



The Redeemer

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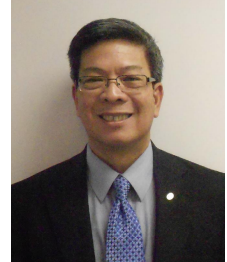
Proclaiming Christ into the 21st Century

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Easter 2020



***Christ is Risen
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indeed. Alleluia! Amen!***

The recipients of the Good News offered these responses as a confession of faith. Imagine being huddled in fear after Good Friday and the disciples saw the empty cross as a symbol of death of Jesus Christ. They moved quickly to find a secure place to mourn the death of the beloved teacher, friend, healer, companion and Rabbi. The door was locked for fear of the unknown. Persecution was real. Death was real.

The following morning the women set out early to anoint the body of Jesus as was the custom. A tomb was made available by a man named Joseph. By the time the women arrived at the entrance of the tomb, the stone that was rolled up to seal the tomb was moved to the side. They were afraid and saw

the angel of the Lord. They were told, "He is not here. He has risen." The women rushed back to tell the disciples about their discovery. Jesus revealed himself in a new way.

The reality of the resurrection did not immediately make sense until Jesus appeared before them and showed his hands, feet and sides.

A sense of awe and wonder filled the longing of their hearts.

The Psalmist declared, "Be still and know that I am God."

As I write, the United States and the whole world is dealing with a deadly virus and pandemic. There is much fear and uncertainty about our physical, spiritual and economic well being. We are more aware of our behav-

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ior and we stress the importance of responsible habits. We do not assign blame but instead find ways to rise to the occasion. In the Middle Ages, when there was a terrible plague, the elites and the higher class of society fled to the hills in their respective villas. The Christians stayed behind and cared for the needs of the poor. Many who stayed behind suffered as well.

Paul said that ò faith is the assurance of things hoped for and the evidence of things unseen.ö He added that our òafflictions are light and momentarily.ö

Let us celebrate the reason for our faith ò the Resurreccion of Christ.

Our worship theme for the season is òJourney to the Dark Woodsö. We are in the dark wood moments right now but God surprised us with hope.

Please continue to pray for the world, our nation ,our community and our churches for such a time like these .Continue to give thanks to God and support our ministries in the best ways that we can. Together, we can continue to share the light of the world in Jesus.

May this Easter 2020 bless and renew our faith in Jesus Christ.

Rev. Romir R. Esguerra

Schaumburg Township Food Pantry Items Needed

March 2020

PLEASE DONATE!

The Schaumburg Township Food Pantry will remain open during the COVID-19 Outbreak.

(afillmore@schaumburgtownship.org)

Please contribute the following needed items:

Large Cans of Soup

Dry Beans

Potatoes (boxed/canned)

Canned Meats (tuna fish, ham, Spam)

Canned Pasta Meals (Spaghetti's, Ravioli)

Bagged/Boxed Pasta

Chicken Broth

Pork n Beans

Canned Chili

Canned Fruit

Canned Tomatoes

Jell-O/Pudding

Condiments

Baking Products

Personal Care Products (soap, toothpaste, shampoo)

Diapers Size 4 and 5

Laundry Detergent

Dish Soap

On Line Services

The on line services will be recorded so they can be watched any time after about 10:00 Sunday morning. The link to all the recorded videos is available via the ORUMC Facebook page or via the following Youtube link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvbdCv0RqfNc0Y9wBrIDigg>.

The Youtube file will have all the Sunday service files sorted by date so the current and previous files can be viewed.

You should be able to click on the link in the newsletter pdf file to take you to the Youtube file. If that does not work, copy the entire link and paste it into the network explorer address. If all else fails, try typing the entire link into the network explorer address (good luck).

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9:00 and 10:30 am

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Rev. Nancy G. Hunter

Church Secretary:

Donna Echtner

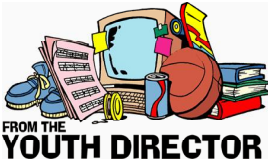
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Jerry Mc Daniel

We are canceling all worship services April 2020 until further notice in response to the advisory of the Center for Disease and Control.

The Bishop of the Northern Illinois Conference, Sally Dyck, also issued a pastoral statement and directed all churches to cancel all church related activities as the best response in these uncertain times.

We have to adapt to sudden changes in our schedules. We will avail of live streaming our worship services, recorded scripture, prayer and sermon every Sunday. Please join us through live streaming, or recorded services.



Youth News

The Youth are very thankful for the support of the congregation and friends in their mission activities.

In total, we raised \$221.49 from Malnatiø and \$1007.60 from the Butterbraids towards our ASP mission trip, which is still tentatively scheduled.

Our Famine 2020 activity raised \$1360 online for World Vision plus \$431 through the church treasury and \$380 in checks made directly to World Vision.

That is a total of \$2171 so far to address hunger, with contributions still coming in!

Thank you for helping to ensure that there is truly øEnough Food for All.ö

ASP Fundraiser

You have the opportunity to contribute to the next ASP Fundraiser, but you have to do it quickly: March 25 from 10:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Panda Express..

The event flyer on the adjacent page must be presented for in-store purchases. On line orders can be made using the promo code 274872 as indicated on the form.

Thank You for Donating to Heifer!

Due to your generous donations this past holiday season, \$2,040.00 was raised for Heifer International.

Families in need will now have the gifts of cows, goats, chickens and more to put them on a path out of poverty.

This winter, children in Sunday School raised money which was matched by teachers. After worship services, adults and families purchased animals which will translate into those life-changing gifts.

We would like to extend a big øThank You!ö for your support of this wonderful mission!



FUNDRAISER EVENT

Help Us Raise Money For: Our Redeemer's United
Methodist Church ASP Mission Trip

When

Wednesday, March 25, 2020
10:30 AM to 9:00 PM

Where

Panda Express located at:
Scharrington Square PX
2519 W. Schaumburg Rd.
Schaumburg, IL 60194
8479236882

How

In-store:
Show paper or digital version of
flyer
Online:
Enter 274872 in the promo code
box during online checkout.

20% of event sales will be donated to: Our Redeemer's United Methodist Church ASP
Mission Trip

Participating fundraiser guests are required to present a valid fundraiser flyer (paper copy or digital image) with each order to receive credit towards the fundraiser. Flyers may not be distributed inside or within the vicinity of the restaurant, including, without limitation to, the restaurant parking lot before or during the fundraiser. Panda Restaurant Group reserves the right cancel any and all fundraiser events for any reason and/or withhold payment of associated donation, if the Panda Restaurant Group Fundraiser Guidelines are not followed.

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JOB DESCRIPTION

March 2020

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is seeking a qualified candidate for the position of Worship Music Director. If possible, we would like to fill this position by June 1, 2020. Please review the following job description and let us know if you or someone you know is interested in this position. Contact Mary Zalay or Jack Denny for more information.

Position Title: Worship Music Director

Accountable to: Staff-Parish Relations Committee (SPRC)

Hours: Average of 12 hours per week

Compensation: As approved by Staff-Parish Relations Committee, Finance Committee, and Administrative Council

Qualifications:

- Christian character
- Leadership proficiency
- Communication skills
- Planning/organizational skills
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Strong keyboard, vocal and instrumental skills

Responsibilities:

1. Coordinate (and lead, as necessary) congregational worship music for all services, (including traditional, blended, and contemporary worship,) as requested by the senior pastor and Music Committee

2. Provide contemporary music leadership for services, (weekly or as needed,) di-

recting the praise team and/or serving as song leader

3. Organize, rehearse, and direct praise teams weekly and Sunday mornings

4. Work with the senior pastor to plan worship services

5. Participate as an active member of Music and Worship Committee meetings

6. Communicate with senior pastor, administrative assistant and tech team to ensure music selections, copyright information, participating musicians and lyrics for projection are provided at worship services

7. Ensure that music is appropriately licensed and report music usage statistics when required by the agency

General Information:

In the event of emergency/sickness or planned absence, the Worship Music Director needs to notify the chairperson of the Music Committee OR the SPRC Liaison OR Administrative Assistant OR the Senior Pastor as far in advance of the absence as possible.

The Worship Music Director seeks qualified substitutes for necessary absences and provides for a substitute subject to the approval of the Music Committee.

If absences are due to being sick or an emergency, the Worship Music Director may miss (2) rehearsals and two (2) scheduled performances during the Church season, without deduction from salary (Sunday morning will be considered one absence).

Any function missed beyond these will result in a deduction from the salary equal to the amount budgeted to pay for a substitute, whether one is used or not.

The Worship Music Director will normally work 12 hours per week. Because some weeks will require many more than 12 hours, comp time may be taken through occasional consolidation of rehearsal time and/or occasional absence from Sunday morning services (maximum of 5 Sunday) subject to the approval of the senior pastor.



UMM April Meeting Cancelled

The regular UMM April 11 meeting is cancelled due to the coronavirus limitations on church usage and restaurant meetings.



Community Crisis Center

by Sally Donaldson

Access to the Crisis Center is limited due to street construction making delivery difficult at best.

Your support is much appreciated, but not needed this month.

Calendar

The calendar dates are tentative at best.

With the church being closed, activities will have to be scheduled elsewhere cancelled, or held online.

United Methodist Women

Greetings to all of the women of Our Redeemer's United Methodist Church. Let the month of April bring with it much peace, love, joy and purpose into your life.

We hope that all of you will sign up for the *United Methodist Women Retreat*, scheduled for **Friday and Saturday, May 1st and 2nd**. The sign-up/payment deadline has been extended until **Sunday, April 5**.

NOTE: Due to the uncertainty that the COVID 19 virus poses and how it will evolve, we will keep everyone posted as to any date changes due to the Northern Illinois Conference guidelines.

This year our retreat is being held in the Wesley Room at our church in Schaumburg. We will be studying the book by Adam Hamilton entitled *Christianity and World Religions*. Here's our weekend schedule:
Friday, May 1

5:00 p.m.- Meet at Riccardo's for dinner (everyone pays for their own dinner)

6:30 p.m.- 8:45 p.m. - At Church- Overview introduction, Icebreaker games & book study

8:45 p.m.- 10:00 p.m.- Games & snacks
Saturday, May 2

9:00 a.m.- Meet at Church for donuts & coffee

9:15 a.m.- 11:45 a.m.- continue book study and discussion

12 Noon- 1:30 p.m.- Lunch (catered box lunch) and clean-up

Please save this list of UMW events planned for 2020, so that you can be part of the Fun, Fellowship and Friendship.

TBD- Game Nights at Melinda Taylor's home- call her if you wish to attend

Friday & Saturday, May 1 & 2- UMW Retreat. The retreat will be held in our church this year and the discussion topic will be world religions. See details above.

Tuesday, June 2 @ 6:30 p.m.- UMW Salad Supper and Meeting. Program: "Spiritual Growth for the Love of God: John's Letter" presented by Mary Zalay

Friday & Saturday, August 14 & 15- Rummage Sale Lite " Drop off of sale items begins Sunday, August 9

Tuesday, September 1 @ 6:30 p.m.- UMW Fall Meeting and Potluck. Program: "Phil's Friends- assembling packages or cards" presented by Sarah Calderwood.

Tuesday, December 1 @ 6:30 p.m.- UMW Holiday Meeting and Potluck. Program: "Holiday Happenings". White Elephant Gift Exchange.

**Now is the time to get ready for UMW's Annual
Rummage Sale! August 14 and 15
Accepting merchandise August 9 to 12**



Stewardship - Practicing What You Preach

We've all heard the phrase "practice what you preach" before. I'm certain that I've said those words in a hushed tone many times during my adulthood.

Sitting in my home office the other day finishing my 2019 tax returns I noted to myself that things were looking pretty good for the Murray household and a good-sized refund check was in the offing from Uncle Sam.

I opened a blank spreadsheet on the computer and began putting together a list of items where the money might be spent. The first thing that came to mind was the backyard deck needed to be painted; and with a newly painted deck we needed some updated patio furniture!

I put both on the list and remembering how Coral wanted to update the window coverings in the dining room I added a sum of money to cover the cost for new blinds. I put these and other "needs" into the spreadsheet, ranked them by priority and assigned an expected cost to each.

As I reviewed these "necessary" things we might spend our tax refund on, I happened to spot one of the "Generosity" stones left over from last fall's stewardship campaign.

I had placed the stones around the house to keep me mindful of the pledge I took to be generous to others and be a good steward of God's gifts.

I looked back at the list and saw a glaring omission. There was nowhere on the list that listed God as a beneficiary.

How many years had I been involved in Stewardship? How many times had I spoken on the virtue of giving to God a part of my finances? And more importantly, the importance of putting my Lord first on any list!

After discussing these thoughts with Coral, I went back to the spreadsheet and inserted a new line at the top of the list and inserted "God's Gift" assigning a portion of the tax refund to Him.

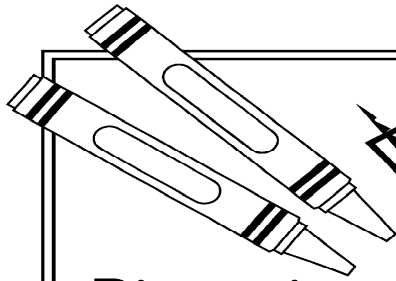
This addition quickly put the totals out of balance; however, both Coral and I found joy in eliminating some of other "necessary" things on the list.

This exercise reinforced my belief that financial giving; like service, witnessing, prayer, and presence; is a part of stewardship that cannot be relegated to a single campaign each autumn.

Gifting must be practiced throughout the year.

Were you one of the fortunate ones receiving a tax refund this year?

If so, have you taken this opportunity to give back to God some of the grace he has bestowed on you and your family?



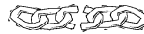
PUZZLE

Picturing the Lord's Supper

Jesus ate the Passover meal with his disciples as a symbol of the new covenant.



Directions: Use the picture clues to fill in key words from Luke 22:19-20, NIV.



And he took _____, gave _____ and _____ it, and gave

it to them, saying, "This is my _____ given for you; do this in



_____ of me." In the same way, after the supper he



took the cup, saying, "This _____ is the new _____ in my



blood, which is _____ out for you."



LUKE 22:19-20, NIV



EASTER FLOWERS



Spring is coming and with it brings hope and certainty; The hope and certainty of new birth for us all. It is once again time to celebrate Christ's defeat of death on the cross and his glorious resurrection. Easter this year falls on April 12th. On this day, as a sign of love and joy, we fill our church with beautiful spring flowers. These flowers will be displayed on Easter Sunday as we worship the risen Lord and join in praise that He is Risen, He is Risen Indeed!

We invite all who love to see the church decked out with beautiful flowers join with us in the celebration of the miracle of Easter. Here at Our Redeemer's the church purchases the flowers that were ordered by the congregation to be displayed in the church until after Easter when they may be taken home. It is easy as we do all the work for you. We order them and arrange them for all to enjoy on Easter Sunday. Then you take them home and enjoy them there. I have been taking mine home each year and planting them in my garden. Each year come July my flower beds are full of blooming flowers, most of them Easter lilies!

To participate, you may order lilies or tulips or hyacinths. Please fill in the order form below and place with your payment in the beautifully decorated special basket located in the narthex or in the offering plate. The price of this year's flowers is \$10.50 for lilies, tulips or hyacinths. ***Palm Sunday (April 5) is the deadline for placing your order.*** I have promised our florist that I will phone in the order on Monday, the 6th without fail. ***We ask that you please order early to help with this goal.***

Name _____ Phone _____

Choose Lily (\$) _____ Tulips (\$) _____ Hyacinth (\$) _____

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March 29, 2020 - May 09, 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p align="center"><i>Mar 29</i></p> <p>9 am SS/Worship 10:30 Worship Nursery</p>	<p align="center"><i>Mar 30</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study @ Panera</p> <p>7:30 PM Nar-Anon Family Group</p>	<p align="center"><i>Mar 31</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Woman's Book Study</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal</p>	<p align="center"><i>Apr 1</i></p> <p>5:15 PM Sonshiners</p> <p>6:30 PM Redeemer Ringers</p> <p>7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p align="center"><i>Apr 2</i></p> <p>8:30 AM TOPS</p> <p>7:00 PM UMW Bible Study Room 1</p> <p>7:30 PM Bound for Recovery AA Mtg</p>	<p align="center"><i>Apr 3</i></p> <p>6:45 PM Scout Pack 195 Rm 1 & Rm 4</p>	<p align="center"><i>Apr 4</i></p>
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<p align="center"><i>Apr 12</i></p> <p>Easter Sunday</p> <p>9 am SS/Worship 10:30 Worship Nursery</p> <p>6:30 AM Sunrise Service & Breakfast</p> <p>10:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt</p>	<p align="center"><i>Apr 13</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study @ Panera</p> <p>7:30 PM Nar-Anon Family Group</p>	<p align="center"><i>Apr 14</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Woman's Book Study</p> <p>7:00 PM Good Friday Service</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal</p> <p>7:00 PM Staff Parish</p>	<p align="center"><i>Apr 15</i></p> <p>5:15 PM Sonshiners</p> <p>6:30 PM Redeemer Ringers</p> <p>7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p align="center"><i>Apr 16</i></p> <p>8:30 AM TOPS</p> <p>7:00 PM UMW Bible Study Room 1</p> <p>7:30 PM Bound for Recovery AA Mtg</p>	<p align="center"><i>Apr 17</i></p> <p>6:45 PM Scout Pack 195 Rm 1 & Rm 4</p>	<p align="center"><i>Apr 18</i></p>
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