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Church of the Redeemer

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## A Letter from the Rector

We have a newly formed Worship Committee at Redeemer that includes Audrey Rose (Music Director/Organist), Wendy Caney (Vestry Worship Commission), Marsha Lightsey (Acolyte Coordinator), Ed Roberts (Choir), Betty Herrin, Christine Perkins and myself. We met for the first time in April to address worship-related suggestions that parishioners made to the Vestry. One of the changes that will take effect in the season of Pentecost (June) is the worship bulletin. Beginning in June, we will introduce a reusable worship booklet to replace the current worship bulletin. We'll have a different worship booklet for each of the liturgical seasons (e.g. Pentecost, Advent, Lent, Easter). The booklet will look very similar to the format Redeemer has used in the past.

The worship booklet will contain most of the words from the Book of Common Prayer worship service. It will also contain the music for hymns or songs that are not in the Hymnal which will eliminate the bulletin inserts for music that is not in the Hymnal. The Worship Committee hopes that these changes will help the congregation get a better feel for the seasons of the church year and make worship less confusing for visitors and less cumbersome for all of us. The change will also save us from printing and throwing away 150 bulletins and inserts every Sunday.

On another note, both Stephanie Horowitz (Director of Youth and Family Ministries) and Sarah Beth Thompson (Youth Minister) are stepping down from their respective staff positions. They have served the Lord Jesus and loved our children faithfully. Well done, good and faithful servants, for all you have given.

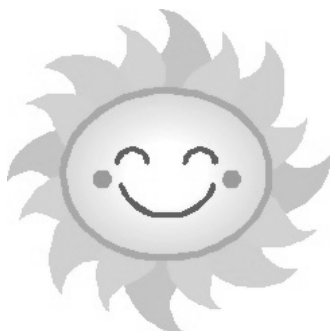
We are very blessed to have two enthusiastic and gifted young women to fill their positions. Lori Hawkins is our new Christian Education Director and Cathleen Christie is our new Youth Minister. Lori has volunteered each week the past two years helping to keep the Education Wing stocked with supplies and ready for Sunday school. She also organized and led Vacation Bible School last summer. Cathleen has worked closely with Sarah Beth to plan youth events the past two years. Cathleen and her husband Bryan have also chaperoned youth events on many occasions and taught Sr. High Sunday school which has helped her cultivate a relationship with the youth. Lori and Cathleen will bring a sense of continuity and their own creativity to the Youth ministry.

May the grace, peace, comfort, joy and strength of the Holy Spirit be with you this Pentecost.

God's Peace,

~Fr. Bob+

*Happy Summer!*



## *Senior Warden's Report: Branching Out*

Belonging to the Church of the Redeemer offers much to us. You can quickly count those basic building blocks in your mind. A block not as likely to pop to the forefront of your thoughts is the opportunity to learn a new skill while doing something for others at the same time.

It is safe and comfortable to volunteer to do those things in which we already have developed expertise. We should be willing to step up and offer that which we are good at if it helps others be more effective stewards at Redeemer. Not a thing wrong with that; in fact, there's a lot right about it. We need experienced folks to lead the way in each of our ministries.

On the other hand, there's not a thing wrong with grabbing the brass ring opportunity here, too. Why not take on a different slice of the action? There are many ministries here that offer a chance for each of us to branch out and learn something new while helping out others...a real win-win scenario.

Each Vestry Commission (Worship, Outreach, Fellowship, Building & Grounds, Communications, Fi-

nance, Stewardship, Christian Education, Pastoral Care and Special Projects) has a lot going on. Much of the action going on is well-developed and productive. To use a tree as an analogy, there are branches of the Redeemer tree that are strong. They have plenty of leaves. On closer inspection of each of those branches, however, one can also see additional smaller leaves sprouting. In short, the Redeemer tree has a ways to go before being fully leafed out; there is plenty to pick and choose from to help the process along and have fun doing it, too.

The Vestry hopes each member of the Redeemer family will choose to seek to find his or her calling here. More specifics about the diversity of opportunities are on the way. Take a look, ask questions of any Vestryperson and give thoughtful consideration now to what sounds right for you or what you want to try. No hard sell or pressure intended just encouragement and good thoughts about all of us.

*~Bill Heizer  
Senior Warden*

### *The Role of the Outreach Commission*

Outreach at Redeemer is an integral part of the life of the Parish. Parishioners help at the Project Host Soup Kitchen, Triune Mercy Center, Pleasant Valley Connection, Samaritan House and Casa Hogar de La Familia in Mexico. The budget for the Commission is used for groups in Greenville such as Project Warmth (S.H.A.R.E.) and Triune Mercy Center, and the Virtual Toy Drive at Children's Hospital. A monthly donation is made to Samaritan House, which is in the church's neighborhood, to help defray the cost of weekly food distribution. The Outreach Commission, with the help of Daughters of the King, sponsor an alternative giving fair in November to raise funds in addition to the budgeted amount for local groups. The Commission has donated money outside of Greenville to York Place and to projects in Haiti.

The Commission meets once a year as a group and then conducts business the rest of the year through email.

*~Susan Kear  
Outreach Commission  
Redeemer Vestry*

## *New Photo Directory Underway - Appointments Still Available*

*Dear Redeemer Family,*

In response to many requests and suggestions from parishioners, I am undertaking the production of an updated Church pictorial directory. One hundred sixty-five (165) photographs need to be taken prior to publication and posting on the website. Our goal is to have this project completed in August.

In order to facilitate the most efficient way to schedule that many portraits, I am making myself available by appointment as follows:

- Monday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. at my studio at 334 West Stone Avenue in Greenville (about six miles from the Church).
- OR Sunday mornings, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. and noon-2:00 p.m. at the Church at a room in the Education Wing off Purser Hall.

Please understand that it is not possible to photograph everybody at the Church on Sunday in the time allowed. I still have many appointments available on other days and will work with you to find a time that fits your schedule.

**NO COST IS INVOLVED TO HAVE YOUR PHOTO INCLUDED IN THE DIRECTORY.**

Individual or package photographs of your portrait are also available for purchase. That information will be provided at your appointment.

Photos will be taken against a seamless background with studio lighting. Multiple shots will be taken from which you choose your favorite. Your contact information will be available for review at the appointment and will be included in the back of the pictorial part of the directory.

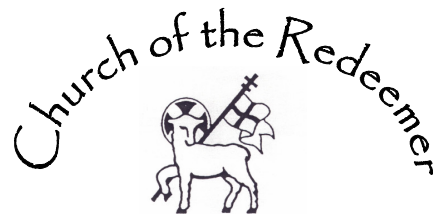
To schedule an appointment,

- Phone: 864 DIGITAL (344-4825)
- E-mail: dp11@mindspring.com

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. I look forward to seeing you all through the viewfinder soon.

All the best,

*~David Poleski  
Special Projects  
Commission,  
Redeemer Vestry*



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**The Rev. Robert Horowitz, Rector**  
Heidi Chapman, *Parish Administrator*  
Stephanie Horowitz, *Youth & Family Ministry*  
Amos Irwin, *Treasurer*  
Audrey Rose, *Organist/Music Director*  
Gabriel Santamaria, *Sexton*  
Sarah Beth Thompson, *Director of Youth Ministry*

### Vestry Members

Jack Blackburn, *Stewardship* (2013)  
Diane Campbell, *Pastoral Care* (2011)  
Wendy Caney, *Worship* (2012)  
Margie Hankinson, *Youth* (2011)  
Bill Heizer, *Senior Warden* (2013)  
John Helm, *Junior Warden* (2013)  
Susan Kear, *Outreach* (2012)  
David Mill, *Building & Grounds* (2012)  
Janice Peele, *Communications* (2011)  
Doug Parrott, *Fellowship* (2013)  
Keith Poe, *Finance* (2012)  
David Poleski, *Special Projects* (2011)

The Vestry meets the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Minutes are available in the church office.

### Echoes

is the monthly newsletter of the Church of the Redeemer. Please submit articles by the 1st of each month for the following month's issue. Give written information to the church office or fax to the church at 277.6330; email to Janice Peele, [jmpeeel@bellsouth.net](mailto:jmpeeel@bellsouth.net).

# June 2011 • Ministry Schedule

	5 June	12 June	19 June	26 June
	<b>7 Easter</b>	<b>Pentecost Day</b>	<b>1 Pentecost</b>	<b>2 Pentecost</b>
Acolyte 8:30 a.m.	Katie Broderick	Daniel McCullough	Wendy Caney	Wallace Lightsey
10:30 a.m.	Susan McConnell	John Helm	Marsha Lightsey	Amy Broderick
Lector I 8:30 a.m.	Stephanie Horowitz	Margaret Lee	Amos Irwin	John Weems
10:30 a.m.	Keith Poe	Venus Poe	David Mill	Cindy Wilson
Lector II 8:30 a.m.	Judy Planck	Ted Sanders	Wallace Lightsey	Sarah Beth Thompson
10:30 a.m.	Robin Mill	Ed Roberts	Bill Lee	Marsha Lightsey
Chalice Bearer	Bill Lee	Robin Mill	Sarah Beth Thompson	John Helm
Counters	Meg Coffey David Mill	Cynthia Eason John Warren	Mona Ferguson Steve Webb	Carol Hallman Dianne Bailey



## June Birthdays & Anniversaries



- |  |                                      |                                    |
|--|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 Marshall Shepherd                      | 8 Price Poe                          | 23 Cookie Brock                    |
| 2 Rick Hankinson                         | 9 Matthew Derrick                    | Doris Gant                         |
| <i>Meredith Manker &amp; John Snyder</i> | 10 <i>Bill &amp; Dinah Johnson</i>   | Michael Plante                     |
| Phyllis Webb                             | <i>Doug &amp; Anne Martin</i>        | 24 Clark Elliott Jernigan          |
| 3 Toby Capece                            | 12 Cindy Parrott                     | 25 <i>Carolyn &amp; Amos Irwin</i> |
| Ed Roberts                               | 14 <i>Bob &amp; Bonnie Keiger</i>    | Beverly Poe                        |
| 6 Jack Blackburn                         | <i>Chris &amp; Tracy Poteat</i>      | 26 Betsy Walt                      |
| Bruce Ryskamp                            | 15 <i>Bob &amp; Kathy Moore</i>      | 27 Doug Martin                     |
| 8 Jane Broome                            | 16 <i>Forrest &amp; Linda Norman</i> | June Moore                         |
| <i>Bill &amp; Louise Heizer</i>          | 18 Thomas Peery                      | Philip Webb                        |
| Marsha Lightsey                          | 21 Dianne Bailey                     |                                    |

**Note:** We apologize if your birthday or anniversary does not appear on the list. Please notify the Church office by phone (277-4562) or email ([parishadmin@churchoftheredeemer.com](mailto:parishadmin@churchoftheredeemer.com)) so we can update our records. *Thank you!*

## Baptisms This Month

**Chelsea Marie Witham**, granddaughter of Cindy & Doug Parrott: Monday, June 6, 6:20 p.m., at the Parrotts' home, 502 South Center St., Spartanburg. All welcome to attend.

**Sophie Cathleen Christie**, daughter of Brian & Cathleen Christie: 10:30 a.m. service at Redeemer, Sunday, June 12

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4 Youth End-of-Year Lake Party (Depart at 8:30 a.m.) --- 2:00 p.m. Convocation Meeting, Redeemer Sanctuary
	<b>ECHOES DEADLINE</b>					
5 8:30 a.m. <i>Holy Eucharist</i> 10:30 a.m. <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	6 5:45 p.m. Yoga Class 8:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting	7 10:00 a.m. St. Cecilia's Guild, Transept	8 10:30 a.m. Healing Service 5:45 p.m. Yoga Class	9 9:00 a.m. Prayer Time 10:00 a.m. Needle Ministry	10	11
<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL • JUNE 6-10</b>						
12 8:30 a.m. <i>Holy Eucharist</i> 10:30 a.m. <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	13 5:45 p.m. Yoga Class 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee 8:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting	14	15 10:30 a.m. Healing Service 5:45 p.m. Yoga Class	16 9:00 a.m. Prayer Time 10:00 a.m. Needle Ministry	17	18
19 8:30 a.m. <i>Holy Eucharist</i> 10:30 a.m. <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	20 5:45 p.m. Yoga Class 8:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting	21	22 10:30 a.m. Healing Service 5:45 p.m. Yoga Class 6:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting	23 9:00 a.m. Prayer Time 10:00 a.m. Needle Ministry	24	25
26 8:30 a.m. <i>Holy Eucharist</i> 10:30 a.m. <i>Holy Eucharist</i>	27	28	29	30	July 1	2
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## *From the Youth Director: Answering the Call*

*To my wonderful Redeemer family:*

The past three years have been wonderful and I have been so blessed to be involved in the lives of our amazing youth. It is hard for me to write this letter and it is with regret to inform you that I will not return next year as Youth Ministry Director.

God is calling me to expand and grow in ministry and in order to do so, I need to go back to school to finish my undergraduate degree of which I have one year remaining; then I plan on going to obtain a Masters in Youth and Family Ministries. As many of you have experienced at one time or another, it is hard to say no to God when He is calling you to grow in your Faith and relationship with Him.

I cannot stress enough how much our youth have meant to me and how hard it is for me to write this letter. I am sad and heartbroken to walk away but I am uplifted in the knowledge that I am following God's call for me. I want all of our youth to know how much I love them and what an amazing impact they have had on my life. If not for them, I wouldn't have the courage to do this now.

When I think about leaving them, I have tears but they are bittersweet. I know that by following God's call, I set an example for our youth to always listen for what God is asking them to do and showing them that we have to put God first in our lives.

Having worked as a youth advisor for four years at a previous congregation, I can tell you that it is very important that when one advisor steps down, someone who knows the youth and whom they have a relationship with steps up. When I left my Jewish faith and the youth I had worked with to follow God's call to be baptized in the Christian faith, someone was appointed to be youth advisor who did not know the youth and the results were disastrous...the youth did not feel comfortable with this person and many stopped attending youth group all together. I have seen this happen time and again with quite a few other youth groups over the years at numerous

congregations and it would break my heart to see anything like this happen within Redeemer.

I leave the youth with someone wonderful who has been an enormous help to me in the past two years. Cathleen Christie loves our youth and they love her. They show her the same respect and love they show me. Cathleen worked for several years in Florida with youth and has worked with our youth here for two years. She is highly qualified and, unlike me, she can bring her experience as a youth in the Episcopal faith and upbringing in the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina to encourage and support our youth in their faith. She and her husband Brian both have a strong love for Redeemer and our youth. Cathleen is strongly called to Youth Ministry and I think she would be fantastic in this position. I urge you to welcome her as a worthy and terrific replacement.

I will continue on through the summer to make sure that Cathleen is well prepared to start with the youth in the fall. Please know that I love Redeemer with my whole heart and will forever be grateful for the opportunities that our Vestry and the Redeemer family have given me. You have given me the courage to listen to God's call and, more importantly, given me the opportunity to love our youth as if they are my own.

God's Peace,

*~Sarah Beth Thompson*  
Director, Youth Ministry

*Thank You!*

Many thanks to Gretchen and Craig Grounell of Gretchen's ABS Cakes for the beautiful and delicious cake they donated for the reception following the 10:30 a.m. service on May 1.

# Stewardship: Sharing Your Gifts

Stewardship is all about returning some portion of the gifts with which we have been blessed. All too often we think in terms of Finances and we overlook our other gifts—Time and Talent. We routinely pledge financial support, but often neglect to intentionally pledge these other two prongs of Stewardship. Every one of us has natural talents and spiritual gifts. We encourage you to think about yours and how they can be used at Redeemer to minister to others.

June 12 will be Stewardship: Time and Talent Sunday at Redeemer. Please use the following form to make your pledge. We encourage you to place your pledge in the offering plate as you approach the altar for communion. Your Stewardship Committee has prepared and placed in the Narthex a pamphlet, *Opportunities for Giving of Your Time and Talent*. Although not all inclusive, the pamphlet lists some areas that would benefit from your gifts. Give willingly what you can: "All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee."

~Stewardship Committee

## Church of the Redeemer Stewardship

"Sharing your Gifts" Pledge

June 12, 2011

Name(s): 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Time and Talent that I Pledge:

(Circle the items you are not presently involved with, but would like to pursue.)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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### Other Gifts and Talents:

\_\_\_\_\_

# Readings for June

June 5

**1st Reading :** Acts 1:6-14

**Psalm :** 68:1-10, 32-35

**2nd Reading :** I Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

**Gospel :** John 17:1-11

June 19

**1st Reading:** Genesis 1:1-2:4a

**Psalm :** 8

**2nd Reading:** II Corinthians 13:11-13

**Gospel :** Matthew 28:16-20

June 12

**1st Reading :** Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30

**Psalm :** 104:24-34, 35b

**2nd Reading :** I Corinthians 12:3b-13  
or Acts 2:1-21

**Gospel:** John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39

June 26

**1st Reading :** Genesis 22:1-4 or Jeremiah 28:5-9

**Psalm :** 13 or 89:1-4, 15-18

**2nd Reading :** Romans 6:12-23

**Gospel :** Matthew 10:40-42



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