



# The Redeemer Review

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Jesus said in Matthew 19:14:

*“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.”*

## Dear Friends in Christ,

What an amazing time is this! This is the time when we are preparing for our Vacation Bible School and anticipating the joy of seeing the smiles in the faces of our children.

Leaders and volunteers are immersed in the preparation of the classes knowing that this is a sacred time when we get to share God's love with our little ones.

The gospel is the central focus of our Vacation Bible School. The reason we do VBS is to share the gospel. No doubt, the games and activities are a lot of fun. But the focal point is telling our children about Jesus. Ev-

erything else is secondary to the grand purpose of sharing with a child, òJesus loves YOU!ö

Our VBS happens in the evenings. There are several reasons for this time slot, but one of the biggest is that a later time gives many of our volunteers in our church the opportunity to serve.

For one intense week, a multi-generational army united around the good news of Jesus. This will be my first VBS with our children. I have been told that it's one of the most beautiful scenes in the ministry that happens here at ORUMC.

Pastor Nancy is inviting everyone who wish to share their gifts and talents to come and help.

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We will need help with Art, Science, Drama, Reflection Time, Food (tentatively), Set up / Clean up, and other areas yet to be identified. We pray you will answer God's call to serve in this important ministry.

I personally love this time of the year as I know we are helping create lasting memories in our children's lives.

VBS is not just another event in our families' calendar. VBS is a special program that creates memories that help lock Bible truths in a child's heart and mind for a lifetime. Bible stories, games, food, decorations and fun all link together in a total package.

When we connect with kids through this ministry, the biblical truths that permeate all aspects of VBS also connect with their hearts and minds and we are amazed to see the sweetness of our children's hearts as they want to know Jesus. They want to hear stories from His Word and they love learning scriptures.

Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to bring your children or invite children from your neighborhood to come and learn about Jesus.

In His love and service,

*Pastor Shirley*

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL July 12 - 15, 2021

Our Christian Education team is gearing up for Vacation Bible School, which is tentatively scheduled for July 12-15, 2021 in the evenings. In order to plan ahead, please contact **Pastor Nancy** at [revnancygrimhunter@gmail.com](mailto:revnancygrimhunter@gmail.com) if you have experience with VBS and wish to share your gifts and talents to assist in any way. We anticipate needing help with Art, Science, Drama, Reflection Time, Gathering Time Meal (tentative) and Individually Packaged Snacks, Set up / Clean up, and other areas yet to be identified.



### Discovery on Adventure Island

From a whimsical lighthouse on an enchanted island, Explorers are guided by a Lighthouse Keeper and Beacon the Puffin on an exciting quest to find five mysterious Infinity Lanterns to help light their way. Using map coordinates from their Reference Book (the Bible), children discover clues to finding each Lantern while learning how God's light shines in the lives of familiar biblical characters in Old and New Testament stories.

### End-of-Year Youth and Young Adult "Campfire Picnic"

Our Youth and Young Adults are invited to participate in an End-of-Year Campfire Picnic on Sunday, June 6, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. Please bring your own food and we will bring the wood! All are welcome to join us.



Previous Vacation Bible School Activities

## Four Different Opportunities Offered to ORUMC Members Starting Sunday June 13

Health safety guidelines have been eased as we continue to work to control the Covid-19 virus. As a result, four different opportunities are being offered to ORUMC members and visitors starting Sunday, June 13.

### 1. 10:00 a.m. Livestream:

For people who are **following the utmost precaution** and wish to remain at home for worship, weekly services will continue to be streamed at 10:00 a.m. each Sunday. That service will also be available on ORUMC YouTube Channel:

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

or ORUMC Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/ORUMC1>

### 2. 9:00 a.m. Outdoor Parking Lot Service:

For people who **feel more comfortable in the less restrictive environment of being outside**, our Parking Lot Worship Services will continue every week but at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday. All previously stated guidelines will remain in place. Call the ORUMC hotline: 1-847-238-2181 to hear a status message if there is a possibility that this service must be cancelled due to inclement weather or high heat index.

### 3. 10:00 a.m. Indoor Sanctuary Service:

For people who feel comfortable being

inside in in-person gatherings, this service will be **Mask Optional for vaccinated people** and masks will be required for non-vaccinated people. All previously stated guidelines will remain in place. Please sign-in as you enter through the main entrance. Our on-line registration has been suspended for the time being.

### 4. 10:00 a.m. Indoor Wesley Hall:

For people who would like to be in the building but feel uncomfortable in the less restrictive environment of the larger sanctuary, people may watch the service on a television from Wesley Hall in a **Masked Required environment** with strict social distance guidelines. Please enter the building through the side entrance near the nursery and sign in at the table in Wesley Hall.

It is each person's individual responsibility to evaluate his or her own health risks and understand how the spread of Covid-19 occurs. Please use the utmost care in protecting yourself and respecting other people's sensitivities about their risk to Covid-19. Please refrain from attending worship if you are ill or show symptoms of Covid-19.

With the Illinois Department of Public Health easing Covid-19 restrictions for vaccinated people, the Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist church is encouraging us all to remember the guidelines that have kept us safe during the pandemic, such as wearing masks, social distancing and handwashing.

Singing is still considered a high-risk activity  
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tivity and we should exercise caution. Coffee hours should not yet be reinstated inside the church building.

The consumption of self-supplied personal drinks and food may occur only outside and pre-packaged food may be shared. As always, outdoor activities allow for more flexibility than indoor activities.

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### **Church Office Volunteers Needed:**

We are recruiting volunteers to fill-in when Donna, our church secretary, is on vacation or schedules the occasional day off. Here are the details:

**Volunteer position** (no payment provided for hours worked)

**Hours:** 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. (during month of July)

**Easy work:** answering phones, monitoring church access at front door, taking messages

Donna's vacation is the week of July 19-23. Contact Donna @ church office (847-882-6116) if you are interested

### **Volunteers to Water Plants:**

We are looking for volunteers who would be able to water the plants at church. Maybe about an hour a day since we haven't received much rain. Call Donna in the office (847) 882-6116 if this is something that interests you and you can help with.

Thanks sooo much!



June is here and Summer is upon us. We look forward to warm temperatures and more social events outside.

Also, we're getting ready for our upcoming **UMW Outdoor Picnic Meeting** on **Tuesday, June 1** outside on the church lawn. Here are the details and protocols for this event:

Meet on the lawn at the Springinsguth Road entrance

Arrive @ 6:00 p.m. if you want to picnic together outside (bring your own brown bag Picnic dinner, utensils, beverages, etc.) **NO FOOD OR DRINK SHARING** unless the food is packaged individually

Arrive @ 6:30 p.m. if you are interested in only the Business Meeting and GAMES

Bring your own lawn chair

If you have one, bring a favorite outdoor game to play with others

Wear a mask at all times (unless eating)

After we eat we'll have a Business Meeting and then enjoy playing games of Bags, Croquet, etc. If rain is forecasted, we will postpone until the next day, June 2.

Please note that our **Rummage Sale** is tentatively scheduled for **Friday and Saturday, September 17 & 18**. Organizers for the event are **Betty Miller, Pam Miller** and **Melinda Taylor**. Drop-off dates for rummage are Sunday through Wednesday, September 12 through 15. Hours for the Sale and rummage drop-off TBD.

We are so excited that it is possible that the pandemic protocols may also allow us to schedule a Retreat and Heavenly Treats later in the year. In the meantime, we will enjoy getting together while social distancing outside when weather permits.

Please save this **2021 List of UMW Events**, so that you can be part of the Fun, Fellowship and Friendship.

Be ready for spur-of-the-moment- **Pickle Ball Games & Walks** on the trails @ **Fabbrini Park** in Hoffman Estates. Contact **Julie Kuhn** if you want to be added to the email notices.

Be ready for spur-of-the-moment- **Bird Walks (Pastor Shirley or Mary Zalay)** Who's interested?

**Tuesday, June 1 @ 6:00 p.m. (dinner begins) / 6:30 p.m. (Business Meeting and Games)**- UMW Outdoor Picnic Meeting. Program: Games played outside on the church lawn (Croquet, Bags, etc.). NOTE: Rain date- Wednesday, June 2.

**Tuesday, September 7** – Quarterly UMW Meeting. Details TBD. Hold the date.

**Our Redeemer's UMW Rummage Sale** ó Tentatively scheduled for **Friday &**

**Saturday, September 17 & 18**- - Sale hours TBD

**Rummage Drop-off:** Sunday through Wednesday- September 12-15 / Drop-off times TBD

**Fall UMW Retreat- Dates: TBD.** We will study the book by Adam Hamilton entitled *Christianity and World Religions*.

**Tuesday, December 7 @ 6:30 p.m.- UMW Holiday Meeting.** Program: Holiday Happenings



## Midwest Mission Center

### Work Date To Be Determined

At previous meetings we have discussed a possible **United Methodist Men** work trip to the Midwest Mission Center at Chattam, IL.

The Mission Center supplies disaster relief materials to events such as the Texas weather issues. A variety of work at the mission can be done by volunteers ranging from packaging relief materials to carpentry and repair jobs.

Tools are available for the various jobs. The facility is large enough that there is no problem keeping social distancing even with 20 or so people working together.

UMM president, **Rich Hill**, is attempting to schedule a work date (**probably not until the fall**) and is **inviting the whole church to participate**.

The facility only works Monday through Friday. The plan would be to travel to Chattam, about a 3 hour trip, on a Friday morning (**date to be determined**) leaving church at about 8:00 a.m. We would spend the day working, stay overnight at the facility and travel home Saturday morning.

The overnight facility can handle up to 16 people. 4 dorm rooms are available sleeping a total of 16 (4 to a room) with up to 12 on

the lower level (4 on upper bunks)

RV sites are also available.

If you are interested or would like more information please contact **Pastor Shirley** at 815-474-5540 or **Rich Hill** at 312-480-7430.

When the date is determined and scheduled with the Mission Center, volunteers will be asked to register on line. Details will follow for those who wish to attend.

### Supplies

In addition to a trip to the Mission Center, we are also collecting supplies needed by the center. All are invited to contribute.

## UMM Monthly Meeting

**June 6, 9:00 a.m.**

The UMM will have its regular monthly meeting June 6 at 9:00 a.m. in the parking lot depending on the weather. Bring your own breakfast and remain socially distanced.

In case of inclement weather we will meet via the computer. Keep an eye on your email for the final information.

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## From Bruce Bedingfield-

I came across this quote you might consider:

***“ There is no such thing as not worshipping. Everyone worships. The only choice we get is what to worship.”***

***David Foster Wallace***





**Choir Ice Cream Social May 19**



**Ravinia Style Music (and snacks) after church May 30**

## Asbury Hall Transformation Update

In recent months, a decision was made to end the covenant relationship between the Christian Corner Childcare Center and Our Redeemer's United Methodist Church. This decision was not made lightly. Our Administrative Council and Ministry Team give thanks for all the prayers, love and support shared over the decades by our members and the teachers, volunteers and families who were collaboratively engaged in this vital ministry.

As a result of that decisions and under the authority of the Trustees - an "Asbury Hall Transformation Team" led by Pastor Nancy with members of the Education Committee, Facilities Committee, Trustees along with the Youth Group and Confirmation Class of 2021 began work to restore the space to be useful for both our education programs -- Sunday School and Youth -- and for future ministry opportunities such as another shared-space agreement with a preschool should that be the desire of the congregation in the future.

The Asbury Hall Transformation Team identified broken, damaged and otherwise poor quality furniture, toys and dated educational materials intended for disposal and recycling. However, a subset of those materials were deemed to possibly be useful for other purposes. Rather than put them in the dumpster, a decision was made to offer these items instead to other UMC-connected ministries and individuals who are members of UMC churches on the Southside of Chicago serving high needs, minority families and chil-

dren. A set of small plastic toys was also boxed and sent to a mission site and orphanage in Africa. The recipients of those items, voluntarily raised their own funds and submitted donations to ORUMC as a thank you and specifically designated those monies for the Education Fund - Asbury Hall. These donations are intended to upgrade the facilities for future ministry. To date, \$2500 has been received. Another gift of \$500 is anticipated any day now with the possibility of future donations as we match our "trash" to the needs of other UMC-connected ministries as "treasures."

Some of the permanent improvement projects identified include a fresh coat of paint and trim for the walls and the installation of a mosaic carpet in Asbury Hall. Longer range projects include repairing the water leaks and other facilities improvement projects in the boys and girls bathrooms and other repairs yet to be identified.

The Asbury Hall Transformation Team is working towards raising funds to install a mosaic carpet in Asbury Hall. The estimated cost is \$10,000 just for materials. The Trustees have agreed to install the carpet if we purchase the tiles for it. Therefore, we are launching an Asbury Hall Carpet Fundraiser in which families or individuals can donate \$100 per carpet tile in honor or memory of loved ones. Between the donations already received and anticipated support by the congregation, we anticipate completing this phase of the transformation project by the end of the Summer at which time there is a proposal to

celebrate the transformation with an Open House Blessing event. More details on the fundraiser will be forthcoming. In the meantime, donations can be made to Our Redeemer's United Methodist Church with the memo line "Education Designated Fund - Asbury Hall". Your gifts are greatly appreciated and will help to equip our ministry teams to reach new families, sharing God's grace and love to all we are called to serve in God's Holy name.



## Schaumburg Township Food Pantry - Items Needed

It appears summer has arrived! As the saying goes, hunger doesn't take a vacation. The food pantry is in need of the attached items. Yes, there is a long list of beans. We are completely out of beans (canned and dry). Please donate if you can. A longer list is available in the office.

Dry Pinto Beans, Dry Red Kidney Beans  
Dry Navy Beans, Dry Black Beans  
Dry Great Northern White Beans  
Dry Lentils, Canned Black Beans  
Canned Kidney Beans, Canned Refried Beans, Canned Chick Peas, Pasta Roni  
White or Brown Rice, Large 19 oz. Canned Soups (Progresso, Campbell's Chunky)  
Boxed Pasta Noodles, Jarred Pasta Sauce (Ragu, Prego, etc.), Canned Spinach, Beets, Asparagus, Sauerkraut, Zucchini, Carrots, Lima Beans, Canned Pineapple, Apricots, Plums, Cranberry Sauce, Applesauce, Mandarin Oranges, Canned Meat (Chicken, Turkey, Ham, Spam, etc.), Cream Soups (Chicken, Mushroom, Celery), Raisins, Trail Mix, Nuts, Dried Fruit, Granola Bars, Pudding, Jell-O Bottled Juice, Juice Boxes  
Condiments such as Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo, Barbeque Sauce, Relish, Pickles, Salad Dressing, Mushrooms, Gravy, Olives, Seasonings, Baking items such as Jiffy Mix, Cake Mix, Frosting, Oil, Sugar, Flour, Baking Soda, Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Shave Cream, Razors, Baby Diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5, 6), Wipes, Paper Towels, Tissue, Toilet Paper

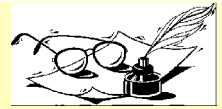
## Appalachian Service Project

Our ASP mission team is ready to head to Floyd County, Kentucky from June 12, 2021 to June 19, 2021. We have 15 team members who are "Power Tool Ready" heading for the trip. Please keep our Young and Young-at-Heart ASP Mission Team in your prayers.

Thanks to **Marshall Nystrom** and **Glen Hollingsworth** for their leadership in the power tool training for our volunteers.



# Personal Notes



Thank you to our wonderful church family for all the love and support you sent us and our family during the time of my brother Deano's death. Your calls, texts, emails, cards, kind words, and prayers touched our hearts. We are so grateful for you all and feel so blessed to have you in our lives! A special thank you to Pastor Shirley! You are amazing! Thank you all!

**Dorene and Jeff Gilbert and the Lockas Family.**

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## **Blood Drive - Hosted by Schaumburg Community**

Wednesday, June 2 from 2:30pm ó 7:30pm at The Barn - 231 Civic Drive ó Schaumburg

Appointments are highly recommended. All presenting donors will be entered in a drawing for Home Depot gift cards.

For more info or to schedule a donation, call 877-258-4825 or visit us at vitalant.org and use group code SH98.

Masks required.



We extend our sympathy to **John and Robyn Gatti** over the death of Robyn's mother, **Arlene (née Nelson) Oberwetter** (92) who passed away last night at Northwest Medical Center. May God fill Robyn, her brother Tom, and their families with His grace and solace. May they feel His love through our prayers and messages of hope, comfort, and peace.

Messages of condolences may be sent to John and Robyn:

**Mr. and Mrs. John Gatti**  
861 N Dovington Ct  
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169-2309

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## **Contact Information for Pastor Shirley**

The contact information for **Pastor Shirley Pulgar Hughes** is as follows:

[shirleymph@gmail.com](mailto:shirleymph@gmail.com) or 815-474-5540 cell.

**Mondays are Pastor Shirley's day off!**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>May 30</i> 9:00 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom 5:30 PM Youth Group	<i>May 31</i> Memorial Day (Observed) 7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom	<i>Jun 1</i> 10:00 AM Women's Book Study <b>6:00 PM UMW Outdoor Picnic Meeting</b>	<i>Jun 2</i> 7:30 PM Choir Zoom	<i>Jun 3</i>	<i>Jun 4</i>	<i>Jun 5</i>
<i>Jun 6</i> 9:00 AM Sunday School <b>11:00 AM Curbside Communion</b>  5:30 PM Youth Group	<i>Jun 7</i> 7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom	<i>Jun 8</i>	<i>Jun 9</i> 7:30 PM Choir Zoom	<i>Jun 10</i>	<i>Jun 11</i>	<i>Jun 12</i> 9:00 AM UMM Meeting in Parking Lot (with good weather) or via Zoom  <div style="background-color: #90EE90; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">ASP Trip</div>
<i>Jun 13</i> 9:00 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom	<i>Jun 14</i> 7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom	<i>Jun 15</i>	<i>Jun 16</i> 7:30 PM Choir Zoom	<i>Jun 17</i> 7:00 PM Ad Council  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</div>	<i>Jun 18</i>	<i>Jun 19</i>
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<i>Jun 20</i> Father's Day 9:00 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom 5:30 PM Youth Group	<i>Jun 21</i> 7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom	<i>Jun 22</i>	<i>Jun 23</i> 7:30 PM Choir Zoom	<i>Jun 24</i>	<i>Jun 25</i>	<i>Jun 26</i>
<i>Jun 27</i> 9:00 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom	<i>Jun 28</i> 10:00 AM Women's Book Study 7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom	<i>Jun 29</i>	<i>Jun 30</i>	<i>Jul 1</i>	<i>Jul 2</i>	<i>Jul 3</i>
<i>Jul 4</i> <b>Independence Day</b> 9:00 AM Sunday School 5:30 PM Youth Group	<i>Jul 5</i> 7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom	<i>Jul 6</i>	<i>Jul 7</i>	<i>Jul 8</i>	<i>Jul 9</i>	<i>Jul 10</i> 9:00 AM UMM Meeting in Parking Lot (with good weather) or via Zoom