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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,

It is with a heavy heart that so soon after Jerry Brady's Memorial Service, we are again planning one for our beloved Pastor Gil. The Memorial Service is Saturday, September 14 at 10:00 am with a luncheon to follow. We will setting up on Friday afternoon at 2:00. If you are able to provide transportation to the Memorial, bring a fruit salad, help with the preparation on Friday, setup/serve/cleanup on Saturday, there is sign-up sheet in the Narthex. The GRF Community Swap Meet is being held on the same day from 8:00-12:00. It will be held in the parking lot in front of Clubhouse 6, and you will not be able to park there. The parking lot in front of the Health Center and the Amphitheater lot will be available for our use. However, the people participating in the Swap Meet will be parking there also. If at all possible, please carpool to the Memorial. I am arranging for nonmember drivers to shuttle anyone who has to park in the Clubhouse 4 parking lot. There will be signs in their car windows. I will give the Security office maps to direct our guests to all of the parking options.

Redeemer's long-time involvement in *God's Work, Our Hands* where we collect food from our members and community is on Sunday, September 8 from 1:00-3:00. We will be setting up in front of the church right after Fellowship. If you can help with this project, there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Of course, your contribution of food is central to this endeavor, and you can bring your food to church anytime. Call me at 818 470 0480, and I will meet you to bring in your donations. Redeemer has always had a very successful program providing a generous amount of non-perishable food to those in need.

At the last Council meeting, it was decided that we would make our outside wall with crosses a Memorial Wall. The large cross on the wall was made and donated by my son and his wife. I will be removing the plaque under it remembering my husband, and purchase a smaller cross to attach it to. The Brady family has made a donation, and we will be putting up a cross and plaque remembering him. I checked with the family of Pastor Gil, and they were so happy that we would be memorializing their dad in the same way, and they have picked out the cross they would like. I hope to have the cross and plaque on the wall while the family is in town. We will be making this available to all of our members that would like to remember their loved ones in this way, and are finalizing the program.

The Council also has decided to look into improving our sound system, and we will keep you updated on the progress.

I am always overwhelmed with the volunteering at our church. We are indeed blessed by so many helping hands, which makes any task much easier. Many thanks always for your help. God's Blessings to you all.

Respectfully,

Kay Pushman, Council President