

June 2015



The Master's Touch

From the Pastor's Desk

"Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure." (Psalm 16:9)

After nearly 8 years of ministry at Redeemer, I am looking forward to using the month of June to recharge my batteries and re-focus on Jesus Christ. Redeemer's Executive Committee has graciously agreed to give me a one month sabbatical in June. It will begin June 8th and go to July 8th.

What is a sabbatical? It is an intentional time away from ministry in order to do two things: First, I will focus on rest. This has been a year of important distractions. Plenty of my time in the past 18 months has been taken up with the land deal, Renovate, and seeking financial stability at Redeemer (switching to a bookkeeper). Second, I will look to grow as a pastor. I will be visiting three intentionally multi-ethnic churches and meeting with the pastor to learn how Redeemer can take the next steps forward in this vital area. My hope is that, come July 8th, I will not only be a rested pastor but also a

better pastor.

If you have time, I'd appreciate your prayers while I'm gone. You can pray for:

- Strengthening my relationship with God through quiet time and reading
- Strengthening my family relationships: Jessica, Max, and Ellis
- Learning about ministry in my church visits

The church will be in good hands **while I'm gone.**

Pastor Dieula and Pastor Haley are willing to take up the mantle of preaching and pastoral care. In addition, our church council members have volunteered to step in as well.

Thanks for being a wonderful church and granting me this opportunity!

— Pastor Mark

PastorMark@RedeemerCovenantChurch.org



Congregational Meeting - Sunday, June 7

Fellowship Lunch at 12:00 P.M.

Everyone is invited to stay after the worship service for a free potato bar lunch in Fellowship Hall!



Congregational Meeting(12:40ish)

Following the lunch we will move to the sanctuary for a congregational meeting.

Everyone is invited to hear updates:

- Updates on Redeemer and our direction
- Updates on our land deal, mortgage, and finances

Redeemer members, you are needed to vote on a few things:

- Welcoming new members
- Changing one of our by-laws in the constitution
- Voting on council members:
 - Vice Chair - (TBD)
 - Treasurer - Deb Christopher (2nd term)
 - Secretary - Sherry Thweatt (2nd term)
 - Evangelism - Tasha Moore (1st term)
 - Property - Steve Walker (3rd term)
 - Worship - Jake Petty (1st term)

PURSES FOR HAITI

Ladies of All Ages

You are invited to bless the women whom Pastor Dieula will meet on her summer mission trip to Haiti.

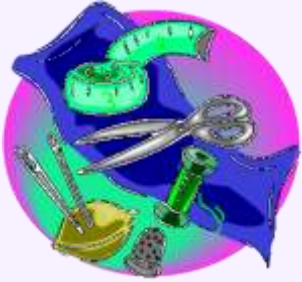
We'll sew buttons on the purses and pray for the women who will receive them.

Monday, June 8th, at 11:30 A.M.
Fellowship Hall

Please bring a potluck dish to share.

Sorry, childcare will not be provided.

Questions? See Jan Erickson or Ana Belville



Performer's Edge Dallas Showcase

Everyone is invited to an original production by Cassie Shea Watson and her students.

"The Age of Poneros"

TWO PERFORMANCES:

Friday, June 19, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 20, 2:30 p.m.

ADMISSION:

Donation of any amount to Performer's Edge Dallas

LOCATION:

1518 E Frankford Rd, Carrollton TX 75007

CAST of 30 INCLUDING:

Assistant Director and actor - Katie Nielsen

Actors - Ethan Hoisington, Lourelle Jensen, Marilou Castelli

Marissa Lemay, Mariana Salazar, Louisa Salazar

Concessions - Mary Anne Jensen

Stage manager - Lindsey Lemay

Set crew and actor - Garrett Lemay



THE STORY: Twelve year old aspiring author Christopher Shawn Watts (Ethan Hoisington), who goes by the pen name **C.S. Watts**, is up for the coveted title of 2015's Future Author Of America. But his chances are dashed and demolished by his little sister, Lyra (Lourelle Jensen), who also serves as the inspiration for all the evil characters in his stories. A week after his dreams have been crushed, he is just putting the finishing touches on his latest masterpiece. Take a journey into the mind of this young boy, to the magical world of Vesica, where creatures from many galaxies must band together to defeat the evil one called Poneros, who threatens to destroy the universe.

For more information, or to purchase ad space, contact Cassie at Cassie.Watson@RedeemerCovenantChurch.org.

Update on Our Land Deal

- The Land Deal was officially closed on May 20th! Hooray! Thanks be to God!
- The money from the land deal was put toward our mortgage. At the annual meeting Pastor Mark will give specific updates on the current mortgage balance and plans to pay it off.
- Platting will begin immediately and construction will start after that.
- Pray for: The Harvest Community Garden move and smooth construction progress.

Redeemer's Book Club

Sunday, June 14, 7 - 9 P.M.

We read and discuss one book a month from a variety of genres, noting how our faith and various experiences impact our understanding. *Everyone is welcome!* Come as often as you can: once a year or every month. For this month: *Silence* by Shusaku Endo. Contact RedeemerECC@gmail.com.



Rainwater Summer Send-Off!

Thursday, June 4, at 7 A.M.

June 4th is the first early release day for students, and teachers work the rest of those days preparing report cards, etc. We want to bless them with treats to keep them going and let them know how much we appreciate all they do. You can help by donating



goodies for them to munch or sip on throughout the day. *There is a signup sheet in the foyer.* Please:

- Mark donations with "For Rainwater"
- Leave donations in **Redeemer's kitchen**
- Bring them by Wednesday evening, June 3, so they are ready early Thursday morning.

Contact Julie Persson at rjperrson@verizon.net.

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, June 27 at 8:30 A.M.



Men of all ages are invited to meet for breakfast, devotions, and building friendships. Meet in the Fellowship Hall. For more details, contact Mike Castelli at fmcastelli@gmail.com.

Cookie Bakers Wanted!



We are looking for people willing to bake cookies for our Sunday morning fellowship time after church.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Kathy at kjlnjj@yahoo.com (or contact the church office at 972-466-0054).

June's Dates

Please join us in praying for these people on their special days:

Happy Birthday!

6/02 Lindsey Lemay
6/04 Giovanni Rocket
6/06 Joan Seeley
6/06 Cassie Watson
6/07 Maxwell Mohrweis
6/08 Gaylon Hull
6/12 Stan Basnett
6/12 Becca Muncy
6/17 Gene Burks
6/18 Gianna Bass
6/21 Donna Petty
6/22 Cara Basnett
6/22 Christian Lowry
6/23 Richard Flynn
6/23 David Jaime
6/23 James Lee Owen
6/25 Matthew Seebachan
6/26 Megan Hull

Happy Anniversary!

6/05 Glenn & Adeline Raudabaugh
6/07 Sean & Betsy Flynn
6/15 Gaylon & Kim Hull
6/16 Walker & Tasha Moore
6/19 Bill & Nancy Donley
6/19 Chuck & Becky Lamb
6/20 Denis & Kathy Lemay
6/26 David & Donna Petty
6/27 Steve & Lyn Hall
6/30 Haley & John Kroboth

If we do not have your special day, please let us know so we can add you to the list.

CREW Youth Group

Fight Club

Sunday, June 7, at 7-8:30 P.M.

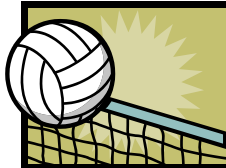
Join the fight at Café Brazil as our high-school girls engage in meaningful (and sometimes frivolous and oftentimes bizarre) conversations about what it is like to be a Christ-following young woman in today's world. All CURRENT 9th-12th grade females invited!



3rd Annual CREW Classic Volleyball Tournament

Rescheduled for Saturday, June 13!!!

Who: Anyone – Redeemer members or friends from the community – ages 10 and older



What and Why: Sand volleyball tournament benefiting **CREW Youth Group's trip to the CHIC Conference** this summer; Competitive and Recreational Divisions available! \$10/player for a guaranteed 2 games or more; Childcare available if needed!

When: Saturday, June 13, approximately 9am-4pm (times cannot be guaranteed)

Where: The sand courts in the Carrollton Greenbelt Park on the east side of Josey, just south of Frankford (where the disc golf course is)

Don't miss this fun annual event for the whole community! Sign up in the foyer or by emailing Haley at feuerbacherh@gmail.com by Wednesday, June 10. *Volunteers needed; no experience in volleyball required!*

Youth Sunday Practice

Sunday, June 28, 5-7pm!

CREW Youth Group will be leading Sunday morning worship on Sunday, July 5! Youth, this is an awesome opportunity for you to let the LORD shine through you.

We cannot do this without everyone's participation, so please plan to be in attendance! We need singers, musicians, ushers, readers, prayer leaders, announcement makers, and poets – yes, poets! Sign up in the CREW Room or see Haley for more details.

CREW Sunday Fundays Start July 5!

Sundays, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

CREW has its own new time – on Sunday evenings! Join us at the church to work on our new room, play games, and enjoy student-led devotionals!

Contact Youth Pastor Haley at feuerbacherh@gmail.com

Harvey's Kids

Saturday, June 13, 4:45-8:15 P.M.

We WILL be helping with Harvey's Kids this month following the CREW Classic Volleyball Tournament! Please RSVP to Haley by Wednesday, June 10, if you can volunteer with this wonderful ministry.



MANDATORY TRAINING for EdenTree Kids' Club "100-Page Summer" Program

Begins on Wednesday, June 17!

When: Wednesday, June 10, 7-8:30pm

OR Sunday, June 14, 4-7pm (Dinner included on Sunday; flyers distributed at EdenTree on Sunday)

Why: Many of the families at EdenTree are brave first-generation immigrants to the U.S., and the children may be the first fluent English speakers in the family. We want to support their learning and success and their ability to help other family members thrive here by supporting their literacy in the summer months when the children are not in school.

What: CREW Youth Ministry will continue its partnership with the wonderful residents of EdenTree Apartments for **the third summer by leading the new EdenTree Kids' Club program "100-Page Summer."**

- In this program, CREW youth will help children entering kindergarten through grade 5 keep up their literacy and reading comprehension during the summer.
- Books for the program will have Christian themes, and youth will lead discussions about the books and themes to help disciple the children.
- Our youth will also lead arts and crafts each week and will play games and sports with the children
- If children read at least 100 pages over the summer, they will receive an award and gift card!
- We always look for ways to empower the residents to **take leadership and ownership of Kids' Club.**
- **EdenTree Kids' Club takes place every Wednesday this summer** (except on July 8 for VBS and July 15 for CHIC) at EdenTree. CREW students will meet at Redeemer at 6:45 and walk to EdenTree.
- Students **MUST have the EdenTree Kids' Club Release Form** (provided by Haley) signed by a parent or guardian in order to participate

Contact Haley feuerbacherh@gmail.com for details!

Gear Up for a VBS Expedition!

Our 5 day Everest expedition begins at Redeemer Church on Monday, July 6 and ends with our Summit celebration on Friday, July 10.

If you would like to bless the children of our church as well as the surrounding mountains, please sign up!

These are the different stations where leaders and volunteers will be needed:

- ☞ Registration - make name tags, keep track of attendance, and register new kids
- ☞ Publicity - distribute flyers, registration forms, and printed materials
- ☞ Preschool Peak - work with our little preschoolers in their own environment
- ☞ Base Camp Sing & Play - learn the 10 songs and their motions, lead the singing and opening activities, summarize the daily Bible story, and share the excitement as kids report their daily God Sightings
- ☞ Bible Expeditions - set up the room each day, and lead kids through fun hands-on learning activities that make the Bible story come alive
- ☞ Imagination Station - set up (3 days), demonstrate, and help kids experiment with their gizmos, and help them connect the fun experiments to the truths in the daily Bible verse
- ☞ Glacier Games - set up games and lead the Crews in creative games
- ☞ KidVid Cinema - set up and run films about real kids living out their faith in cool ways



- ☞ Mountaintop Treats - gather supplies; make, serve, and clean up the daily snack that connects with the Bible verse
- ☞ Expedition Crew Leaders - arrive a little early, energetically take your Climbing Crew through the activities, and lead them in small group discussions and prayers
- ☞ Summit Celebration - collect supplies and props, use drama experiences and engaging object lessons to help kids apply what they have learned, and enthusiastically lead all the kids in the daily Finale
- ☞ Sound Booth Technician - run sound and microphones
- ☞ Media Technician - operate computer, **DVD's for music and Chadder video**, and run the Spotlight VBS segment (on the large screen in the sanctuary)
- ☞ Spotlight VBS - gather props, take photos of the kids in specific poses, use the Spotlight VBS CD to create a cool photo presentation on the big screen
- ☞ Hospitality Room - supply drinks and snacks for leaders and adult helpers, set up, and clean up each day
- ☞ Decorating - help create a majestic mountain terrain throughout our church. There will be plenty of time options to help
- ☞ Providing materials - see the bulletin board in the hall by the CE office. Pick a sheet with an item you can donate, fill it out, leave the colorful part for us, get the item and put it in the red collection bin. Be sure to attach the donation note to it.

For more information or to volunteer, contact: Julie Persson at [rjpersson \(at\) verizon.net](mailto:rjpersson@verizon.net).

For decorations, contact Kathy Lemay at [klemay \(at\) verizon.net](mailto:klemay@verizon.net).

Sundays at Redeemer

Prayer Ministry

9:00-9:30 A.M. - We meet in the Prayer Room to pray for our worship service, visitors, leaders, and ministries.

Nursery Care for Infants and Toddlers

9:30 A.M. - noon - Infants from birth to age 1 are cared for in room 115 and toddlers in room 114

There is also a "Cry Room" at the back of the sanctuary for parents with fussy babies.

Sunday School for All Ages

9:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

Preschool – Kdg. meet in room 113

Grades 1-5 meet in room 109

Grades 6-12 meet in room 110

Adults meet in Fellowship Hall

Children's Church

We provide age-appropriate opportunities for children to learn and have fun during the worship service.

The toddlers meet at 10:30 A.M. to noon in room 114.

Preschool—Kindergarten meet from 10:30 A.M. to noon in room 113.

Grades 1-5 join their parents during the first part of the worship service at 10:45 A.M. Then, during the offertory, they are dismissed to room 109 for their own worship time.

Contact our Discipleship Chair

Email Julie Persson at [rjpersson \(at\) verizon.net](mailto:rjpersson@verizon.net).

Contact our Nursery Coordinator

Email Julie Muncy at [jkmuncy \(at\) yahoo.com](mailto:jkmuncy@yahoo.com).



Wednesdays at Redeemer

ESL Class

7:00 to 8:30 P.M. - Currently we are offering an ESL Class for Beginners. It meets weekly in Fellowship Hall. It is taught by Pastor Dieula Previlon. Contact her at

DieulaPrevilon@gmail.com.

Prayer Ministry

7:00 to 8:00 P.M. - Women meet in the Prayer Room. Men meet in the old library. For details

contact Lori Vriend at RedeemerECC@gmail.com.

Bible Study

7:00 to 8:30 P.M. - Everyone is invited to join Pastor Mark in the Fellowship Hall for a study of the book of Acts. PastorMark@RedeemerCovenantChurch.org

CREW Youth Group

7:00 to 8:30 P.M. - Middle school and high school students are invited for a fun time of activities, study, and service to others. Contact Pastor Haley for details at Feuerbacherh@gmail.com.

Redeemer Kids

7:00 to 8:30 P.M. -

Elementary students enjoy snacks, Bible learning, and a variety of activities.

Contact Julie for details: [rjpersson \(at\) verizon.net](mailto:rjpersson@verizon.net).



REDEEMER KIDS!

~A Program Just for Elementary Aged Kids~

End of School Celebration!

Wednesday, June 3,
7:00-8:30 p.m.

Yea!
Yippee!
Fun!
Hooray!

Sundays in June at 9:30 - 10:30 A.M.

Date	Adults (Fellowship Hall)	Youth (Youth Room 110)	Children (CE Wing Room 109)	Prayer Room
June 7	Matthew 27:32-55 - Did God really disown Jesus on the cross?	The Gospel of John	Genesis 22:1-18 - Our obedience pleases God	Open for prayer
June 14	Matthew 27:62-28:15 - Resurrection seems so impossible...how can I believe in a literal "Easter" story?	The Gospel of John	Genesis 24:1-67 - God is pleased when we seek His direction through prayer	Open for prayer
June 21	Luke 24:36-53 - How can I know Jesus is really alive today?	The Gospel of John	Genesis 25:27-34: 27:1-40 Honesty is important to God	Open for prayer
June 28	History of Social Justice	The Gospel of John	Genesis 29:15-30 - God works in all situations	Open for prayer

Midsouth Covenant Summer Camp for Kids!

August 2-8, 2012



Midsouth Covenant Camp is a summer camp organized by the Midsouth Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church and

located in Grapeland, TX, where we rent Frontier Camp. (www.frontiercamp.org)

The primary goal of the camp is to show each camper the love, knowledge, and saving power of Jesus Christ.

Students entering grades 2—9 will enjoy programs tailored to their age (grouped by grade levels 2nd-4th / 5th-6th / 7th-9th).

Activities include a wide variety of water activities, riflery, archery, volleyball, basketball, rope swing, horseback riding, climbing wall, skate park, and crafts.

The theme will be “Bullies of the Bible” which will feature stories highlighting Biblical aspects of why people are bullies, how God can heal bullies, how God wants us to deal with bullies, and how God cares for us as victims of bullies. We will study these Bible stories that demonstrate bullying: Cain, Samson, Joseph’s brothers, and Saul of Tarsus. Saul’s Damascus Road experience is an illustration that “you have received the light” and how a bully’s heart and behavior is changed.

Camp Costs: The 2015 camp registration fee is \$465. All registration forms must include a \$50 deposit to reserve a place for each camper, and can be submitted by mail, FAX, or scan.

**Early Bird Discount
Deadline is June 15**

Save money with Early Registration! Early registration is \$415 (when the \$50 deposit and completed registration forms are postmarked by June 15). Campers who register by July 15 will receive a t-shirt upon arrival at camp. Additional t-shirts may be ordered for \$10 each. A waiting list will be kept for registrations received after cabins are full. All camp balances are due by August 2, 2015. Payments can also be made online at www.midsouthcov.org.



Counselors in Leadership Training (CILT) Program is a learning track for qualified high school students who have an interest in developing leadership skills and becoming camp counselors. They attend special CILT training sessions while at camp and participate in regular cabin and camp activities where they get “hands on” training experience. Applications are due by June 1 and upon acceptance into the CILT program, CILTs register as a camper.



Camper registration and deposit due June 15. CILT registration cost is \$375.

Counseling Staff is primarily made up of trained volunteers from Covenant churches in the Midsouth Conference. All staff members attend a training session for instruction about the camp’s purpose and procedures, as well

as general counseling techniques. Parents often volunteer as counselors while their own children attend camp.

Important Dates:

June 1 = deadline for CILT applications

June 15 = deadline for Early Registration, \$50 deposit and registration forms due to the Midsouth office

= **deadline for CILT’s camper registration and deposit**

July 15 = all camp paperwork is due at the Midsouth office.

All T-shirt orders must be received by the Midsouth office. (New campers only accepted as space permits after this date.)

August 2 = all camp fees must be paid in full at camp check-in. Camp check-in is from 3-5 P.M.

August 9 = Camp ends with closing program/brunch

Midsouth Conference Contact Information:
(479) 631-1212 Email: office@midsouthcov.org
www.midsouthcov.org.

Register ONLINE at
www.midsouthcov.org
OR pick up a registration form in the church foyer

June 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 7pm: ESL Class , CREW, Prayer Groups, Bible Study, Redeemer Kids' End of School Celebra- tion	4 Rainwater Summer Send Off 7am New Members Dessert 7pm Council/Staff meeting 7pm Celebrate Recovery • Dinner 6pm • Meeting 7pm • Share Groups 8pm	5 Office closed	6 Help Palisades Point HOA plant trees 9am
7 Fellowship Lunch 12pm Congregational Meeting CREW fight Club 7pm	8 Purses for Haiti & Potluck Lunch 11:30am	9	10 7pm: ESL Class , Redeemer Kids, Prayer Groups, CREW's mandatory training for Kids' Club	11 Celebrate Recovery • Dinner 6pm • Meeting 7pm • Share Groups 8pm • Café Kononia 9pm	12 Office closed	13 CREW Volleyball Tournament 9am- 4pm CREW at Harvey's Kids 4:45pm
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14 CREW's mandatory training for Kids' Club 4-7pm Book club 7-9pm	15	16	17 7pm: ESL Class , Redeemer Kids, Prayer Groups, CREW's Eden Tree Kids Club begins	18 Celebrate Recovery • Dinner 6pm • Meeting 7pm • Share Groups 8pm • Café Kononia 9pm	19 Office closed "The Age of Poneros" Play 7pm	20 "The Age of Poneros" Play 2 :30p.m.
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21 Father's Day	22	23	24 7pm: ESL Class Redeemer Kids, CREW, Prayer Groups	25 Celebrate Recovery • Dinner 6pm • Meeting 7pm • Share Groups 8pm • Café Kononia 9pm	26 Office closed	27 Men's Breakfast 8:30 a.m.
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← Haiti Mission Trip →						
28 CREW practice for Youth Sunday 5-7pm	29	30		PURPLE = Fellowship Hall BLUE = Conference Room RED = Sanctuary GREEN = CE Wing PINK = Whole Church	PLAN AHEAD: July 5 Youth Sunday July 5-10 - Vacation Bible School July 12-17 - CHIC Youth Conference August 2-8 - Midsouth Covenant Camp August 9 - Hearts & souls	
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Redeemer Covenant Church

Our vision is to be
a multi-ethnic community
that is committed to
walking alongside
anyone seeking healing or
wholeness in Christ.

Worship at Redeemer

Worship Service

Please join us in worshipping our Lord on Sundays at 10:45 A.M.

June Sermons

June 7 – Psalm 95:1-7 - "Pausing to Give Thanks"

(Pastor Mark's sabbatical is June 8 through July 8.)

June 14 – Acts 13:22 - "After God's Heart"

June 21 – 2 Kings 6:8-22 - "Eyes Wide Open"

June 28 – John 9:1-34 - "Christianity Is a Verb"

Master's Touch Submissions

To submit information or an
article, e-mail it to Lori at
RedeemerECC@gmail.com.

Submissions are due no later
than the 20th of the month in
order to be considered for
publication in the following
month's newsletter.

Submissions will be reviewed by
RCC leadership for approval and
are subject to editing.

Office Hours

Monday: 9 AM — 4 PM

(Pastor Mark's day off)

Tuesday: 9 AM — 4 PM

(Staff meetings 1 — 2 PM)

Wednesday: 9 AM — 4 PM

Thursday: 9 AM — 4 PM

Friday: 9 AM — 4 PM

(Lori's day off)

Saturday: Closed