Redeemer by the Sea Lutheran Church, Kindergarten & Preschool

September 2013 News

"a lighthouse to our community and the world"

THE BEST IS YET TO COME Pastor Augie

Scripture: "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him" (1 Corinthians 2:9, ESV)

I remember back when I was younger, watching the popular TV game show "Let's Make a Deal!" Do you remember that show? I know they did other things in the game, but there's only one part I can seem to recall, or really cared about. It was the part of the show where the contestant had to decide whether to take what was behind door number 1, door number 2 or door number 3 – without seeing what was behind any of the doors. - Such drama! Such tension!

Isn't that a little what life is like? "You pays your money and you takes your chances" as the saying goes. Even poet Robert Frost portrayed this in his famous poem "The Road Not Taken." It's a simple fact of life – we make a choice and we go down a path (or through a door) and our life is never the same after that. Even if we turn around and go back through another door or down a different road, <u>we</u> are different for having taken the first path. The detour itself has changed us.

This is no surprise to God! In fact, He has designed and created us with a sense of exploration, and an imagination of "what might yet become." Perhaps this is part of what it means for mankind to be made in "God's image." The only thing is, God can see what's beyond the doors and what's down each path; We cannot! Does that mean that we must merely drift through life aimlessly and purposelessly, subject to the whim and fancy of blind chance and lost opportunity? Absolutely not! Why is that so? Because we have a guide! We have someone to guide us along life's paths, to beckon us to move in certain directions, and to walk us through certain doors as well

as to guide us to avoid others! That guide is Jesus Christ, and the path is His Word.

And where does that path take us? The book, The Best Is Yet to Come*, suggests that God's paths and His doorways will lead us to spiritual growth! At Redeemer, we are going to take 10 weeks to explore seven doors of spiritual growth. Those doors are outlined in Acts 2 as: witness, worship, connection with other believers, prayer, Bible study, giving, and serving. As we move through each door, we will discover what God has in store for us beyond that door – it's more than your eyes have seen, your ears have heard, and more than your heart can conceive! Come on a journey with us as we see what God has prepared for those who love Him! We start on September 15th – the doors are open and ready for you to move through them toward spiritual growth in Christ!

THE BEST IS YET TO COME GROWTH GROUPS

This Fall!

Take the Sunday lesson deeper.

Get connected to others in Christ.

Keep your relationship with the Lord strong.

Join a Growth Group for 10 weeks starting the week of September 15. See the list of groups to the right.



- 9:45am Sunday meeting in Room 2
- **1pm Tuesdays** -- At the Lehmann's home -- *currently full*
- **6:30pm Wednesdays** Men's group meeting at RBTS: Jason Kenyon 858-705-4700
- **6:30pm Thursdays** -- Meeting at the Lahr & Sutherlin homes: BJ Lahr—760-945-3750 or Rhonda Sutherlin—7760-599-9007
- **6:30pm Thursdays** -- Meeting in the Fellowship Hall at RBTS -- led by Tracey Kiernan 760-761-1176

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SHADE STRUCTURE PROJECT Rocky Collins

Shade Structure Project: The SS project is underway. Architectural design is complete and we are now in the permitting and engineering phase. Lighting and a water spigot have been added to the project design. Once the City of Carlsbad approves the project plans, the shade structure may be manufactured in Texas and shipped for assembly on site. Due to the potential for damage by heavy equipment, the entire shade structure posting must be erected before we can proceed with electrical, plumbing, and concrete elements. Lastly, the service counter and seating will be built in place. Barring any unexpected delays, the target completion date will be in Mid-November.



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ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC Mary Ann Meinardus



Thank you to everyone who came out to

enjoy the fun on August 25th at Aviara Park!





$STEWARDSHIP {\rm \ BJ\ Campbell-Lahr}$

A TIME TO CELEBRATE!

Each December, we celebrate the greatest gift ever bestowed on us by God. "Giving" is the theme of God's relationship with us. WE are so blessed to be in a relationship with God. In response to God's giving, "YOU" are a blessing through "your " giving to Redeemer. Look at what we can celebrate so far this year because of " YOU"!!!!

Over 8500 people worshipping since Jan 1



Choir



Praise Team



...and more!

Watch for more "celebration" to come in my November Reflections' article.

Blessings to each of you!

LCEF Jo Voertman

Bring Home the Message of Faithful Stewardship

Encouraging your children in their faith can take many forms: regular prayer and worship, set-ting a good example of service, talking about Jesus, practicing proper stewardship. Young people can learn more about good stewardship through the new Young Investors (Y.I.) Club. This Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) program is grounded in the owner/manager

understanding of stewardship. Children learn that they are blessed with God's many gifts including time and talents — and can be cheerful givers and receivers of His gifts. Activities, articles and Bi-ble verses can be applied in each child's daily walk with God. Open a Y.I. StewardAccount® and start cultivating a strong sense of stewardship today! Visit Icef.org for program details.

BRIDGE Jo Voertman

The cards were shuffled, cut and dealt and we enjoyed an assortment of delicacies at the home of Bobbie Ankenbrandt, after surveying the newly landscaped surroundings.

Bridge is always a matter of skill as well as luck and Carolyn Schmaltz skillfully piled up the most bridge points, with our leader, Alice Lehmann in second place.

Bridge will be at the home of Audrey Wickstrand on Friday, September 27.

We play from twelve-thirty until four on the fourth Friday of every month except December (third Friday in November). Usually there are two tables. Light refreshments are served.

Anyone interested in joining our group may contact the Bridge Co-ordinator, Alice Lehmann,

buckalicelehmann@sbcglobal.com, 1-760 -941-1197.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS Jo Voertman

On THURSDAY, August 15 we celebrated the birthdays of Shirley Hawley, Pastor Augie, Alice Lehmann, Gary Reiswig, Carolyn Schmaltz, Lois Taron, Ken Voertman and Gary Wilson at Mimi's Café and contributed one hundred eighty (\$180) to Angel Faces, an organization that ministers to adolescent burn victims.

We will celebrate the birthdays of Suzanne Hanthorn, Bettye and Don Howard and Sam Russell at Romano's Macaroni Grill, 2655 Vista Way in Oceanside (next to Barnes and Noble) on THURSDAY, September 12 at 11:30 a.m.

Lunches at Macaroni Grill run from eight to sixteen dollars. In addition to your lunch, we request a one dollar donation per celebrant which will go to Hospice of the North Coast.

Everyone is welcome to join us but reservations are needed. To make yours, contact Jo Voertman, 1-760-721-6674, jvbythesea@cox.net.

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Your elder is a resource to you for your spiritual and ministry needs. Feel free to contact them with any needs or concerns – or just to say hello! If your Last Name begins with these letters, your Elder is: **A-B** Marcus Shaw, **C-E** Ed Meinardus, **F-H** Charles Finney, **I-K** John Palmer **L-M** Don Winslow, **N-R** Doug Sandow, **S** Carl Gehring, **T-Z** Lyle Meyer **At Large**: Jim Klaerich & Chuck Krause

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Elizabeth Denton	Sept 3	Jane Huang	Sept 23
Bettye Howard	Sept 3	Glenn Christensen	Sept 25
Suzanne Hanthorn	Sept 8	Valerie Lynch	Sept 25
Sam Russell	Sept 9	Mark Riendeau	Sept 25
Lori Batherson	Sept 10	Dorothy Seboldt	Sept 25
Peder Norby	Sept 10	Donald Howard	Sept 27
Robert Fritts	Sept 17	Barbara Gehring	Sept 29
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SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Roger & Terra Teat Jim & Karen Heiser Marcus & Sabrina Shaw

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John & Faye Bacon Sept 26 Dave & Laura Hanson-McFeaters Sept 29

SAVE AND RECYCLE

<u>Box Tops for Education</u> – in the box in the lobby for the Kindergarten & Preschool

<u>Cans & Bottles (CRV)</u> – by the trash containers in the parking lot to support the art program at the Kindewarter, ⁸ Dreach and

Kindergarten & Preschool



<u>Ink/Toner Cartridges</u> – at the office to purchase supplies <u>Stamps for Missions</u>—all cancelled stamps

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

www.RedeemerbytheSea.org

Do you have a favorite door? Is it made of wood or maybe glass? Perhaps it squeaks when it opens or slides smoothly to the side when you approach. The type of door doesn't really matter – if what we really want is on the other side.

This fall we're exploring seven doors – each leading to personal, spiritual growth. Each one is a great opportunity for us to journey beyond the bland and mundane to walk down an exciting new path. Walk through a new door at Redeemer by the Sea.

9/15 — 7 Doors of Spiritual Growth 9/22 — The Secret Behind Spiritual Growth 9/29 — Empowered to Witness 10/6 — Invited to Worship 10/13 — Compelled to Connect 10/20 — Summoned to Pray 10/27 — Motivated to Study 11/3 — Called to Serve 11/17 — Challenged to Give 11/24 — Committed to Grow

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