

Redeemer REVIEW



REDEEMER EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD CHICO, CALIFORNIA SUMMER 2021 Vol. 35 No. 56

from the Pastor...

Rev. Donald Jordan

IT IS A LONG TIME

Some things in life last a long time and one of those is “The Time of the Church” or the season after Pentecost in the church year. This season in the Christian church year begins the day after Pentecost and ends on the Saturday before the First Sunday in Advent. From now until the end of November we will be in this season.

The Sundays after Pentecost make up the longest portion of the Church Year. This is The Time of the Church, in distinction from The Time of Christ (Christmas and Easter seasons). During this Time of the Church we focus on growing together as Christians in the life of the Holy Trinity.

On the First Sunday after Pentecost, the Church celebrates Holy Trinity Sunday. We are baptized into only one name, but that name is “Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.” There is only one name, only one God – but there are three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. On this Sunday we confess this great mystery of the Holy Trinity.

Christians make the sign of the cross to confess this doctrine and to comfort themselves with the remembrance of baptism. Use the sign of the cross upon your body as a daily reminder of God’s name put upon you in baptism and to confess that your body and soul belong to God.

The Sundays of this time of the Church Year are known as Sundays after Pentecost. Picking up on the theme of the season of growth, they are often referred to as Green Sundays since the



parameters are green and the pastor’s stole and chasuble are green.

The readings focus on the life of Christ in the church. We hear Jesus teaching his disciples and healing the faithful.

Because the Pentecost season is part of “ordinary” time, congregations may choose to observe some of the lesser festivals of the season. When saint days or commemorations

fall on Sundays, pastors will want to highlight these to offer teaching moments about the breadth of the Church’s life and work. These noteworthy days enable Christians to reflect on how we worship “with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven.”

On the Last Sunday after Pentecost, the Church gives voice to the joyful hope of the second coming of Jesus for the resurrection of the dead and the last judgment. The end-times focus of the Last Sunday of the Church Year bears themes of hope and preparation that are similar to those of Advent, which soon follows and begins the new Church Year.

It’s a long time in the Church Year for the next six months, but that is the theme of life as we struggle with the devil, world, and sinful flesh, yet living and enduring faithfully as Christ is with us in His Word and Sacraments, to forgive us, and to strengthen us in the power of the Holy Spirit to live faithfully until the end.

A blessed season and life to you in Christ.

Pastor Jordan



SUMMER BIRTHDAYS



SUMMER BAPTISMS

06/01 KLAUS KEIL
 06/02 RAY SCOTT
 06/03 MONICA JORDAN
 06/04 KAYLEE SCHUKEI
 06/04 KYLE SCHUKEI
 06/16 BETTY ROLLAG
 06/17 EVELYN GRAHAM
 06/20 BILL BAVING
 06/20 KYLA MIRAMONTES
 06/23 KARL WEINREICH
 06/27 BRUCE HOLDERBEIN
 06/27 YUFEI WENSLAFF
 06/28 PAT LILLIE
 06/30 REV. ROY MASON
 07/06 ANITA JOHNSON
 07/09 RACHEL THOMASON
 07/12 ROBERT ENGELKEN
 07/15 LINDSEY ALLEN
 07/16 DONNA RAMEY
 07/17 MEGAN ALMAND
 07/22 LOUISE URNESS
 07/24 ALEXIS WERNER
 07/25 ROLAND LOFINK
 07/26 CAROLINE ZIEGLER
 07/31 JAMES TIEMANN
 08/03 CANDIE THURMAN
 08/04 TIM WENSLAFF
 08/06 HENRY DEGARMO
 08/07 RANDY SIEMENS
 08/08 MICHAEL HOFFIE
 08/11 DIANE SCOTT
 08/11 LUKE THOMASON
 08/11 DIANNE WILKINSON
 08/13 BONNIE HUNT
 08/14 BRIAN MARSHALL
 08/14 CHUCK SCHAFFERT
 08/17 MATTHEW THOMASON
 08/19 RYAN GODSIL
 08/19 JANET JOKSCH
 08/19 JEANIE SAWYER
 08/21 REBECCA BERGENDAHL
 08/21 MEGAN GODSIL
 08/23 SHERRY GODSIL
 08/25 SONYA BROWN
 08/25 WALTER GODSIL

06/01 KLAUS KEIL
 06/01 TYLER YOUNG
 06/07 REV. ROBERT ROBERTS
 06/09 KURT JORDAN
 06/11 PAUL DEGARMO
 06/11 MATTHEW THOMASON
 06/12 LORI JORDAN
 06/15 MONICA JORDAN
 06/17 WILLIAM RUSTAN
 06/21 KAREN MCHENRY
 07/00 DR. NORMAN MCCANN
 07/05 ANDREW WEINREICH
 07/14 DUSTIN SIEMENS
 08/01 BRUCE HOLDERBEIN
 08/02 ROBERT ENGELKEN
 08/08 ROLAND LOFINK
 08/13 JUDY MORENO
 08/16 ALEXIS WERNER
 08/19 WESTON VANGARMO
 08/21 KARL WEINREICH
 08/25 DR. SONYA BROWN
 08/30 CAROLINE ZIEGLER
 08/30 AMANDA SIEMENS
 08/31 JANET JOKSCH

SUMMERSERVANTS

ACOLYTE:
 YUHUAN WENSLAFF
 ALTAR GUILD:
 LORI JORDAN
 LINDA REAN
 MARNÉ SIVESIND
 KATHY SWEET
 LOUISE URNESS
 ELDERS OF THE MONTH
 JUNE - DARYL SMITH
 JULY - ROBERT REAN
 AUGUST - MATTHEW THOMASON
 COUNTER:
 PAT LILLIE
 VAN DRIVERS:
 JAY ERWIN
 BRUCE HOLDERBEIN
 KURT JORDAN
 DARYL SMITH

ELDER ASSIGNMENTS

ROBERT REAN:	Aberg - Crane
TIM WENSLAFF:	DeGarmo - Holderbein
JAY ERWIN:	Hunt - May
MATTHEW THOMASON:	McCann - Schukei
ROBERT ENGELKEN:	Scott - Thompson
DARYL SMITH:	Thorson - Zimmer

CHURCH STAFF

REV. DONALD JORDAN, PASTOR
 JACKIE VIEIRA, OFFICE MANAGER
 REV. DAVID BUNTING, ORGANIST
 JAY ERWIN, ORGANIST SUB

OFFICERS

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Submission Deadline
for the
September Redeemer
Review
August 20

Email submissions to:
redemerchicooffice@gmail.com

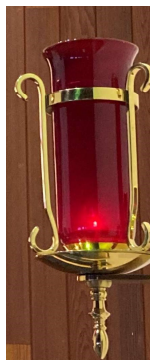
HOMEBOUND



Altar flower sponsors are needed for:

June 6, 13
 July 4, 25
 August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
 September 5, 12, 19, 26
 October 3, 10, 31
 November 7, 14, 21, 24, 28
 December 5, 12, 19, 24, 25, 26, 31

Sanctuary lamp candle sponsors are needed for: August, September, November, and December. Sign up in the narthex or contact the office. \$15



Ride the Van

An accessible van with a wheelchair lift is used each Sunday morning to transport those who need a ride to the Divine Service.

Call Jerry Brandt at 636-4392 before Saturday noon to arrange a ride for the following Sunday service.



Brenda Bell
 1901 Dayton Rd #106
 Chico, CA 95928

Irene Bevers
 1803 Parkview Dr
 Twin Falls, ID 83301

Eleanore Bingen
 1199 Diablo Ave #115
 Chico, CA 95973-7893

Patricia Bodi
 650 Manzanita Ave #115
 Chico, CA 95926

Sonya Brown
 2950 Sierra Sunrise Ter. #308
 Chico, CA 95928

Ann Carney
 1200 Springfield Dr
 Chico, CA 95928

Paul DeGarmo
 2770 Sierra Ladera
 Chico, CA 95928

Jackie Eichelberger
 1199 Diablo #117
 Chico, CA 95973

Ursula Fratallone
 1369 E Lindo Ave #42
 Chico, CA 95926-7396

Evelyn Graham
 121 Dorsey Dr #605
 Grass Valley, CA 95945

LaVera Hansen
 31741 Rancho Viejo Rd. #106
 San Juan Capistrano
 CA 92675

Esther Henry
 14 Discovery Way
 Chico, CA 95926

Roy & Marge Holderbein
 1901 Dayton Rd Spc 162
 Chico, CA 95928

Margean Huwe
 188 Cohasset Lane
 Chico, CA 95926

Deborah Kressin
 2180 Humboldt Rd
 Chico, CA 95928

Joanne Martin
 1351 E Lassen Ave #139
 Chico, CA 95973

Marian May
 1741 Citrus
 Chico, CA 95926

Donald Miller
 2590 Sierra Sunrise Ter. #106
 Chico, CA 95928

Carol Nelson
 7800 S Windermere St
 Littleton, CO 80120

Betty Rollag
 4145 Nord Hwy
 Chico, CA 95973

Rosemary Smith
 1200 Springfield Dr. #222
 Chico, CA 95928

Bella Thorson
 10 Ilahee Lane #27
 Chico, CA 95973

Kathleen Weaver
 2270 Ridge Run Rd
 Quincy, CA 95971



Submit prayer requests to Pastor Jordan by email, text, voice mail, or in writing, using the form in the pew rack.
pastordonaldjordan@gmail.com

(530) 513-1284
 (530) 342-6085 Opt. 1

Support Our Youth - Recycle
 Recycle plastic and aluminum beverage containers. Remove the caps from plastic. Sort aluminum and plastic, place in bags, then place in the bins located in the Parish Hall storage closet. The bins are full and in need of someone to take them to the recycling center.



Thank you for your support.

REDEEMER FINANCIAL SUMMARY

January 1, 2021 - April 30, 2021

INCOME/EXPENSE – ACTUAL:

ORDINARY INCOME:	\$62,418.41
EXPENSES:	<u>\$64,569.33</u>
NET ORDINARY INCOME	\$ -2,150.92
FACILITY RENT INCOME	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ -2,150.92
RETAINED EARNINGS	<u>\$36,452.42</u>
BALANCE (Total Equity)	\$34,301.50

Complete report available in narthex.

ICONCMO



IconCMO is the database Redeemer uses to track our membership. This program offers Member Portal Security whereby members are able to access and update their information. Each household is given a unique username and password. A

household can review the accuracy of their information and update their contact information or special dates as required. The household can review their giving history and can print a contribution statement for any period of time they want. They can also view the church directory!

Members were sent an email with the information necessary to access the member portal in May. If you didn't receive the invitation or you would like more information, contact the office manager at redemerchicooffice@gmail.com. Members need to have a current email address in our system to receive the invitation.

ALTAR GUILD



Altar Guild is missing the matching vase to the one shown in the picture. If you happen to have it at home, please return to the sacristy.

Thank you!

PASTOR JORDAN'S SERMONS

KKXX.net - Tunein.com KKXX 930 AM, 103.9 FM
Saturday & Sunday 1:00 & 5:00 PM

DIGITAL DAILY DEVOTIONS

From Lutheran Hour Ministries:

<https://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions>

From Higher Things:

<https://higherthings.org/content#reflections>

Portals of Prayer:

<https://www.l.cph.org/portals/default.aspx>



LUTHERAN PUBLIC RADIO

Listen to good Lutheran radio programs at Lutheran Public Radio, Issues Etc., KFUE, St. Louis. 94.3 The Bridge.

PASTOR ON THE RADIO



Pastor Jordan is a regular guest on "Live Talk with Jerry Olenyn" Thursday and Friday on KKXX radio. 8:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m. AM 930, FM 103.9
www.tunein.com

FROM A LOYAL LISTENER...

"Yes, my name is Robert Reynolds. I'm from Magalia and I've been listening to your sermons on KKXX for ...I don't know... the past 2 or 3 years. I can't tell you how much I've enjoyed it. I really do love the whole Sunday morning thing. Each Saturday and Sunday I listen to it all. Anyway, I just wanted to let you know how much I enjoy how it takes me through the rest of the week and these days I really need it... we all do. Thank you, sir and God bless you."

THE LUTHERAN HOUR

KKXX.net - Tunein.com KKXX 930 AM, 103.9 FM
Saturday & Sunday 1:30 PM

TECHNOLOGY



Technology summer vacation...

Do you ever find yourself wanting to go back to childhood and summer vacation where we imagine we will have weeks of not having to study lessons and follow structured days? Is your email inbox overflowing with articles to read, your podcast list growing longer and longer and YouTube subscriptions multiplying like rabbits?

Do you need a summer vacation from technology or do you simply need a change? Sometimes a change is as good as a rest. Let's look at something that might be a change.

A recent email is the catalyst for this article. It came from the Managing Editor of the Lutheran Witness with thanks for signing up for *The Lutheran Witness Newsletter* a few months back, and to watch for the first issue coming at the end of the month (May). He writes:

"We recognize the staggering amount of material available to read. There is no end to the news on the internet; our own social media feeds also overflow with articles and stories to read."

"We are grateful that you chose to read this newsletter. While we might occasionally publish "newsy" stories, that is not our primary purpose. We want to draw you into Scripture and point you to Jesus Christ and Him crucified for the world."

Here is the link if you want to sign up for this newsletter:

<https://witness.lcms.org/subscribe/>

When you get to this link you want to go to the "Web Newsletter" box and then subscribe.

The hope is that this is not just another email to further clutter up the inbox but a way of helping to de-clutter while adding substance. This is a chance to help evaluate and shape this new newsletter. Consider signing up.

Think about pairing your summer vacation thoughts with a new journal. Look at <https://www.cph.org/p-34127-my-lutheran-notebook-hymns-quotes-and-prayers-for-inspiration.aspx>. Old school, perhaps, but...

Happy Summer Vacation! Let us know what you learned during your "de-cluttering" time and how you were able to use technology in godly ways.

THE COOPERS RETURN TO CHICO



Jeffrey, Elizabeth, Ingrid, Anna

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

You may remember Jeffrey (organist) & Anna Cooper (both CSUC alumni) who left Chico about 10 years ago and are moving back to Chico this August. They bring with them their two daughters, Elizabeth (6) and Ingrid (3). Jeff performed a recital at Redeemer Lutheran before leaving the area in 2011 to go to grad school. Since then, the coopers moved from Indiana to Texas for even more schooling, then to Washington state for the last few years. They're looking forward to moving back, and know the housing market is competitive. They have two needs:

1. Affordable temporary housing. Unconventional is ok, outdoor space for the kiddos to play is a big plus. "We're looking for two bedrooms at least."
2. Jeff will be looking for organ/piano/keyboard students who might want to start lessons this fall.

"We appreciate any helpful leads on either of these fronts. We look forward to being back!"

Anna - 530-366-6860

jtascooper@gmail.com

QUILTERS

Summer finds our quilting group scheduling sessions the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month, 9a.m. - 12:00p.m. Little by little, the shelves in the quilting room are being filled. We usually have five or six sets of willing hands working. We can always use more "workers," so consider stopping by any of these mornings. No experience



needed. Coffee is provided. The future dates for meetings will be announced in the Sunday bulletin.



And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. (Deut 6: 6-7 ESV)

Seems like just yesterday, but a little digging showed that the first Children's Resources article was in January 2018 and the aim has always been to help find resources that enable all of us to be faithful teachers of God's word to our children. It's not easy to parent. It takes dedicated time, effort, and support in a variety of ways. It takes encouragement for you as parents and a willingness to lend a helping hand whenever possible.

The last year has been a new experience for all of us and as parents you have faced a huge disruption to your daily life with schools being on again/off again. So while we are just beginning summer you might be looking for something to help both you and your children do something different. How about cooking and baking?

Teaching children to be at home in the kitchen takes time and lots of patience but the end result is rewarding for both you and your children. It doesn't happen overnight but begins with having your toddler standing on a stool and learning by helping you, giving them tasks appropriate to their age, and then gradually adding a little challenge.

Learning to cook is also helpful for reading, mathematics, time management, organizational skills, research, etc. and yes, learning God's word. How to go about this?

Researching cooking and relating it to the Bible does not bring up a treasure trove of cookbooks for children, but one thing that did stand out is "The Complete Bible Discovery Guide" published by Concordia Publishing House (also available at smile.amazon) and within its pages are sections on foods found in the Bible and in the lands of the Bible. For example: Egyptians enjoyed a variety of fruits and vegetables. They ate cucumbers, beets, sweet onions, radishes, turnips, and garlic. They also enjoyed lettuce, chickpeas, beans, lentils, and peas. They ate figs, grapes, raisins, plums, dates, and watermelon. (From section on what ancient Egyptians ate.)

You might start by talking about favorite foods. If your child has a little trouble separating individual foods from a prepared food, like pizza, this is a good lesson in talking about how things are combined into "recipes" and then cooked or baked. Once you have a fairly substantial list compiled from all family members do some research

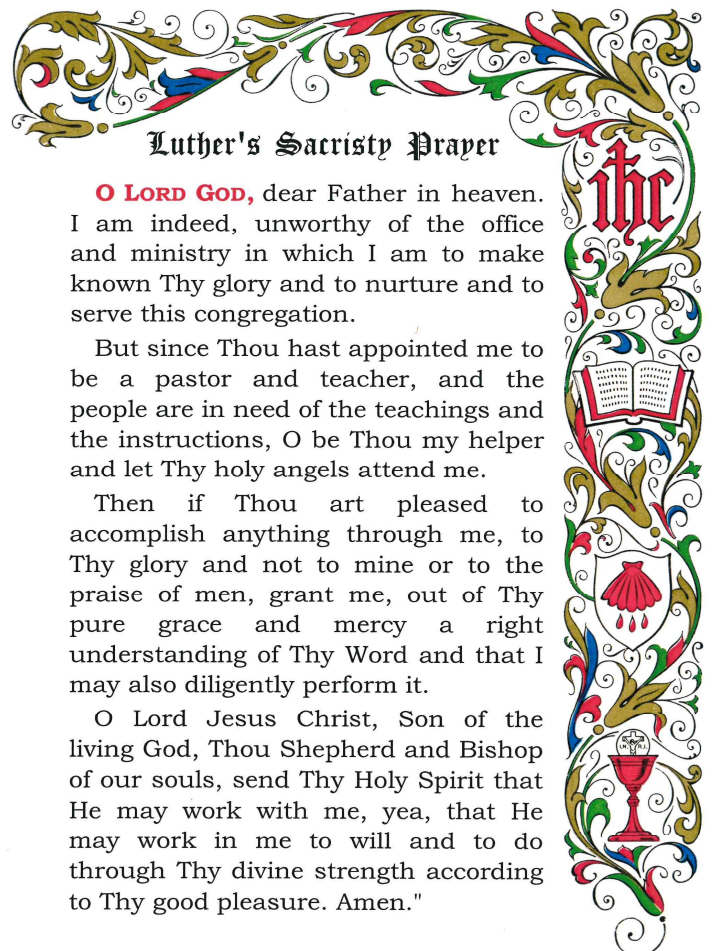
to find the biblical references. Also do a little research to find all foods mentioned in the Bible and then compare how many of your favorite foods are mentioned and what foods you have never had.

Going back to pizza, look at the possible individual ingredients. Can you grow some of those in your yard? Can you at least process some of them like making tomato sauce from fresh tomatoes? Can you grow herbs and possibly dry some for future use or even put some in the freezer like snipped chives in a container ready to sprinkle on many foods.

Use your imagination. Research and try new foods. Visit the farmers market or at least the fresh produce section in the market. Look for places where you might be able to pick your own fruits/vegetables. Make a "family recipe" binder or individual recipe journals. Decide on a time during the week where the whole family can cook/bake together. Don't forget to talk to grandparents, aunts, uncles about their favorite recipes and have them write those out for you.

As the children get older you might consider each child having one dinner a week (during summer) where they are responsible to find a recipe, make sure to get ingredients on the shopping list, and then prepare the feast. If it works, one child could be responsible for the main course and another responsible for dessert.

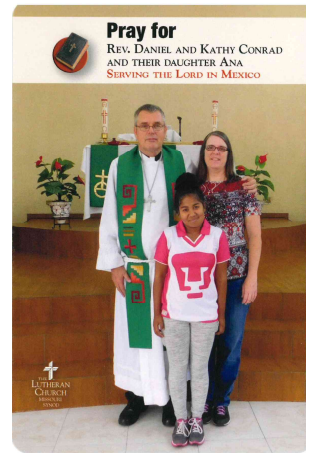
Use your research about foods in the Bible for family devotion time and consider how this helps you learn more about God's word.



MISSIONS - REV. DANIEL CONRAD, MEXICO



April 21, 2021



Dear Members of Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Greetings in the name of the Risen Lord. It is our prayer that you had a blessed Easter celebration. On behalf of ourselves and the Lutheran Synod of Mexico we thank you for your support of the mission in Mexico. "We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers." (1 Thessalonians 1:2) God is using your gift in a powerful way as present and future, pastors, deaconesses, and deacons are receiving formation and will serve Him throughout Mexico.

At the present time, the churches in Mexico City are under a government order not to have worship services in the sanctuaries due to the pandemic. The government has permitted the churches to celebrate worship services in the regions of Mexico in which the pandemic has abated, however. The national church continues to stream its services for those who cannot worship in their church sanctuaries. We are anxious to worship in the local churches again.

This semester Dan is teaching a course on the Lutheran Confessions to the seminarians at the residential seminary in the Dominican Republic. His students hail from: Bolivia, Chile, Guatemala, Peru, the Dominican Republic, and Venezuela. He is also team teaching a course on Law and Gospel to the deaconesses of Guatemala. Both courses are being taught via ZOOM. We give thanks to God for these future kingdom workers who will serve the Lord throughout Latin America.

Ana went into the hospital here in Mexico City for a surgical procedure on her nasal cavity. Her surgery necessitated a one-day hospital stay. She did have an awful sore nose for a few days after leaving the hospital, but the pain has subsided, and she is on the road to recovery. We thank God that everything went well with Ana's surgical procedure.

Enclosed please find our prayer card and a photo of the members of Iglesia Luterana Betania in Rio Bravo, Mexico. (Rio Bravo shares the border with McAllen, Texas) Rev. Isaac Garcia, who also serves as president of the Lutheran Synod of Mexico, serves as pastor of this parish. Your support provides ongoing pastoral formation for Isaac and the other Mexican pastors. We thank you again for your partnership with the mission in Mexico. Have a blessed Easter Season!

"To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen." (Revelation 1:5,6)

In Christ,

Rev. Daniel, Kathy, and Ana Conrad

Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad
Daniel Conrad@lcms.org • lcms.org/international • lcms.org/conrad

Birthdays
Daniel - July 6, Kathy - July 30, Ana - Oct. 10

Wedding Anniversary Home District
May 13 California-Nevada-Hawaii

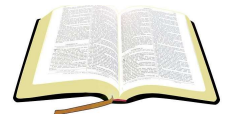
Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad serve the Lord as missionaries through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Mexico, based in Mexico City. In this role, Daniel serves as the coordinator of theological education for the entire country. He works with and mentors national pastors and pastors in formation who are serving throughout Mexico. With the challenges of Mexico City's population being 35 million people and the shortage of national pastors in this country, Daniel provides assistance in sending out workers to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Pray for the Conrads as they serve in Mexico. Ask God to give Daniel strength as he continues to mentor and teach national pastors in the different regions of Mexico. Give God thanks for the national pastors that this country does have and for the future pastors that are in formation. Let us give thanks that the Conrads are serving God's children in Mexico.

You can support us by sending a check to:
The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod
P.O. Box 60661
St. Louis, MO 63166-6661

Memo "Rev. Daniel and Kathy Conrad"
You can also give online at lcms.org/conrad

Thursday Bible Study
9:30 a.m.
Study of
Luther's Small Catechism



Sunday Bible Study
8:45 a.m.
1 Peter

CATECHISM CLASS 2021

Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Pastor Jordan, Teacher 513-1284

Books: "Didache" by John T. Pless, Bible, Small Catechism (2017)

May

- 20 Ch.1 Listening to the Word of God
27 Ch. 2 The Law of God - Commandments 1-3

June

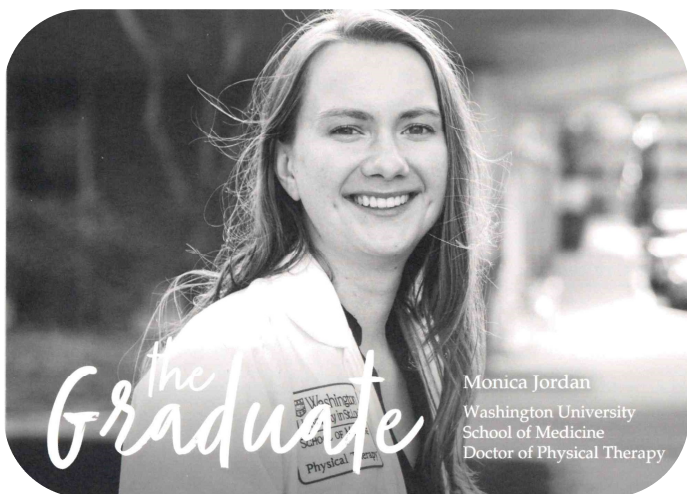
- 03 Ch. 3 The Law of God - Commandments 4-10
10 Ch. 4 The Apostle's Creed - First Article
17 Ch. 5 The Apostle's Creed - Second Article
24 Ch. 6 The Apostle's Creed - Third Article

July

- 01 Ch. 7 The Lord's Prayer
08 Ch. 8 The Sacrament of Holy Baptism
15 Ch. 9 Confession/Absolution, Office of the Keys
22 Ch. 10 The Sacrament of the Altar
25 Rite of Confirmation
Sunday Divine Service, 10:00 a.m.

CLASS OF 2021

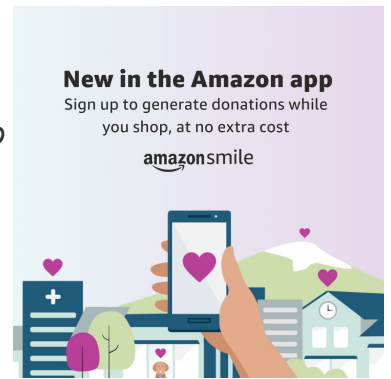
MONICA JORDAN, GRADUATE



Congratulations and God's blessings to
Monica Jordan
Washington University School of Medicine
St. Louis, Missouri
Doctor of Physical Therapy.

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3. Select "Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church" as your charity
4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app

To date, Redeemer has received \$287.05.

NEW MEMBERS

APRIL 21, 2021



CAROLYN & OLIVER FIORILLO
TRANSFER FROM
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
VANCOUVER, WA

PASTOR JORDAN AT “TAKE HEART” RETREAT

A Retreat Presented by DOXOLOGY and the LCMS Office of National Mission is June 28 – 30, 2021, Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center — Citrus Heights, CA. There is no cost, thanks to funding from LCMS National Mission.



The “Take Heart!” retreat provides an excellent opportunity for respite, rest and renewal for pastors. This is a gift that heartens not only the pastor attending the event, but also enhances his subsequent influence and counsel for brother pastors and for his parish. The retreat pays dividends that multiply the positive outcomes exponentially.

This is an advanced educational training experience intended to provide **respite, rest and renewal** for LCMS pastors. “Take Heart!” underscores four major emphases for healthy ministry:

- **Sustain** the work of faithful, confident pastors as they serve their parish
- **Diagnose** existing challenges of ministry
- **Respond** confidently to provide strategies, insight, and assistance, as needed
- **Equip** pastors with essential spiritual care and psychological resources

This retreat will provide **encouragement for**

ministry, enhance confidence in ministry and will **strengthen pastors for ministry** during the chaotic days of COVID-19 .

Presenters for the Retreat



Rev. David C. Fleming
Executive Director for Spiritual Care



Dr. Beverly K. Yahnke
Executive Director for Christian Counsel

LCMS DISASTER RELIEF

LCMS Disaster Relief has made a \$3,000 grant to our church in order for Pastor Jordan to attend Doxology Advanced Pastoral care training, as respite care in response to the Camp Fire recovery efforts. We are grateful to LCMS Disaster Relief and District President Lange for his endorsement. Pastor has attended one of three modules. Second module is July 30 - August 1, Kansas City, Kansas

2021 MISSIONS SUPPORT

- 1Q Redeemer Charity Fund - \$6,003.02; Faith Lutheran Church, Ukiah, California - \$6,003.02.
- 2Q Missionary Mark Rabe, Ethiopia, Missionary Dennis Meeker, Kenya, Missionary Daniel Conrad, Mexico
- 3Q Lutheran Heritage Foundation; Lutheran Deaf Ministry, Pastor Seeger
- 4Q Women's Resource Clinic,; KKXX Sermons; The Lutheran Hour; Issues, Etc.

Grants are funded by the Mission Trust Fund interest, 30% school rent income, and your mission gifts.

Proposed Changes to the Church's Constitution and Bylaws

Our next Voters Assembly (Meeting) is scheduled for November 14th, after Sunday service. At this meeting, we will decide whether or not to make changes to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Church. The current versions of the Constitution and Bylaws have not been altered for several years and should be updated to address the changing nature of our congregation. In short, we as a congregation, have become smaller and a bit older, and as a result, the way we are currently organized does not allow us to conduct the business of the congregation efficiently. Changes to the Constitution require approval from the Voters Assembly at two consecutive meetings. Changes to the Bylaws require approval from the Voters Assembly at one meeting. The proposed changes are summarized below:

Changes to the Constitution:

The name of the church is changed from the *Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church of Chico, California* to the *Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, Chico, California* to be in conformance with the Articles of Incorporation.

Changes to the Bylaws:

- The requirement for new members to sign the Constitution and Bylaws to be able to vote is eliminated. (We haven't been doing this for years.)
- The requirement for new members to attend one Voters Assembly prior to the Voters Assembly at which they are eligible to vote is eliminated.
- The requirement to hold Voters Assemblies during May and November is replaced with a requirement to hold at least one meeting annually and possibly more often at the discretion of the Church Council.
- Notice of [upcoming Voters Assemblies](#) may be made through verbal announcements at services, bulletin announcements, newsletter announcements, phone tree messages, or electronic notifications (such as Flocknote, email, Webpage, etc.)
- A quorum at a Voters Assembly shall consist of fifteen (instead of twenty) members of the voting membership, with two (instead of three) legal officers present.
- Regarding legal officers, the *Treasurer* position is eliminated. The *Financial Secretary* position is renamed *Financial Manager*.
- The *Board of Parish Fellowship* is renamed the *Board of Fellowship*. The *Board of Public Relations* is eliminated. The *Board of Youth* replaces both the *Board of Young Peoples Work* and the *Board of Christian Education (Parochial School, Pre-school/Day Care, and Sunday School)*.
- The President may appoint congregational members to fill vacant positions and establish committees not listed in the Bylaws with approval from the Church Council.
- The term of office for all officers is one year.
- The requirement for the Church Council to meet six times a year is eliminated. The church council shall meet at the discretion of the President, with consultation from the Church Council.
- Electronic voting (text, email, etc.) is authorized for Church Council agenda items when needed at the discretion of the President.
- Church Council meetings may be held face to face or by video / audio conference (or any combination thereof), provided that all council members have access to attend the meetings.

If you have any questions regarding these proposed changes, contact one of the church officers. All suggestions are welcomed. You can find a copy of our current Constitution and Bylaws on the Web at this [link](#). These changes will also be posted on the Website under *Announcements*.

Thanks for reading and God's blessings to all of you.

Fred Sherman
President

MY JOURNEY TO LUTHERANISM

BY AARON ASHWORTH



Pastor Jordan asked if I would share my experiences as an Evangelical Christian who has found himself confessing the Lutheran doctrine and the path that led me here. I suppose it's often good to see other people's perspectives, especially for those of you who have been Lutherans since childhood.

I actually wasn't raised in a Christian home. However, my mother had a Roman Catholic background and provided me with a children's Bible complete with pictures and diagrams. Also, I was responsible for setting up the nativity scene during Christmas so at the very least Jesus of Nazareth had a fighting chance at planting seeds in my heart while I was being inundated with Santa Claus and America's culture of mindless consumerism. An unhappy and unfulfilled life up to and including my early adulthood is what prompted me to seek out this Jesus guy.

Despite God's saving grace plucking me out of the mire, my first real Christian experience was a strange one. My church met in a nondescript office building in the middle of an industrial park. Apart from some Christian iconography inside and a sign on the front door, you would never have guessed this was a weekly place of worship. Like any Evangelical does, I "gave my life to Christ" and a month or so later, I gave my testimony to new church friends as well as old friends who were watching my life transform and was dunked in a pool at someone's house.

The interesting thing was that we did have a monthly communion service but I was allowed to partake having never been catechized. I had prayed a prayer and had been baptized which apparently was good enough. One time, I brought my kid brother who was a teen at the time and he decided to sit with boys he knew from school. This was at one of our monthly communion services and since there was no reverence for communion my brother, looking confused as to why we were passing out little cups of grape juice and terrible tasting crackers, took it. I tried to stop it but it was too late. At the very least, I knew that that was not something that should've happened and felt guilty that I couldn't stop it. Between then and the time I was confirmed - about 17 years - you could probably count the number of times I took communion on one hand.

My Pentecostal experience was much the same, but worse. Not only did I never receive communion, I was constantly being emotionally manipulated into

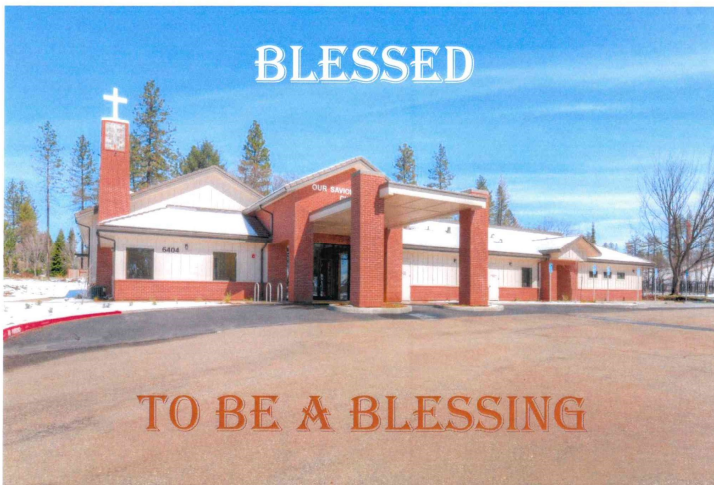
believing false doctrines about the Pentecostal gifts and it was implied that your closeness to God directly correlated to how emotionally energetic you were at church. Charismatic is definitely a word to describe the experience and although I did take away skills for how to share the gospel with strangers, sometimes it doesn't seem worth it when you're being lied to about doctrine or constantly questioning your faith because of how you felt that day. Sermons are often lacking in the need for repentance and instead focus on "living your best life now" and if you want to be blessed, you better fill up that offering plate!

I decided I had had enough. I walked away from church thinking that I would never find what I was looking for. It wasn't until an online friend of mine, whom I had been encouraging to leave paganism and to return to her childhood roots of Christianity, did I reconsider going back. I had been learning about the early church. Learning about what had gone wrong (after the reformation of the RCC). It wasn't until a suggestion from another friend to consider sending her to an LCMS did I consider the same for myself. Once I knew an LCMS existed in my city, it took me five months but I ended up coming to Redeemer. Miraculously, the next week we were going to study the Small Catechism in Sunday School. LCMS was completely foreign to me and even the idea of closed communion. Still, I knew this is where God wanted me and so here I am. My friend continues attending her local LCMS with her fiancé and has even baptized her two young children there. They're getting married this summer.

Evangelical Christianity is a contradiction in terms. The Baptists have "Baptism" in their name yet reject the idea of infant baptism. The Pentecostals will seek out and even fabricate miracles to satisfy their emotional addiction to pseudo piety, yet disregard true miracles like the absolution of sin or the holy sacrament of Communion. Commercialized Christianity has become the norm now. It minimizes the gifts of their Jewish Messiah and instead puts the whole Jewish people on a pedestal instead. A people who still to this day openly hate and reject this messiah and anyone who worships Him. The current talks of returning to Old Testament traditions of circumcision and animal sacrifice are a slap in the face to God, but this judaizing is nothing new and the early church faced these people before and were victorious. We will be also.

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH - PARADISE

Our Savior Lutheran Church, Paradise is back home. Ribbon cutting ceremony, Saturday, June 26, 10:00 a.m. Service of Dedication, Sunday, June 27, 4:00 p.m. RSVP by June 14. 530-877-7321, oslcparadise@comcast.net.



CELEBRATE WITH US

Our Savior Lutheran Church is back home and we want to gather alongside everyone who has helped us over the last few years as we give praise and glory to our Heavenly Father.

Join us for a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Saturday, June 26th 2021 at 10:00am

And A Service of Dedication on Sunday, June 27th 2021 at 4:00pm

Our Address: 6404 Pentz Rd. Paradise, CA 95969

If you can attend, please RSVP by Monday, June 14th, 2021

Either by phone - (530) 877-7321 or

by email – oslcparadise@comcast.net

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

The mite box contributions are welcome all year long. Currently, any loose coins in the collection plate will go to LWML mission projects. The box for mite offerings will also remain in the narthex along with literature about contributions. The mite boxes are for everyone in the congregation. Please take one. The present grant for \$10,000 is #7, seminary training for local church plant pastors. These pastors will partner with CNH district Bay Area churches to develop leaders in cross culture communities for the ministry.

LWML CORE VALUES

Christian Women:

We live as redeemed children of Triune God.

In God's Word:

We live in joyful response to the Holy Scriptures.

Mission Focused:

We answer God's call to share His Gospel at home and abroad.

Embrace Diversity:

We are sisters in Christ who value and benefit from each other.

Servant Leaders:

We are called and equipped by God to serve others.

MERCY/HEALTH MINISTRY

According to the National Council on Aging, after the age of 65, falls are the leading cause of nonfatal injuries and even death. Balance plays a huge part and keeping active is very important. It is recommended that exercises such as light weights and walking help. Walking with a friend can be social and healthful at the same time. Clouded vision or impaired hearing can greatly boost your chances of falling. Have your vision and hearing checked regularly. The importance of wearing the right shoes can't be overlooked. The removal of tripping hazards, especially in the home, is necessary because six out of ten falls occur in the home. Stay in balance and keep moving.

The Mercy Workers in our church will continue to make contacts throughout the summer. If you are an individual who is in need of a visit or call and have not yet been contacted, please let the church office know. Also, transportation to therapy or doctor's appointments can often be available.



Vitalant requests donations. Regular donors receive notices in the mail. Contact Vitalant at 893-5433 or www.vitalant.org.

Only individuals who are healthy and weigh at least 110# should inquire. It can save lives.

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May 30	31	Jun 1	2	3	4	5
2nd Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 5) (G) - Mites 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall	Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	8:30am [C] Justin, Martyr	Office Open	8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class - The Apostles' Creed - First Article (FR) 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	[C] Boniface of Mainz, Missionary to the Germans
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3rd Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 6) (G) - Mites 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall	[C] Elisha Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off 9:00am Quilters (Parish Hall)	8:30am	OM Vacation	4:00pm 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class (FR) 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Office Closed Pastor's Vacation 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	9:00am Council Meeting
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4th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 7) (G) - Mites 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall	Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	8:30am [Other] Lutheran Layman's League organized (1917)	Pastor's Vacation Office Open	4:00pm [F] The Nativity of St. John the Baptist (W) 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class - The Apostles' Creed - First Article (FR) 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	[C] Presentation of the Augsburg Confession Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	[C] Jeremiah
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Pastor's Vacation [C] Cyril of Alexandria, Pastor and Confessor 5th Sunday after Pentecost 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall	Pastor @ Doxology Respite Retreat (Citrus Heights, California) 8:30am [F] St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles (R)	8:30am	Office Open	Jul 1		

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6th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 9) (G) - Mites 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall	Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	8:30am [C] Isaiah	Higher Things Conference (Ft. Collins, CO) Office Open	Office Open 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class - The Lord's Prayer (FR) 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX
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7th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 10) (G) - Mites 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall	Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	8:30am [C] Isaiah	Higher Things Conference (Ft. Collins, CO) Office Open	Office Open 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class (FR) 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	10:00am Roberts/Ames Wedding (Sanctuary)
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8th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 11) (G) - Mites 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall	Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	8:30am [C] Elijah	Office Open	8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class - Confession/Absolution, Office of the Keys (FR) 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	[C] Ruth Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX
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9th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 12) (G) - Mites 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall	Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	8:30am [C] Ezekiel	Office Open	[F] St. Mary Magdalene (W) 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class - The Sacrament of the Altar (FR) 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX
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[F] St. James the Elder, Apostle (R) 9th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 12) (G) - Mites 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am DS - Confirmation 11:00am Fellowship in the	Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	8:30am Pastor's Vacation	Pastor's Vacation	[C] Mary, Martha, and Lazarus of Bethany 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class (FR) 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	[C] Robert Barnes, Confessor and Martyr Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	Pastor at Doxology Retreat (Kansas City) [C] Joseph of Arimathea To Aug 1

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8 11th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 14) (G) - Mites 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall	9 Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	10 8:30am [C] Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr	11 Office Open	12 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class (FR) 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	13 Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	14 Pastor's Vacation
15 Pastor's Vacation [F] St. Mary, Mother of Our Lord (W) 12th Sunday after Pentecost 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall	16 Pastor's Vacation [C] Isaac Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	17 8:30am [C] Johann Gerhard, Theologian	18 Office Open	19 [C] Bernard of Clairvaux, Hymnwriter and Theologian 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class (FR) 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	20 [C] Samuel Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	21 9:00am Council Meeting
22 13th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 16) (G) - Mites 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall	23 Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	24 8:30am [F] St. Bartholomew, Apostle (R)	25 Office Open	26 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 9:30am Bible Class (FR) 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	27 [C] Monica, Mother of Augustine Office Closed 8:30am Live Talk KXXX 2:00pm Live Talk KXXX	28 [C] Augustine of Hippo, Pastor and Theologian
29 [F] The Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist (R) 14th Sunday after Pentecost 8:45am SS/ABS (PH) 10:00am Divine Service 11:00am Fellowship in the Parish Hall 11:30am Board of Elders (FR)	30 Office Closed - Pastor's Day Off	31 8:30am Office Open	Sep 1	2	3	4

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Our Mission Statement

Welcome to Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church, a community of believers saved by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ.

As a people enabled by the Spirit, we are committed to regular worship and the use of the sacraments, studying and teaching the Bible, praying, using our gifts and talents in God's service, for the caring and nurturing of others and sharing the message of God's salvation so that God is glorified and all people may know Jesus as their Savior and Lord.

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