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**Special Deacon  
Infant Care**

Sometimes Deacons are called on for special duty. Abi Van Drunen caught Deacon Russ Gaippe giving some tender care to a sleepy Hannah Wilsey. Reports are that she was very appreciative and that



Deacon Gaippe didn't mind the pause in his normal Sunday routine.

**Missions News**

Many summer missions activities: Hewitt's to MI; Eger to VA; Michael Nicholson to Capernaum in VA; Sarah Flenniken to WydLife at Michindoh.

**45th Annual General Assembly News**

Our own Pastor Scott joined with the Teaching Elders and Ruling Elders of the PCA in Greensboro, NC on June 12 thru 16 for the 45th Annual General Assembly Meeting. In addition to fellowship with other PCA men and several inspirational services, several rule changes were made that are designed to help the General Assembly run more efficiently. We approved an amendment to our Book of Church Order that increases the quorum for a congregational meeting called to withdraw from the PCA to 1/2 of the resident communing members. This will be sent down for the advice and consent of the presbyteries. The report of the Study Committee on Women in Ministry was received. Eight recommendations from that Study Committee were adopted. You can see the entire report with its recommendations here: <http://www.pcaac.org/ad-interim-committee-women-in-ministry/> Finally, the Ad Interim Study Committee on Racial and Ethnic Reconciliation gave a brief report and the Assembly adopted three recommendations to 1) continue the committee for another year, 2) approve a budget of \$50,000 for Life Way Research to assess the current situation in the PCA regarding racial and ethnic reconciliation, and 3) conduct a follow-up study in three years to assess the growth and progress in racial reconciliation practice. Also, news from the 44th GA Meeting was the adoption of a new LOGO for the PCA, shown at the right. Several varieties are downloadable from the PCA website, along with an explanation of the symbolism.



## Church Work & Cleaning Day

Thanks to all who were able to help with Work and Cleaning Day on July 15, much was accomplished:

*Checked all light bulbs*

*Cleaned: Windows, glass, center aisle end of pews, Fellowship Hall ceiling fan blades, sanctuary closet, west stairwell etc.*

*Adjusted door closers*

*Touched up paint in 1st men's RR  
And more ...*

Plus special thanks to Jonathon Meyer for helping to complete the outside LED lighting project. All outside lights are now LED and you will see the building, it's steeple and signs all brightly lit in the evening. The Deacons thank you for your patience waiting for completion of this project. Using internal resources did lengthen the timeline, but between the surplus LED fixtures from GE and Jonathon's skill the project was very economical. Next Work Day is on Saturday, October 14.

## Swing Dancing

On Saturday, July 8th, Bekah Miller was hostess to a Swing Dance gathering in Redeemer Fellowship Hall. This was the second occurrence of this event at Redeemer. It was a very enjoyable evening for all present, first time swing dancers, who benefited from the first hour of instruction and the more experienced as well. Please consider giving swing dancing a try for recreation and exercise.

## Upcoming Quarterly Congregational Mtg.

Please make plans to attend the Quarterly Congregational Meeting. Session will be sharing on August 6th interesting updates on Redeemer Church and on our Presbytery. It is a great time to hear about the status of our ministry and our future plans as well as to ask any questions.

## News About Our Members

Rich Lang was blessed to become a Grandfather in July. His son Andrew's wife, Lea gave birth to a healthy baby boy, Jackson Remington Lang, who weighed in at 8lbs. 10 oz. & 20 inches. We are told that baby and mother came through the delivery fine, although Andrew is a bit shaken at the prospect of being a father. We are sure Andrew will do fine and thank the good Lord in heaven for the arrival of this new covenant child; we hope to see the young charge soon. In addition to the Lang grandson we have other good news regarding new Grandparents at Redeemer. Ernie and Shelley Malley's daughter, Caroline, gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Laurel Anne Richard. She weighed 7lbs, 5 oz and measured 18 inches. She needed a minor procedure on her tongue, but now is nursing and gaining weight. We are told all is good with Laurel, Caroline and Daniel. Please pray for the growth of these babies in stature and in the love and admonition of the Lord Jesus Christ and for these grandparents who may need to adjust to their new title.

## News About Sunday School

The new Sunday School Year for Fall 2017 thru Summer 2018 will kick-off on Sunday, September 10. We do have teaching needs for the Kindergarten/1st grade class and also for the 2nd/3rd grade class. The teachers for the elementary grades will be committing to teach for the 3 main quarters Fall, Winter and Spring. If you are interested in teaching one of those classes or being a helper or are willing to be on call as a substitute when needed please contact Deacon Miller. This is a great way to fulfill our commitment to support the spiritual growth of these covenant children.