

Welcome to Church of the Redeemer We Are...

*a diverse community that strives to grow in service of Christ
and to honor the sacredness of every person.*

Our mission is to

- **ACCEPT** all people as God's children and to serve our neighbor as witnesses to God's love;
- **URGE** all children, youth and adults to individually and communally deepen relationships with God through prayer, spiritual discipline and worship;
- **NURTURE** each other in joy, respecting our varied gifts, abilities, education, ethnicity, income and sexual orientation; and to
- **LIVE** as Christ's disciples.

If you are visiting today, please consider becoming part of our faith community. If you would like to know more about our church family, please speak to any person seated with you, or to our pastor, Rev. Karen Graham.

TODAY'S WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Rev. Karen Graham	Pastor
Jane Finley, Cathy Lipton, Lyndon Steele	Lay Leader Team
Anne Waltner	Organist and Choir Director
Graham Ball	Liturgist
Kari Sharpe	Altar Design
Lyndon Steele	Percussionist
	Head Usher
David Carter, Philis Coleman, Edgar Green, Wayne Spohn	
Ushers	



June 12, 2011

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United Methodist**

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Pentecost Sunday

***indicates to stand as able*

Please take a few moments to sign the attendance registration pads in the pew. Pass and return to center aisle seat. Make sure you welcome those with whom you are sitting!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Prelude no. 1 in C Major* J.S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Spirit comes as a mighty wind,
filling this place of worship.

The Spirit comes as tongues of fire,
resting on those who are gathered here.

The Spirit comes, and we are transformed.
All are welcome to drink of one Spirit.

Come, Holy Spirit,
**fill us; fill this place; inhabit our lives;
bless our worship.**

OPENING HYMN 2117** *Spirit of God*

OPENING PRAYER

Life-giving Lord, we offer praise with all of creation for the wonders and works that surround us every moment of our lives. Send forth your Spirit, that we may be recreated and renewed, to love and love for you. In the matchless name of your Son, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC Alma Sealine

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 2:1-21 NT p. 111, p. 144
Psalm 104: 24-35 (No. 827)
John 7:37-39 NT p. 94, p. 122

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Gracious God, Source of the Spirit, forgive us for doubting your goodness when you work in ways we do not understand.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Loving Christ, Wellspring of the Spirit, forgive us for failing to follow your example of compassion and service.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Holy Spirit, Living Water, forgive us for misusing your gifts when we focus more on ourselves than on others.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SERMON *The Force Be With You*

SHARING OUR PRAYER JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(forgive us our sins...)*

INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

THE DOXOLOGY** (No. 95)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN *Revive Us Again* (insert, 1,2,4)

BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

This Week at Redeemer
June 12, 2011– June 19, 2011

SUNDAY JUNE 12 – Pentecost
10:00 a.m. **Worship Service**
Youth return from Annual Conference
6:00 p.m. Redeemer softball at Roxboro

MONDAY JUNE 13
Annual Conference begins. Ends Thursday, 6-16

WEDNESDAY JUNE 15
10:30 a.m. Bible Discussion

SUNDAY JUNE 19
9:00 a.m. Sunday School – Adults
9:00 a.m. Junior Church – Grades K-5
10:00 a.m. Sunday School – Grades K-5
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
6:00 p.m. Redeemer softball at Forest Hills

The 42nd session of the **East Ohio Annual Conference** will be held this week at Lakeside, Ohio. Please keep our bishop, John Hopkins, conference leaders, and all voting members in your prayers. Voting members attending from Church of the Redeemer are: Pastor Karen Graham (clergy member); Michelle Gillespie (lay member); Mary Ann Carlson (North Coast District lay member at large); Phil Holland (Conference Board of Ordained Ministry lay member); Beverly Holland (Conference Board of Ordained Ministry lay member); and Thea Wilson (North Coast District lay member at large). Others attending are: Donna Hughes (clergy, affiliate member); Dianne Covault (clergy, Elyria UMC), and those who are coming for other reasons: Joanne Gillis (Rev. Phil Gillis' name will be read at the opening memorial service); Kari Sharpe; Corbin and Linnea, Glennis, and Estelle Covault. Some Redeemerites will also be coming on Wednesday for the MFSA luncheon, and for the Open Table Communion Service at 5:30 p.m. Guests and observers to the sessions of the Annual Conference are always welcome! Consider coming on over for a day. Pastor Karen's rental house is 157 Lynn -- where 3 other Redeemer people are also staying, and there's plenty of room to sit down and visit. There are also good places to take walks, and get some ice cream! In case of pastoral emergency, call the church office and leave a message with Kate who can contact Pastor Karen at Lakeside.

TODAY AT REDEEMER

Summer Hours: Beginning **today, June 12**, through and including Labor Day Sunday, September 5, our church service will begin an hour earlier at 10 a.m. Sunday School classes will begin at 9 a.m.

OTHER NEWS

Frank and Carolyn James are pleased to announce the impending marriage of their son, Carwil James, to Sophie Bjork. The wedding will take place today, June 12, in Oakland, California. We send our love and prayers to Carwil and Sophie for many years of happiness together.

Active Redeemer Men are taking a summer break and will not meet during June and July. We will return on Sunday, August 7th.

East Ohio Reconciling Ministries Network (EORMN) and the East Ohio Conference (EOC) are planning special events at Lakeside on **Wednesday, June 15th** during Annual Conference. All are welcome to participate in one or all!

- 3 p.m. at Lakeside UM Church (450 Central Ave.): Help blow up helium balloons for the **Joyous Parade**, which begins about 5 p.m. (when the business session ends). The Joyous Parade leaves the Lakeside UMC to parade through town to the Pavilion Room near the dock for:
- **Open Table Worship and Communion Service**, which begins after the parade arrives. We welcome Rev. Janet Wolf as our worship leader for Open Table. Pizza, pop, and great fellowship will be available after the service.
- 7:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.: EORMN will have a table at the **Ministry Fair**. The Ministry Fair is the place to meet and greet friends and pick up materials from many of our church boards and agencies and caucus groups.
- Stop by the EOC **wellness table** outside of Hoover and register to participate in the district wellness challenge. Miles are earned for walking, early morning Tai chi, Zumba for beginners, health check, and eating 5 fruits and veggies each day!

The **summer mission trip** is abbreviated. A couple of long weekends are planned. The first is:

- Where – Conneaut, OH (near the PA border)

- When – Friday evening July 8 thru Monday evening, July 11
- Who – any Redeemerite who has the wish to serve. It is intergenerational. Skills required are any rehab work or a willingness to learn. Youth will require a 1:5 participation; youngsters under 12 must be accompanied by a parent.
- How – The cost will be about \$90.00. Contact Mary Ann Carlson if you are interested. 216-650-4255 or van1419mac@yahoo.com

A free, **large microwave with cart** is available to any Redeemer member or friend who needs one. Please see Betty Nelson after church or call her at 216-932-4427.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Items are always needed for our "**gift bags**" for our dinner guests at the **InterAct meal on June 29**. The travel size toiletries from drugstores work just as well as motel ones. Especially needed: toothbrushes (regular and small sizes for children), toothpaste, mouth wash (preferably without alcohol), lotions, soap, and small deodorants. Please: **NO OPENED ARTICLES!** You may put your donations in the collection basket next to the office. For more information, contact Joanne Gillis or Nancy Newman. Thank you!

The Lee Road Library will be serving free lunches for children and youth (ages 18 years and under) on weekdays from **Monday, June 13 through Friday, August 12**. Time: 12 noon to 1 p.m. All are welcome to use other library services before or after lunch. Volunteers to help serve lunches are also welcome! (Call 216-932-3600 ext. 287)

Doctors, nurses, dentists, podiatrists, and haircutters are needed to provide basic health care services to **InterAct Cleveland Community Meals** guests. Contact tsacco@interactcleveland.org for details.