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Manasota,

“Making new Christians, and making all Christians new”

## VBS 2020: I WILL GROW WITH GOD

So all can be safe, it's a Virtual VBS, and it's like none other! Registration is now open!

AUGUST 3 - AUGUST 7  
FROM WHEREVER YOU ARE!

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## SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

THURSDAYS, 6:30PM  
VIA FACEBOOK LIVE



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CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER  
PRESENTS

## A REASON TO GATHER

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR THE  
WHOLE PARISH FAMILY  
VIA YOUTUBE



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## BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

It's a "Drive-Thru" event this year. Students of all ages: Bring your backpack for a blessing in the circular drive in front of Redeemer

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9  
6:00 PM  
REDEEMER CIRCULAR DRIVE



# IN THE BEGINNING

*It's the beginning of a new month at Redeemer*

## AUGUST 2020

Dear Redeemer Family,

Your parish has not taken this chaotic season I've started calling "Coronatide" as a time to pause and reflect, nor have we spent our energy pining for some romanticized version of the past.

Upon closer inspection, were the "good old days" really all that great?

What we needed when we felt we were on the mountaintop is the same thing we need in the valley of confusion and chaos: the grace, mercy, and love of God. To that end, your parish has remained absolutely committed to our core mission to "make new Christians and make all Christians new." And we are learning how to do that in innovative and incredibly meaningful ways.



Whether it's a record number of persons digitally attending masses and formation opportunities, or record number of volunteer hours and dollars spent serving others, Redeemer is on the move! Can you believe that six persons joined the parish last week? That would be a big week any time, but especially in our present circumstances. One person called me from Iowa this week, where she moved forty years ago, and said, "I am so happy to have found Redeemer again. I attend online every day. Father, I don't need my IRS stimulus. Could the parish use it?" Vacation Bible School, with its timely theme "Grow With God" comes in a digital format this year, with all supplies provided! Because the team has worked so hard under 2020 Chair Beth Bobb and her team, and because it's digital, people from eight other states are attending. What an incredible thing! We have a Communications Intern, Caroline Devitt, and a Seminarian Intern, Andrew Lazo, doing amazing ministry in our midst. On 18 July, Melissa and Jason Kubisiak led "Drive-Thru Day 4 Hope," and we served a record number of guests in need! Parishioners have come together to begin making phone calls again, just to check on one another. And the Culverhouse Economic Relief Fund, which dozens of us have contributed to over and above our pledges, continues to make grants that have literally kept families in their homes and businesses in operation in the midst of economic collapse.

And the story goes on and on.

All of this is to say what I've said before: Don't be afraid. Jesus is alive and well, and this, too, shall pass.

Your servant,

CW+  
Priest-in-Charge



# Of Note in August

## Worshipping

**Weekdays:** Morning Prayer is live-streamed on Facebook Live at 10 AM, Noonday Prayers are offered at 12 PM (in Spanish), and Evening Prayer is live-streamed at 5:15 PM. You do not need to join Facebook to watch Facebook Live. Simply go to Redeemer's Facebook Page.

**Sunday:** Masses offered include a Contemporary Mass at 5:30 PM on Saturdays; Said Mass, Rite One at 7:30 AM; Sung Mass, Rite II at 9 AM; Sung Mass, Rite One at 11 AM; and 1 PM in Spanish on Sundays. The Sunday Masses at 9 and 11 AM require pre-registrations, which can be done on the website or via the parish office. Mass is live-streamed at 9 AM on Sunday, and is posted to our website. The Mass is also available via Redeemer’s YouTube channel, and Facebook Live. Children’s Chapel is broadcast Sundays at 5:45 PM.

## Serving and Sharing

**Vacation Bible School** - 3-7 August.  
**Blessing of the Backpacks** – 9 August. It’s a “Drive-Thru” event this year. Bring your backpack for a blessing in the circular drive in front of Redeemer at 6 PM. Wear your VBS t-shirt!  
**Finance Committee** – 11 August, 4:30 PM. Mary Page Hill, chair.  
**Mission and Outreach Committee** – 11 August, 5:30 PM, via Zoom. Orion Marx, chair.  
**Facilities and Grounds** – 11 August, 6 PM, via Zoom. Russ Ryan, chair.  
**Vestry** – 17 August, 6 PM, via Zoom. Janet Trefry, Senior Warden.  
**Episcopal Thrift House** – open Tuesday-Saturday, 10 AM – 1 PM. 1503 2nd St., Sarasota.  
**Redeemer's "Economic Crisis Fund,"** can provide immediate financial assistance to those facing hardship caused by COVID-19. Your clergy continue to be available and may be reached twenty-four hours a day by calling (941) 955-4263.  
**Our Christian counseling partners,** Samaritan Counseling Services, are standing by. Please call (941) 926-2959. In addition to their on-campus location, Samaritan has other locations where you can receive counseling.

**Growing** – contact the parish office for all Zoom links, 941 955 4263.

**Adults:**  
***Fearless Formation Hour*** classes are offered M-F, 6:30 PM, via Facebook Live, on a variety of topics.  
***SASS: Single Adult Sunday School*** meets Monday, 31 August, 6:30 PM, via Zoom.

**Multigenerational:**  
***A Reason to Gather: Sunday School for the Whole Parish Family:*** This weekly class, based on the lectionary, is posted to our YouTube channel, and is intended for the entire parish family. Watch when it is convenient for you and your household. Begins Sunday, 30 August.

**Youth:**  
Youth Minister Christoph Stephenson-Moe is holding Zoom gatherings throughout the week for middle and high school youth.

**Women:**  
***Night Shift Women’s Book Club*** meets 3 August, and 31 August, 6:30 PM. Mary Page Hill hosts.  
***Heart to Heart Women’s Bible Study*** meets Wednesdays at 10:30 AM, via Zoom, continuing their study of Ephesians. For log-on info, contact Jane Thompson at jane@sarasotapeace.com.  
***Daughters of the King*** meets via Zoom on Mondays, 10:30 AM. Fr. Strohm hosts.

**Men:**  
***Books and Beyond Men’s Book Group,*** via Zoom, 25 August, 6:30 – 8 PM, John Mathis, chair.  
***Businessmen’s Bible Study*** meets Wednesdays via Zoom, 7-8 AM. All men are welcome, and for log-on credentials, contact Russ Ryan, russryan@gmail.com.  
***Saturday Morning Prayer Group*** meets weekly via Zoom, 8:30—9:30 AM. All men are welcome, and for log-on info, contact Russ Ryan, russryan@gmail.com.

**Children and Families:**  
***VBS 2020:*** 3-7 August. Virtual in format for safety, for those in grades K-5th.  
***Blessing of the Backpacks:*** 9 August, 6 PM. Bring your backpacks for a blessing in Redeemer’s circular drive, 6 PM. Drive-thru.  
***Weekly Offerings: Mission Mondays*** and ***Family-Time Fridays*** are offered weekly for families and children, Nursery—grade 5. Check the eblasts and website for weekly postings.

# Milestones

## Births:

“We welcome you into the household of God”

Radcliffe Evanston Altier  
William Bennett Sharrer  
Kathleen Elizabeth Shepherd

## Joining the parish:

Jessica Chapman & Ed D’Avi, Deacon and Cheney Chapman  
Nancy & Brian Dixon  
Barbara & Charles Harness  
Robin & Wally Hoppe  
Gratia Schroeder

## August Birthdays

- 1

Bella Brush, John Frye, Francie Kokowicz, Cecile McPheeters, Ellie Samuelson, Shawn Shumate, Ernest Smith, Ainsley Wiegand, Bev Wisniewski
- 2

Easton Bauer, Edward Bentley, Scarlett Dubon, Kris Ezell, Britt Riner, Richard Ruffini
- 3

Rachelle Bethel, Betsy Howard
- 4

Trey Buckman, Stephanie Copa, Donald Coucke, Caroline Dowie, Liv Martel, Cynthia Metzler, Ed Ogiba, Jack Sargent, Carolyn von Seelen
- 5

Lorene Bauck, Joe Begg, Claire Bragg, Joan Hamilton, Emme Hollingsworth, Traci Reed, Ekaterina Salisbury
- 6

Sarah Akemon, Julie Baiter, James Cooper, Bonnie Daiello, Bradley Goddard, Kevin Koach, Judy Lynch, Karla Quintanilla, Mary Anne Simon, Robert Vukovich
- 7

Lucy Carroll, Jason Coffrin, Gabrielle Slater
- 8

Laurie Consentino, Alex Davidson, Collin McLeod, Leslie Pinckney, Elizabeth Reid, Brad Wallace
- 9

Mary Armington, Hudson Black, Ian Goldstein, Alice Holds, Bill Mudgett, Harvey Robinson, Pete Semchuk, Maggie Stevens, Howard Timmins, Bill Van Loon
- 10

Becky Mahoney, Linda Menke
- 11

Richard Caldwell, Geovanna Castillo Cardona, Marcia Mackey, Patricia Proctor, Leesa Rencieczky, Teo Vasquez, Scott Yow
- 12

Jacki Boedecker, Caroline Caragiulo, Josh Cole, Bill Dooley, Donna Liberman, Gabriel Suescun, Becky Thornhill, Dinah Wainwright, Bill Watkins
- 13

Brian Dixon, Aleah Echols, Melissa Long, Karen Marshall, Judy Schwartzbaum
- 14

Niella Aikins, Sherri Brunner, Kay Chandler, Judy Fuqua, Mike Heitman, Madeline Jones, Trevor Lamb, Arthur Magrann, Koby Reed, Bob Roylance, Jill Stockton
- 15

Dulce Aparicio, Peter Gray, Fr. Read Heydt, Linda Leparulo, Jim Nims, Izzie Radford, Ann Walters, Sandy Yow
- 16

Brigham Clegg, Marsha Devitt, Dane Fieber, Marlene Hjertstedt, Blessy Jacob, Allison Laronge, Anastasia Pressel, Janny Rivera, Brad Sams
- 17

Tim Carr, Jean Gay, Sarah King, Andrew Kuhn, James Montgomery, Vanessa Ramirez
- 18

Daniel Leffler, Lynda Moore, Bill Segraves, Leslie Warren
- 19

Reed Bauer, Eleanor Bauer, Daniela Cardona, Nell Evans, Carol Sears, Paul Taylor
- 20

George Greene, Carol Hardt, Jerry Kempton, Frank Menke, Esther Mitacchione
- 21

Hector Antezana, Adelaide Griffin, Jennifer Hardwich, John Maxwell, Dorothy Sherwood, Carol Trudeau

22

Heath Bennett, Scott Ferguson, Beverly Georgi, Ellen Lewis, Kristen Willix

23

Erica Brock, Laurie Brown, Lidia Castro, Nancy Cooper, Margaret Good, Gwenne Heiser, Beth King, Lynda Mouchett, Bill Nimz, Pat Ricciardi

24

Bill Belmont, Barbara Calandra, Diana Clagett, Chloe Stevenson

25

Alisha Byrne, Sofia Cosentino, Holly Dennis, John Hampshire, Sonia Legare, Steve Walker

26

Lucy Barber, Maria Pedraza, Doris Stade

27

Drake Buckman, Steve Callahan, Carolyn Crouse, Lisa Endriss, Catherine Ferretti, Lillian Goodwin, Kyle Koach, Suzi Morgenthaler, Malcolm Paul, Tony Strong

28

Kim Bald, Gabriella Herrera, John Phillips, Christine Turner

29

Sean Byrne, Bob Dove, Shirley Fieber, Pat Gieseler, Rich Hill, Catherine Saynor, Ava Sepanski, Rita Vasquez Martinez

30

Barbara Brown, Karen Hamad, Jamey Nix, Julie Prall, Hannah Stevens

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Martie Chadwick, Byron Coleman, Olivia Cook, Larry Gibbs, Hal Johnson, Harriette Laronge, Larry Lawrence, Peggy Otten, Brian Stevenson, Roberta Tengerdy, Elizabeth Wilson

## August Wedding Anniversaries

- 1

Jessica & Scott McClung, Pam & Jeff Reynolds
- 3

Nancy Lee & Fred MacKenzie
- 4

Ginny & Fr. Clay Knapp
- 5

Missy & Andy Owens
- 6

Caroline & Tim Ryan, Maria Pedraza & Guillermo Tovar
- 7

Sharon & John Marshall, Brooke & Tom Tollerton
- 8

Nancy & Jay Amberson, Lynne & James Reutener
- 10

Gloria Moya & Roberto Fuentes
- 11

Jane & Richard Hamlin, Amy & Ross Wainwright
- 12

Elin & Fr. Reinaldo Ayerbe, Margaret & Richard Good, Clara & Dr. George Mims, Melinda & Stephen Sutter
- 13

Diana & Hector Antezana, Pat & Rob Halliday
- 14

Dee & John Frye, Kristy & Bob Lonsdale
- 16

Hannah & Michael George
- 18

Claudia Gutierrez & Uriel Diaz, Carolyn & Dave McKenzie, Kim & Ron Vincent
- 19

Sara & Ken Bailey
- 22

Susie & Jon Newsome
- 24

Irene & Emil Zellweger
- 25

Deanne & Tom Spoor
- 26

Martie & Jim Chadwick, Kris & Don Grade
- 27

Melanie & Mike Heitman, Donna & Paul Rutledge
- 29

Jeannie & Tom Russell
- 30

Harriet & Robert Fieldhouse, Jo Ann & John Swart
- 31

Barbara & Hap Haskins