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# The Redeemer Review

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### **Dear Friends in Christ,**

Autumn is here! Summer days are in the past and a new season of beautiful color has arrived. What a perfect setting for meditation. Yes, meditation is a great way to transition into a new season with a new routine. Sometimes we need to allow ourselves time to settle, time to harvest the fruits of the summer, time to notice the beauty and peacefulness found in the process of shedding and letting go.

This past weekend the United women in Faith had their long awaited Women's Retreat at Wesley Woods Retreat Center, Williams Bay, WI. The peaceful lakeside and the stunning Geneva provided a welcoming and soothing setting for renewing our spiritual lives through sessions of meditation and mindful movements (Holy Yoga). If you are interested in exploring new ways to renew your soul, as I mentioned earlier, meditation is an excellent tool to center yourself and reconnect with yourself and God. So now that the air has gotten crisp, here's the challenge: Can you reclaim and reserve some time in your fall schedule for you and dedicate just 10 minutes to mediation?

You might not know but meditation has been a part of our Christian tradition since its origin. If you go to the Bible you will see countless moments in the Old Testament in which the faithful spent time in silent, intentional prayer to grow closer to God. An exercise of ordered contemplation.

The quiet prayer, silent prayer, resting prayer, contemplative prayer, and others, are different names of Prayerful Meditation. Although each of these

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practices may vary in methodology, they all bring you to the center of your being where you can experience the presence of God. Only 10 minutes a day can help you refocus and get ready for the ups and downs that come to our lives.

So, how about if you allow yourself to sit quietly for few minutes everyday, focus yourself on a favorite scripture, meditate on it being fully present and feel God's embrace. It is my prayer that you will take few minutes everyday, this Autumn season, to rest in His peaceful presence.

In His love and compassion,  
**Pastor Shirley**



**A new Zoom Bible Study** group is forming! These meetings will be informational, share topics of future study and end with a relevant bible study and meaningful discussion. If you are interested, please contact Ellen Kobylewski at: [ellenkoby1@gmail.com](mailto:ellenkoby1@gmail.com)



We pray for generosity, care, and concern from neighbors and communities for those who are grieving and displaced. UMCOR USDR is already providing help to the communities affected by the wildfires. If you would like to help alleviate the suffering of our brothers and sisters in Maui, please go to: [umcmmission.org](http://umcmmission.org) Advance# 901670  
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ORUMC Church Charge Conference will be held on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Sanctuary.



The Rogers Park Soup Kitchen needs additional volunteers from ORUMC. Please see JoAnne or Mert if you are available.  
Dates of service: Oct 15, Nov 19, Dec 17, Jan 21, Feb 18, Mar 17, Apr 21 and May 19.  
We would leave from church at 12:30 pm. We are doing mainly to go boxes and serve earlier than we used to and are done before 5:00pm. If you like, we could stop for dinner or come straight home. Car pooling is encouraged, but optional.



United Women in Faith

**Upcoming UWF Events:**

Sunday, November 19

**Heavenly Treats**

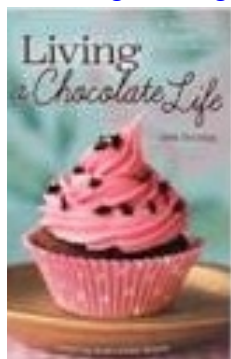
Tuesday, Dec 5 at 6:30 pm

**Christmas Potluck and White Elephant Exchange**

**New UWF Bible Study being held at church**

"Living a Chocolate Life" (Savoring God's Sweet Grace) starts Thursday, September 21 @ 7:00 pm and goes through Thursday, November 9. Please contact Mary Zalay if you are interested

Email: [mmzdesign23@gmail.com](mailto:mmzdesign23@gmail.com)



**Upcoming UMM Events:**

The United Methodist Men meet over breakfast at Mr. A's in Roselle at 8:00 am every second Saturday. The next meeting is October 14th.



**The UMM Retreat is on!**

Mark your calendar for an overnight at Wesley Woods Center in Williams Bay, WI on October 20-21. All men are invited for a fun and inspirational retreat at this beautiful camp. Cost is \$75 per person and includes meals, snacks and lodging. Carpooling is available. Please contact Marshall if you are interested.



Feed My Starving Children is a Christian organization that empowers volunteers to pack meals for the malnourished in nearly 70 countries. Their statement of believe quotes Christ Himself as saying, "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat" (Mark 25:35). Although they have only eight packing sites within the United States, one of them is right here in Schaumburg! We have decided to adopt Feed My Starving Children as another one of our church's Caring Ministries. We will serve them on a regular basis—at least once a month. We will soon choose a consistent Friday afternoon time slot and will eventually provide occasional opportunities for weekend service as well. Our first upcoming packing session at the local Feed My Starving Children center will be Friday, October 13 from 2 until 3:45 PM. If you would like to join us on that day, please inform Melissa Bland in the church office. If you have any questions, you can direct them to Melissa or to Bruce Bedingfield.



The Sept/Oct issue is here and in the narthex. Take your copy today!



**Nursery Care** during Sunday worship service is provided for children ages 6 months – 4 years

old. In order to continue this ministry, we need caretakers ages 18+! If you are interested in this paid position, please see Melissa in the office!



### **BLOOD DONATIONS STILL NEEDED**

As you may be well aware, there is still a critical blood shortage. Blood donations through annual blood drives were once an annual Caring Ministry at Our Redeemer’s. Then, during the worst of the Pandemic, we held “virtual” blood drives. We had hoped to hold an inchurch blood drive this fall, but would have needed to promise a certain number of donors. Members are still encouraged to donate blood, however, especially during this shortage. If we donate soon (before the end of October) we can donate still again before the end of the year!

Our closest Vitalant donation center is located on Golf Road here in Schaumburg and is enthusiastically accepting appointments. Please call them at (877) 258-4825 to offer this gift of Christian love.



*(Formerly Gifts From The Heart)*

Once again, I am just getting used to the beautiful autumn days and am not ready to think about Christmas. But providing gifts for hundreds of children requires some early preparation. Gifts from the Heart is ORUMC’s program to provide Christmas gifts to at-risk and foster children who are served by Kids Above All. Your past support has been greatly appreciated by the children and the organization. For the last 3 years we have signed up for the opportunity to support a child through email or a phone call and that has worked well. In addition, we will have a sign-up at church. To sponsor a child, Sign-up at church, email Carol Hollingsworth at clh1325@comcast.net or call/text 847-508-1111 with your name and phone number, and how many children you would like to sponsor by November 5. You are asked to spend no more than \$50 per child and a wish list for each child will be provided to you mid-November. Collection day for gifts will be on Sunday, Dec 3 between 9:00am - 11:00am. I thank all of you that have

supported this program for 38 years and have helped make Christmas brighter for children in need. Please contact me with any questions you may have about this program.

*Carol Hollingsworth*



### **Schaumburg Township Food Pantry Items Needed October 2023**

Canned Fruit – Peaches and Pineapple  
Canned Meat – Tuna, Chicken, Spam  
Pancake Mix and Syrup  
Coffee – Instant, Ground, Pods  
Chili and Beef Stew  
Boxed Cereal  
Boxed Pasta  
Broth – Any Kind  
Canned Beans – Kidney, White, Garbanzo,  
Refried Pork and Beans  
Juice Boxes and Capri Sun  
Rice and Rice Products  
Condiments and Salad Dressings  
Baking Supplies – Flour, Sugar, Baking Soda and Powder, Vanilla Extract  
Chips, Granola Bars, and Other Snacks  
Items for Student Lunches  
Pasta  
Roni  
Mashed Potatoes  
Canned Pumpkin and Yams  
Baby Diapers – sizes 4, 5, 6  
Baby Food and Formula  
Laundry Detergent  
Toothpaste and Toothbrushes  
Adult Diapers and Incontinence Products



### **A NOTE FROM SCHSCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP FOOD PANTRY**

Hello amazing donors!  
Thank you so much for your generous support of the Township food pantry – we could not serve this community the way we do without you.  
We are continuing to see over 1000 households per month – in August we served 1154 households. This is almost 40% more than we served in August 2022. Your donations make a huge difference – please know that you are appreciated.

Sat., Nov. 4th and Sat., Nov. 11th 8:30 am to 4 pm  
 Cost \$40 Includes materials and lunch  
 All class times must be attended to receive credit.

Follow the link below to register:  
<https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/newreg.php?eventid=769270&> - Our Redeemer's UMC

# PRAIRIE SOUTH FALL 2023 LAY ACADEMY



**Sat., Oct. 21st**

8:30 am to 3 pm

**Sat., Oct. 28th**

8:30 am to 3 pm

**Cost \$40**

**Mount Morris: Disciples UMC** 102 Maple Avenue, Mt. Morris

**Class Options:** (one course per academy)

**1 UM Polity**

Book: *Polity, Practice, and the Mission of the United Methodist Church*  
 by Thomas Edward Frank

Instructor: Pastor Seamus Enright and Pastor Brian Gilbert

**2 Preaching**

Book: *From Pew to Pulpit* by Clifton Guthrie

Instructor: Pastor John Meyers

**3 Leading Public Prayer**

Book: *Leading Public Prayer* by Debra Tyree

Instructor: Dennis Yokum, Certified Lay Speaker

**4 Transforming Evangelism**

Book: *Transforming Evangelism* by F. Douglas Powe and Henry H. Knight III

Instructor: Marcia Peddicord, Certified Lay Minister

All books may be purchased at your favorite bookseller.  
 All class times must be attended to receive course credit.

**Register Online:**

[umcnic.org/calendar/prairie-south-lay-academy-fall-23](http://umcnic.org/calendar/prairie-south-lay-academy-fall-23)

**QUESTIONS?**  
 Marcia Peddicord  
[marcia.peddicord@gmail.com](mailto:marcia.peddicord@gmail.com).



**Empowering disciples to a world-transforming faith in Jesus Christ.**

**Fall 2023 Lay Academy**  
 Our Redeemer's United Methodist Church,  
 1600 W. Schaumburg Road,  
 Schaumburg, IL

**1st 2 Saturdays in November, 11/4 & 11/11**  
**8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Conflict Resolution**  
*There are times when it feels like conflict is all around us. By understanding some of the dynamics and aspects of conflict, Lay Servants will have some tools to not only help others understand the nature of conflict but lead in efforts to resolve conflicts in any setting.*  
 Instructor: Roger Curless

**United Methodist Heritage**  
*This course explores the special gifts of theology, witness, and organization that The United Methodist Church brings to the church universal as well as where we are today as a denomination and how our distinctive emphases are still needed in the 21st-century church.*  
 Instructor: Peggy Hansen

**Loving People and Planet in the Name of God**  
*Deepen your biblical and theological appreciation of God's call to care for creation through this course and understand how that connects with other issues of justice in light of Wesleyan tradition and social principles.*  
 Instructor: Beth Galbreath

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**\$40.00 Registration Fee by October 29**  
 Register online through the Northern Illinois Conference website or mail a check payable to "Northern Illinois Conference" to  
 717 N. Washington St., Wheaton, IL 60187  
 Phone: 630-709-3953, [mary.mecker@gmail.com](mailto:mary.mecker@gmail.com)

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