



Reedurban Presbyterian Church

Our dwelling place has been with the Lord for 89 Years of Ministry

Reedurban JULY 2015 Newsletter



Dear Friends,

I have just listened to reports on the car radio of nations and peoples in conflict and at war: Yemen, Syria, Iraq, South Sudan, Palestine/Israel. The need for vision about the things that contribute to peace is great in the world today. To inspire your imaginations I want to share the story *Old Turtle and the Broken Truth*, written by Douglas Wood. It tells an imaginary story of how the world came to be so fragmented when it is meant to be whole, and how we might put it back together again.

"In a far-away land that is somehow not so far away, one night a truth falls from the stars. As it falls it breaks into two pieces – one blazes off through the sky and the other falls straight to the ground. A man stumbles upon the gravity-drawn truth and find carved on it the words, "*You are loved.*" It makes him feel good, so he keeps it and shares it with the people in his tribe. It sparkles and makes the people feel warm and happy. It becomes their most prized possession, and they call it '*The Truth.*' Those who have the Truth grow afraid of those who don't have it, who are different then they are. And those who don't have it want it. Soon people are fighting wars over the Truth, trying to capture it for themselves.

A little girl who is troubled by the growing violence, greed, and destruction in her once peaceful world goes on a journey – through the Mountains of Imagining, the River of Wondering Why, and the Forest of Finding Out – to speak with Old Turtle, the wise counselor. Old Turtle tells her that the Truth is broken and missing a piece, a piece that shot off in the night sky long ago. Together they search for it, and when they find it the little girl puts the jagged piece in her pocket and returns to her people.

She tries to explain, but no one will listen or understand. Finally a raven flies the broken truth to the top of a tower where the other piece has been ensconced for safety, and the rejoined pieces shine their full message:

"You are loved - and so are they."

The people begin to comprehend. And the earth begins to heal.

It is the witness of the gospel. It is the revelation of Jesus. Living it out is the challenge of faith.

Grace and Peace to You,

Lynn

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!

There sure are a lot of wonderful people at Reedurban Church! Generous with time and energy and talents, hard-working and fun. *Sincere thanks* go out to:

All the folks who came to lend a hand and get the church building and property cleaned up and in better order on our Work Day in May. These include: **Ruth Ann Robey, Darlene Mock, Pam and Glenn Baxter, Carol Mosser Jim and Paula Bracken, Dave Wright, Dwight Newsom, Henry and Renate White, Margaret and John Whitacre, Ron Merrin, Rick and Wendy Lichtenwalter, Jim and Sue VanEtten and Tim Shetzer.** Hooray! You did a great job on the windows the weeds and the kitchen!

Many thanks to the **Building and Grounds Ministry Team** who meet regularly and deal with a host of things effecting the property AND our ability to carry out mission in/on it. B&G includes: **Chuck Leeser**, who serves as chair, **Dave Wright, Wendy Lichtenwalter, Jack Robinson, and our custodian, Rick Schreffler.** *Thank you for all you do on behalf of the congregation!*

Kudos also go out to the **Outreach Ministry Team**, who have been very busy the last couple of months planning, promoting and making all kinds of events happen, like the *Easter Egg Hunt* for children, the *Mother's Day and Father's Day breakfasts*, and the upcoming *Fourth of July fireworks* hospitality for the neighborhood, and the *July 12 Church Picnic.* Outreach includes: **Jack Robinson**, who serves as chair, **Sue VanEtten, Lois Pinhard, Linda Radsick, Carol Frye and Dwight Newsom.** You guys are awesome!

Watch this space for more THANK YOU's in future newsletters. There are lots more faithful folks who deserve a round of applause.

They Called Him What?

Did you ever wonder what was meant by the phrase, "*They called him macaroni*" at the end of Yankee Doodle? Italians have eaten macaroni for centuries, but in 18th century England, the term came to mean something having absolutely nothing to do with food.

It seems that there was a class of young Englishmen who were fond of traveling throughout continental Europe. When they returned home, they adopted the mannerisms and habits of the countries they visited as their own. Because of their taste for foods exotic to England, these well-traveled chaps came to be called "*macaroni.*"

Later the term was applied to any man who dressed himself up in a flamboyant, "dandified" fashion. So, when Yankee Doodle Dandy went to town and stuck a feather in his hat, it was only logical that they would call him, "*macaroni.*"

JAVA, JUICE AND JESUS

There is a sign-up sheet located in the Narthex for Java, Juice and Jesus. It will begin on Sunday, June 28th. Please join us for a Bible Study, cup of coffee or juice and even something sweet.

PICNIC & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Please join us immediately after worship on Sunday, July 12th for our annual church picnic hosted by the Outreach Committee and ice cream social sponsored by the Deacons. **Bring along a potluck dish to share.** Desserts are not needed because Deacons will be serving up ice cream with a variety of toppings.



Stewardship through the end of May of \$59,506 is \$380 less than expenses of \$59,886. Total income for the same period of \$62,085 is \$2,199 more than expenses

Submitted by: *Rick Lichtenwalter*



PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY UPDATE

Are you ready for some fun in the sun? Doesn't everyone love a bright sunny day, resting awhile under a shade tree and drinking an ice cold beverage? Well that is fine; we need to stay hydrated but don't think sitting in the shade is going to protect your skin from the harmful UV rays that cause sunburn, premature aging, wrinkling and skin cancer. Here are wellness tips to have **Safe Summer Skin..**

Prevent sunburns: Use a sun screen with SPF of 30 or more. Be sure to check the expiration date on bottle. Reapply sun screen every 2 hours and wear a brimmed hat and sunglasses to protect ears and back of neck. Protect feet and never walk barefoot on hot cement, black top or hot sand at the beach.

Photosensitivity: (or sun rash) is usually caused by a medication you may be taking. Check side effects listed with your meds or talk to your doctor or pharmacist. You need to take extra precautions and cover exposed skin to prevent rash.

Insect bites: We know mosquitoes can carry virus. Be prepared and pack along insect repellent when going to be near woods, ponds and standing water.

Allergies to insect stings: If you know someone with severe allergy to bees; be sure they have an epi-pen and carry it at all times.

Spider bites: Brown recluse spiders are most common in the Midwest and south Central US and live indoors or in protected spaces like barns or wood piles. Initially the bite maybe painless but in 30 to 60 minutes pain may be severe and involve the entire extremity.

Ticks and fleas: Don't forget to protect your cats and dogs from ticks and fleas. You do not want to have fleas inside your home.

Join us at the Community Dinners on Tuesday June 30, 2015 and July 28, 2015 from 4PM to 7PM for a blood pressure screening.

Submitted by: *Gwen Weston*



DEACONS' MINISTRY

For the month of July we will be collecting school supplies (pencils, paper, notebooks, etc.) and toys for children (bubbles, jump ropes, balls, games, etc.) for the **Giving Tree**. They may be placed in the basket in the Narthex.

The Food Cupboard is in need of canned fruit and spaghetti sauce.

There is a sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board outside the office for the months of June and July if you would like to be a "Greeter." For more information, please contact Pam Baxter at 330-477-3389.

Submitted by: *Mary Kay Cutlip*



Children's Church School will not meet during the summer months. It will resume in September.

Submitted by: *Darlene Mock*



On Sunday, June 7th we honored the following graduates: Brendan Eppinga, Colton Luxenburg, Leighton Rosendale and Christopher Townsend. Congratulations and Good Luck to all.

SINGLE LADIES' LUNCHEON

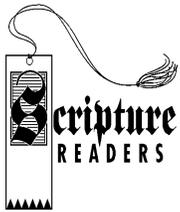
The first Single Ladies' Luncheon is Monday, June 29th at noon at the home of Paula Bracken. Her house is located at 922 Genoa NW. Please call to let Paula know if you are able to attend. Her number is 330-477-8029.

FLOWER WATERING SCHEDULE

We are still looking for watering help. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the office if you would be willing to help take a week to water all the beautiful flowers that have been planted around the church grounds. There are hoses to use as well as watering cans (in the UPS box). Any questions, please call the office.



The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Dick Hambleton and family on the passing of Mary Lou. Our prayers are with you and may the Lord extend his comfort to all.



The July and August Liturgist Schedule has been posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. If you are interested please sign your name. If you have any questions please contact Carol Kaufmann at 330-546-7316.

WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

Widows and Widowers meet here on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. Anyone from the church who is a widow or widower is invited to join the group. You are asked to please bring a covered dish to share. They would love to have you join them.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Summer office hours began on June 1st. They are: **7:30 a.m. – noon Monday – Thursday.**

If you call the office and we are not in, please leave a message on the machine and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

REEDURBAN'S SMALL GROUP MINISTRIES

is open to anyone who would like to grow in their faith in the company of loving Christians.

Belayers – meet on Sunday evenings at 5:30 p.m. in the conference room (*Check the calendar for meeting dates.*) Any questions, please contact Chuck Blackstone at 330-936-3534.

Friends Bible Study – This group of women meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at the Blue Fig restaurant. They have breakfast and study the Bible. For more information, contact Mary Kay Cutlip at 740-275-6962.

Seekers – meet every other Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. at Woodlawn Village Club House. If you would like more information, please call the Kaufmann's at 330-546-7316.

Pathfinders – meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the church Conference Room. They will not be meeting during July and August but will resume meeting in September. For more information, please contact Wendy Lichtenwalter at 330-833-3564.

Sowers – meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the church. They will not meet during the summer months. They will resume meeting in September. For more information, please contact Don and Jackie Peel at 330-877-8745.

Men's Breakfast Group – meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 8:30 a.m. at the Main Street Grill located inside Buehler's. Arrangements for a ride, if needed, can be made. Any questions, please call Jack Robinson at 330-837-8217.

Merry Knitters – meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday at 10:00 a.m. at the church. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to learn how to knit or crochet, please come and someone will teach you. Any questions, please call Mary Kay Cutlip at 740-275-6962.

OPPORTUNITIES IN JULY FOR GROWTH, FELLOWSHIP & DISCIPLESHIP

Community Dinner

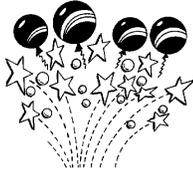
The Men's Breakfast Group holds their free monthly "Community Dinner" on the last Tuesday of every month from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Our next dinner will be on Tuesday, June 30th. We offer the blood pressure screenings during that time as well. If you know of anyone that is in need of a hot meal, please invite them to come. All are welcome. Contact Jack Robinson at 330-837-8217 or Dave Weston at 330-879-2504 if you have any questions.

Submitted by: *Jack Robinson*



The men from the Community Dinner are looking for some helpers. If you can spare some time from 4 – 7 p.m. on the last Tuesday of the month, please sign up on the sheet located on the shelf in the Narthex. It would be greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact either Dave Weston 330-8879-2504 or Don Peel 330-877-8745.

JULY BIRTHDAYS



4 th	Margaret Kline
7 th	Sue Van Etten
9 th	Norma Nebo
10 th	Christina Scarpino
11 th	Joy Baxter Troy Herrod Rick Lichtenwalter
12 th	James Klingmann
13 th	Sandy Oplinger
14 th	Jim Bracken
15 th	Tamra Knechtl Sue Larke Margaret Whitacre
17 th	Calvin Radsick
20 th	Joy DiLorenzo
22 nd	Rhoda Moledor Kristen (Wright) Nixon
23 rd	Krista Hookey Chuck Leeser
25 th	Madalynn Pinhard
26 th	Donald Grimes William Pierce
28 th	Meranda Anderson
30 th	Carson Weston

Newsletter
DEADLINE

The deadline for the **AUGUST** newsletter is **JULY 15th**. Please have your articles to Cheryl Robinson (330-837-8217) (e-mail: car929@aol.com) or to the church office by then. The mailbox is located outside the office door.

GREETERS FOR JULY

5 th	Deacons
12 th	Volunteer Needed
19 th	Volunteer Needed
26 th	Volunteer Needed

Greeters will be provided with a name badge to wear while greeting. Before you go home, please be sure to leave that badge on the counter in the Narthex.

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FLOWERS FOR JULY

5 th	Dick Larson in memory of Judy Rick & Wendy Lichtenwalter in celebration of their 11 th wedding anniversary & Rick's birthday
12 th	John Whitacre in celebration of Margaret's birthday Chuck & Nancy Leeser in celebration of their wedding anniversary Carol Kaufmann in memory of Jack's birthday
19 th	Dorothy Slagle in memory of Art Schneider
26 th	Don & Jackie Peel in memory of brothers & sisters



June 21st	Carol Frye
June 28 th	Lois Pinhard
July 5 th	Pat Smith
July 12 th	Darlene Mock
July 19 th	Carol Frye
July 26 th	Pam Baxter

Ray Dodds (Hospitality House)
Phyllis Greene (Laurels of Massillon)
Marge Showers (Hanover House)
Dorothy Carpenter
Dick Larson
Gloria Perrin
Nadine Regula

The Crib Room is for children under age 4. Helpers, subs or even a regular are always needed in the Crib Room. If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please trade with someone on the list or call Darlene Mock at 330-809-0133.

We are looking to update our Military List for the newsletter. If you have someone in the service, please let either Cheryl Robinson or the office know.

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John Whitacre

Our Vision Statement Is:

"To Glorify God, Make Disciples and Meet Human Needs."

Our Mission Statement is:

*The Reedurban Presbyterian Church is a **caring family** of Christians who **invite Jesus Christ** our Lord and Savior **to come in and control** our lives **through the Holy Spirit**. We **receive directions from and follow the teachings of God** in the scriptures. We **worship and teach** in a way that **nurtures, inspires, and encourages** members and friends through the Word of God. We **commit ourselves to grow** together in Christ by **servicing one another, our church, our community and our world**.*