

## Redeemer Lutheran Church of Leisure World and St. Theodore of Canterbury Episcopal Church

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## Message from Our President...

Dear Members and Friends,

Our Congregational Meeting is scheduled for November 9 immediately following our church service. At this meeting we will present the Proposed 2026 Budget, which has been approved by Council, for your approval. We also will present any nominated Council members. Another item we will bring up for congregational approval is a few changes to the By-laws to be sure we are always in compliance. Please make sure to stay for this important meeting. Fellowship will follow after the meeting.

We were so happy to welcome Gloria Curry, Dahlia Diaz, Sophia Kim, and Anne and Stephen Tegtmeier as they made the decision to become members of our church on September 21.

We all love Reverend Finck, feel so blessed to have him and Rhoda with us, and would like to have him stay. However, since he is an interim pastor, we are required to be looking for a permanent pastor. A Call Committee has been working on a Ministry Site Profile, and when completed, a letter along with the profile will be mailed to all of our Bishops in the United States.

Starting in October, we have changed our janitorial service from once a month to every week since we now have increased use of our facility. The Sa-rang Church has graciously agreed to share this expense with us.

The microphones and audio have been worked on by a non-member volunteer, and we would appreciate feedback on whether it has improved your ability to hear on Sunday.

Remembering your loved ones with a plaque and a cross for our Memorial Cross Wall is a special way to honor them. Reverend Finck performed a beautiful dedication service for Bruce Young's son, and Nancy Luebben will have crosses for her mother dedicated soon. Please let me know if this is something you would like to do.

Last year our Council approved an annual preventative checkup by Orange County Pump on all of our pumps. Since we have had issues with water in the Fellowship Hall for years, it is a

much-needed preventative service call. We had this performed last fall, and fortunately didn't have any water in our church. They will be coming out to perform this job before the rainy season.

Please make sure to support the Fall Bazaar fundraiser on November 13 and 14. You can shop for gifts and have lunch including delicious dessert options. Reverend Finck has a few tables filled with mementos from his visits all over the world which has been very popular. Take some flyers, and invite your friends and neighbors to come with you.

Please join with us by participating in Operation Christmas Child, which is operated by Samaritan's Purse. We have the boxes and instructions available now for you to fill with personal care items and toys for children in over 100 countries. In many cases this is the only Christmas gift the child receives. These filled boxes are due back to the church by November 17 so they can be dropped off at the center that will prepare them for shipping.

We will soon have a Suggestion Box available for any thoughts on how we can improve your church. The Church Council is always open to ensuring that our church is meeting everyone's needs.

God's Blessings,

Kay Pushman
Council President