/15</b>
<b>Joshua Kane</b>	<b>5/18</b>
<b>Kelley Oster</b>	<b>5/24</b>
<b>Cassandra Pierson</b>	<b>5/25</b>
<b>Daniel Breda</b>	<b>5/26</b>
<b>Marcus Hill</b>	<b>5/28</b>

## Operation Airlift (Support our Troops) Memorial Day Collection

Operation Airlift, one of ORUMC's many Caring Missions, will be collecting during the month of May in honor of our military men and women serving our country. There will be a collection crate in the Narthex so that we can collect the following items and deliver them to Operation Support Our Troops located in Naperville.

1. Individual cold drink mix packets  
(Gatorade, Propel, etc)
2. Slim Jims/Jerky
3. Granola bars
4. Nuts (20 oz or less)
5. Cereal/breakfast bars
6. Individual servings of coffee
7. Individually wrapped tea bags
8. Antibiotic or anti-itch cream
9. Vitamins (Multi or C-100 ct or less)
10. Over the counter cold medication-(no liquids please)

Operation Support Our Troops America encourages letters to the troops. Every care package includes at least one letter from a citizen, and these letters are highly prized by their recipients. Consider writing a letter to the troops. Since we send to every branch of the military, and not all military personnel are called "soldiers", we prefer the more generic greeting of "Dear military person" in the letters. Please do not seal the letters. The letters do not require postage and if you would like the individual who receives your letter to possibly write back, include your name and address.

Questions?

Talk to **Fred** or **Betty Miller**



## Shirley Odegaard Honored

by JoAnne Gregorash

**Shirley Odegaard**, a member of *Our Redeemer's* since 1997, was honored at the Village of Schaumburg's 26th Annual Volunteer of the Year Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, April 16th.

Shirley was nominated from Friendship Village and one of only 11 people in Schaumburg to be nominated. Shirley was nominated for acting as a volunteer mentoring youth. She teaches not only about the women's rights movement but also the civil rights movement. She also volunteers with the Go-Green club at Friendship Village and takes an active role in her community.

She is often an advocate for those who do not have a voice, making sure her neighbors are taken care of. With a bright smile on her face and a positive attitude, she always brings the best to each and every day.

Shirley is an active member of the League of Women Voters and serves as a voter registrar at Friendship Village. In 2012 alone, she registered 73 people to vote in the presidential election.

The list of her volunteering activities goes on and on. Even though she did not win the "Volunteer of the Year" award, just being nominated was a huge honor.

## Two Ways to Feed the Hungry

by Bruce Bedingfield

*Our Redeemer's* supports two food pantries—two of our important caring ministries. Food placed in the designated wagon located in the narthex is delivered to Hanover Township Food Pantry. We have a loyal team of food deliverers who deliver food there each week. Please say a word of thanks to **Carlene Thompson, Sally Donaldson, Ellen Kobylewski, Don and Mary Balk, Jerry and Shirley McDaniel**. Let's not just thank them, however. Let's keep them very, very busy! Special food needs for Hanover Township include instant potatoes, pancake mix, syrup, peanut butter, jelly, Hamburger Helper, soup, and macaroni and cheese.

But *Our Redeemer's* also feeds hungry neighbors who stop by our church requesting food. Food placed in that designated wagon is set aside for these hungry neighbors (“...for by so doing some have entertained angels without knowing it.”) **Betty and Fred Miller** head up this ministry. Special food needs for this, *Our Redeemer's* food pantry, include cereal, juice, peanut butter, jelly, Hamburger Helper, Spaghettios/Ravioli, macaroni and cheese, canned vegetables, canned meats, noodles, rice, soup, paper towels and toilet paper. Gift cards for grocery stores, given out judiciously by **Donna Echtner**, the church secretary, are also greatly appreciated.

Each week when you do your grocery shopping, please buy a little extra to help feed these hungry children of God. “*For I was hungry and you gave me food*”.



## United Methodist Men Breakfast Meeting Saturday, May 11, 8:00 a.m.

All men of *Our Redeemer's* are invited to attend our regular monthly meeting Saturday, May 11 at 8:00 a.m.

After breakfast, we will have a Bible study and discussion.



## Godspell

The March 21 Ad Council enthusiastically approved Ron Zemke's plan to do another production of Godspell. Several Voices of Light alumni from previous Godspell productions will help in leadership positions in the new production. Auditions will begin in June. Youth from *Our Redeemer's* and their friends in the area are encouraged to participate.

Pending approval by the licensing organization, the performance dates will be August 1, 2 and 3 at 7:00 p.m. Proceeds from the production will go toward the new sound system.

## Trustees Need Your Help

The trustees are asking if anyone in the congregation can recommend an architectural firm and/or a general contractor.

We are looking into getting solutions for our perennial roof problems. You can contact **Rob Mottar** at 630-802-5974 if you know of anyone that can help us.

Thank you.



## Vacation Bible School

*July 15-18, Mon- Thur*  
*6:30 p.m. -8:30 p.m.*

We're bringing a global fair to the kids at our Vacation Bible School, *Everywhere Fun Fair: Where God's World Comes Together!* The children will become neighbors at *Everywhere Fun Fair* as they explore God's welcoming love and discover how Jesus teaches us to be great neighbors.

Come and join us by registering to be a part of *Everywhere Fun Fair!* In-person registration begins on Sunday, May 19 at church. Online registration is available at <https://2013.cokesburyvbs.com/ORUMC/register/>

Please contact **Pam Miller** at 847-519-9576 or [pmiller619@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pmiller619@sbcglobal.net) for more information



The March 21 Ad Council approved the Worship Committee's proposal for summer worship. We will have one worship service at 10:00 a.m. The results from the worship survey will help determine the "flavor" of the summer worship service.

There will also be adult Sunday school at 9:00 a.m. The Sunday school will be held in the "café" format as last summer, but will not be integrated with the worship topic.

The summer schedule will run from Memorial Day (May 26) to Labor Day (September 1).



**Community  
Crisis Center  
Liaison**

**Sally Donaldson** is the new *Our Redeemer's* liaison with the Elgin Community Crisis Center. Sally will keep us informed of needs and transport donations to the center.

Thanks to **Carlene Thompson** for her many years of service as liaison.



## Personal Notes



### Continued Prayers for Laura Gleason

Laura is one of our daughter's best friends and friend of the family. On 7/14/2011, when she was just 22 years old and in the midst of pursuing a Pharmaceutical degree, she was diagnosed with a rare form of bone cancer called Ewing's Sarcoma. Since her diagnosis, she has completed surgery to remove a tumor on her arm, 17 cycles of chemotherapy, and 6 weeks of radiation. Then on September 19, 2012 her last chemo treatment was administered and her CT scans and MRIs showed no evidence of cancer. Her oncologist has been very optimistic about her prognosis the entire time. She will continue to get scans every 3 months for 2 years and then every 6 months for a few more years. If anything is going to come back it will most likely show up in the next 2 years.

It may have been all our prayers that got her to this point...so I'd like to ask that you continue to pray for her. Laura is very appreciative of our congregation and our support for her.

Sincerely,  
The Balk Family



Our deepest sympathy to **Peggy, Steve, Lindsey** and **Jeremy Miller** on the death of **Justin Miller**. He will be missed by all of his church family.

Our deepest sympathy to **Mary Knoppel** and her family on the death of her sister, **Betty Hecht**.

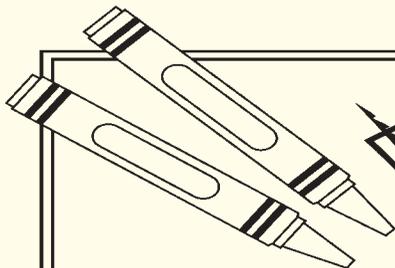
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### Memorial Dedication

Our keyboardist and employee of the month, **Colin Drozdoff**, will be travelling to Russia in May. He and his family will be participating in a dedicatory concert in honor of his great-grandfather **Vladimir Drozdoff**.

Vladimir was a composer and performer at the St. Petersburg Conservatory in the 1900's. A wing of the conservatory is being named in his honor.

Congratulations and Bon Voyage.



# PUZZLE

## LOOKING INTO THE SKY

As Jesus ascended into heaven, two angels had a message for his disciples.

**Directions:** Underline the word in each group that doesn't belong. Then write it on the line below to complete the angels' message in Acts 1:11, NIV.

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. strange<br>same<br>odd      | 2. Lazarus<br>Jesus<br>Martha | 3. who<br>then<br>there  | 4. pear<br>been<br>apple      | 5. taken<br>cat<br>dog     |
| 6. sky<br>from<br>earth        | 7. you<br>work<br>toil        | 8. desk<br>chair<br>into | 9. house<br>hallway<br>heaven | 10. can't<br>will<br>won't |
| 11. breakfast<br>come<br>lunch | 12. nose<br>back<br>mouth     | 13. see<br>the<br>hear   | 14. oval<br>round<br>same     | 15. way<br>girl<br>boy     |
| 16. his<br>her<br>you          | 17. white<br>have<br>black    | 18. one<br>seen<br>two   | 19. go<br>low<br>high         | 20. sea<br>heaven<br>ocean |

" This \_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_ has \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_ 18 \_\_\_\_\_ him \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_ ."

Acts 1:11, NIV

"This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." Acts 1:11, NIV

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