

# Redeemer REVIEW



REDEEMER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD

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from the Pastor...

Rev. Donald Jordan

## DON'T BE AN ABSENT-MINDED LUTHERAN

Amnesia, dementia, and other forms of memory loss are often experienced by many and feared by others who experience infirmities of advanced age. All of us know others in our families and church who are affected by memory loss, either short-term or long-term, sometimes to the point of not even knowing or recognizing a close loved one.



and to consider our imitation of those who have gone before us. We are called to imitate them, to mimic their doctrine and practice, in order to remain steadfast to the unchanging truth of Law and Gospel. The Lord and His Word do not change and never will. Christ is the only Savior and Lord who gave his life for our sins.

On the positive side of this matter, we all know some fellow souls who are very advanced in years and who retain a keen mind and memory of the past and present. We often remark on this and mention how well this person is doing mentally.

So why are we so concerned about having and keeping mental clarity, with good memory retention? There are many good reasons for this as we essentially want to be able to function well throughout the days of our lives until the Lord calls us to glory.

Scripture admonishes us to not become absent-minded in our faith and practice as Christians.

*“Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings...”* – Hebrews 13:7-9a

We are to recall our leaders, both those departed and those present, who preached and taught us the Word of God. This list of leaders first of all includes those of Hebrews 11: Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Sarah, and many others.

It is clear to us that leaders lead and that followers follow their leader, those who “spoke the Word of God to you.” These were leaders that spoke the Word, the whole Word, and nothing but the Word. Those are the kind of leaders we need today.

So, let's not be absent-minded Lutherans who do not remember those who spoke the Word of God to us. These people are our spiritual leaders such as Martin Luther, CFW Walther, and pastors who did not mislead us, but taught us faithfully the Word of God.

During this 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of the posting of the 95 Theses by Martin Luther, we are prompted to return to Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions,

Much has changed in our world during your lifetime and there are constant challenges to our Christian faith each day from the Devil, the world, and our sinful flesh. Pastors come and go. Parishioners come and go. The world says that evil is good and that good is evil. Many do not want to pursue truth in the church, but want to relate to others with experiences, feelings, and emotions. The generations come and go with many voices ever tempting us to forsake the Word of God in order to fit into this world.

So, let's not be absent-minded. Rather, let us remember with keen minds our leaders who spoke the Word of God. Let us remember the Holy Scripture, the very Word of God, not only believing it, but following it. Let us remember our Lutheran Confessors who compiled the Book of Concord and let us consider how to integrate our doctrine and practice so it is faithful. Let us remember the Small Catechism and faithfully follow it. Let us remember the Divine Service each Sunday, in order to receive the gifts of Christ. Let us remember the liturgy of the church and her hymns that extol Christ, that we are fed a regular diet of the Word of God in liturgy and song.

Keep calling to mind, keeping in your memory those who went before you and the Word of God they spoke. We cannot turn our back on those who went before us, and we cannot turn away from our Lord and His Word. With joy and hope we see the outcome of their lives – eternal salvation. That is our goal and our constant hope, which is why we cannot be absent-minded Lutherans.

*“For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.”* - I Corinthians 2:2

Pastor Jordan

## REDEEMER FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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January 1, 2017 – August 31, 2017

### INCOME/EXPENSE – ACTUAL:

ORDINARY INCOME:	\$117,889.35
EXPENSES:	
Administration	\$92,182.69
Christian Education	893.46
Evangelism	288.41
Fellowship	323.76
Stewardship	0.00
Trustees	<u>\$28,586.09</u>
 TOTAL EXPENSES:	 <u>\$122,274.41</u>
NET ORDINARY INCOME	\$-4,385.06
CHURCH FACILITY RENT INCOME	250.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$-4,135.06
RETAINED EARNINGS	<u>\$34,374.57</u>
BALANCE (Total Equity)	\$30,364.51

### ASSETS/LIABILITIES:

#### CHURCH

Directed Funds (TCB)	\$134,030.96
Operating Funds (TCB)	\$30,364.51
Mission Trust Fund (Thornburg)	\$254,920.94
Scholarship Fund (Stifel Nicolaus)	<u>\$311,897.22</u>
TOTAL CHURCH ASSETS/LIAB.:	\$731,213.63
TOTAL SCHOOL ASSETS:	<u>\$23,149.31</u>
TOTAL ASSETS/LIABILITIES:	\$754,362.94
PARSONAGE INCOME	\$7,000.00
Minus Renting Expenses	00.00
Parsonage Deposit	\$1,000.00
Disbursed to Pastor Jordan	<u>\$6,000.00</u>
Net Parsonage Income	00.00

SCHOOL INCOME	\$26,750.00
35% to Mission Trust Fund (Thornburg)	\$9,364.43
30% to Scholarship Fund (Stifel Nicolaus)	\$8,026.65
20% to Facilities Reserve Fund (Thrivent)	\$5,351.10
10% to School Reserve Fund	\$2,675.55
5% to Musician & Concert Fund (TCB)	\$1,337.77

For more details or an explanation,  
see the office manager.

## CHURCH STAFF

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## HYMNS THAT SING OF CHRIST: LSB 730 “WHAT IS THE WORLD TO ME”

What is the world to me  
With all its vaunted pleasure  
When You, and You alone,  
Lord Jesus, are my treasure!  
You only, dearest Lord,  
My soul's delight shall be;  
You are my peace, my rest.  
What is the world to me!

The world seeks to be praised  
And honored by the mighty  
Yet never once reflects  
That they are frail and flighty.  
But what I truly prize  
Above all things is He,  
My Jesus, He alone.  
What is the world to me!

The world seeks after wealth  
And all that mammon offers  
Yet never is content  
Though gold should fill its coffers.  
I have a higher good,  
Content with it I'll be:  
My Jesus is my wealth.  
What is the world to me!

What is the world to me!  
My Jesus is my treasure,  
My life, my health, my wealth,  
My friend, my love, my pleasure,  
My joy, my crown, my all,  
My bliss eternally.  
Once more, then, I declare:  
What is the world to me!

This hymn speaks of the renunciation of the world (1 John 2:15-17) by Georg Pfefforkorn and first appeared anonymously in eight stanzas in the *Stettinisches Vollständiges Gesang-Buch* in 1671. The translation is an updated version of that which appeared in *The Lutheran Hymnal* of 1941, namely, an altered version done by August Crull (1845-1923).

Georg Pfefforkorn (1645-1732) was born at Iffta, a small village near Eisenach where his father was a Lutheran pastor. After studying at the University of Jena and Leipzig, he served for a time as a private tutor, later becoming a teacher at the local gymnasium. His piety and talents prompted Duke Ernst the Pious of Gotha to appoint him as private tutor of his three sons. In 1676, Duke Friedrich I appointed him pastor of Friemear near Gotha.

*Was Frag Ich Nach Der Welt* is an anonymous tune that first appeared in Leipzig in 1679.

## UPDATE OF TRUSTEES PROJECTS FOR SUMMER

The summer turned out to be a very busy time for the Trustees, both at the church and school.

### SCHOOL:

1. After many years of neglect, the sprinkler system at the school was repaired by a contractor.
2. Two window AC units had to be installed to provide proper cooling for two small “offices”. A contractor did the work.
3. Deteriorated cyclone fencing had to be replaced and some cyclone fencing, no longer needed, was removed. A contractor did the work.

### CHURCH:

1. AC unit installed in church balcony.
2. A major water leak under the kitchen floor was repaired by a contractor.
3. New carpet was installed at the two church entries on Moss Street.
4. The entire aging sprinkler system for the church proper was repaired by a contractor.

As you will note, all above work was done by a contractor, because the work was beyond the trustees' capabilities.

Our church lawn has been cared for by Kurt Jordan for many years. He has decided to pass this job on to someone else. If you have the time and talent for this job, please contact Terry Brinson. This is a paid job.

Also, all of the church windows are in need of cleaning/washing. If this is something that you feel you can do, please contact Terry Brinson.

## MEMBERSHIP CHANGE

SELF-EXCLUSION - SEPTEMBER 8, 2017

EASTMAN FAMILY



BROCK  
JULIE  
EMMA  
BROCK, JR.  
ABBY  
RILYN  
GRACELYNN



## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

01 BUD URICH  
13 ELLIS HUNT  
17 CHARLOTTE ROBERTS  
28 JAMES BARBOZA  
30 ANNE HERMES

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650 Manzanita Ave Apt 115  
Chico, CA 95926

**Ann Carney** 894-7010  
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**John "Jack" Christenson**  
Townsend House  
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**Jackie Eichelberger** 343-5260  
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Chico, CA 95928-8410

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**Evelyn Graham** 798-1405  
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**Fred & Helen Sherman** 345-0243  
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Chico, CA 95926-7745

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Chico, CA 95926



## OCTOBER BAPTISMAL DATES

04 DANIEL SIEMENS  
04 SAMANTHA ZIMMER  
05 CHUCK SCHAFFERT  
05 SHARON SCHAFFERT  
07 HELEN SHERMAN  
08 GEORGETTE ALMAND  
28 MARTHA JONES

### WOMEN'S KAFFEEKLATSCH

Monday October 16  
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 NOON



*Sharon Schaffert's*  
627 Larch St.  
343-1596

## 2017 ELDER ASSIGNMENTS

TIMOTHY WENSLAFF  
WILLARD SCHLESNER  
FRED SHERMAN, III  
TRACY WOOLERY

ALLEN - GRAHAM  
HALL - MORENO  
NELSON - SWEET  
TEFELSKI - ZIMMER

## SUBMISSION DEADLINE

for the November Redeemer Review is  
Tuesday, October 24, 3:00 p.m.

### PASTOR JORDAN'S SERMONS

www.kkxx.net (live and podcasts) KKXX Chico, CA  
930 AM Saturday/Sunday 1:00 PM  
KKXX Chico, CA 104.5 FM Saturday/Sunday 1:00 PM

### THE LUTHERAN HOUR

www.kkxx.net (live and podcasts) KKXX Chico, CA  
930 AM Saturday/Sunday 1:30 PM  
KKXX Chico, CA 104.5 FM Saturday/Sunday 1:30 PM





## QUILTERS

For many years, women of Redeemer have sewn functional patch-type quilts. Dozens have been distributed to the less fortunate through various local facilities. Others are "gifted" for other reasons.



### FROM THE REDEEMER BELLS OF PRAISE

Have you missed the bells playing during the offering? We hope so. Well, after some very hot days and a number of personal injuries and illnesses, we are going to start rehearsals and ringing during service in October. Do you know who plays? (sounds like the introduction to a medical commercial) Here are the current members:

Jerry Brandt (Jerry has taken over as Director), Sharon Schaffert, Linda Allen, Lucie Woolery, Carol Varley, Marsha Hoffman, Cyndie & Bruce Holderbein, Robert Engelken, and Diane Scott. Carol Hall, our big-bell player, has resigned to be able to travel with Steve, now that he has retired (finally). So, we need to replace her. If anyone would like to join this happy and dedicated crowd, please call Jerry at 636-4392

We will rehearse every Thursday, 6:30 p.m. in the choir loft. We provide the bells. We are looking forward to the use of the new air conditioning system that the congregation graciously installed in the balcony so that the bell choir and Rev. David Bunting, our organist, can serve the congregation better (without sweating).

The entire membership of the bell choir is pleased to have the opportunity to serve the congregation and our Lord with music during Divine Worship. We welcome anyone who would like to join us in this wonderful service to Him.

I want to take this opportunity, on behalf of the entire congregation, to publicly thank Sharon Schaffert for her dedicated and expert directorship of the Bells of Praise for many years. She has been a dedicated servant of the Lord and has done an excellent service in this, only one of her vocations. She has graciously offered to continue to play her favorite bells in the future.

THANK YOU, SHARON!

*In music service to our Lord,  
Jerry Brandt, Bells of Praise Director*

After a summer of fewer workdays, the quilters plan to resume Monday, October 2, 9:00 a.m. They encourage you to stop by on the first and second Mondays of each month. Let them show you around the fabric room and acquaint you with this special mission.

One does not have to be skilled in sewing. There is a task for everyone. Sessions begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at noon or later if desired. There will be plenty of "good fellowship" to go around, plus the coffee is always hot and ready.

Questions can be directed to Alice Wescoatt or any quilter. We hope to see you.

MONDAYS:

October 2, 9 + November 6, 13 + December 4, 11

## HEALTH MINISTRY

Mark your calendar. The next Blood Source blood drive is Sunday November 12, following church service. Refrain from donating before then in order to be eligible to give.

Requirements:

1. Be in good health.
2. Weigh at least 110 pounds.
3. Eat a good breakfast.
4. Be well hydrated.
5. Be seventeen years or older. Sixteen years old accepted with parent's permission.
6. There is no upper age limitation.

A sign-up sheet will be in the Parish Hall three Sundays prior to the blood drive. Please donate. Blood donation really does save lives.

Questions can be directed to Bri Lofink or Shirley Wilson.



## BOARD OF FELLOWSHIP

**The Board of Fellowship  
invites you to the  
Annual Dinner  
on Sunday, October 29  
following worship  
Please RSVP in the Parish  
Hall**



## SIT-N-STITCH - SAVE THE DATE



Sit-N-Stitch on Saturday, November 18 and Saturday, December 16, 2017, 9-3. Enjoy fellowship and potluck lunch while sewing, embroidering, knitting, crocheting, or tatting your personal project in the Parish Hall. Bring a friend or neighbor, come for a short while or much of the day.

*Barbara Thomas and Lucie Woolery*

## LWML CNH ZONE 12 FALL RALLY

**Saturday, October 14, 2017 at Redeemer**  
9:30 a.m. Registration - 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

### STEADFAST IN HIS WORD

1 Peter 1:24-25 "...for all flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever." ESV

### Featured Speakers:

**Pastor Dallas & Mrs. Dubke**

Presentation on trip to Germany

**Offering will be received for The Jesus  
Center—Lily House and 2016-2018  
LWML CNH Mission Grants**

### Ingathering Items for Lily House:

Diapers, toilet tissue, Kleenex, paper towels,  
cleaning items

Cost \$10.00 includes lunch  
Please RSVP by October 10th with the number  
attending to  
to Linda Allen at 891-0489 or email at  
[lindajallen715@gmail.com](mailto:lindajallen715@gmail.com)

## 2018 HIGHER THINGS YOUTH CONFERENCE



**Sanctified**  
2018 HIGHER THINGS CONFERENCES

Sanctified 2018 Higher Things youth conference is July 31-August 3, Tacoma, Washington. Registration opens November 1. Youth and counselors interested should contact Pastor Jordan.

## MONTHLY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Men's Bible study meets this Saturday, October 7, 8:00 a.m. Read Chapter 3, "The Theology of the Cross - The Hiddenness of God" in "The Spirituality of the Cross" by Gene Veith. Books are available in the narthex. Pastor Jordan, teacher.

## 2017 MISSION SUPPORT

1Q	YOUTH/CAMPUS MINISTRY (\$1,047.39 Mission Reserve, \$1,563.49 Mission Interest, \$1,093.67 Mission Envelopes)	\$3,704.55
2Q	RADIO SERMONS/LUTHERAN HOUR/ISSUES, ETC. (\$1,536.17 Mission Reserve, \$970.00 Mission Interest, \$1,917.60 Mission Envelopes)	\$4,423.77
3Q	DISTRICT MISSION: Deaf Ministry, Texas/Los Angeles	
4Q	INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS: Pastor Rabe, Ethiopia; Pastor Meeker, Kenya; Pastor Conrad, Mexico	



The Reformation was not about anything new, but about returning to the unchanged and unchanging truth. So it is still today. The celebration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation is not a time for novelty. It is a time to return: to the truth, to the basics, to the foundation.

Do you remember the Small Catechism? Many of us were made to memorize the catechism (or at least part of it) during our Confirmation classes. Some of us might have even suffered through a public examination over its contents.

How much do you remember? Say it with me: “I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him...” Can you finish? Do you remember where that is found? (It’s in Luther’s explanation of the Third Article of the Apostles’ Creed.)

It’s time to return. Luther wrote the Small Catechism for the instruction of laypeople. Luther intended the Small Catechism to be used at church and in the home to instruct children in the faith and to

reinforce the faith in the hearts and minds of adults.

There is no better time than in this year of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation to review the catechism.

Read it for yourself. Refresh the theology in your mind. Pray the catechism daily. Memorize it.

But even more, teach it. If you are a parent, teach it to your children. As you have opportunity, share it with your friends and peers.

The catechism teaches the fundamentals of the Christian faith: the Ten Commandments, the Lord’s Prayer, the Apostles’ Creed, the Sacrament of Baptism, the Sacrament of the Altar and the Office of the Keys and Confession. This small book is well worth your time and study.

May this celebration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation be a time when we return to the Word and Sacraments, when we turn to Christ and His love. It’s *still* all about Jesus.



# *Women's Resource Clinic 21st Annual Fall Banquet Miracles of Life*

*Friday, October 13, 2017*

*Location: CSUC-Bell Memorial Hall*

*Doors open at 5:15pm.*

*Dinner and program start at 6:15pm.*



Featuring Special Guest Speaker:  
Dr. Marc Newman

Women's Resource Clinic is excited to announce that our 2017 Fall Benefit Banquet will feature guest speaker Dr. Marc Newman. Dr. Newman is one of the most sought after Pro-Life speakers in the nation having spoken at nearly every major pro-life convention. Dr. Newman heads [MovieBibleStudy.com](http://MovieBibleStudy.com) a site that helps Christians use movies to reach out to others. He has appeared on such shows as Fox News and in Time magazine. We invite you to join us for a life changing opportunity to hear Dr. Marc Newman. Profound and heartwarming client testimonies and updates about the Clinic will also be shared. Stop by the Clinic at 115 W. 2nd Ave. or call 530-897-6101 to purchase tickets. \$245.00 (table of 8) individual tickets \$32.00. The last day to purchase tickets will be October 9th, 2017. Space is limited to 432 seats, and they will be going fast. We hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to be blessed and encouraged by Dr. Newman's message on Friday Oct. 13th, 2017, at the California State University, Chico in the BMU. Doors will open at 5:15 PM with dinner and program beginning promptly at 6:15 PM.



## REV. MARCUS ZILL

**Rev. Marcus Zill will lead the Bible class and preach on Sunday, October 15.**

***Director, Campus Ministry and LCMS U***

The Rev. Marcus T. Zill serves as the director of Campus Ministry and LCMS U. He facilitates connectivity among those engaged in campus ministry, oversees annual conferences, training events and the development of related resources, hosts a campus ministry related radio program through KFYO called The Student Union, and provides support and consultation for the growing number of LCMS campus ministries and for those who wish to develop campus outreach.



Prior to beginning work in this position in July 2014,

Zill served for more than 15 years as the full-time campus pastor at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church and Campus Center in Laramie, Wyo., working with students at the University of Wyoming. During that time, he also helped found Higher Things, a youth-oriented Recognized Service Organization, and served for seven years as its Christ on Campus Executive.

Zill and his wife, Bethany, have two teenage sons, Sterling and Grant. The Zill family lives in Albuquerque, N.M.

## DISASTER RESPONSE: HOW TO HELP

**By mail,** make checks payable to:

"The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod" with the memo line or a note indicating the gift is for "Disaster Response" or "Hurricane Relief." Send to:

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod  
Mission Advancement  
P.O. Box 66861  
St. Louis, MO 63166-6861

**By phone,** using a credit card, call the LCMS toll-free gift line between 8 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. central time at 888-930-4438.



## THURSDAY CATECHISM

Pastor Jordan

Thursdays, 9:30 – 11:00, Fireside Room

### MATERIALS:

Holy Bible (ESV or NKJV)  
Small Catechism, Didache (Pless)

### OCTOBER

- 05 - The Sacrament of Holy Baptism  
Chapter 8
- 12 - Confession/Absolution  
Office of the Keys  
Chapter 9
- 19 - The Sacrament of the Altar  
Chapter 10
- 26 - Daily Prayers, Table of Duties  
Chapter 11, 12 - Conclusion
- 29 - Sunday – Rite of Confirmation  
Reception of New Members

## CAMPUS MINISTRY OKTOBERFEST



COLLEGE/young adult Oktoberfest dinner and Bible study is Sunday, October 1, 5:00. Contact Pastor Jordan.



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# Is it safe? Do I open it?

We all would like to believe that people are basically trustworthy and honest and that this applies to the information we receive via our computers and smartphones. As the song goes, "it ain't necessarily so..."

First and foremost, we need to have antivirus software that checks our software and incoming information. What do we mean by that? There are a number of programs available and some come as part of the device itself or as part of the operating system. There are some very good programs that are free, at least for the basic level with the option to purchase the "professional" or "premium" level. Generally you can find a chart that lists the attributes of each level. Don't buy more than you need, but on the other hand, don't underestimate your needs.

Antivirus programs protected against programs that were designed to destroy data in the early days of computing. As time went on, other kinds of malicious software came into being and it was termed "malware." A virus is malware, but not all malware is a virus. Viruses developed by those who wanted the thrill of hacking into a computer were malicious, annoying and often extremely destructive. They did not, however, make money for the person who developed it unless they were paid to infiltrate and embed a virus into a specific company's software.

Malware, on the other hand, can gather credit card information, reveal passwords and spread spam to name a few things. There are good free malware programs that also have the option for upgrading to a premium level.

The most important feature of antivirus and malware software is that you keep them current. Some, even at the free level, will allow updating the software automatically. Others require manual updates. Don't neglect updating these programs.

Virus and malware are by no means the only threat, but just the beginning. There truly is no one program that affords 100% protection. The best protection is layered and even that is not failsafe. There are other threats out there and other protection programs, but these two are the first place to start.

Another thing to consider is whether or not we should open each and every email that we receive. And if we suspect a problem, what do we do about it?

The short answer is don't open an email unless you know the sender, and even when you know the sender, don't open every email they might send you!

# TECHNOLOGY



Example: you receive an email from a friend and all that is in it is a link to click. No explanation or other message. What should you do? **Delete it!!**

One of the things that malware can do is capture a person's contacts. Then emails are sent out to that list and if you click on the link that is in the email, who knows what can happen. Sometimes it can be a PDF attachment which then links you into the labyrinth of nefarious infections and computer misadventure.

What about an email that asks for personal information? Even if that is from your own bank or a service you use, don't send personal information through an email. **Do not open it and DO NOT RESPOND TO IT.** Identity theft is real. Go directly to the financial institution or other service to find out if they did in fact need information.

Recent case in point is the Equifax security breach. Is there a problem, yes, but don't respond to any email that says your information may be in danger. A good place to start is [Identitytheft.gov/databreach](http://Identitytheft.gov/databreach)

Part of using technology in a godly manner is to also be wise and safe in the care of technology. Don't blindly accept information that is sent to you, even if it comes from your pastor. Churches can have their computers hacked too. So stay alert. When in doubt, delete. An email can always be resent if you find it is legitimate.

The following comes from the blog Pastoral Meanderings, dated September 18, 2017: *Lord, rescue us from the prisons and captivities we have placed upon ourselves and give us clear and true vision of what You count as real so that we may survive a digital identity and rekindle with others the grace upon which we stand.*

For the full posting visit: <http://pastoralmeanderings.blogspot.com/2017/09/have-you-noticed.html>

Pastors are becoming increasingly aware of the highs and lows of technology. Encourage your pastor to learn about and investigate new technology and to share what he finds, but also stay vigilant for his godly use of any technology.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Oct 1</b> 17th Sunday after Pentecost Mile Box Sunday 8:45am SS/Adult Bible Class 10:00am Divine Service 11:15am Fellowship (Parish) 5:00pm College/Young Adult	<b>2</b> [Other] First Lutheran Hour broadcast in 1930. Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off 9:00am Quilters (Parish Hall)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 9:30am Adult Catechism/Bible Study (Parish Hall) 6:30pm Bell Choir Practice (Choir Loft)	<b>6</b> Office Manager's Day Off	<b>7</b> (C) Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, Pastor 8:00am Men's Bible Study (Fireside Room) 1:00pm KXXX Sermon 1:30pm Lutheran Hour
<b>8</b> 18th Sunday after Pentecost 8:45am SS/Adult Bible Class 10:00am Divine Service 11:15am Fellowship (Parish) 1:00pm KXXX Sermon 1:30pm Lutheran Hour	<b>9</b> (C) Abraham Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	<b>10</b> District Pastors Conference (Fairfield, California) (C) Philip the Deacon	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 9:30am Adult Catechism/Bible Study (Parish Hall) 6:30pm Bell Choir Practice (Choir Loft)	<b>13</b> Office Manager's Day Off 5:15pm Women's Resource Clinic Fall Banquet (CSUC - Bell Memorial Hall)	<b>14</b> 9:30am LWML Zone 12 Rally (Parish Hall) 1:00pm KXXX Sermon 1:30pm Lutheran Hour
<b>15</b> 19th Sunday after Pentecost Rev. Marcus Zill 8:45am SS/Adult Bible Class 10:00am Divine Service 11:15am Fellowship (Parish) 1:00pm KXXX Sermon	<b>16</b> Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off 10:00am Women's Kaffeeklatsch (Sharon Schaffer's)	<b>17</b> Pastor's Vacation (C) Ignatius of Antioch, Pastor and Martyr 9:00am Quilters (Parish Hall)	<b>18</b> (F) St. Luke, Evangelist (R) 8:30am Life Line Screening (Parish Hall)	<b>19</b> 9:30am Adult Catechism/Bible Study (Parish Hall) 6:30pm Bell Choir Practice (Choir Loft)	<b>20</b> Office Manager's Day Off	<b>21</b> 9:00am Council Meeting (Fireside Room) 1:00pm KXXX Sermon 1:30pm Lutheran Hour
<b>22</b> 20th Sunday after Pentecost Kenya Orphan Student 8:45am SS/Adult Bible Class 10:00am Divine Service 11:15am Fellowship (Parish) 1:00pm KXXX Sermon	<b>23</b> (F) St. James of Jerusalem, Brother of Jesus and Martyr (R) Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	<b>24</b> 4:00pm Newsletter Deadline	<b>25</b> (C) Dorcas (Tabitha), Lydia, and Phoebe, Faithful Women	<b>26</b> (C) Philipp Nicolai, Johann Heermann, and Paul 9:30am Adult Catechism/Bible Study (Parish Hall) 6:30pm Bell Choir Practice (Choir Loft)	<b>27</b> Office Manager's Day Off	<b>28</b> (F) St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles (R) 1:00pm KXXX Sermon 1:30pm Lutheran Hour
<b>29</b> (F) Reformation Day 21st Sunday after Pentecost 8:45am SS/Adult Bible Class 10:00am Divine Service 11:15am Reformation Dinner 1:00pm KXXX Sermon	<b>30</b> Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	<b>31</b> (F) Reformation Day (R) 9:00am Quilters (Parish Hall)	Nov 1	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>



<b>OFFICE MANAGER'S HOURS</b>	<b>TUE - THU</b>	<b>9:00AM - 4:00PM*</b>
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<b>EMAIL:</b>	<b>redeemerchicooffice@gmail.com</b>	
<b>PASTOR'S EMAIL:</b>	<b>pastordonaldjordan@gmail.com</b>	
<b>WEB ADDRESS:</b>	<b>www.redeemerchico.org</b>	
<b>Facebook:</b>	<b>facebook.com/RedeemerLutheranChico</b>	
	<b>*Lunch 1/2 - 1 hour</b>	

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