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For our Vacation Bible School this Summer, we are going to celebrate Hero Hotline. We will invite children of all ages to the Hero Hotline Headquarters where everyone's gifts are valued, and every hero has a role to play.



In the depths of a colorful underground cave, is the beating heart of the hero community, the Hero Hotline Headquarters where everyone's gifts are valued and every hero has a role to play. Each day at the Hero Hotline Headquarters, superheroes of all ages and abilities answer the call and join the Professor and veteran hero, Super Meer the Meerkat, to provide expert assistance and solutions to Hero Teams everywhere.

When Heroes in the field call in, the Professor, Super Meer, and our team of heroes will spring into action and explore the ultimate Hero Handbook -the Bible- to discover how all Heroes can follow the examples set by a cast of supporting Bible Heroes in stories from the Old and New Testaments, who work together to bring peace, build each other up, and share the great story of God's love for us where they are and with the whole world.

As kids (called Heroes) experience these stories through music, drama and storytelling, games, arts and crafts, science, and even snacks, they'll learn that Heroes are called to Follow Jesus, Help Others, Work Together, Listen to God, and Show Grace! And, best of all, they'll be invited to answer this call at VBS, at church, at home, and every area of their lives.

Pastor Jon Christenson





Applying Bible Principles to Stewardship

When Jesus Christ becomes Savior and Lord of a person's life, a new creation takes place (2 Cor. 5:17). Old things truly pass away, and new things take their place. This is nowhere more visible than with a person's outlook on money and material possessions.

Take Zacchaeus, for example. Here was a man who had made it to the top. He was literally "king of the hill" as he looked down over the city of Jericho. But the respect, friendship and status that Zacchaeus longed for had eluded him as people from all walks of life despised him. After all, he was the chief tax collector.

But when Jesus entered the life of this little man, the allegiance which Zacchaeus knew changed. He was no longer under the control of the world system as defined by Caesar. Now, he was accountable to Christ.

As Ken Gire points out in Intimate Moments with the Savior,

. . . his soul knows that account isn't good. The ledger is filled with entries of money extorted, money under the table, money skimmed off the top, money, money, money. That's the bottom line for Zacchaeus. The bottom line of a bankrupt life. But the Savior isn't looking for an audit. . . Jesus is moved with compassion. . . From behind the barriers he has erected around his heart, a flood of repentant feelings bursts forth. . . What took a lifetime to accumulate, one sentence of devotion liquidates. And not by a token ten percent. Half to the poor. Fourfold to the defrauded. Look closely. Witness the miracle: a camel passing through the eye of a needle.

As Christians, those who proclaim by that title that we are children of God through faith in Jesus Christ, our perspective on life should be different than non-Christians. How we acquire money, how we use it, and how we give it away should mark us as being followers of Christ. And just as Zacchaeus welcomed Jesus into his home gladly following that life-changing encounter at the sycamore tree, we should welcome Christ's presence in our lives gladly, with great joy as He alters the way we give.

J. Alan Youngren wrote, "When we begin to give out of some legalistic need to perform as Christians, we are well on the way toward frustration and defeat in our stewardship. Before long this attitude can lead to carelessness in giving, then reduction in giving and, finally, defeat in other areas of our spiritual lives."

Or as Wayne Watts put it: "Giving is the friend of wealth, for with it comes joy and fulfillment rather than disappointment."



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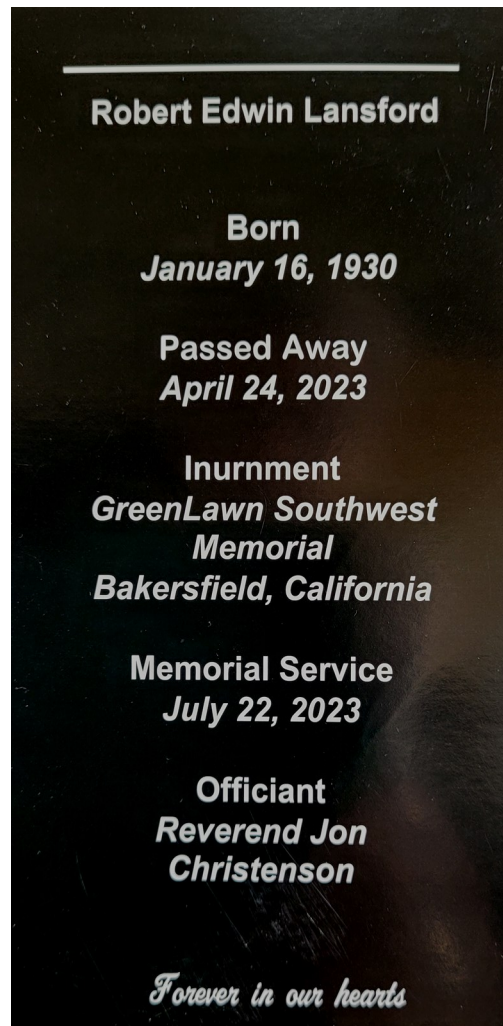
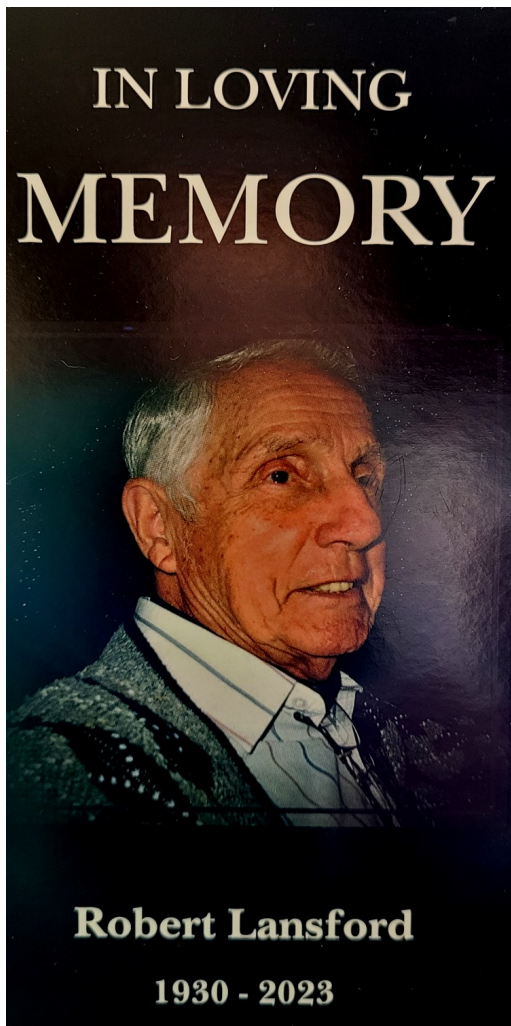
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IN HIS SERVICE

AREA OF SERVICE	AUGUST 6	AUGUST 13	AUGUST 20	AUGUST 27
ALTAR GUILD	Judy			→
LECTOR	Bruce	Judy	Karen	Tammy
PASTOR'S ASSISTANT	Jan			→
ACOLYTE	Maia	Darynne	Maia	Darynne
FLOWERS	Phyllis	Lemley's	Haywood's	Phyllis
GREETER	Karen			→
COFFEE HOUR	Dakota	Fellowship Comm.		Tammy
COUNTERS				

RIP - "BOB"





AUGUST HAPPENINGS

DATES TO REMEMBER

Join Us for Lunch
LUNCH BUNCH: is Wednesday, 8/2/23 @ 11 am. We will meet at Los Asuacates Mexican Grill, 727 So. H St. Everyone is invited. Make reservations with Judy.

QUILTING AND PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY will not meet in August because of VBS.

AFTERNOON CIRCLE is Wednesday 8-16-23 @1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will discuss Salvation Now based on John 15:11. Carlotta Quashnick will provide refreshments.

GAME DAY will be on Wednesday, Aug. 23, 12 noon if you want to bring a sack lunch, 12:30 games begin. Bring a friend.

WINE & DINE is Thursday 8/24 @6 pm. Please watch the bulletin for more info.



June 27, 2023 July 26, 2023

Following is a list of our friends who have been lifted up in prayer by our faithful Prayer Warriors.

- Michael Colangelo—Sarah Zimmerman*
Lyda Barger—Cyndy
Lori Hughes—Ron
Lilian Powell—Ed Saltzman
- Please know your Prayers are sincerely appreciated.*

Happy Anniversary

- Pastor Donella & Bill Silveira 02**
Judy & Andy Cantrell 07
Jan & John Lemley 15
Kevin & Hollie Schindler 26
Janet & Weylan Bayman 27



Monday, August 14 @10 am
 All are welcome!



Sat. August 12, 9 am
 "Many hands make light work!"



Church Council will meet
 Thursday, August 17 @6 pm



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| Stephanie Cohen | 04 |
| Jennifer Allen | 07 |
| Brian Haywood | 07 |
| Gary Manes | 11 |
| Lily Dommer | 14 |
| Lyda Barger | 17 |
| Dylan Christenson | 25 |
| Louise Hall | 25 |
| Carlotta Quashnick | 25 |
| Weylan Bayman | 26 |
| Michael Jacobsen | 27 |
| Caroline Reid | 28 |
| Dr. R. Fok | 29 |



Dr. Randy Fok shared his wonderful violin talent for us, at worship in June, playing "Amazing Grace". Thank you, Randy!



ICE CREAM SUNDAY
 AUGUST 13th
 Fellowship Hall
 After Worship
 Join Us!!!!



EVERGREEN SCHOOL

NEEDS OUR SUPPORT

REDEEMER'S CHARITY FOR

JULY 2023

"HELP THE SCHOOL DRIVE"

SCHOOL STARTS

AUGUST 16, 2023

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

BASIC SCHOOL SUPPLIES

BACKPACKS

PENCILS, CRAYONS, etc.

ALSO NEEDED:

HYGIENE PRODUCTS:

DEODORANT

TOOTH BRUSHES/PASTE

SHAMPOO

SOAP, etc.

Monetary donations are always welcome—(we'll do the shopping)

Most stores are currently having back-to-school specials.

**PLEASE BRING ITEMS TO CHURCH
OR GIVE DONATIONS A.S.A.P.**

THANK YOU!



REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
2023 FINANCIAL REPORT

	January	February	March	April	May	June	Total
Receipts	17,060.00	11,595.00	10,544.00	23,788.00	16,172.10	12,260.25	91,419.35
Budget	18,539.17	18,539.17	18,539.17	18,539.17	18,539.17	18,539.17	111,235.00
Difference	(1,479.17)	(6,944.17)	(7,995.17)	5,248.83	(2,367.07)	(6,278.92)	(19,815.65)
Expenses	20,358.99	16,614.24	18,571.28	18,638.66	16,540.08	10,506.15	101,229.40
Budget	18,539.17	18,539.17	18,539.17	18,539.17	18,539.17	18,539.17	111,235.00
Difference	1,819.82	(1,924.93)	32.11	99.49	(1,999.09)	(8,033.02)	(10,005.60)
Loan Receipts	1,255.00	475.00	390.00	2,330.00	1,835.00	945.00	7,230.00
Loan Payments	1,085.00	1,085.00	1,085.00	1,085.00	1,085.00	1,085.00	6,510.00
Difference	170.00	(610.00)	(695.00)	1,245.00	750.00	(140.00)	720.00



If you have been in the Fellowship Hall recently, you know our air conditioner has cratered on us and it is anything but cool in there. Please be patient—your council is working on it. Finances are rather tight, so we need to get bids and figure out how to pay for it.

PRAY FOR A MIRACLE!



HEADS UP FOR THE CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Will be held after Worship each Sunday from 10:30 am to 11:15 am.
Our first class will be held Rally Day, September 10, 2023.
Sunday School Teacher is Karen Musgrove.



SECURE DOCUMENT SHREDDING

Members, and the general public, are invited to bring up to four regular size bankers boxes, of personal documents to be shredded. A high volume, commercial, cross-cut shredder is provided by Metro Shredding. Cardboard, staples, metal binder clips, and paper clips may be shredded. Plastics, including plastic bags, may not be shredded.

Shred days are held from **2:00PM – 4:00PM** in the parking lot of our Riverlakes Branch at 4180 Coffee Road.

See below for our current schedule of shred days for 2023:

- Friday, August 25, 2023
- Friday, October 27, 2023
- Friday, December 1, 2023



HELP!!! PAPER CUTTER (S) MISSING

Phyllis had two paper cutters—now they are both gone! If you have seen one (or two) slicing their way around Redeemer, Please GRAB it (them) and return to the office—or library. THE SEARCH IS ON!!!!





AUGUST 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Al-Anon 6:30	2 Lunch Bunch 11 am Pacifica Worship 10-11	3	4	5 A.A. 5:30 pm
6 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 Coffee hour	7 VBS Purple Heart Day	8 Al-Anon 6:30	9	10	11	12  9 am—noon A.A. Meets 5:30pm
14 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 Coffee hour	15	16 Al-Anon 6:30	17 Afternoon Bible Study Pacifica Worship 10-11	18	19	20 Garden Club 9—noon A.A. Meets 5:30 pm
21 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 Coffee hour	22	23 Al-Anon 6:30	24 Senior Game Day 12 noon Bring your own lunch 12:30 games	25 Wine & Dine 6:00 pm Glass Club 5:30-8:30	26	27 A.A. Meets 5:30 pm
28 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 Coffee hour	29	30 Al-Anon 6:30	31			