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REDEEMER REFLECTION

*From the Intentional
Interim Pastor's
Desk...*

REJECTED

by Reverend Carl Bassett,
Intentional Interim Pastor

*I ask, then, has God
rejected his people? By no
means!*

Romans 11:1

Dear Family in Christ,

Have you ever felt unwanted, abandoned, or *rejected*? I think everyone remembers feeling unwanted and abandoned at some time or another in his or her life. Some people recover from these experiences; however, the devil has used memories of *rejection* to keep others in an emotional prison for the rest of their lives. These are the people who never feel wanted and accepted, nor do they feel like they can measure up to other people.

It could be that I'm describing something you have experienced in the past. Perhaps it is a recent event that is still very fresh in your memory—I feel for you. Regardless of who we are, we



all deal with these issues from time to time. Therefore, it is essential that you and I make a decision about how we are going to react when something occurs that makes us feel unwanted, abandoned, or rejected. Sometimes, it's awfully easy to feel that nobody cares

about you. Even the most popular and famous people have doubts about whether or not people close to them actually care. But you are not really alone—for the Lord Jesus is with you always! That's what our text for this month assures us!

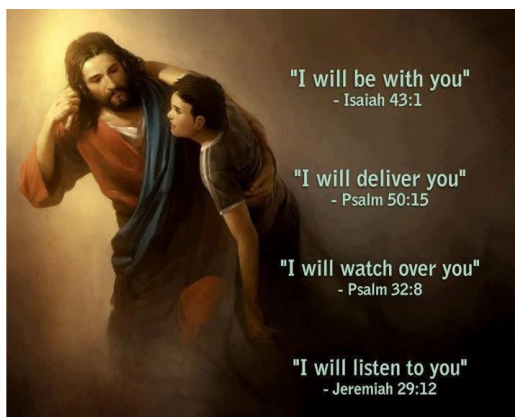
Folks, when we feel unloved and rejected, it's something most, if not all, of us have experienced! For example, if we've ever lost a job, we probably felt that we weren't valuable enough for them to keep you. The reality is tough to accept, and a piece of your self-worth and confidence is snatched away within minutes.

Or how about something even more heart-wrenching? A spouse decides to get a divorce. You may be told he is not in love with you anymore and has found someone else to focus affection upon. Devastation! Your self-worth and heart

are shot down, and you feel more unwanted than ever before. These questions—and more—stem from the feeling of being unwanted. Experiences such as these can be very hurtful and can tend to leave wounds in your heart, whether you are aware of them or not. You feel rejected. You feel crushed.

Maybe you're going through a tough time right now. You're dealing with emotions that stem from feeling rejected in some way. You might feel alone and isolated with no support. The life and joy drains from your being, and motivating yourself seems next to impossible. Here are three things you can do right now:

- **Cast that burden – that feeling over to your Heavenly Father and let Him be your strength and comfort!** Really, you're NEVER alone! Jesus promises He will never leave or forsake you.



Rest assured that He is your God who is real and loves us more than anything this world can offer. If you are struggling through tough times, bring the situation before God and lay those feelings or burdens down at His feet. Let Him be your

strength, for we were never created to be alone and rejected.

- **Accept Yourself!** If you're feeling rejected, try and accept yourself just as you are. Because God has fully accepted you, you need to also accept yourself. You are made in God's image and likeness. You are His child. He doesn't make junk! The Bible says that you are His workmanship, His masterpiece, and His work of art, and that *"God planned for us to do good things and to live as He has always wanted us to live"* (Ephesians 2:10). This is sometimes the hardest step of all. Begin seeing yourself as God sees you. Base your view of yourself on what God says about you. Declare who you are in Christ, according to God's Word. Avoid feelings of inferiority (rejection) and superiority (pride). Begin overriding the old, negative self-talk and learn to accept yourself...Here's another great verse from **1 John 3:1**: *"Think how much the Father loves us. He loves us so much that He lets us be called His children, as we truly are."* He loves you to eternity and back—you need never feel rejected!

Consider this fact: "God made me, and God don't make no junk! God does not love us because we are valuable, but we are valuable because God loves us." We need to remember two important points: Our REAL value comes from God. We are always worth something as children of God. God's love is constant, never fluctuating—so is our worth. Our value does not lessen if we make a lot

of mistakes, and are even rejected by others.

- **Keep a Forgiving Stance Toward Others!** In response to those who rejected and crucified Him, Jesus prayed: *"Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."* (Luke 23:34) Forgiving those who hurt us and reject us is not an easy thing to do. In fact, it's virtually impossible without God's help. However, the Holy Spirit will give you supernatural grace to do so, if you ask. Forgiveness is not an emotion, it is a decision.

Finally, the most powerful evidence that you have been healed of the wound of rejection is that you can love a person who rejected you. This is the most unnatural thing in the world, but it can happen through the supernatural power of God's love. In this way, you become a vessel of God's love to others who may have been wounded just as you were. Someone once said, "Hurt people; hurt people." Use people's offence toward you as a means of showing Christ's love back to them!

Have a great month for the Lord!

Peace and Love in Christ,

Pastor Bassett

When I stand before God at the end of my life, I would hope that I would not have a single bit of talent left, and could say, 'I used everything you gave me'.

-TheGoodGirlWayMagazine.com



"Every day, tell at least one person something that you like, admire, or appreciate about them."

Richard Carlson



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Jesus Speaks to Us from the Cross



MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30 P.M.

As a part of our Easter preparations, we will meditate on God's Word, especially the last words spoken by our Savior on the cross. The remaining words will be explored this month as follows:

March 3	A <u>Compassionate</u> Word
March 10	A <u>Faithful</u> Word
March 17	A <u>Suffering</u> Word
March 24	A <u>Dying</u> Word

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY AND GIVEAWAY

The former Community Care Day, in partnership with Trinity Lutheran Church over the past few years, is now a monthly event. It is now the Mobile Food Pantry, and each month we also provide non-food specialty items to fill additional personal needs, as we become aware of them in our community.

We are now collecting **toothbrushes, toothpaste, and dental floss**. The need for personal health-care items is great in our community, and this is a way we can help with these very real needs. Items needed for giveaways **may be put in the bin in the narthex**.

The food items that we distribute are provided through Compassionate Ministries of Jackson County. This is a wonderful organization in the Jackson area, and more information can be found online at www.cmjackson.org/

If you'd like to volunteer and get involved with these ***fourth-Saturday-of-the-month*** opportunities to serve our community, please contact the church office at 517-750-3100.

Thank you all for being so generous during these unusual times.



😊 **Mondays, Ongoing: Women's Bible Study: Pew Sisters.** This Bible study will meet every Monday morning at **10:00 a.m.** in the Large *Connection* classroom in the Lower Level or live online. (Masks/distancing guidelines will be

the same as on Sundays.) Sign up in the narthex or call the church office to get more information.

😊 **Thursdays, Ongoing: *Bethel Bible Study*.** This Bible series will meet every Thursday evening from **6:30-9:00 p.m.**, throughout the normal school year.

😊 **Thursday, March 18: *LWML Women of Redeemer*.** Meeting begins at 10:00 a.m.

😊 **Tuesday, March 9: *VBS Planning Meeting*.** Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Lower Level Connection Room.

😊 **Wednesday, *Lenten Services*:** Begin at 6:30 p.m.

😊 **Saturday, March 27: *Mobile Food Pantry at Trinity*.** From 10:00—11:30 a.m. Ongoing event, the fourth Saturday of each month. Redeemer partners with Trinity in this outreach to serve the community.

😊 **Sunday, March 28: Palm Sunday. *Holy Week begins*.**

😊 **Thursday, April 1: Maundy Thursday.**

😊 **Friday, April 2: Good Friday.**

😊 **Sunday, April 4: Easter Sunday. *Alleluia!***

TOPIC FOR APRIL

The *Reflection* newsletter has been requested to include more “news” from

our community and personal experience stories. We can only do this with the input from volunteer members and leaders who have such news and information made available to them. If you have knowledge of or information about events, classes, books, or news items that would benefit our members and community, please send data/articles/stories to bennitt49@yahoo.com and we will do our best to include them in future newsletters.

Our print media, and all communication from and through Redeemer Lutheran Church, is designed to reflect His light to a searching world. The writing prompt for April is *Witnesses*.

Send articles, information, and/or photos by the 15th of each month, to be included in the following month’s newsletter. All submissions are appreciated and prayerfully considered.

BLOOD WORDS

by Craig Britton

“So when Pilate saw that he was gaining nothing, but rather that a riot was beginning, he took water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, ‘I am innocent of this man’s blood; see to it yourselves.’ And all the people answered, ‘His blood be on us and on our children!’”

Matthew 27:24-25

The words above are the most frightening words spoken in all the Bible. At least to me. Pilate has the King of the Universe before him and all those

surrounding the King are the work of His hands.

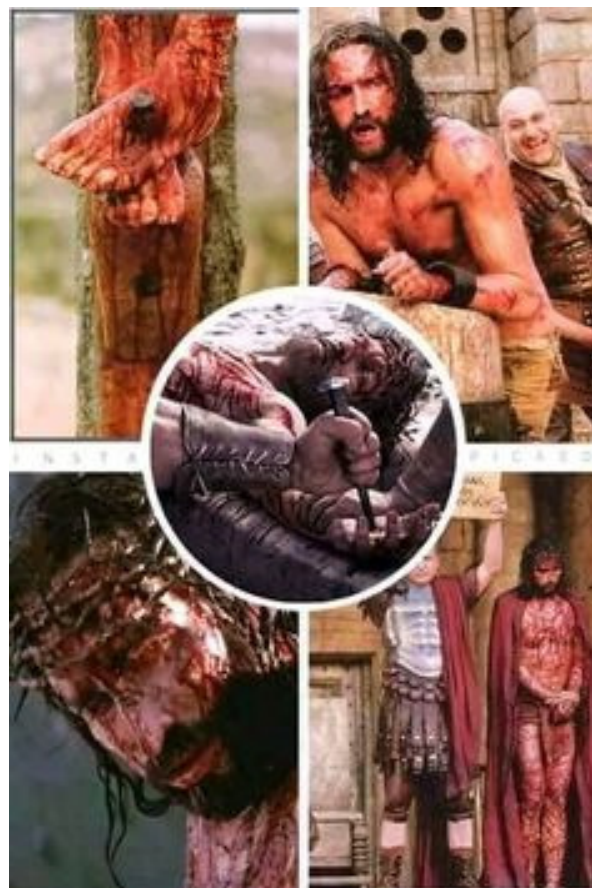
Just a few thoughts on what my heart and mind do each time I come across this passage: Jesus, portrayed by Matthew, this gospel writer, is the long hoped-for Answer—for all the questions posed by man. For all the lies spoken in pretension and for intended deception. For all the anxieties, crushing darkness of mind and despair. He is the Answer. And the only One. So, what is it we encounter here?

Nothing less than complete and utter rejection. And rejection not only is a denial of what is proposed, but rejection is brought to light when a better option is imagined. The thick, pasty, rotting blackness of sinful hearts is exposed here like nowhere else in Scripture. The crowd clamoring for the murder of Jesus has no better option. Rejection is at its worst when God has offered Himself. One cannot imagine old Abraham, after being released from the horror of killing his son, his only son as sacrifice, saying of the ram “found” in the thicket, “No. Isaac’s blood will have to do.” You see, this crowd has no better options. Sin is sweet to their taste. This is their feast.

And what is the telltale sign of their hatred of heaven? “His blood be on us and on our children.” What blood? The blood that will splash upon the cross as the nails are driven. The blood blinding the Lamb as His “crown” is pressed on His brow. The blood offered in the cup in the upper room just hours before. Shed for the forgiveness of sins. Their sins. The sins of those declaring on oath that they can bear the burden that

only the blood of Jesus can wash away. Lord, have mercy.

I knew when I began writing this that I didn’t want to write for long. Rejection manifests itself in our world in so many heinous ways. The wife beaten. The children unwanted or neglected. The aged parents denied the love and care they deserve. The vows of marriage broken so easily in practice, but before that, in heart. But none compares to this evil spoken by men and women to damn themselves and the children so loved by the Savior. Because I am sure that this is as difficult to read as it was



to write, turn now to Your Savior and mine, and with a heart filled with gratitude in this Lenten season say, “I love You, Lord Jesus,” and perhaps with the psalmist, “Lord, I am Yours. Save

me.” He could have rejected us. Instead, we have His great love.

QUILTERS NEED HELP

by Donna Zastrow

Clean out those closets and cupboards. The Redeemer quilters need cotton fabric

and queen-size flat sheets for backings so we can continue making

quilts for LWML and Lutheran World Relief. You can drop off the fabrics at the church office or our quilting room (Former music room in lower level).

If you have any questions, please call Donna Zastrow at 517-315-4284.



and commitment given on acceptance lose their significance.

We can all agree that being rejected doesn't feel good. There are countless songs and stories lamenting the heartache of unrequited love. Yet, God in His steadfast love and mercy gave us the gift of free will. It's a gift even though we can use it to reject Him if we want to. It's a gift because by it, God invites us to come to Him, and we can accept that invitation or reject it. But by having the ability to reject it, the commitment the Holy Spirit grows in us means something. We aren't just lemmings or robots. We are responding to the love of God with a love for Him.

I certainly believe my husband made a commitment to me at the altar on our wedding day. And I'm blessed by it. But what grows the significance of that "yes" is 1) his ability to say "no" that day, and 2) his free will and ability to walk out the door or stay and keep saying "yes" every day since then. That's the kind of commitment I want. That's the kind God wants from us too. Thanks be to God for the work of the Holy Spirit in us to help us continue to follow Him!

FREE TO REJECT

by Kimber Walsh, Family Life Educator

The best "yes" that we can utter or receive is the yes that has been carefully considered against the opposing "no." A "yes" answer to a marriage proposal only has the feeling of love and commitment when "no" was also an option. If there's not the option to say "no," the commitment doesn't feel quite the same. Thus, rejection, at its core, is an acknowledgment of free will. If we don't have free will, or the ability to reject another, then the love



Women's Bible Study

A new women's Bible study has begun on Mondays, 10:00-11:30 am. We are

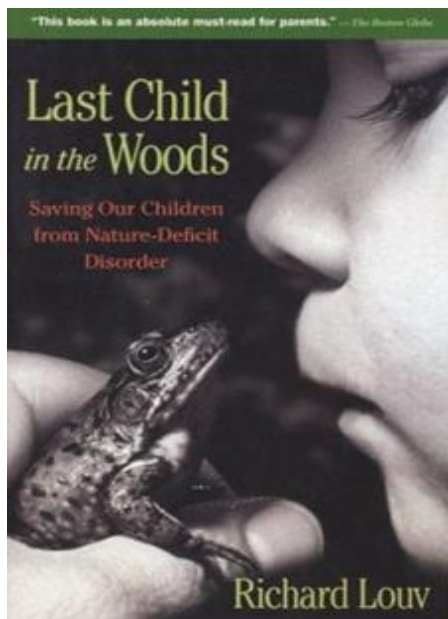
currently doing a study called "Pew Sisters" discussing how we can support one another as sisters in Christ. If you

are interested in joining in the lower level Connection Room or online/by phone from your home, please contact Kimber Walsh at kimber@redeemerjackson.org or 517-750-3100. After the current book study is complete, another women's Bible study is planned for the spring and summer.

NATURE-DEFICIT DISORDER

by Leah Anderson

I am re-reading a book called *Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children from Nature-Deficit Disorder* by Richard Louv. While nature-deficit disorder is not an official "disorder" or "medical



diagnosis," I do not believe that makes it any less real. It is so obviously true. As our kids (and ourselves), get more drawn into screens and indoor spaces, we don't

spend the time outside that we used to. This book even mentions how many neighborhoods/homeowner's associations no longer allow basketball hoops in driveways or tree forts in yards. Kids or families that try to do these things are forced to take them down—so back inside go the kids. We cannot simultaneously berate our kids

for staying inside on a screen and then take away all of the fun of being outside.

Many of my generation can remember being outside all day, riding bikes with our friends, playing at a park, hiding behind bushes, etc. Most of us had either tree forts nearby or some secret hiding spot in our yard or neighborhood. It was just fun, and it let our imaginations flourish.

Children don't need high-level adventures to faraway places. They just need the chance to explore outside (sometimes by themselves) to learn and discover. As so much has changed in this past year, it has become so much harder. We may not be comfortable with our kids playing with their neighborhood friends right now in order to reduce the COVID risk, or the shift to virtual school and its challenges have crunched the amount of free time we have. Yet, it has become so much more important. As mental health has deteriorated for so many, especially our kids, as their whole lives have been turned upside down—being outside is an instant mood booster. Being outside fosters creativity, balance, and more.

So ... did anyone join the 1000 hours outside challenge with me? How's it going? Admittedly, my numbers are low ... and I forget to mark off my circles on my tracker sheet, too. If I have been tracking correctly, I am only at about 12 hours outside. My son is at 16, beating me just a little. But ... I think we have had some fun. The kids and I (the kids more than I) have taken on shoveling the drive and walk, so my husband doesn't have to. It is a great way to stay warm outside and get some exercise.

This year, since COVID meant my son couldn't have a big birthday party with

a bunch of friends, I asked him what he wanted to do. Having gone skating at Cascades the week before with his dad



and a friend, he said “I want to go skating at Cascades with the whole family ... maybe we can invite Uncle Justin [who lives an hour away in Ohio], too!” So, we did. And because Uncle Justin was able to come, he brought an



extra pair of skates so Papa could skate, too. Aunt Marci and Grammy watched from their vehicles, as we skated and played some hockey as a family. Those of us that don't skate as regularly got more comfortable as we

went along. It was definitely a cold day, but when you are skating, you get warm fast! We skated at least 2 hours. What a great way to spend time with our family and to enjoy a birthday. At home, we ordered pizza for our warm-up!

There are lots of other winter activities to do. My daughter and I went on a winter hike, one sunshiny Saturday in January, with her Girl Scout troop. This is an annual activity and is always a lot of fun. I have never tried snowshoeing, but I would love to. And cross-country skiing is an option, too. And let's not forget sledding. As I write this, we have plenty of snow on the ground and are expecting much more this week. We have not been sledding yet this year, but this may be the week! (The sleds are still packed away; otherwise, we probably would have been by now.) Walking around the neighborhood can be fun in the winter, too! There are new things to see and animal/bird tracks to discover! It's a great opportunity to talk to your kids about the wonder of God's creation. Look at a few snowflakes with your kids, and talk about how no two are alike – isn't God amazing?! I don't go to the office regularly these days, but I often go 1 or 2 days a week. This week, I went for a walk around the campus on my lunch break. I am not familiar with very many buildings, so it was fun to just look around. It was sunny, and I kept moving and stayed warm.

We, and our kids, all need to get outside more. It can be hard in the winter, but it is so worth it! You aren't cold when you are moving, and you will all feel so much better. And what is better than some hot chocolate when you come back inside?! Top it with

some marshmallows or whip cream, and yum ...

Just remember, any little bit you are able to do, is a positive for you and/or your kids. Soak up some vitamin D and breathe that fresh air! Help reduce the nature-deficit!

REJECTED

by Peggy Bennitt

But first He must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation.

Luke 17:25

No one gets through life without feeling rejected. Rejection is often a daily experience for some of us. Some of it is imagined. Some of it is real and all too obvious. Often it is a result of our own low self-image or paranoia. But being rejected is real and common to all.

If you've been rejected, you're in good company. God gets rejected every day. Often by me.



Yikes! I can't believe I said that! But, Lord, forgive me; it's true. I am so embarrassed. How could I, knowing my

Lord like I do, reject Him who has given me everything I have, including my very life? What kind of a person does that to God? Who is so small that s(he) would reject the King of Kings? I hesitantly raise my small, despicable hand. To NOT raise my hand would be an act of disgusting arrogance and misplaced pride. I'd be a deceiver, at best. A

fibber at the least. Neither is a good choice, especially for a Christian.

Rejected. Lent takes us through the horror and despair of the repeated rejection of Jesus by His people. And then, add insult to injury, desertion and betrayal by His followers. If Jesus had been a lesser man, depression surely would have overwhelmed Him, broken His spirit, and His faith in His Father. Thank the Lord, Jesus was also God's Son, not just a man!

He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces He was despised, and we held Him in low esteem.

Isaiah 53:3

Rejected. To walk through Lent again, trail Jesus to Gethsemane, see the kiss of Judas, watch the praise of Palm Sunday turn to the rejection of Good Friday, shudder anew at the ring of hammer on spikes—the rejection is almost too much. The violence is too excruciating, the evil too suffocating, and the death too horrible. I am so embarrassed that His agony was because of my sins. That rejected man on the cross, *that* should have been me.



My own earthly rejections pale in comparison to His. Truly, there is no comparison possible. While the weight of the world seems to rest on us when we feel rejected, can we even imagine the REAL WEIGHT of the world's sin

resting on our shoulders? Jesus carried that WEIGHT so that we would NOT HAVE TO! Amazing love!

*For the LORD will not reject His people;
He will never forsake His inheritance.*

Psalm 118:22

Rejected, He was. But we are not rejected. We are forever His, and precious to Him. Because He was rejected, we are forever blessed! Thank You, Jesus!



AN EXPERT WEIGHS IN:

3 Rules for Kids and Social Media

by: Abby Watts <https://www.imom.com/3-rules-kids-and-social-media>



I scrolled through Facebook one Sunday morning and saw a friend's post. "Epic girls' night!" I didn't remember being

invited to a girls' night. I wondered why I'd been left out, and then I thought, "It's OK. They're still your friends." But if I had been 14 and saw my best friends all together without me, I would've spiraled. Yet, that's the reality today for kids and social media.

Have you seen *The Social Dilemma* on Netflix? One bit of data the documentary shared is that starting around 2011, the number of girls who self-harmed climbed 189 percent for 10- to 14-year-olds. The pattern points to social media and specifically when it became available on mobile devices. So what do we do? According to the research, there are 3 rules we need to put in place:

Expert Rule #1: If they aren't already on social media, delay it until high school.

Middle school is already hard enough. Really, being 13 is just so awkward. Bodies are changing, there are funny smells, and fitting in is tough. While **you might think your children are mature enough to have a phone**, it doesn't mean they should be given permission to use any app they can download. Are you a horrible parent for saying no to social media? Well, Alex Roetter, a former senior VP at Twitter said, "My kids don't use social media." He was asked, "Is that a rule?" His response: "That's a rule."

Expert Rule #2: All devices should be out of the bedroom by a designated time.

This one goes for mom and dad too. Stopping phone usage an hour before bed could be the best thing for your marriage and family. You can talk, watch a show together, read, play basketball in the driveway. Plus, kids

and social media don't mix first thing in the morning. We want them to start their day with confidence, not comparison.

iMOM Tip: Pick a time and put the phones in jail. Lock 'em up. I can hear you saying, "But if there's an emergency...!" So pick one of the adults' phones, turn the ringer on, and put it on the opposite side of the bedroom. You will have more success enforcing this with your child if you do it yourself. Bail your phones out of jail once everyone is up, dressed, and fed.

Expert Rule #3: Work out a time budget.

I know. You've been hearing this since your kids were a year old, but this is different from just screen time. We're not talking about *Baby Einstein* or an extra episode of *The Wiggles*. The time kids spend on social media is shaping their self-worth, so it's time worth

policing.

iMOM Tip: Ask your son or daughter, "How much social media time do you think is a good amount?"

Hopefully, your children will say something reasonable and it might reveal to them just how much time they were spending mindlessly scrolling.

iMOM's **Screen Time Tracker** is a helpful tool. And while you're at it, turn off notifications. They are just tapping

on our shoulders, whispering, "Hey! Check your phone." Notifications make breaking a phone addiction that much harder.



Let's Get to Know Our Awesome Staff at Redeemer!

Since I've been blessed to be your Intentional Interim Pastor these past several months, I want you to know what a very special blessing our staff is, here at Redeemer!

All of you don't have the same privilege I do of working with them "in between Sundays," so I wanted you to know about some of the great things they do for our Lord and you, God's Forever Family. A few months ago, I began using our newsletter to help you get better acquainted with these talented, wonderful partners in ministry that serve you in this place: Office Manager, Director of Ministries, Director of Worship, and Family and Youth Facilitator.

In this final article, let me share with you the duties of Deborah Fall, our Director of Worship.

Debby and her family have been members here since 1987 – over 30 years! Our Lord richly blessed Redeemer when Deb assumed the

duties of Director of Worship over 20 years ago. Into this new position in her church, she brought an abundance of gifts to be shared: she is an outstanding vocalist, excellent communicator and planner, one who is very familiar with the worship liturgies of our church, as well as new, creative worship styles that are faithful to our Lutheran traditions and teachings. Deb has a passion for our Lord and the spreading of His Word to all, and was instrumental in researching, organizing, and implementing regular livestream services late last year. She continually seeks ways to connect worshipers with God through music. She is passionate about making sure all people feel like they belong in God's house. She is always eager to explore new ways to share the Good News



through the medium of music and electronics. Through her efforts, she has greatly enhanced our worship ministries over the past two decades.

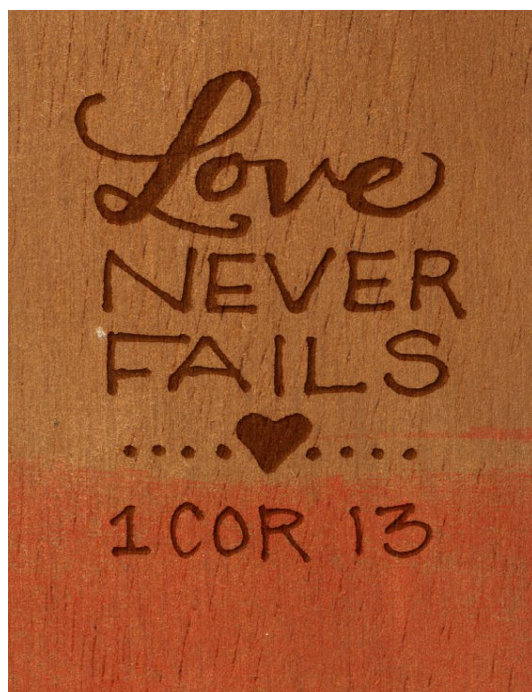
As Director of Worship, Debby coordinates, encourages, and supervises the activities of over fifty congregational members in these important areas of God's work at our church:

- ♪ Assists Pastor with the planning of all worship services
- ♪ Coordinates the activities of our organists, praise team, choirs, and special musical presentations

- ♪ Oversees, supports, and coordinates the activities of the Chancel Guild
- ♪ Trains, supports, and coordinates worship presentation technicians and audio technicians
- ♪ Plans and implements livestream worship and other special online presentations
- ♪ Assists the Office Manager with the procurement and scheduling of ushers and lay readers
- ♪ **PLUS**, countless other areas of loving and dedicated service, too numerous to mention in this short article!

Please join me in expressing your thanks and appreciation to Deb Fall for all that she does to the glory of God at Redeemer and beyond! She is truly a blessing!

Pastor Bassett





LET'S CELEBRATE!

The *Reflection* newsletter would like to begin listing the wedding anniversaries of members each month, along with the birthday list. Please help us make this a complete and accurate register by sending your anniversary information to the church office, and cc it to the newsletter as well. The church office email address is:

office@redeemerjackson.org and the newsletter email is bennitt49@yahoo.com. Please include the names of both spouses and the date of the marriage. Celebrating marriages and the commitment of couples to their marriage promise is a way of recognizing a covenant honored and blessed by God.

Sharing these special occasions with our church family helps build and cement relationships within the church body, as well as providing encouragement to engaged couples

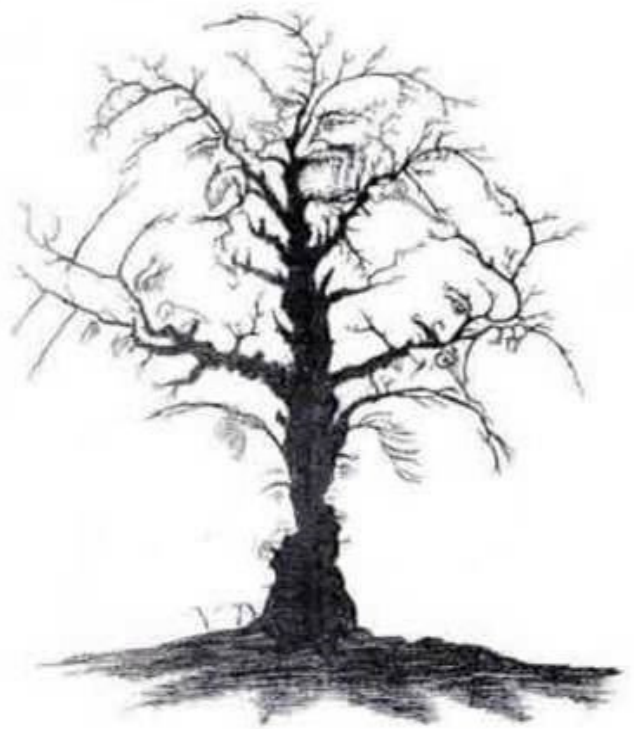
and newlyweds by the examples of successful marriage commitments viewed all around them.






Please help us with this new opportunity to celebrate special events with each other.



HIDDEN PICTURES

Things are not always what they seem to be. You see a tree, but do you see anything besides the tree? What do you see? How many? I found 11.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
C—Denotes Communion Services	1 Women's Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	2 Hour of Prayer 7:15 a.m. Praise Team 7:00 p.m.	3 Lenten Service A Compassionate Word 6:30 p.m.	4 Bethel Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	5	6
7 Divine Service 8:00 a.m. Adults & Children Bible Classes 9:30-10:15 a.m. Contemporary Service 10:30 a.m.	8 Women's Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	9 Hour of Prayer 7:15 a.m. Praise Team 7:00 p.m.	10 Quilters 9:30 a.m. Lenten Service A Faithful Word 6:30 p.m.	11 Bethel Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	12	13  
14 Divine Service— C 8:00 a.m. Adults & Children Bible Classes 9:30-10:15 a.m. Contemporary Service— C 10:30 a.m.	15 Women's Bible Study 10:00 a.m. REFLECTION DEADLINE	16 Hour of Prayer 7:15 a.m. Praise Team 7:00 p.m.	17 Lenten Service A Suffering Word 6:30 p.m. St. Patrick's Day 	18 LWML-Women of Redeemer 10:00 p.m. Bethel Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	19	20  It's SPRING!
21 Divine Service 8:00 a.m. Adults & Children Bible Classes 9:30-10:15 a.m. Contemporary Service 10:30 a.m.	22 Women's Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	23 Hour of Prayer 7:15 a.m. Praise Team 7:00 p.m.	24 Quilters 9:30 a.m. Lenten Service A Dying Word 6:30 p.m.	25 Bethel Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	26	27 Mobile Food Pantry @ Trinity 10:00-11:30 a.m. Need Volunteers from 9 'til Noon
 28 Divine Service— C 8:00 a.m. Adults & Children Bible Classes 9:30-10:15 a.m. Contemporary Service— C	29 Women's Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	30 Hour of Prayer 7:15 a.m. Praise Team 7:00 p.m.	31	