

June 2017



REDEEMER EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH

The Master's Touch

From the Pastor's Desk

He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end. (Ecclesiastes 3:11b)

As we approach an important congregational meeting this month, I want to share with you some words I wrote in this newsletter five years ago in February 2012: *"Our second goal is a financial campaign to do some exterior renovations on the building. Hopefully by now you have seen the drawings of what could be done to make our building more welcoming to our community and to spread the message that Redeemer is here in Carrollton to stay!"* These words refer to our RENOVATE campaign which was a capital campaign for our 25th church anniversary in 2012.

Looking back on those words gives me a sense of God's humor and His perspective on our earthly plans. If you had told me after writing those words five years ago that some of the RENOVATE projects would still not be done, I'd be exasperated. Yet, if in that same moment, you told me that in five years the church would have paid off our mortgage (\$700,000+ in 2012), I'd be ecstatic. If on top of that you told me that we would receive gifts of \$100,000 in 2014 and \$350,000 in 2017, I'd be floored

– in a good way of course.

This season is a season of discernment but it is also a season of gratitude. In addition, I think it is a season of humility. We have come a long way in five years. Opportunities stand before our church that I could not have fathomed in 2012. For that I am grateful to God. I am also grateful that He has taught us that there are limitations to money. There are still challenges before us that money cannot solve. We are fully



reliant on God's divine hand for them to be overcome. That keeps us humble. I hope all of you can join us on June 4th for the congregational meeting. God has blessed us and we will give Him thanks. He has given us opportunities and we will face them head on. He reminds us that even if we have all the money in the world, we can do nothing apart from Him. Who can possibly fathom His plans?

- Mark Mohrweis
Mark@RedeemerECC.org

Congregational Meeting on June 4th

After church, in the Sanctuary

Everyone is invited to hear updates on Redeemer's ministries, finances, etc.

Redeemer members are needed to vote on a number of things:

1. Membership changes
2. \$350,000 donation
3. Facilities needs and priorities (A big thankyou to our 3F Committee for all the work they did for us!)

4. Council member positions to be voted upon:

- Vice Chair
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Evangelism/Outreach
- Property
- Worship

Thank you to our whole Council for their hard work and faithful leadership.

Council Corner—Thank you!

Redeemer's Church Council is made up of 5 Executive Board members and 6 Committee Chairs. All are elected in June: half the positions in odd numbered years and the other half in even years — so that there are always “veterans” on the Council. They serve a two-year term, which may be renewed twice (for a total of 6 years).

Thank you to this past year's Executive Board:

Chair — Mike Castelli

Vice Chair — Gaylon Hull

Secretary — Sherry Thweatt

Treasurer — Deb Christopher

Financial Secretary — Jayme Wright

Thanks, also, to the 2016-2017 Committee Chairs:

Discipleship — Mary Anne Jensen

Evangelism — Tasha Moore

Fellowship — Kathy Joiner

Missions — Warren Leonhardi

Property — Steve Walker

Worship — Jake Petty

We especially want to thank Steve Walker, Deb Christopher, Sherry Thweatt, and Jake Petty who are stepping down. They have served faithfully, put in many hours, and worked hard in their areas of ministry.

Questions? Contact Mike at [fmcastelli \(at\) gmail.com](mailto:fmcastelli@gmail.com).

A Father's Day Prayer

“We give our thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives.

Fatherhood does not come with a manual, and reality teaches us that some fathers excel while others fail.

We ask for Your blessings for them all – and forgiveness where it is needed.

This Father's Day we remember the many sacrifices fathers make for their children and families, and the ways – both big and small – they lift children to achieve dreams thought beyond reach.

So too, we remember all those who have helped fill the void when fathers pass early or are absent – grandfathers and uncles, brothers and cousins, teachers, pastors and coaches – and the women of our families.

For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility in the face of the task of parenting. Give them the strength to do well by their children and by You. In Your Holy name, O God, we pray. Amen.”

written by Rev. Chuck Currie <http://www.patheos.com/blogs/christophers/2012/06/a-fathers-day-prayer/>



Redeemer Evangelical Covenant Church is partnering with Metrocrest Services to pack and distribute nutritious food to families in the Carrollton community this summer.

Delivery 9:15 –11 am

– Saturday, June 24th

– Saturday, July 22nd

Packing

– Thursday, June 22nd 6 - 8 P.M.

– Friday, June 30th 12 - 2 P.M.

– Thursday, July 13th 6 - 8 P.M.

– Friday, July 21st 12 - 2 P.M.

For more information or to sign up
contact Tasha Moore at:
[tasha.lynn.moore \(at\) gmail.com](mailto:tasha.lynn.moore@gmail.com)

For Men!



Cops & Cakes (pancakes with the police)

Saturday, June 10, at 9:00-12:00

1944 E Hebron Pkwy in Carrollton

The men's ministry of Bethel Bible Fellowship invites the men of Redeemer to join them for a (free) pancake breakfast with the local police. With all that has been going on with the Police and the Black Community, they want to reach out to have breakfast and dialogue to help possibly change the perceptions on both sides. There will be an actual Law Enforcement Speaker after the breakfast and fellowship time.

RSVP is appreciated, but not required: Contact Arneil Brown at [abrown \(at\) medfusionsvs.com](mailto:abrown@medfusionsvs.com) or text 469-685-8696.

Daniel Bible Study

Wednesdays at 7:00 P.M. beginning June 7th

A new Bible Study on the Book of Daniel.
Led by Pastor Mark.

We invite anyone who is interested to come and join us Wednesdays this summer.

The Bible study takes place at the same time as CREW Youth Group (Jr & Sr High), so bring your teens!

We would love to have you this summer!

Contact Pastor Mark at Mark@RedeemerECC.org.



Summer Travels: Missions

Pray for Our Summer Missions!

We have folks involved in all sorts of missions outreaches this summer. Take a moment to pray for them today!

Haiti Trip: July 1-8

- Pastor Dieula and her family will be ministering to hurting women and their families in Gressier.

Note: Thanks to all the Redeemer members and attenders who made purses for the women of Haiti!

Guatemala Trip: July 7 – 16

- Four churches (30 people total) from the Mid-South Region of the ECC are combining together to go to Patzicia, Guatemala to serve.
- Pastor Mark & Megan Hull will be going from Redeemer.

Pray for Camp: July 31 – August 6

- While not a traditional 'mission' we have a big group of children and youth going for a life-changing week at camp.
- In addition, Pastor Nick, Jake & Kimmy Petty, Sandra Ninemire, Megan Hull, and Mary Anne Jensen are going.

Local Missions

- Pray for Sack Summer Hunger – all summer long.
- Pray for the youth participating in homeless ministry at *Our Calling* on June 17.



Summer Camp !



July 31 - August 6

Students entering grades 2—9

Outdoor activities

Great worship and biblical teaching

New friends and more!

Camp Registration

Forms are in the lobby or

online at www.midsouthcov.org.

Earlybird Discount Deadline: June 15

Contact

Kimmy at [Kimberly.Petty28 \(at\) gmail.com](mailto:Kimberly.Petty28@gmail.com)

CREW Youth Group

Crew's End of School Bash
 Saturday, June 3
 Branch Hollow Park

We will meet at church at Noon
 And return around 3:00 p.m.

Contact Pastor Nick for details

can come to this event! I believe it will truly make a huge impact on their lives! Please meet at the church at 11 A.M. The actual event is from 12:00 - 4:00 P.M. We plan to be back at the church between 4:30 - 4:45 P.M.

*"The King [Jesus] will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you do for one of **the least of these brothers and sisters of Mine**, you did for Me.'" - Matthew 25:40*

LOOKING AHEAD:

CREW is going to Six Flags!!

July 15th

For our CREW students, the price for this event is \$25.00.

Students are welcome to invite

their friends. If you wish to invite a friend, please contact me so we can discuss pricing information!

THE PAYMENT FOR SIXFLAGS IS DUE BY JUNE 18th.



Helping the 'Least of These' June 17th

11:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.



CREW will be volunteering with *Our Calling*, a homeless ministry in Dallas. We have been studying the importance of serving others and we have been blessed with the wonderful opportunity of

putting these teachings into ACTION!

Parents, please help us to make sure all of our students

Contact Pastor Nick

Nick@RedeemerECC.org

972-466-0054

Gear Up for a VBS Campout!



Friday, July 21

Saturday, July 22

6:00—8:30 P.M.

*Jesus said,
"I am the light
of the world."
(John 8:12)*

At this year's weekend Vacation Bible School *Camp Out: Getting S'more of Jesus* kids will trek through an outdoor adventure and learn that Jesus is the light of the world. You won't need bug spray on this two-day VBS!

Help us Shine a Light on God's Word!

- Pray!
- Volunteer to work with kids
- Volunteer to help with publicity
- Invite children to VBS
- Donate gear: see the board in the hallway next to the Children's Wing entry.

Questions? Want to volunteer? Contact Julie Persson at rjpersson@verizon.net or 972-492-6124



WOMEN in CHRIST

All women . . . All ages . . . All phases . . . All woven together in Christ!

Monday, June 12, 12:00 P.M.

Ladies, please join us! Bring a potluck dish and a friend. Father's Day is this month, so let's celebrate the significant men in our lives...bring a photo or other memorabilia, if you want.

Contact Sheryl Smith at SherylSmith123@verizon.net.



News & Information

Small Group Ministry

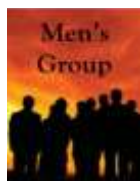
Redeemer's vision is to walk alongside one another as we seek healing and wholeness in Christ.



One of our goals to help us achieve that vision is to form small groups where people can truly get to know and support one another in a safe and honest setting. We have several small groups going already, and would like to help form more. If you are interested in being a part of a small group, contact Pastor

Mark at Mark@RedeemerECC.org.

Men's Small Group



Wednesdays, 6:30 - 7:30 A.M.

All men are welcome to join Warren Leonhardi for study and support.

Location: Fellowship Hall A

Contact: [wsleonhardi \(at\) Verizon.net](mailto:wsleonhardi@verizon.net)

Book Club

Sunday, June 18, at 7-9:00 P.M.



Our Book Club discusses one book a month from a wide variety of genres, Christian and secular. Join us in Fellowship Hall this month for a discussion of the books 4-6 of *Middlemarch* by George Eliot. For details about book club, contact Lori Vriend at Lori@RedeemerECC.org.

Racial Reconciliation

Sundays, July 9 and July 30 at 6:00-8:00 P.M.



This group usually meets the last Sunday of the month for a potluck dinner and a discussion of racial issues. But our June meeting is postponed to July 9, due to vacations. Contact

Pastor Dieula for details at Dieula@RedeemerECC.org.

Open Prayer



Wednesdays at 7:00 P.M.

The Prayer Room is open for people to gather to pray. Prayer sheets with the congregation's prayer requests are available in the church office.

Penny Manna

A simple way to bless those in need!

- 1) Collect all those unwanted coins
- 2) Place them in the Penny Manna Jar in the church lobby.

All donations go to Covenant World Relief (CWR) to help provide water, food, jobs, and shelter to people in dire need. Learn more at www.covchurch.org/cwr.



Want to support the garden?

Adopt the care of our rose bushes, asparagus garden, or blackberry plants!

Email Stan: grow@HarvestCommunitGarden.org

On the web: www.HarvestCommunityGarden.org

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Harvest-Community-Garden/211811232239434>

Call Lori at the church: 972-466-0054 or email

Lori@RedeemerECC.org.

ESL Classes

Wednesdays at 7:00 to 8:30 P.M.

Our two English classes will continue to meet through the month of June and take a break in July and August.

Contact Pastor Dieula at

DieulaPrevilon@gmail.com.



Kids Connect

Wednesdays at 7:00 to 8:30 P.M.

Grade school children meet in room 109 for fun, learning, and snacks.

They will meet through the month of June and take a break in July and August.

Questions? Contact Mary Anne Jensen at [MaryAnne \(at\) RedeemerECC.org](mailto:MaryAnne@RedeemerECC.org).



Kids Connect

June's Dates

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

Happy Birthday!

6/02 Lindsey Lemay
 6/04 Tammy Deleon
 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
 6/16 Travis Hizeman
 6/18 Gianna Bass
 6/21 Donna Petty
 6/22 Cara Basnett
 6/23 Richard Flynn
 6/23 David Jaime
 6/23 James Lee Owen
 6/25 Matthew Seebachan
 6/26 Megan Hull

Happy Anniversary!

6/04 Johnny & Shannon Richards
 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
 6/25 Mike & Nicole Barnett
 6/26 David & Donna Petty
 6/27 Steve & Lyn Hall
 6/28 Warren & Sarah Leonhardi

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

Redeemer Covenant Church Contributions Report

As of:	5/31/2017
Monthly Contributions:	
General	29,153.00
eGiving	7,693.25
Crisis Relief	1,090.00
Missions	0.00
Facilities - Rent	800.00
Designated	
Penny Manna	11.00
Youth Missions	861.00
Total Monthly Contributions	\$39,608.25
Year-to-Date Contributions:	
General	152,297.11
eGiving	28,827.95
Crisis Relief	2,694.00
Missions	15.00
Facilities - Renovate/Rent	5,945.00
Designated	
Hearts & Soles	0.00
Penny Manna	310.09
Pastor Appreciation	0.00
Youth Missions	3,317.00
Total YTD Contributions	\$193,406.15
YTD General Budget	\$176,484.00
YTD Actual	\$181,125.06
YTD General Contributions Difference	\$4,641.06

Our Denomination

Redeemer is a member of The Evangelical Covenant Church (ECC). Visit the webpage www.covchurch.org.

Find Us on Facebook

Redeemer: www.facebook.com/#!/redeemercarrollton
 Redeemer Women's Fellowship: www.facebook.com/#!/groups/226778084046250/

Children's Promotion Sunday: June 10

Now that school is out, many of our students are ready to graduate

from one level of Redeemer's Christian education to the next.

We will recognize them during the 10:45 A.M. worship service.

Contact Mary Anne Jensen at [MaryAnne\(at\)RedeemerECC.org](mailto:MaryAnne(at)RedeemerECC.org).



June 201

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
PURPLE = Fellowship Hall BLUE = Conference Room RED = Sanctuary GREEN = CE Wing PINK = Whole Church	PLAN AHEAD: July 15 CREW Six Flags July 21-22 VBS July 30-August 5 Midsouth Camp			1 Council/Staff Meeting 7pm Celebrate Recovery • Dinner 6 pm • Meeting 7 pm • Share Groups 8 pm • Café Koinonia 9 pm	2	3 CREW's End of School Bash 12-3pm
4 Pentecost Sunday Congregational Meeting 12pm	5	6	7 Men's Group 6:30am 7-8:30pm: Prayer, Bible Study, ESL, Kids Connect, CREW, Iglesia Emanuel	8 Celebrate Recovery • Dinner 6 pm • Meeting 7 pm • Share Groups 8 pm • Café Koinonia 9 pm	9	10 Cops & Cakes men's breakfast at Bethel 9am-12pm
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11 Children's Promotion Sunday	12 Woven Potluck 12pm	13	14 Men's Group 6:30am 7-8:30pm: Prayer, Bible Study, ESL, Kids Connect, CREW, Iglesia Emanuel	15 Camp Early Bird registration deadline Celebrate Recovery • Dinner 6 pm • Meeting 7 pm • Share Groups 8 pm • Café Koinonia 9 pm	16	17 CREW Volunteers at Our Calling 11am
18 Father's Day Book Club 7-9pm	19 Juneteenth	20	21 Men's Group 6:30am 7-8:30pm: Prayer, Bible Study, ESL, Kids Connect, CREW, Iglesia Emanuel	22 Celebrate Recovery • Dinner 6 pm • Meeting 7 pm • Share Groups 8 pm • Café Koinonia 9 pm	<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 5px;">Lori gone</div> <div style="border: 1px solid orange; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Dieula gone</div>	
25	26 Office Closed	27	28 Men's Group 6:30am 7-8:30pm: Prayer, Bible Study, ESL, Kids Connect, CREW, Iglesia Emanuel	29 Celebrate Recovery • Dinner 6 pm • Meeting 7 pm • Share Groups 8 pm • Café Koinonia 9 pm	30	
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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 Services

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

Summer Sermon Series

“In Christ” - A Study of Ephesians

As supporting actors/actresses we point to Jesus Christ as the Center of all.

June 4 - Matthew 6:9-13 “On Earth as It is in Heaven”

June 11 - Ephesians 4:1-16 “WE’RE NOT WORTHY! WE’RE NOT WORTHY!”

June 18 - Ephesians 4:17-24 “Christ Died for Your Taste-buds, too!”

June 25 - Ephesians 4:25-5:2 “No, Let’s Not Settle This Outside”

Master’s Touch Submissions

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

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

Wednesday: 9 AM — 4 PM

(Staff meetings 2 — 3 PM)

Thursday: 9 AM — 4 PM

Friday: 9 AM — 4 PM

(Lori’s day off)

Saturday: Closed