



Welcome Compass Academy Charter School!

 <p>SERVE ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE.</p> <p>GALATIANS 5:13, NIV</p>	 <p>2012 Clippings Newsletter</p> <p>Lutheran Church of the Redeemer 2384 E. Landis Ave Vineland, New Jersey</p> <p>Rev. Gary N. Stiegler</p>	 <p>BEGINS WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22 <i>Information on Inside cover</i></p> <p>Sunday Services 8:00am & 10:30am</p> <p>Contemporary Service 6:30pm</p> <p>Sunday School 9:15am</p>
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Our Mission Statement: *As a welcoming and nurturing community of faith we: invite all to celebrate Christ's love, empower one another to grow in Christ's love, share Christ's love as we minister to the world.*

Our Vision Statement: *Come and see, go and tell, the Good News for all!*

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Have you remembered Redeemer in your Will?

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PASTOR'S THOUGHTS

The time between Christmas and Lent is called Epiphany. In the original Greek, Epiphany is written as ἐπιφάνεια, or epiphaneia which means awakening. Epiphany can also mean manifestation or striking appearance. The holiday of Epiphany is traditionally celebrated on January 6. It is a Christian feast day that celebrates the revelation of God the Son as a human being in Jesus Christ. Western Christians commemorate principally, but not solely, the visitation of the Biblical Magi to the Baby Jesus, and thus Jesus' physical manifestation to the Gentiles. Eastern Christians commemorate the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River which is seen as his manifestation to the world as the Son of God.

This year at Redeemer, there has truly been an “Epiphany” or “awakening” as event after event gives us reason to celebrate even more the manifestation or appearance of Christ in our world:

1) God has been gracious in providing the opportunity for us to host a charter school in our Education Building. The State of New Jersey has issued a charter school license, and the school is slated to open in the fall of 2012, with approximately 114 young people in the first class.

2) Thrivent Financial For Lutherans has chosen Redeemer to pilot a new program where the church becomes its own chapter, with its own funding for expanding our social ministry outreach to the community.

3) Luther Acres, our church sponsored senior housing facility in Vineland, has refinanced their mortgage to allow for a total renovation of bathrooms, kitchens, and the facility in general to better serve their 100 residents.

More and more members of Redeemer are doing more and more to volunteer their time, treasures, and talents. All of this activity within the body of Christ, called Redeemer Lutheran Church, represents an “epiphany”....an awakening of the spirit that is our church.

May the Holy Spirit continue to encourage you in your life of service to mankind.

Pastor Gary

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Worship & Music is looking for a coordinator for the sound system and a person to contact volunteers to remind them when they are scheduled. Brenda Ackley is the new coordinator for the Bread Bakers. Contact Brenda at 856-692-3052 or backley64@yahoo.com if you would like to bake, or continue to bake, the Sunday Communion bread. Choir Anthems for February: (5) *Wait on the Lord*, (12) *For the Beauty of the Earth*, (19) *Fairest Lord Jesus*.

Communications/Evangelism has installed a new printer for use in the upstairs office. Bulletin Boards have recently been updated. Youth and Sunday School news is now located over the water fountain in the Narthex, and Social Ministry is outside the Choir Room.

A Nursing Home Ministry was started by Mike Keyser in January. He has visited area nursing homes and reports great enthusiastic attendance. If you would like to join Mike, please contact him at 856-885-3698 or mjkeyser1@hotmail.com.

The Stewardship Committee would like to thank all of you that are continuing to support the work of Redeemer as we enter 2012. Thanks to your support, the committee believes that the congregation is about to turn a corner and move in a positive direction. The committee is making plans for 2012 which include a monthly "chat" of some kind. As was discussed back in November, these events help us to get to know each other better. On February 12, there will be a Congregational dinner. The theme of the dinner, which is Valentines' weekend, is to *Love Your Neighbor*. There are also plans for a youth program under the direction of Terry Love and Brenda Ackley. Look for information about the *Future Society*.

Subscriptions to the Lutheran Magazine will be offered by the ELCA beginning on February 1. If you would like the magazine delivered to your home, please sign up in the Narthex or call the church office. A minimum of 25 families are needed to get a bulk rate. The magazine is a great resource for information about the wider church, its missions, people and what it means to be Lutheran in the 21st Century. A free sample is in the Narthex.

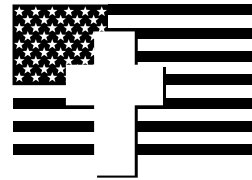
Looking ahead: New Jersey Synod Junior High Servant Mission Trip to Washington, D.C. "With a Grateful Heart" will be June 26-30. For more information, contact Karen Bernhardt, AIM Coordinator, at 609-247-8976 or Karenwbern@gmail.com

OUTREACH

POSITIVE CHANGE SUNDAY FEBRUARY 12

Donations will be used to support the mailing costs for Boxes for Soldiers during 2012. Although some of our military members have returned to the states, some still serve overseas. Either way, sending a care package is a great way to keep in touch!

January's Positive Change Collection to benefit the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) was \$235.



SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

We will be collecting items for the Boxes for Soldiers during the month of February. Suggested items include: snacks (cookies, pretzels, gum, candy), large baby wipes, chapstick, puzzle books, novelties, sports magazines, and hand sanitizer. We have a good supply of paperback books. The boxes will be mailed on March 4. Please send any address changes into the office before that date.



Brotherhood/Sisterhood Week

45th Annual Brotherhood & Sisterhood Service

Friday, February 3, 2012, at 7:00pm

Beth Israel Congregation

1015 East Park Avenue, Vineland

Please bring a canned food item to the service for distribution to those in need in the Vineland community.

Sponsored by the Vineland Ministerial Fellowship

Refreshments will be served.



**Thrivent Financial
for Lutherans**
invites everyone to hear about a new
and unique partnership program with
Redeemer

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH
AT 4:00PM
IN FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Learn how we will be supporting ministries
in our community and beyond!

A brief discussion will be followed
by dinner

PLEASE RSVP BY
FEBRUARY 5TH
856-691-4278
or
Sign up in the
Narthex



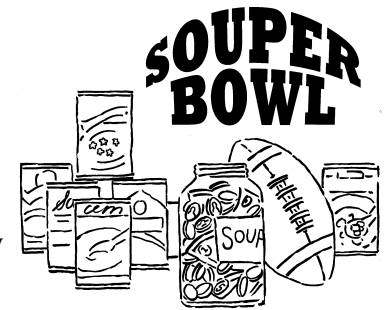
*A free will offering will be taken to support our
youth service trip to Washington, D.C.*



Let's Go Roller Skating
Sunday, February 5 at 12:30pm
Skate 2000 in Bridgeton
\$4.00 child, \$8.00 adult
Children under six must have
an adult present. Leave church
at 12 noon. Pack a bag lunch/
snack bar at the rink. Sign up
with your Sunday School
teacher by January 29th.

**Youth "Souper Bowl" Sunday
February 5, 2012**

This is a national event to help end hun-
ger. Our youth will be stationed in the
doorways of the Sanctuary with soup
pots to collect donations for the local
food bank. Please show your support by
tossing in a few dollars or some loose
change.



Clothing Donation Bin

The Youth of Redeemer sponsor two clothing bins which
are located across from the apartment attached to the
Manor House. Clean, usable, and wearable men's, wom-
en's, and children's clothing can be donated as well as
handbags, belts, scarves, ties and hats. Clean household
items such as bedding, curtains, tablecloths, towels, hard
toys, and stuffed animals are also acceptable. This is a
wonderful way to "recycle" your unwanted but still usa-
ble items and benefit our youth at the same time.
Redeemer receives \$100 each month for the bins, and the

IN AND AROUND THE PARISH

HOSPITALIZED: *Barbara Auer, Irwin Auer, Paul Hering, Irma Tiptjew, Matt Caverow, Rose Castellano, Tom Flebbe, Doug Rishel, Lisa Shadinger, and Kelly Halter.*

RECENT PASTORAL ACTS

Funerals

Elizabeth Federico entered God's eternal glory on December 31, 2011. Elizabeth's memorial service was celebrated on January 6.

Marion E. Simek entered God's eternal glory on January 16, 2012. Marion's funeral service was celebrated on January 19 with burial at Greenwood Memorial Park in Millville.

Wedding

Stephanie Ann Langley and Ryan Robert Bergen were united in marriage on December 31, 2011.

MEMORIALS

Donations were made to the Memorial/Special Gifts Fund of Redeemer in loving memory of Elaine T. Schoch by Margaret Fanfarillo, and Ken Richey by Irwin and Barbara Auer.



I praise you, for I am
fearfully and wonderfully made.

Psalm 139:14, NRSV

THANK YOU

Dear Redeemer Congregation,
Thank you for your kindness-the gifts we received for Christmas from Redeemer really made our holiday special. And we will enjoy dinners at the Elmer Diner! - With Love, *The Residents of Lakeside Manor*

Dear Friends,

Thank you to everyone for your prayers. Things are looking up and I'm getting around much better now! Thanks be to God, *Dick Shenton*

Just a note to thank you for sharing your nativity costumes with the children of St. Paul's (Millville). They really enjoyed dressing up and the costumes inspired them to share the Good News with great enthusiasm. May the New Year be filled with God's blessings. Thanks again, *Linda Branin*.

Thank you to:

- * Allyson Stierle and Girl Scout Troop #91056 for donating several boxes of food to the Redeemer food pantry.
- * Jim Salveryn and his crew for cleaning up the nursery room.
- * Clippings crew members: *Ann Bradbury, Lilija Balodis, Marilyn Gressman, Jean Holshue, & Gertrude Raymond.*

* January Sunday Volunteers:

Deacons: *Brenda Ackley, Jerry Amari, Jessica Bernhardt, Keith Bernhardt, Keith Bernhardt II, Dan Cherwien, Susan Cherwien, Kathleen Clay, Harry Fisher, Martin & Lauren Geisser, Marilyn Gressman, Deb Haugen, Dan Kremmel, Ted Lane, Nancy Manzoni, Dale Nichols, Lisa Rishel, Georgia Salvaryn, Scott Shollenberger, Carl Simek, Kellie Slade, Robert Stenger, George Steinbronn, Jan Stiegler, Robert Wallace.*

Head Ushers: *Greg Kendall & Martin Caverow.*

Ushers: *Jerry Amari, Erling Anderson, Valerie Caverow, Jim Clay, Joan Curcio, Al & Alison Keller, Alice Motter, Bob Penven, Raoul Reisch, Carl Simek, Robert Wallace, Tom Weatherby, Tammy Williams.*

Altar Guild: *Maureen Beckett, Susan Bradbury, Arlene Cherwien, Zola Fisher, Jean Holshue, Al & Alison Keller, Faith Plowman, Jan Stiegler.*

Bread Bakers: *Brenda Ackley, Bret Bretnall, Shelly Damiano, Tina Taylor.*

Acolytes: *Georgia Salvaryn, Hannah Salvaryn, Ian Simek, Maggie Simek, Tyler Steinbronn, Allyson Stierle, Michael Stierle, Daulton Wallace, Jena Wiese, Tim Williams.*

Flower Delivery: *Doris & Dick Allewelt, Joan Freimanis, Marilyn Gressman, Cindi Wiener.*

SKYLINE BOYS CONCERT

Saturday, February 18th

The Skyline Boys will return to Redeemer to present their message of God's love through Southern Gospel Music. This quartet, formed in 1995, travels the country sharing their uplifting music as they continue to bring the plan of salvation to the lost and to uplift fellow Christians.

When not busy recording or making radio or television appearances, the group returns to its base of ministry in Northern Virginia. This wonderful program will begin at 7 pm in the Sanctuary. Bring your friends for an evening of uplifting Gospel music. A free-will offering will be collected.



"We were on the way out the door before I remembered I needed something for the Valentine party at Sunday school."

COMMUNITY EVENTS AT REDEEMER

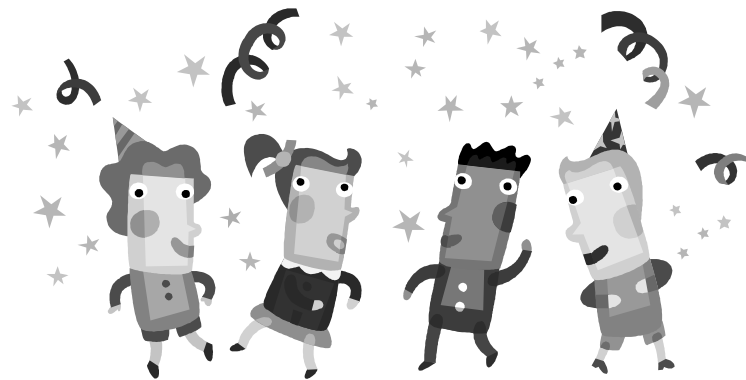
Save the Date and join us for our next ceili on February 26 at Redeemer.

Come for instruction from 2:00 - 3:00 pm, and dancing with live music from 3:00 - 5:00 pm. Music will be provided by the Cumberland County Ceili Band. As before, admission is free, but a donation is always welcome to help defray expenses. Please bring a non-perishable item for the Redeemer Food Pantry.

Be sure to pick up a Bennigans of Vineland special "Ceili Nite" coupon for a discount on food and beverages redeemable the day of the ceili. Invite a friend or two who might also enjoy learning about Irish social dancing. The more the merrier!

For more information, please contact Sarah in the church office on Tuesdays or Thursdays or call [856-392-9416](tel:856-392-9416).

Please be sure to visit our group on Facebook and add us to your "friends" list! [Cumberlandcountyceili](https://www.facebook.com/Cumberlandcountyceili)



NJ Approves New South Jersey Charter School

Parents residing in Vineland, Millville, or Pittsgrove have an opportunity to enroll their children in a free, independent, public charter school that focuses on customized, personalized learning. The Compass Academy Charter School, opening in September 2012 at Redeemer, will provide a small classroom environment, a hands-on curriculum, and a personalized learning plan for each student. The unique feature of the school is its use of the Let Me Learn Process®.

The Let Me Learn Process®, an advanced learning system with a 20 year track record of improving student achievement, has been used across New Jersey in districts such as Lawrenceville, Berlin, Glassboro, Delsea, and Folsom. Now, for the first time, students in K-5 grades will be immersed in a learning environment proven to raise student achievement school wide.

Joel Johnston, Lead Founder of the charter's founding board explained, "The Compass Academy Charter School is based on the belief that every child can learn. That's our mission. Parents have the opportunity at no cost to enroll their children in a school that equips them to be self-sufficient learners."

Enrollment begins February 4, with plans to have 114 K-2 students enrolled by June 2012. Ultimately, the school will expand one grade level per year until it is operating at a K-5 level.

Parents can gain more information by visiting:

www.compassacademycharter.org.

Pastor Gary reports that this is an exciting time for Redeemer that begins a new era of learning and serving the people of Vineland.

"I thank each of you for your continued support of Redeemer Lutheran Church during the time that the Education building was vacant. This is not a church-run school, but a Charter school licensed by the State of New Jersey and run by Let Me Learn, Inc. If you have not had a chance to meet Christine Johnston and her daughter Jane Berger, please take the opportunity to chat with them about this exciting adventure in learning."

As we prepare for the move-in of the school during the next several months, please ask how you can help in preparing the buildings and grounds to welcome our new tenants.

February

- 1 Douglas Cherwien
- 2 Robert Preidt
Robert Sapsai
- 3 Hannah Salvaryn
Deborah Stoehr
- 4 Lisa Rishel
Chloe Wiese
- 5 Geraldine Strang
- 6 Lisa Criss
- 7 Greg Kendall
Christopher Stenger
- 8 Larry Gilbert
Tommy Rodriguez
- 9 Lynda Gilbert
Rosetta Lechner
Tom Ulrich
Ginny Workman
- 10 Margretta Houston
Konrad Krumpp
Jennifer Laurrell-Klotz
- 12 Janet Critchfield
- 13 Jan Stiegler
- 14 Lilija Balodis
Jim Salvaryn
- 15 Helenanne Matlack



- 19 Ed Morvay
Mary Peterson
- 20 Michael Headley
Nancy Manzoni
- 21 Robert Wood
- 22 Andrea Martorano
- 23 Suzanne Forte
Betsy Harrison
Susan Papiano
- 24 Vivian Moss
- 27 Bret Bretnall
- 28 Lauren Corsiglia
Kaylee Sironen



- 14 Joe & Suzanne Forte
Guy & Donna Garrett
Al & Alison Keller
Erin & Sandy Olsen-Weed
- 16 Matthew & Jane Berger
- 18 Douglas & Stacey Cherwien

**Free Tax Preparation
United Way of Cumberland County**

Who is Eligible

If you worked full or part time or you were self employed in 2011 and earned less than \$50,000, you may receive federal and state credits. Seniors are also eligible to participate.

Where

Vineland:

*Family Success Center, 1038 E. Chestnut Ave.

*Sun National Bank Training Center,
226 Landis Avenue

Bridgeton

*Alms Center, 30 MLK Jr. Way

When

February 1 through April 17

Tuesday through Saturday by appointment only

Call 856-205-1800

Contact United Way for more information or to volunteer (856-205-1800).



Jan Stiegler (left) and Kathleen Clay (right) work on a new banner for the Sanctuary.

Ash
Wednesday

The church will be open all day on February 22 for the imposition of ashes. The church service begins at 7:00pm. There will not be a 12 noon service.

**The deadline for the March issue of the
Clippings is February 19.**

Please forward information to:
clippings@redeemerlutheran.net
or place in the mailbox outside the office.

SOUP
Suppers

Bread 'n Broth Suppers are held every Wednesday during Lent beginning at 6:00pm. Come and enjoy a simple but delicious meal of homemade soup, bread, and beverages before the mid-week Lenten services. A free-will offering is received weekly for designated charities.