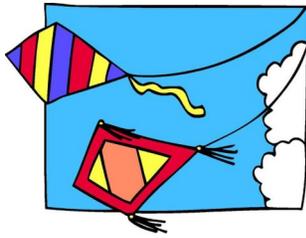


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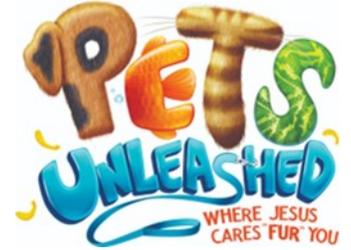


# The Evangel



june   
2023

Vacation Bible School Begins  
Sunday, June 11h at 5:45 pm  
at Redeemer Lutheran



Sunday, June 18th



Morin Lake Days June 16-18  
Worship by the Water  
June 18— 9:00 a.m.  
(Held at Redeemer if inclement weather)

**RAD ZOO!** Sponsored by Redeemer  
During Morin Lake Days  
Friday, June 16, 5:30 p.m.  
Where: Outside RLC on Water Street. \*Bring  
a lawn chair for seating and get ready to enjoy  
a fun, interactive experience!



REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

Grow in LOVE - Serve with JOY

191 Water St  
Alden, MN 56009

Change Service Requested



God's work.  
Our hands.

# Worship and Fellowship Opportunities

**Acolytes**

## June Worship Services

4: Cael Boldt

18: Worship by the Water—Morin Lake Days

## June

Brian Jacobs

Wayne & Will Jacobs

**Ushers**

## Coffee Fellowship June Servers

4: Jolene Jahnke and Cael Boldt

18: Boy Scouts are providing and serving



## LECTORS

### June

4: Roger Pectorious

18: *None needed*



### June

Shannon Nelson

Bryn Nelson

## Personnel

- Pastor Kristi Mitchell
- Kurt Mylenbusch,  
Admin. Assistant
- Shirley Newman, Financial  
Secretary
- Shirley Newman, Ann Purdy  
& Helen Steene, Organists

## Contact Information

- Office: 507-874-3343
- Pastor's Cell: 507-360-1224
- Email: [rlc@redeemeralden.com](mailto:rlc@redeemeralden.com)
- Pastor's Email: [pastor@redeemeralden.com](mailto:pastor@redeemeralden.com)
- Web site: [www.redeemeralden.com](http://www.redeemeralden.com)
- Facebook: Redeemer Lutheran Church
- Sunday School Facebook: Alden Redeemer Lutheran Sunday School

Saturdays.

-Morin Lake Days Worship on June 18<sup>th</sup> – Josh offered to help Pastor set up the sound system, we will have a pet blessing at the outdoor service

-Gathering offering on the Sundays when worship is at Concordia – similar to last year, the council member who has council duties for the month will be responsible for bringing the offering from Concordia in the locked money bag back to Redeemer.

## Committee Reports

**Christian Education** —VBS is set for June 11-13. Rad Zoo event is June 16<sup>th</sup>. Meeting Monday June 22 at 6pm to wrap up details. Last frolic event was on Monday night. We had a few Concordia families there which was great – 9 families total.

**Youth** —Honoring of Graduates and Scholarship recipients will be Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Youth Group to Good Earth Village on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Missions & Outreach** – Busy Fingers Quilters donating around 65 quilts to Lutheran World Relief on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Endowment** – See minutes of April meeting.

**Property** — See minutes of April meeting. Church clean-up day went well. Hand railing was fixed & ceiling tiles replaced. The old snow blower was taken out of parsonage. A/C unit to fellowship hall isn't working, need to call Jim & Dude's. Leaking entrance door by the office which Southern Lock & Glass is working on. Pastor will email property committee as an FYI about Trent. Kurt will coordinate cleaning out the boiler room.

**Music & Worship**—Summer alternating worship locations begins on May 28<sup>th</sup> with worship held at Concordia Lutheran at 9:00 am. Then at Redeemer on June 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. Fellowship following worship services.

Other Items –

Parish Council meeting May 24h at Concordia at 7:00 pm

Motion made to adjourn, seconded, and passed. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer at 8:33 pm.

Next meeting is Wednesday, June 21 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by  
Nikki Weber-Knutson, Secretary

## April Financial Report

Income \$19,489.70

Expenses \$17,180.25



We regret to share that Trent Nelson has resigned his position as custodian, effective May 31<sup>st</sup>. We give thanks for Trent's service to our congregation and appreciate the care he provided for our congregation and church property as our custodian since 2021. We

wish Trent all the best in the next path of his journey.

In the Peace of Christ,

The Redeemer Church Council



# Council Minutes

## May 2023

- JOSH SORENSEN, PRESIDENT
- GRANT PETERSEN, VICE PRESIDENT
- NIKKI WEBER-KNUTSON, SECRETARY
- JERRY REYERSON, TREASURER
- CURT GUENTHER
- TONYA HANSEN
- JANELLE JACOBS
- TARA ROBERTS
- BRADY GOODEN

Redeemer Lutheran Church  
 Unapproved Church Council  
 May 17, 2023 Minutes

Vice President Grant Petersen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Opening devotions given by Pastor Kristi.

In attendance were Pastor Kristi Mitchell, Curt Guenther, Nikki Weber-Knutson, Grant Petersen, Tonya Hansen, Tara Roberts, Josh Sorensen, and Jerry Reyerson.  
 Absent: Janelle Jacobs and Brady Gooden

Reviewed Secretary's Report, meeting minutes from April 19. Motion to accept, seconded, and motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Motion to accept, seconded, and motion passed.

Pastor's Report – May 6th was Synod Assembly in Mankato. Radley Miller & Carolyn Martinson attended. It was a great event. Will be attending training on Monday. Office closed on Memorial Day. Pastoral visits coming up the next 2 weeks.

### Old Business –

-Hand rail for altar steps – Curt hasn't heard back from

B&D yet. Will be in Wells on Friday and will follow up with them.

-Date for Twins Game event – still TBD

-Electronic giving options – Great resources available for options to be put in bulletin or post in the pews or in E-news. These are all options in place with our current Vanco account.

There are options for text giving, QR codes, setting up accounts for special online payments for things like VBS & Faithful Fridays. Motion to accept, seconded, and motion passed for Pastor to proceed with setting these giving options up.

### New Business -

-Resignation of Trent Nelson, custodian – effective May 31. Motion to accept, seconded, and motion passed to accept his resignation.

Pastor Kristi and the entire council thank Trent for his work caring for our church. We wish him all the best.

Motion to accept, seconded, and motion passed to offer the custodian role to Kurt Mylenbusch. Kurt will take on the custodian role in addition to his current administrative assistant role.

-Summer meeting schedule – discussed if we will take a month off during the summer for our meetings but the council agree we will meet each month

-Saturday building schedule – Council agreed we would like to have the church building closed on Saturdays and closed at 5pm on weekdays unless there are evening events. Tara will talk with the Sue & Paulette with the Altar Guild to talk about options if they need to be in the church on



Dean Bendickson	6/1	Sheri Opseth	6/13
Christina Wach	6/1	Myla Wangen	6/13
Beth Wilder	6/1	Janice Bolinger	6/14
Evon Johnson	6/2	Nicholas Korman	6/14
Cindy Larson	6/2	Tyler Mithun	6/14
Lucas VanEngelenburg	6/2	Brenna Wangen	6/15
Rachel Kleinschrodt	6/3	Patricia Jensen	6/18
Danielle Schroeder	6/3	Carolyn Martinson	6/18
Brady Swehla	6/3	Jake Jahnke	6/20
Tyler Beer	6/4	Brittany Sousa	6/20
Landen Purdy	6/4	Suzanne Williams	6/21
Melissa Phelps	6/5	Luther Langrud	6/22
Brandon Tukua	6/5	Matthew Sime	6/22
Ella Riebe	6/6	Myrna Sorensen	6/22
Kay Janssen	6/7	Jon Behle	6/23
Kari Nesje	6/7	Matt Holm	6/23
Leo Semple	6/7	Gloria Johnson	6/24
Henry Geesman	6/8	Isabella Olson	6/25
Daniel Luna	6/8	Autumn Soost	6/26
Sandy Duncan	6/9	Darlene Sorensen	6/26
Macy Williams	6/9	Cindy Mathiason	6/27
Andrew Cummings	6/10	Dick Borge	6/28
Briggs Jacobs	6/10	Karley Guenther	6/28
Cheryl Newman	6/10	Josh Jacobs	6/28
Bryce Banton	6/12	Carter Newman	6/28
Reece Soost	6/12	Tyler Hintz	6/29
Matthew Bronson	6/13	Rhonda Linn	6/29
Dave Mulso	6/13		

## Calendar of Events for June 2023

<u>Sun. 6/4</u>	9:00 am Worship Service with Holy Communion at Redeemer for both congregations 10:00 am Fellowship
<u>Sun. 6/11</u>	9:00 am Worship Service with Holy Communion at Concordia for both congregations 10:00 am Fellowship 5:45 –8:15 pm Vacation Bible School
<u>Mon. 6/12</u>	5:45 –8:15 pm Vacation Bible School
<u>Tues. 6/13</u>	6:00 pm Family Celebration for VBS—program and meal. All are welcome!
<u>Fri. 6/16</u>	5:30 pm Rad Zoo! Outside Redeemer on Water St.
<u>Sun. 6/18</u>	<b>Happy Father's Day</b> 9:00 am Worship Service at the Lake for Morin Lake Days (at Redeemer if inclement weather) 10:00 am Coffee provided by Boy Scouts
<u>Tues. 6/21</u>	5:30 pm Informational Meeting about ELCA Youth Gathering for Summer 2024 at Redeemer 7:00 pm Council Meeting
<u>Sun. 6/26</u>	9:00 am Worship with Holy Communion at Concordia Lutheran for both congregations
<u>Wed. 6/28</u>	7:00 pm Joint Council Meeting at Redeemer

### Summer Worship Schedule:

June 4th	9:00 am	Redeemer with Holy Communion
June 11th	9:00 am	Concordia with Holy Communion
June 18th	9:00 am	Morin Lake Days – Worship by the Lake (At Redeemer if bad weather) Scouts will serve fellowship after worship.
June 25th	9:00 am	Concordia with Holy Communion
July 2nd	9:00 am	Redeemer with Holy Communion
July 9th	9:00 am	Concordia with Holy Communion
July 16th	9:00 am	Redeemer with Holy Communion
July 23rd	9:00 am	Concordia with Holy Communion
July 30th	9:00 am	Redeemer with Holy Communion
August 6th	9:00 am	Concordia with Holy Communion
August 13th	9:00 am	Redeemer with Holy Communion
August 20st	9:00 am	Concordia with Holy Communion
August 27th	9:00 am	Redeemer with Holy Communion
September 3rd	9:00 am	Concordia with Holy Communion
September 10th	we return to worship in each congregation	

# Hospice adult grief support groups

Available for either in-person or online Zoom attendance

If a significant person in your life has died within the past three years, please consider being a part of an upcoming six week in-person or online Zoom grief group. These groups provide a safe way to connect with other people who are grieving, to be understood and to share needs, concerns and feelings. Grief Group participants should be at least three months into their journey with grief after the death of their loved one.



Summer 2023: Week of July 17 - Week of August 21

#### ROCHESTER

##### Day/time

Mondays, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesdays, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

##### Location

Mayo Clinic Hospice Office  
41st Street Professional Building  
4111 W Frontage Rd

#### AUSTIN

##### Day/time

Mondays, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

##### Location

Mayo Clinic Hospice Office  
101 14th St NW

#### RED WING

##### Day/time

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. – Noon

##### Location

United Lutheran Church  
628 West 5th Street

#### SPRING VALLEY

##### Day/time

Tuesdays, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

##### Location

Hindt Funeral Home  
316 N. Broadway Street

#### ONLINE ZOOM\*

##### Day/time

Mondays, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

##### \*To attend via Zoom you will need:

- Access to a computer with internet access, microphone and camera
- A private place without other people present because the conversations during grief groups are to be kept confidential
- An email address for receiving materials and the Zoom link

#### DETAILS

##### Contact us

(507) 284-4002  
(800) 679-9084 (toll-free)  
[rsthospicebereavement@mayo.edu](mailto:rsthospicebereavement@mayo.edu)

##### To register\* for a group please contact us:

\*Registration closes June 19

##### COVID-19

For the health and safety of yourself and others during in-person attendance, we ask that you follow current Mayo recommendations.

## Electronic Giving Options Offered at Redeemer Lutheran Church

The Redeemer Church Council is moving forward with offering multiple options for electronic giving (eGiving) for our church. Through our Vanco Financial Giving Service we can offer eGiving options that are convenient alternatives to cash and checks, whether you are worshipping with us in person or want to give from wherever you may be. The eGiving program options offer you the possibility of one-time gifts or recurring donations. Here are some additional benefits of eGiving.

**\* It Makes Giving Easy** eGiving makes it simple for you to give exactly how and when you want. You can make a one-time donation or set up recurring gifts right from your computer, tablet or phone.

**\*It's Safe and Secure** You never need to worry about your donation making it into our account. Gifts made via eGiving are directly sent to our church's bank account. Our payment solutions provider ensures your personal information remains secure.

**\*No Cash, No Checks, No Problem** Never worry about forgetting your cash or checkbook at home again. With eGiving, you can make a donation right from your phone. For further worry-free giving, you can also set up recurring donations online, so your gift continues even when you can't make it to service.

**\*You Can Give on the Go** With eGiving, you don't have to physically be at church to contribute. Use our church's convenient eGiving tools to donate from the beach, on the road or right at home.

Over the next couple of months we will be sharing with you the eGiving options at Redeemer Lutheran, such as online giving, mobile app giving, QR Code link to giving, and giving by text. If at anytime you have questions about these options please contact Pastor Kristi or Kurt in our Church Office. We hope you will tryout one of our convenient and safe eGiving options.

### Ways to Give:

#### \*In Person is always an option



Whether it's cash or check, we appreciate your kindness. Please place your donations in an offering envelope and drop them in the offering plate.

#### \*Online



Visit [www.redeemeralden.org](http://www.redeemeralden.org) and click on the Online Giving tab on the front page of our website to set up a one-time or recurring donation.

#### \*Mobile App



Download the Vanco Mobile app from your app store to set up a one-time or recurring donation. Search Alden and then choose Redeemer Lutheran Church. This Vanco Mobile app is available on [Apple](#) and [Android](#) devices.

**Thank you for your continued financial support  
of the ministry of Redeemer Lutheran Church.**

## Alden Morin Lake Days

June 16-18, 2023 [MLD est. 1990]

Donations for  
Fireworks, Parade & Celebration  
are appreciated!

Mail donations to:  
MLD P.O. 325 Alden, MN 56009

**FRIDAY**

NOON **MLD Medallion Hunt Begins** - \$50 prize. Sponsor: **ALDEN ADVANCE**  
Clues are posted at City Hall next to the Fire Dept.

1pm-8 pm **Walking Tacos** by the Legion. Fundraiser for the A-C Supermileage team travel to the World Championship in Bangalore, India.  
Follow the team at <https://www.facebook.com/Aldensupermileage>

1:30 - 3 pm **Wes Hintz Kids Fishing Contest** @ Morin Lake Free.  
Meet by shelter @ 1 pm for instructions. Sponsor: **Alden Lions**

5:30 - 6:30 Free **RAD ZOO** on Water Street ...bring a chair and enjoy the show. Rain location in Redeemer Church.

6 - 8 pm **Meat Raffles** in the Legion

7 pm Free **Kiddie Tractor Pull** -on Water Street **A-C FFA** -Sanctioned

7 - 8:30 Free **S'mores on the Shores** Sponsor: Alden Area Community Foundation  
Meet near the beach for supplies

**SATURDAY**

Full Breakfast 8 - noon \$7 per person @ **Legion**

**MLD Fun Run** \$15 registration fee thru June 8 -All entrants receive a T-shirt.  
7 am Registration & sign-in begins at at Hemmingsen's Transfer Parking Lot.  
8 am Start time for 10K and 3 mile run. 9 am Start time for 1 mile run/walk.  
\* Checks to **ALDEN MLD Fun Run** mail to: P.O. 325 Alden, MN 56009  
\$20 after 8\* until race time. Family rate \$50 thru June 8\* & \$60 after 8\* until race time.

9 - 3 pm **'Flea Market'** on Broadway [register with Mary Chicco 383.0794]

1 pm-6 pm **Walking Tacos** by the Legion. Fundraiser for the A-C Supermileage team.

10 am - 1 pm **Alden Community Museum** - Open for self-guided tours

2 - 6 pm **GTX live Band** in Legion (No cover charge/photo ID for spirits)

3 - 5 pm **Canoes & Activities on Alden's Morin Lake** - Free

4 pm - **Ring Toss** -Lions Fundraiser for All Inclusive Playground at Edgewater Park

4:30 pm **Kiddie Parade, "SUPER HEROS" theme.** Registration on Water Street. **5 pm Kiddie Parade**

5 pm - **Pie & Ice Cream Social @City Hall -Alden Lions**

**7 pm MLD PARADE - Grand Marshals: A-C Supermileage Team**  
Back Up **RAIN DATE for Parade & Fireworks --- Sunday, June 18**  
Register Parade units: [AldenMLD@yahoo.com](mailto:AldenMLD@yahoo.com) or call Kevin Swenson 507.874.2656

8 - Midnight **Street Dance** by the Lake- Sponsor: LeVerne Carlson Fitness Center Free

**DUSK** **MLD FIREWORKS - Over Alden's Morin Lake.**

**SUNDAY**

9 am **MLD Worship by the Water**  
@ the south Morin Lake Landing. Bring lawn chairs.

**Boy Scouts** serving donuts & beverages after service  
Rain Location -Redeemer Church

Noon - 3 pm **Canoes** available for use - Free

**"Battle of the BARS" @ Oakview Golf Course** Best Shot/4-person teams sponsored by area BARS  
\$200 entry fee [paid by Bar Sponsor or Players- Bar Gift Cards &/or Cash]  
Details & Register by calling Oakview: 507.863.2288.  
© Bars are not limited to one team/\$200 fee per team ©

**FREE - Parade Registration:**  
**AldenMLD@yahoo.com** or call Kevin Swenson 507.874.2656  
MLD schedule updates may be found at:  
<https://www.facebook.com/MorinLakeDaysinAldenMinnesota>

...Outdoor Food Vendors on Saturday...

# Vacation Bible School

**June 11-13 ~ *Pets Unleashed* VBS**  
**Where Jesus Cares “FUR” You!**

At *Pets Unleashed* VBS, kids dig into Jesus’ loving care through a relatable, pet-inspired adventure! Calling all children currently in Preschool - 6th grade, to join us at Redeemer’s VBS! Our *Pets Unleashed* VBS begins Sunday, June 11th and continues through Tuesday, June 13th. Supper will be provided beginning at 5:45 p.m. every evening and served until 6:10 p.m.



This year’s VBS schedule is:

- Sunday, June 11: Children’s Activities/Meal 5:45 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.
- Monday, June 12: Children’s Activities/Meal 5:45 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 13: Family Celebration, 6 p.m. Special Program with supper and family activities to follow.

Registration fee is \$20 per child (includes t-shirt and meals).

Please make checks payable to Redeemer Lutheran Church. Advanced registration is preferred by May 28th. Register online via jotforms (direct link available at [www.redeemeralden.com](http://www.redeemeralden.com)) or by calling the Church Office. Check out our Facebook page for additional details.

Students currently in 7th - 12th grade are also invited to join in the *Pets Unleashed* fun and volunteer as a member of the crew assisting as leaders/helpers throughout the week. Students and parents, if you are interested in volunteering or have additional questions, please contact Anna Sorensen. Looking forward to an awesome VBS where everyone will be learning how Jesus cares “fur” you!



We are in need of food and supply donations for VBS. Please see the online link on our website [www.redeemeralden.com](http://www.redeemeralden.com) (click on the Education tab). If you are able to help provide any food or supplies needed for VBS please use the sign-up link or call the Church Office (507-874-3343) for assistance. We greatly appreciate your generosity in providing for our VBS students!!

**Also Needed for VBS:** old t-shirts size large to 2 XL. Please drop off at the Church Office by June 4th. Thank you!

*Everyone is Invited to a*  
**Summer Gathering**  
**Sunday, June 25, 2023**  
**Featuring**  
*Heart Song*



**4pm Concert by “Heart Song”**  
(Heart Song has performed at MN State Fair, churches, and various venues.)

**5pm Light Supper**  
**Followed by Activities and Games for all ages**  
**Hosted By: Central Freeborn Lutheran Church**  
74226 245 St., Albert Lea, MN

**Please RSVP if possible:**  
507-826-3346 or [centralfreeborn@gmail.com](mailto:centralfreeborn@gmail.com)

**Free-will donation will go to Heart Song Ministries**