

Summer Garage Sale
Saturday, August 10, 2024
8:00am - 1:00pm

The sale is scheduled for Saturday, August 10, 8:00am - 1:00pm. We will start accepting donations beginning on Wednesday, August 7 - Friday, August 9 from 9:00am - 1:00pm. Please bring your donations to the Great Room. **We do not accept any clothing, shoes or broken items.**

If you have items that are more valuable than your typical garage sale merchandise, please let us know in advance or when you drop off your donation.

We also need volunteers for accepting donations as they come into the church. Those dates are Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, August 7 – 9 from 9:00am - 1:00pm. Saturday of the sale, we also need many volunteers to help. Please contact Charlene Mayala (406-465-0956) or Jan Martin (406-459-3339) if you can help.

If you need assistance, please let us know.



OUR REDEEMER'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH
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What's in the works?

We've ordered the **new sound system**, which is anticipated to be installed the second week of September, just in time for our return to two services and fall programming. Thank you to all who donated to this project. Gifts ranged from \$20 upwards and included many, many members and friends of Our Redeemer's. Get ready to experience worship in a new way. I'll try not to breathe into my mic too loudly!

Mark your calendar for **Baird Linke's ordination** on Saturday, September 7 at 3:00pm! This is the worship service in which he officially becomes an ordained pastor. Pastor Trina Johnsten will be preaching, Pastor Kendra Wilde will be presiding at communion, and Bishop Laurie Jungling will be doing the ordaining. It will be followed by a reception, and Baird has asked that we put out a spread of Lutheran bars to welcome the many guests we'll have that day. Please check in with Charlene Mayala to help with the reception.

We have a **candidate for associate pastor**, and having seen the paperwork/ resume provided, he appears to be a good match. Please hold this in prayer. After this season of so many funerals/ memorials, I am especially mindful of how much I need a pastor partner to support me and all of us in the ministry we do in this place.

Thank you for your presence in **worship** this summer and your generous giving. Summer is a time when most congregations see decreases in both, but you have been faithful in both. We will make sure to add a few more chairs so no one has to sit in that dreaded first row!

I'm headed to Christikon Lutheran Bible Camp for pastor's continuing education for a week and then a bit of time off in early August. Our LPAs, Deacon, and Director of Worship and Music, Jason Callon will be providing excellent coverage while I'm away. As always, I am so grateful to be in ministry with you. *Pastor Trina*

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Preschool Update!

Summer is winding down, and we are gearing up for another robust and exciting year! We are delighted that Kristen Sapp will join us as our three-year-old class teacher this year. Kristen has served on our Preschool Board for several years, supervised Lunch Bunch this past year, and has had children attend our preschool. She has both bachelor's and master's degrees in education. Kristen is replacing Ms. Maw, who has decided to take a break from teaching this year. Both Mrs. Grissom and Mrs. Vukonich are returning to their respective classes as the 4-year-old and PreK teachers. All three teachers have extraordinary enthusiasm, passion, and compassion for our preschool children and program. ❤️



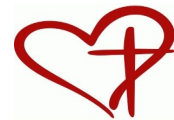
We thank you sincerely for your continued support of our preschool. You are an integral part of our program; we could not do it without you. Hope you have had a good summer.

We do have some openings remaining in our afternoon 4-year-old and afternoon PreK classes; please share!



CAREGIVER'S SUPPORT GROUP

If you are providing physical or emotional support for a friend or loved one, you are invited to join our small group of caregivers. We meet monthly to share successes and challenges and uplift one another during our journey. We will meet in the Our Redeemer's Conference Room following our single church service at about 10:40am on Sunday, August 25.



Please join us. You may contact either Lori Bigwood-Pecarina at 406-672-2470 or Jane Peachey at 234-567-1461 with questions. Companionship for your loved one is available.

If you wish to speak to one of the leaders during the week or have any questions, please get in touch with us at the following numbers:

Lori Bigwood-Pecarina 406-672-2470 OR Jane Peachey 234-567-1461

Touchmark Worship Services

Our Redeemer's members lead a worship and communion service monthly at Touchmark Retirement Community at 915 Saddle Drive. We will meet in the Forum on the second floor on Tuesday, August 20 at 10:00am. Jeff and Jan Martin, and Sharlene Kolb will provide leadership. If you would like to join them and our resident members at Touchmark, you are welcome.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP



The grief group will meet on August 11 after service at 10:40am. All who are experiencing grief are welcome to join us in the Conference Room. Grief can be isolating, and it is good to spend time with others who are finding their way through it. We laugh when we can and cry when we need to. Grab a cookie and some coffee, and join us if you have questions or just need a listening ear. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Jane Peachey at 234-567-1461 or Lori Bigwood-Pecarina at 406-672-2470.

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Voice articles due on the 15th of each month

Thursday, August 15 at 5:00pm
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Our Redeemer's Church Council

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August Birthdays!

Remember our friends in Christ with a Birthday prayer!

1 John Ericksen	Daniel Hill	Rose Oelkers	21 Joe Ruby	Justin DesRosier
Clay Perry	Judy McMaster	Claire Palmer	22 Janay Buckley	Craig Linke
Bill Schulz	Rob Williams	Dan Wickens	Kathy Gessaman	Carl Nordberg
2 Reese Wickens	8 Dodie Heffner	16 Pat Lynch	Charlie Gorman	Jon Tintinger
4 Kari Brekke	John Steinhoff	Asher Welch	Brady Martin	29 Connor Lamping
Carson DesRosier	9 Beth Barry	17 Clint Mingay	Morgan May	Abbey DeLaHunt
Carter Mummey	10 Caroline Burke	18 Ray Brekke	23 Doug Ferris	30 Gretchen Krumm
Julia Sinel-Barr	Erik Goughnour	Mona Erb	Pam Strand	Adeline Mahlum
Brady Swenson	Sue Hill	19 Dorothy Cail	24 Amanda Hill	Willa Sheard
Cody Vukonich	Deena Verworn	Madilyn Lamping	25 Noah Henry	31 Jim Dole
5 Ellen Dodds	Eli Voss	Alyssa Magee	26 Byron Dike	Ryan McLane
Nora Richards	11 Charlotte Neill	Amy Mingay	Izzy Linder	Ruth Oie
6 Ben Vukonich	Steve Wade	20 Monroe DeVerniero	Dane Quinn	
Kenzie White	13 Kimber Michalson	Hildegard Fohnagy	27 Dan Dodds	
7 April Gronley	Dorothy Morrison	Cort Jensen	Stacy Grimmis	
	15 Alayna Boe	Bryce Sampson	Autumn Keller	
			28 Jacob Buckley	



“You have given them dominion over the works of your hands...” Psalm 8:6

A good resource for what we can be doing personally, what is being done on a larger scale, advocacy, and just general awareness of environmental issues is Green American magazine at GreenAmerica.org. A subscription gives you a choice of paper or online access to all articles.

The Spring 2024 issue gives suggestions for ways to green up our laundry practices. Instead of using large plastic containers of detergent, laundry sheets can be used, and wool dryer balls can be used instead of dryer sheets.

An online search for environmentally friendly laundry sheets shows several brands including:

1. Clean People
2. Tru Earth
3. HeySunday

Do your own research on products that will work best for you! As always, you can contact us with comments or questions: Nelson Bock at Nbock6552@gmail.com or Elaine Ulgenes at Elaineulge@yahoo.com



Happy Anniversary

Celebrate with those married 40 years or more this month!

Toni & Jerry Guay	8/8/1980	44 years
Glenn & Janet Erickson	8/9/1969	55 years
Terry & Linda Young	8/10/1968	56 years
Herb & Diana Kulow	8/20/1966	58 years
Pat & Linda Keim	8/30/1964	60 years

90+ years old

Let's celebrate our friends who have turned 90 years or older this month by sending them a birthday card.

Dorothy Morrison (age 90)
890 Flat Rock Loop #C
Helena, MT 59602

Rose Oelkers (age 90)
524 Burnham Pl
Helena, MT 59601

Adeline Mahlum (age 92)
PO Box 214
Clancy, MT 59634



Funerals

Phyllis Bauer	7/2/2024
Noreen Lacey	later date
Mark Langdorf	7/15/2024

Stewardship Corner

Generosity is defined as” the spirit and action of freely and frequently giving to others”.

The Our Redeener’s community continues to exhibit generosity in many ways, including the successful fulfillment of our All Kids to Camp in 2024 Campaign and Sound System Campaign, while maintaining giving to the Ministry Fund and the Building Fund at higher levels than last year. And the annual Milk Fund Campaign to help the children of our community continues to press ahead as well. The Stewardship Committee is delighted by your response to the needs of our congregation and Helena community and so grateful for the gifts that you give – your finances, your time, your actions and your prayers – to bring life and breath to the ministries of Our Redeemer’s.

On Sunday, July 28, 2024, the Stewardship Committee hosted a Charitable Estate Planning Seminar and discussion. Grace Schroeder Scott, the Senior Development Consultant serving Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp, and Doug Scott, an experienced Development and Planned Giving Officer assisting FLBC as a volunteer, will led the seminar and provided helpful information and inspiration on legacy gifts, endowment funds and charitable estate planning. If you’d like more information on this, reach out to Jim Penner.

Because of the generous contributions made by members of this congregation, the Perpetual Fund continues to be able to make significant investments in our facilities, ministries, and the future of the larger church. The Perpetual Fund recently made grants to support the Sound System campaign and the academic studies of our seminarian, Shawn Juers. These grants are a living testament to the impact of our collective efforts in sustaining our ministries as a congregation and as members of God’s larger church.

As a final thought for those of you who are Montana homeowners, you could be eligible for up to \$675 in property tax relief this year. The application process opens on August 15, 2024. Up to \$675 of property tax relief is available this year for eligible Montana homeowners. Go to “getmyrebate.mt.gov” to claim your rebate.

Stewardship Team

Help us update our Long Term Prayer Concerns list by calling the church office, 406-442-7842.

Our Members

Richard Carey	Noreen Johnson	Nikki MacMillan	Ron Paulson
Roberta Carey	Carol Kimble	Lorna Meyer	Laurie Simms
Jim Haubein	Dale Mickus	Julie Mehl	Ruth Straley

A new year means updating our prayer list. Please reach out to Lori Walter with prayer requests. LoriW@OurRedeemerLives.org or 406-442-7842

Our Family and Friends

Luke Brown (brother of Charlie Brown)
Sawyer Ewan (cousin of Mary & Mark Robertson)
Danny McCaughan (nephew of Lori & Dave Swenson)
Scott Linke (brother of Craig Linke)
Jacki Riley (sister of Lori Walter)

Our Seminarians

Shawn, Sara, Addie & Kaden Juers

Our Family and Friends Serving in the Military

Brandon Bach	Ryan Girard	Colton Johnson	Scott Pocha
Kyle Begger	Austin Grieve	Chance McDowell	Tanner Reddig
Erin DenHerder	Travis Gronley	Kent McGowan	Cody Stipcich
Kellan Elder	Charlie Heidbreder	Dean McLain	Darrell Stipcich
Travis Elder	Roger Henschel	Sawyer Linke	Victoria Stipcich
Micah Emmons	Paul Horst	Erin Mills	Tait Strom
Jessilyn Emmons	Anela Hemry	Brian Neal	Andrew Zimmer
Grant Gagnon	Wade Hemry	Keith Nordquist	
Adam Guay	Cody Johnson	Chris Oelkers	

Join us this SUMMER...

◆ All events are FREE for the whole family!

July 28-Aug 2—Our Redeemer's @ FLBC

August 7—Splash N' Bubbles Swim @ Last Chance, 4pm—7pm

August 18—Family Hike

August 25—Blessing of the Backpacks Service

Contact Liz with questions: liz@ourredeemerlives.org



Splash N' Bubbles Swim Night!

Who: All are welcome!

What: Free family swim night at Last Chance Splash . Bring soap, shampoo or detergent to donate!

When: August 7 @4pm-7pm

* Contact Liz (liz@ourredeemerlives.org) with questions!



Blessing of the Backpacks

Another fall is approaching and it is a time for students to return to school and **fall** schedules to resume.

Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church will have a Blessing of the Backpacks Milestone Celebration on **Sunday, August 25** at the **9:30am** summer service.



We are inviting **ALL** students (preschool through college) to come with their backpack or school bag. The students will be invited to bring their backpacks forward during worship to have them blessed and will receive a small token to remember that God is always with you!

*Contact Liz at liz@ourredeemerlives.org with questions!



KidTime, for children age 3 and up, will continue through the summer at the 9:30am service. Hope to see you there!

Did You Know?

Lori Chase is a lifelong Lutheran, native Montanan, and a University of Montana grad (which is where she met her husband, Dick), so it makes perfect sense for her to wear her Grizzlies jersey on Reformation Day. If you don't get that, just ask her.



Seriously, though, her loyalty to her alma mater does not begin to compare to her attachment to the church or her love for her family. They have lived in many places due to Dick's work, and each time they moved, for Lori priority #1 has been to find a church home (Lutheran, of course). But she has never been one to simply *belong* to a church. One of Lori's watchwords is "Don't go to church, *be* the church." And anyone who knows her also knows that exemplifies that watchword. In addition, having earned a teaching degree from U of M, Lori also got involved in education wherever they lived, whether volunteering, substituting, or as a full-time teacher.

Lori and Dick have actually been members of Our Redeemer's for two different stretches: they first came here from Denver from 1988-1993. Pastor Anderson baptized their children, and Lori was active with Moms & Tots and helped with VBS. Years later, after Dick retired from his work with a U.S. Treasury Department agency where he had worked his way up into senior management, they returned to Helena in 2008. Dick hasn't stayed retired, however; he currently works for a defense contractor in San Diego. Meanwhile, Lori has devoted herself to serving the church in more ways than can be mentioned here: taking communion to those who are home bound, serving on the Altar Guild, personnel committee, call committee, church council, and more. Lori feels that in giving, she also receives, so she is always willing jump in and lend a hand where there is need.

Lori's family is very close, and she does a lot to keep it that way, spearheading plans for family events and gatherings. And she is proud that, in addition to Dick having worked for a federal security agency, many of her immediate family work in law enforcement in Montana. When asked if that has ever caused her to fear for their safety, her response is "Sure, but I learned to just trust and pray; that's what keeps me sane." That, and also staying close to her church family, where she finds needed love and support and is motivated to help others find those same treasures.



Church news Council Meeting Summary

The church council did not meet during the month of July. The Council gave the Executive Council the authority to make decisions on any issues that came up during that month. The Executive Council did meet in early July to finalize salary components for the Director of our Preschool. The preschool was directed to use a combination of expected income and reserve funds to pay full-time health benefits for the new director for one year, and to make plans in its budget for health benefits in upcoming years.

Linda Nelson,
Secretary of Church Council

youth ministry.

Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church

Children's Ministry Registration

Please follow the link to register for the 2024-2025 Children's Ministry Christian educational opportunities OR use the following QR code.

<https://forms.gle/yK1e1bBBCjapQU1TA>



Middle School Ministry Registration

Please follow the link to register for the 2024-2025 Middle School Ministry Christian educational opportunities OR use the following QR code.

<https://forms.gle/VFg5FJUcqscUqMzh9>



High School Ministry Registration

Please follow the link to register for the 2024-2025 High School Ministry Christian educational opportunities OR use the following QR code.

<https://forms.gle/9cfgGyCyiXN7RZAG9>



All classes begin the week of **September 15**. A letter with more detailed information will be sent home soon.

Please contact Liz, liz@ourredeemerlives.org or Steph, steph@ourredeemerlives.org with questions.



Keeping It in Balance: Don't Forget the Milk!

- **Summer Milk campaign for Helena Food Share ends August 31.**
- **Donations now total over \$8000.**
- **Remaining goal is \$14500.**
- **If 200 people donate just \$75, we shall easily reach our goal.**
- **Hunger Team continues to seek grant monies, but they are not likely to be allocated before our August deadline.**
- **Give by check (make out to ORLC with "Milk money" on the memo line) or cash left at the Helena Food Share display in the hallway.**
- **Or give online using this QR code for Milk Money:**



In the Garden

Come on out and tour the garden! The flower beds are busting loose and the food crops are coming along. Thank you to the VBS campers for planting bean seeds and around 170 squash plants—and thank you to the folks who replaced the squash that froze! About 40 pounds of rhubarb have been harvested this year; raspberries should be next.

Grass clippings are used as mulch to retain moisture and suppress weeds and **we need more!** Please drop off loose clippings south of the chicken coop—there are signs. Bagged clippings can be left by the garden gate. Only herbicide-free clippings, please. Thank you for the various implements donated to the garden, as well as monetary donations. They are SO appreciated! If you would like to donate your time in the garden, contact Vicki at 406-465-2197. Thanks!

And then there were five. Nigella, the magnificent black hen, succumbed to old age in June. She was a good layer to the end.

Thanks to my Our Redeemer's family for the support you've provided to me over the years and following Mike's death. For the prayers, cards, hugs, offers of help, loving expressions of concern, and more.

Special thanks to those who have organized, those who provided salads and desserts, and the set-up and take-down crews for the many funerals during these last several months.

I am so grateful to be a member of this congregation. Thank you for exemplifying God's Love.

In Christ,
Karen Caplis

Thank you for all the prayers, calls, and visits to see us while Jim was recovering from his fall. We have such a loving church family, and are blessed to be a part of it. Thank you, again.

❤️ Joan & Jim Haubein



Dear ORLC,

Thank you for paying for me and other kids to go to FLBC and especially for kids who wanted to go to FLBC but don't have the money. FLBC is so much fun! I love to do archery, swim in the lake, do a polar plunge in the morning and make lots of new friends.

Thank you,
Virginia McLane

Dear Congregation,

Thank you for helping send people to camp! This was my 4th year going to FLBC and my first time attending the ORLC week with other kids from ORLC and I really enjoyed it. It was really fun to participate in the art camp in addition to the usual camp activities. I like being able to know so many people there. FLBC camp is so fun because I get to meet new people and grow in my faith in the woods.

Sincerely,
Eileen McLane



Prayer Vigil for Creation Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church August 30, 2024

Our Redeemer's will observe the Global Day of Prayer for Creation on August 30 by holding a 12-hour Community Prayer Vigil. The vigil is sponsored and organized by the congregation's Creation Care Team.

The Global Day of Prayer for Creation was established by Pope Francis in 2015, in conjunction with the publication of his Papal Encyclical (letter) "Laudate Si" that same year. Laudate Si is a message to the church and the world about the urgency of reclaiming and fulfilling our vocation as stewards of the Earth. The title, meaning "Praise to You," comes from the first two words in Latin of St. Francis's Canticle of the Sun, which is a song of praise to Creation and its Creator. Our community prayer vigil will take place between 7:00am and 7:00pm on Friday, August 30.

The centerpiece of our vigil will take place at church in the Community Room, where a temporary chapel will be set up for the occasion.

We are asking individual members of Our Redeemer's to commit to keeping vigil at the church in 30-minute segments throughout the day and to spend that time in meditation and prayer for the gift of Creation and for the grace, strength, wisdom, and courage we need to respond faithfully to the challenges set before us. Resources will be provided to assist in focusing and guiding those keeping vigil. **Please give serious consideration to participating in this way. There will be a sign-up for individuals to commit to a time slot each Sunday in August at coffee hour or click the link below to sign up online.**

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1VYS0NlyYerxkn7WPNQ0AvsB0PwmA_7mwlzngHWE2ync/edit?gid=471687418#gid=471687418

There will also be a time for **corporate participation in this day of prayer from Noon – 1:00pm, with a liturgy between 12:15 and 12:45.** All are welcome to join together for this time of prayer.

Finally, we encourage those out of town or otherwise unable to participate at the church in person to **set aside half an hour during the day on August 30** to participate wherever you happen to be, whether at work, home, or traveling. Resources will also be provided to assist in your prayer and meditation.

Let us join with sisters and brothers around the globe in embracing this opportunity to pray for the Earth and all its creatures.



Contemplative Prayer Retreat

Two opportunities to participate in a timeless, Christ-centered contemplative journey for uncertain times:

- ◆ At **FLBC** Friday evening **September 20** through Sunday noon **September 22**, or
- ◆ At The **Episcopal Church's Camp Marshal** (near Polson) Tuesday evening **September 24** through Thursday noon **September 26**.



To live is to change. Life is a repeating cycle of order, disorder, reordering...life, death, resurrection. Only God's love, demonstrated most definitively through Christ, is constant. This retreat will help you learn and develop tools for connecting with greater awareness to that immovable, grounding love - a love that allows us to experience change with hope, grace, and even joy!

Both individually and within a safe community of fellow seekers, retreatants may engage in Benedictine-inspired Christian contemplative practices of spoken prayer, Lectio Divina (praying Scripture), centering prayer, chant, walking meditation, sacred drawing/journaling, and contemplative corporate worship. Through cycles of teaching and reflection, movement and rest, conversation, and silence, we hope to provide a holy mixture of experiences that will both stretch and soothe.

Choose the time and location that suits you best. Both retreats will be facilitated by the Rev. Valerie Webster, Episcopal Diocese of MT, and ELCA Lay Pastoral Associate (LPA) Dick Deschamps with music led by ELCA LPAs Lisa and Kevin Mathews. The following QR codes will take you to websites with detailed information and registration forms for the respective retreats. You can also contact Kevin (406.465.1839) or Lisa (406.465.5580) if you have questions.



Flathead Lutheran
Bible Camp



Camp Marshall




Women's Retreat October 4-6 in Three Forks

Watch the e-news for more information and a link to register. Rev. Julie Seymour from Big Timber will provide programming. Questions can be directed to Jan Martin, Charlene Mayala, or Pastor Trina. Scholarships are available!

August 2024

AD = Administrative Wing
 CR = Classrooms
 PS = Preschool

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
4 9:30am - Summer Worship + KidTime	5	6 9:00am - Quilting for Lutheran World Relief –CR#5-6 11:00am - Knitters for Peace
11 9:30am - Summer Worship + KidTime 10:45am - Grief Support Group - Conference Rm	12 10:00am - Staff Meeting	13 9:00am - Quilting for Lutheran World Relief –CR#5-6 11:00am - Knitters for Peace 6:30pm - Executive Committee meeting - Conference Rm
18 9:30am - Summer Worship + KidTime 11:00am - Creation Hike	19 10:00am - Staff Meeting	20 9:00am - Quilting for Lutheran World Relief –CR#5-6 10:00am - Touchmark Worship and Communion 11:00am - Knitters for Peace
Hosting Family Promise this week - August 18 – 24 ~~		
25 Blessing of the Backpacks 9:30am - Summer Worship + KidTime 10:40am - Care Givers Support Group - Conference Room	26 10:00am - Staff Meeting	27 9:00am - Quilting for Lutheran World Relief –CR#5-6 11:00am - Knitters for Peace 6:30pm - Hunger Team - Conference Room

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9:30am - Sew In Love - CR5-6	2	3
7 9:00am - Men's Group - Great Room 9:00am - Contemplative Prayer - Youth Loft 4:00pm - Splash 'n Bubbles - Last Chance Splash Park	8 9:30am - Sew In Love - CR5-6	9	10  8:00am - 1:00pm Garage Sale
Garage Sale Donations Accepted in the Great Room - 9:00am - 1:00pm			
14 9:00am - Men's Group - Great Room 9:00am - Contemplative Prayer - Youth Loft	15 Voice Articles Due 9:30am - Sew In Love - CR5-6	16	17
21 9:00am - Men's Group - Great Room 9:00am - Contemplative Prayer - Youth Loft 1:00pm - WELCA Bible Study - Great Room	22 9:30am - Sew In Love - CR5-6	23	24
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28 9:00am - Men's Group - Great Room 9:00am - Contemplative Prayer - Youth Loft	29 9:30am - Sew In Love - CR5-6	30 7:00am - 7:00pm - Prayer Vigil for Creation	31 End of the Summer Milk Campaign