

# The Readington Reformed Church Newsletter



2010

## FROM THE PASTOR

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie....

The words of the Twenty-third Psalm, set to the tune of Saint James' Air, are ringing in my head as I work on the worship services for the last part of the Sunday School year. This psalm is one of the most familiar and most-loved scripture passages we have. Tradition ascribes it to King David, who drew on his own experiences as a shepherd to describe how God cares for His Chosen People. It is often proclaimed by congregations at funerals, because of its simple assertion of faith that God is present in our lives, forever. It assures us that God is mindful of us, that God cares for us, that God is with us at all times and in all circumstances.

Sheep need to be cared for by their shepherd; indeed, they cannot survive without their shepherd. They must drink from pools of still water; moving water can get their wool too wet, which makes the sheep fall and not be able to rise again. Sheep have no natural defenses against those animals that would otherwise hunt them and eat them. Sheep have a tendency to follow the sheep in front of them blindly. They panic easily. In some ways, sheep can be a lot like humans.

We need to have direction in our lives. If we don't know where we are going, we won't get there. We need guidance. If we don't know the way, even if we have an idea of our destination, we won't make much forward progress. We need help from time to time, because we will encounter obstacles. We need protection, because there are a lot of wolves in the world. We need to be aware of who we are following. History is full of examples of people following the wrong leaders, to their grief and to the grief of the world.

When we follow the Good Shepherd, we have direction: we are to and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them all that Jesus taught us. We are to remember that He will be with us always, until the end of the age (Matthew 28:19-20). We are to feed the hungry, give water to the thirsty, welcome strangers, clothe the naked, visit the sick and those in prison (Matthew 25: 31-46). We are to love one another (John 15:12). We are to remember that our neighbors include all of humanity (Luke 10: 25-37). We cannot do these things on our own, but we do not need to do them on our own, Together, we can do all that Jesus calls us to, because we can do all things through Christ, who strengthens us (Philippians 4:13).

May we follow the Good Shepherd, doing that which is pleasing in His sight, until He comes again. And even so, come soon, Lord Jesus!

*Pastor Cathy*

# CHURCH ACTIVITIES UPDATES

## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Our weekly scripture readings are based on a three year cycle for reading scripture. The following passages are for the month of May:

### May 2

Psalm 148  
Psalm 23: 4  
Acts 12: 1-18

### May 23

Psalm 104: 24-35  
Psalm 23: 6  
Acts 2: 1-21

### May 9

Psalm 67  
Psalm 23: 5  
Acts 16: 9-15  
John 14: 23-29

### May 30

Psalm 8  
Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31  
Romans 5: 1-5  
John 16: 12-15

### May 16

Psalm 97  
Psalm 23



## Save the Day, Don't Go Away Community Day Open House

Readington Reformed Church is having an Open House on Saturday June 5, 2010  
from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.



The Open House is coming soon. We plan an exciting day to showcase Readington Reformed Church. Everyone is asked to attend, get involved and to participate. All our services and committees should be represented.

Every family is asked to spread the word to their friends, family and neighbors. In May we will make available fliers to hand out to publicize this event. Please post them wherever you can, or hand them to your neighbors.

We are also looking for money donations from the congregation to offset the costs of the day. Anything offered will be appreciated.

We still are looking for people with ideas and input and are planning several meetings before June 5. Please consider attending one to find out what is going on and to offer any help. Watch for an announcement in the bulletin.

If anyone has any questions about this event, please call Bob Lefever (908) 285 6320 (cell) or email [blefever@optonline.net](mailto:blefever@optonline.net). Looking forward to a wonderful day!

## RRC Family Photo Display

As part of the preparation for the June 5th Open House, a photo display of the congregation and the different committees and groups using RRC will be created. We would like every person or family to provide a relatively recent 3 x 5 or 4 x 6 photo (listing all the people in the photo on the back). For those who have digital images, please provide a .jpg files ~500KB in size.

Tentative plans are to display all the photographs on a bulletin board on the 2nd floor of the Christian Ed wing. These photos will probably be on display for perhaps up to a year, so if you need to have the photo returned in a short period of time, please note that when you provide the photo.



As this photo display will be used for the Open House, and perhaps for a photo directory in the future, we encourage all those attending RRC to consider providing a photo. Individual portrait shots, casual or formal family shots should be submitted to Imre Vitez either in person, dropped off in the Clerk of Consistory bin in the hallway outside the church office, in Imre's Consistory bin in the church office, or digital files can be emailed to [wvtzfm@gmail.com](mailto:wvtzfm@gmail.com).

For those who do not have a recent photo, please let Imre know and he can schedule time to take photos, perhaps on Sunday during coffee hour. If anyone has questions about this project, please call Imre in the evening at 534-1753 or send him an email. Looking forward to receiving your photos.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



Beginning on Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup> (Father's Day) our worship service will begin at 10:00 a.m. We will continue to worship at 10:00 a.m. through Labor Day weekend (September 5<sup>th</sup>). Please be sure to mark your calendars so you don't arrive at the end of the service instead of the beginning!!!

### Bible Trivia Answers:

1. Jacob (Genesis 28.18)
2. Paul (2 Corinthians 1.21)
3. Circumcision (Genesis 17.9)

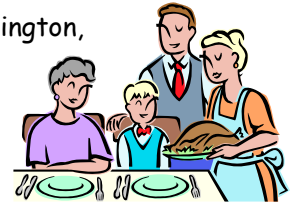
# TURKEY DINNER

*Calling all members and friends of the Readington Reformed Church!*



## PLAN NOW TO ATTEND THE 2010 TURKEY DINNER AND BAKE AND CRAFT SHOPS.

It will be held on **Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**. The Dinner will start at 4:00 p.m., with the last seating at 7:00 p.m. Tickets will go on sale the day of the dinner at 2:00 p.m. Advance tickets can be purchased thru Pat Ciccotelli up to May 11<sup>th</sup>. Money for your advance tickets must be received by May 14<sup>th</sup>. Please know which seating you want when you call and send your check to Readington Reformed Church, P. O. Box 1, Readington, NJ 08870, Attn. Pat Ciccotelli. Call Pat at (908) 526-8572 before sending in your check so she can put aside your tickets. Take-outs may also be purchased in advance and you are encouraged to do so, or at the door on the day of the dinner. No refunds will be given after your reservation is made. It would really help the counting of tickets if more people paid in advance.



Adult tickets are \$15.00, Children 6-12 \$6.00, Children age 5 and under are FREE.

The Menu will be: Salads, Roast Turkey, Gravy, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce, Rolls and Butter, Dessert and Beverages.

## TURKEY DINNER HELP NEEDED

Every family of the church and also friends of family members are invited to help in some way or another. There are things for all of us to do before, during and after the dinner that night. Check the following opportunities and see where you fit in, then call and volunteer!!!

<u>Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>10:00 a.m. to 12 noon</u> Prepare bread for stuffing. 7:00 p.m. Preparation of celery, onion, and bread for stuffing. Also, men needed to set up tables in Fellowship Hall and other areas. 7:30 p.m. People needed to put table cloths on, get dishes, silverware, cups, etc. out for Dining Room and fill salt and pepper shakers, etc. Then set the tables for the first serving at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday.
<u>Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>7:00 p.m.</u> Major preparation of food and organizing work station areas. Give out Turkey Breasts to those who have volunteered to roast them at home.
<u>Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Day of the Turkey Dinner</u> <u>THE KITCHEN NEEDS HELP!</u> <u>7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.</u> To prepare kitchen and food. <u>3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.</u> To prepare and serve food and wash dishes. <u>8:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.</u> Clean up crew to clean up kitchen, stage area, cold foods room and dining room

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We would appreciate hearing from you so that we can plan our work schedule for the day of the dinner. We welcome you with or without experience. We promise you hard work but an enjoyable experience and the fellowship with one another is so rewarding!

Kitchen - call Imre Vitez at (908) 534-1753

Waiters and Waitresses - please call Kim Cole (874-869) or Lisa Stettner (908) 782-0038

Cold Foods Room - for salads, filling bowls and take outs - call Judy Iselin at (908) 369-4227

Take Out Packing Area - call Kim Weger at (908) 534-9372 or Carrie Feeney (231-7843)

Dishwashers and Clean-up Crew - call Jim Kennedy at (908) 823-0238 to cover 3:00 p.m. to closing shift.

Any other questions call Brenda Gerlipp at (908) 369-4192 or Pat Ciccotelli at (908) 526-8572. Thanks!

Each family will be receiving a phone call asking for donations to help support our Turkey Dinner. You may be asked to make Macaroni Salad or Three Bean Salad. If you don't get a call to make a salad, you will get a call to bake a Pineapple Cake for the dinner as we need many to serve to our guests. The craft shops and bake shop will also appreciate your donations.

Please label all donations with your name and deliver all items for the kitchen or craft boutique on Thursday morning, May 13<sup>th</sup>, Friday night, May 14<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-9:00 p.m., or Saturday morning, May 15<sup>th</sup> **no later than 10:30 a.m.**

As always, your generosity is appreciated. Thank you!

The following are the basic Three Bean and Macaroni Salad recipes (please, no tuna or salad dressing):

**3 BEAN SALAD** (please triple recipe)

1 LB. can kidney beans, drained	1 onion (in rings - thin)
1 LB. can wax beans, drained	1/2 cup diced green pepper
1 LB. can green beans, drained	chopped pimento
1/2 cup diced celery	

Dressing (please DOUBLE recipe, DO NOT TRIPLE)

1 cup sugar	1/2 cup oil
1/4 tsp. pepper	3/4 cup vinegar
1 tsp. salt	

Any questions, please call Pat Ciccotelli (908-526-8572).

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**MACARONI SALAD** (please triple recipe)

1 lb. **uncooked** elbow macaroni                      1/3 cup vinegar  
1/2 cup shredded carrots                              2 cups **mayonnaise**  
1/2 cup chopped green or red peppers salt & pepper to taste  
1/4 cup finely chopped onion

Cook macaroni according to package directions. Drain well with cold water. Drain again. Place all ingredients in a large bowl and mix gently. Chill. (Please remember, **NO tuna** or **salad dressing.**)

Any questions, please call Joan Cucci (908-575-9120).

The following recipe for Pineapple Cake should be followed exactly as written. If at all possible, please bake this in a throw-away pan. This will help the dish washing crew and we also won't have to worry about returning pans to the proper owners. Thanks!

**PINEAPPLE CAKE\***

2 cups flour    1 tsp. vanilla  
2 cups sugar     20 oz. can crushed pineapple  
2 tsp. baking soda                                    (with juice)  
2 eggs



In a large mixing bowl mix above ingredients together and beat well. Pour into greased 9 x 13 inch pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 40-45 minutes. Test for doneness by inserting a tooth pick or knife in a few places. If the tooth pick comes out dry you're good.

Frosting:            **DO NOT use canned frosting. Follow recipe below because we want all the cakes to be the same. Please put all of the frosting on the cake. Thank you.**

8 oz. softened cream cheese    1/4 lb. softened butter (NO margarine please)  
1 & 3/4 cups confectioners sugar            1 tsp. vanilla

Beat cream cheese and butter together until well blended. Add vanilla and beat well. Gradually add 1 & 3/4 cups confectioners sugar and beat well. **Please beat frosting UNTIL very white and fluffy before spreading on cooled cake.**

**\*Please note - no nuts!**

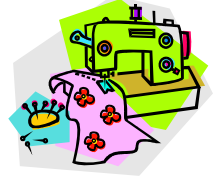
Thank you for your time and talents. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Pat Ciccotelli (526-8572).

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## **SPRING CRAFT & BAKE SHOPS**

A Spring Boutique featuring crafts and "baked goodies" will be held on May 15<sup>th</sup> - the day of the Turkey Dinner! Our guests are always eager to buy the delicious cakes, pies, breads, cookies, candies and jams made by our excellent bakers in the congregation. So --- please plan on baking something "special" for the bake sale. Pies are really looked for by our customers!

We also need newly handmade craft items, such as - aprons, bibs, potholders, stuffed animals, dolls, booties, patchwork, crocheted, counted cross stitched items or whatever!!



The Committee of the Readington Church appreciates your generosity. We anticipate a great day with YOUR support and participation!

All craft items may be brought in on Thursday afternoon, May 13<sup>th</sup>, and all baked goods for the dinner on Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup> by 10:00 a.m. All Shops open for business at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday. Don't forget to come in and browse. Any questions, call Shirley Spildooren at 534-2276.

Note: There will also be some outside crafters who will rent space in our Sunday School rooms. Please stop by and see these talented people!

# **COMMITTEE & ORGANIZATION NEWS**

## **CONSISTORY CORNER**

- Elders met with Michael and Courtney Rolando regarding baptism for their daughter, Maisie Jane.
- Deacons are investigating development of a community information forum.
- Consistory is awaiting to hear status of our loan application made to the RCA.
- Extensive discussion on the community Open House scheduled for Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>
- Discussed progress on distribution of the monthly church newsletter by hardcopy and email.
- Adding a 2<sup>nd</sup> take-out dinner for April 9, 2011 may be pursued.
- Plans to update the new church RRC sign are proceeding.
- The church secretary will take on additional responsibilities as the church Publicity Coordinator.
- Approved a plan to update the landscaping by the Christian Education wing entrance.
- Church work days scheduled for Saturdays, May 8 and May 22.
- Reviewed FFO plans for a Children's Day/church picnic, Patriots ballgame, white water rafting, and support for Church Picnic and the nursery.
- Discussed ad-hoc Committees work on addition of a 2nd Worship Service and investigation on having a Youth Pastor for teen-agers.

# DEACONS

## DEACON OF THE MONTH

We all have experienced a time when we are in need of a little assistance. The Deacons would like to assist you when these times occur. We have designated a Deacon of the month so that it may be easier for you to contact them with your needs. For the month of May, please contact our church office and leave a message for Carol Gauer. She will then handle getting the provided care that is required.

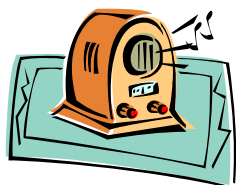
## Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing in prayer. Romans 12:12

As we all know the high rate of unemployment has affected many. In an effort to help those seeking employment, we will publicize their information anonymously in our monthly newsletter and weekly bulletin, in addition to posting the information on our bulletin board inside and outside Fellowship Hall. If you'd like us to place your information for employment needed please contact the church via e-mail: [office@readingtonreformed.org](mailto:office@readingtonreformed.org) or by phone (908-534-2077). If you know of any employment leads for the following candidates, please contact Lisa Stettner (stet62@comcast.net), the chair of the deacons, for more information.

<u>Type of Job Sought</u>	<u>Title of Last Job Held</u>	<u>Short Description Of the Industry</u>	<u>Years Experience In the Industry</u>
Visual Designer and Developer	Developer/Analyst	Pharmaceutical and electronics	Ten plus
Accounting/Bookkeeping	Transportation and Dock Coordinator	Retail, doing vendor tracking; customer service; accounting	Eighteen total

# MISSIONS

**Our mission of the month for May is Words of Hope.** Jesus commanded his disciples, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you." (Matthew 28:19-20) "And now are they to believe more of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him?"



Words of Hope's mission is to "proclaim Jesus Christ by radio and literature in the languages of the world's peoples, seeking to win the committed everywhere to faith in Christ and to encourage Christians in the life of discipleship."

They are doing just as Christ commanded. Words of Hope, a Reformed Church affiliate, beams the Good News over the obstacles established by governments, into countries where no religion is allowed and countries where Christianity is forbidden, or Christians are persecuted. They beam it over obstacles of geography such as the Himalayan Mountains into Nepal, Tibet and India where missionaries cannot reach; and into the vast areas of Africa, for example, where there are just not

enough missionaries to go around. Broadcasts are now done in 104 languages, but there are 80 languages (with 1million or more speakers) still unreached.

Let us be partners with Words of Hope in fulfilling Christ's commission as they take Christ's message of light and truth to the world. Please give generously in you May mission envelope.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSION**

We are all looking forward to spring. Our Sunday School children are also looking forward to the warmer weather when we will be participating in "America's Grow A Row." We plan to help Pastor Cathy plant the garden at the parsonage and our VBC friends can help with the harvest so we can donate the food to local food pantries. Plant an extra row in YOUR garden this summer and donate the produce to a local food pantry in your town or combine forces with our Vacation Bible Camp farmers and we can donate together. See Sandy Vitez or Denise Pascale for details.



### **IHN GUESTS ARRIVING!**

We will once again be hosting the guests of the Interfaith Hospitality Network during the week of May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please look for the sign up sheet, located in Fellowship Hall, to see when you can help. Volunteers are needed to cook a meal, stay the night, do some laundry, etc.

## **RRCWM**

The Lenten Breakfast was a great success! Thank you to all who attended and especially thanks to the gentlemen who served and cleaned up. We greatly appreciated the time to enjoy our breakfast, the speaker and the music.

Thank you to all who contributed to the Easter flowers. Many plants graced the sanctuary and were distributed to congregational members.

Next on the agenda is our end of the year picnic for June. Mark your calendars now for June 8th. We will be picnicking at Brenda Gerlipp's home in Branchburg. All women are welcome.



Between now and June we will be participating in the church Turkey Dinner. Our members are visible in all areas of the dinner. From chairing to ordering supplies, to cooking and cleaning, to crafting and serving. Join us for more fun at a worthwhile cause.

Join us at our next meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup>. We will be planning again for our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Craft show which will be held on October 23<sup>rd</sup> this year.

Judy Iselin, Secretary

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

!!!!!!! SAVE THE DATE !!!!!!!

## 2010 VACATION BIBLE CAMP

August 16 - 20, 2010

Follow Jesus on a Life-Changing Rain Forest Adventure

Watch for volunteer opportunities in your email!

## MORE IMPORTANT DATES

**Covenant Players:** Sunday, May 16 during Sunday School and Worship

**RRC Open House:** Saturday, June 5

**Children's Day & Church Picnic:** Sunday, June 13

## RRC OPEN HOUSE & COMMUNITY DAY - Saturday, June 5

Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> when we will have a Vacation Bible Camp kick-off during the Open House. Watch for details in your email!

## IT'S NOT A PICNIC WITHOUT A TENT - Sunday, June 13

Many of you will remember the tent poles went missing last summer after Vacation Bible Camp. Due to generous donations from the Scouts and several church members, the tent poles have been replaced. Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> and join us for a Church Family Picnic under the tent. As in the past, the children will lead us in worship.

The theme this year is Psalm 23: The Lord is My Shepherd.

Please check your email for volunteer opportunities: puppet and skit coordination, decorating and picnic planning!

## SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS

Our Sunday School offerings for January through June will go toward supporting both Doctors Without Borders and Habitat for Humanity for Haiti. In light of the recent earthquake in Haiti, there is quite a need for financial support. We also plan to have the children work on collecting supplies for hygiene kits in order to make the needs of the families in Haiti more tangible for our Sunday School classes.

## NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAMMING

The Spiritual Care Committee is working on integrating Sunday School with our worship service.

Parents have expressed interest in expanding the Sunday School program to include worship for the following reasons: to provide worship opportunity for children, bring children and their parents back into the sanctuary and provide children in the nursery with activities. Our successful parent help rotation model would still be used with the addition of the children attending the first portion of the worship service up to and including the Children's Sermon. Music, craft, game activities, snack and bible lessons would take place before and after the worship portion. This new Sunday School programming is still in the development stage with possible implementation next September.

Watch for an upcoming questionnaire. Your input is very important!

## COVENANT PLAYERS - Sunday, May 16

We are excited to announce that the Covenant Players will visit us during Sunday School and worship and teach us about God's word through their special use of drama. Please plan to attend!

To help to make our guests feel very welcome, we want to offer housing for Saturday night, May 15<sup>th</sup> through Sunday morning. Since the RRC Turkey Dinner is Saturday night, dinner is already taken care of! Our guests just need a bed to sleep in, and breakfast in the morning. If you can open your home to one, two, three, or even four guests, please contact the church office or Karen Weber (284-2065). THANKS! Also, if anyone would like to provide lunch for our guests on Sunday after church, please let Karen know.

## New Thursday Night Writer's Study



Starting in the fall of 2010, the RRC Wednesday night Bible study will become the Thursday night writer's study. We will study the Bible by writing inspirational materials to share with the group each week, similar to some of the exercises we did during the "Unbinding the Gospel" series. We will build our skills, devotion to God, and knowledge of the Bible through writing devotions, inspirational stories, journaling, poetry and publishing the Lenten Devotional and a new Advent Devotional. If you like to write, the Thursday Night Writer's Study is the group for you!

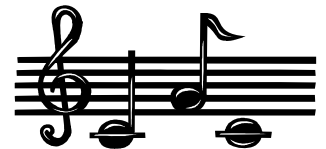
If you would like to be part of this dynamic Bible study, please contact Laura Fields at 908-534-8736 or [fieldslm1012@aol.com](mailto:fieldslm1012@aol.com).

## **Music Notes**

Outside buds and blooms can be seen bursting with color and scent after a long cold winter. It is a most welcome sight! Within RRC, the sounds of music have filled the air to enhance our worship throughout Lent, Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter.

On Ash Wednesday, the Readington Ringers and Chancel Choir traveled to Church of the Holy Spirit to participate in the ecumenical service of worship. At the combined service on Good Friday, neighboring choirs traveled to RRC to create a 25-voice massed choir. It was a wonderful opportunity to meet and share a music ministry with the other congregations.

In our sanctuary, prayer and praise was heard in the music of the Cherubs and Joyful Noise, and the adult choirs.



April ended with a marvelous afternoon of "All That Jazz" courtesy of Hilary Orlando and Brenda Gerlipp at the keyboard. We are indeed fortunate to have such talented musicians share their gifts with us.

Looking ahead to the warmer months, I am again seeking individuals who would be willing to sing, play piano, or an instrument, as part of our summer worship. The music can be used at the start of the service as a prelude, or during the service as an offertory. If you have a musical talent, please consider sharing it with the congregation. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact me.

We can't make M - SIC without U!

Beverly Gorovoy, Choir Director

# CHURCH FAMILY



**THE DEADLINE** for the June/July Newsletter will be Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please be sure to leave your complete, written articles in the church office by this date. Thank you!

## MAY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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| 1 - Wilma Cole<br>Dan Doheny<br>Brandon Pieper | 16 - Maryfern Beisswanger<br>Beverly Harris<br>David Boch |
| 2 - Patrice Chadwick                           | 18 - John Tyson   |
| 3 - Stephen Iselin                             | 19 - Steven Matko   |
| 15 - Susan Lelah                               | 29 - Carolyn Weger  |
| 5 - Bob & Janet Cole                           |   |
| 8 - Eric & Lisa Stettner                       |   |
| 14 - Scott & Christine Mailler                 |   |
| 18 - John & Rosemarie Manzo                    |   |
| 28 - David & Donna Boch                        |   |
| 31 - Steve & Karen Weber                       |   |



If you have a birthday or anniversary that's not listed here, please call the church office at (908) 534-2077 to let us know your special date so we can add it to our list.

## NEW GIVING ENVELOPES to support CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We have a wonderful Sunday School program here at Readington which includes outreach to the community through our three annual community events and Vacation Bible Camp. However, in recent years costs have increased and run ahead of the budget. In order to raise funds we are reaching out to YOU to prayerfully consider a donation above and beyond your weekly offering to support the Christian Education Committee. For your convenience, there are four extra envelopes in your 2010 offering box that can be used to support Christian Ed or Vacation Bible Camp (please indicate which program you would like to support). By using the envelopes, your extra donations will be added to your giving statements for your records.

Thank you!

Donna Freeman and Sandy Vitez, Christian Education Co-Chairs

## BIBLE TRIVIA

Here's your chance to see how well you know the Bible! We have added this new feature to our monthly Newsletters so play the game and see how well you do! (Answers can be found on page 3)

1. Who anointed a stone and dedicated it to God?
2. What apostle told the early Christians that all believers were anointed by the Holy Spirit?
3. In God's covenant with Abraham, what ceremonial rite was made mandatory for all Abraham's male descendents?

## RRC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Below find the list of upcoming activities being held at the RRC. Please check and see which of the events appeal to you/your family's interest and sign up to attend. All are welcome!

May 15 (Saturday): Turkey Dinner

May 16 (Sunday): Covenant Players

June 5 (Saturday): RRC Open House & Community Day

June 13 (Sunday): Children's Day and Church Picnic

August 16-20 (Monday-Friday): Vacation Bible Camp

September 12 (Sunday): Sunday School Kick-Off Pancake Breakfast

September 18 (Saturday): Harvest Home

October 10 (Sunday): Consecration Sunday

October 17 (Sunday): Fall Festival Family Sunday Outreach Event

October 23 (Saturday): RRCWM Craft Fair

November 13 (Saturday): Roast Pork Take out Dinner

November 14 (Sunday): Congregational Meeting

November 19-20 (Friday-Saturday): 24 Hour Prayer Vigil

November 21 (Sunday): Hanging of the Greens (after worship)

December 4 (Saturday): Advent Family "Saturday" Outreach Event

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

### INTERFAITH DIALOGUE SESSIONS AT ROUND VALLEY UMC

Join us for an Interfaith Dialogue Session on Wednesday nights from 7:00-8:30 p.m. All sessions will be held at the Round Valley United Methodist Church in Lebanon and all are welcome! The first session will be held on April 28<sup>th</sup> and continue through May 26<sup>th</sup>. A complete list can be found on the bulletin board outside the church office or you can call (908) 236-2332 for more information.

### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Raritan Valley Habitat for Humanity will be selecting a partner family for a single-family home that will be built in Somerset in 2011. The applicants must be in the low-income range, be able to repay the no-interest mortgage provided by Habitat, be willing to contribute their own sweat equity and have a need for housing. All applicants must attend one orientation session (June 5 or 13 at St. Matthias School, 168 JFK Blvd., Somerset) as the first step in the selection process. To receive information about the selection process, applicants should call the Habitat office at (908) 704-0016 or log onto [www.rvhabitat.org](http://www.rvhabitat.org).

**SAVE THE DATE** . . . Reformed Church Home Annual Golf Classic - August 23, 2010

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<b>MAY 2010</b>						<b>1</b> 10:00-Author's Group  4:00-Liddane Wedding
<b>2</b> 9:30-Sunday School 10:30-Joyful Noise 11:00-WORSHIP 12:00-Coffee 1:00-IHN Arrives	<b>3 IHN</b> <b>Day of Fasting, Prayer and Almsgiving</b>  7:00-Troop 1980	<b>4 IHN</b> 10:00-Quilters  7:30-Elders	<b>5 IHN</b> 9:00-MOM's  7:00-R. Ringers/BS 7:30-NA/NARANON 8:00-Chancel Choir	<b>6 IHN</b> 9:30-GS Leaders 10:00-Bible Study	<b>7 IHN</b>  7:00-Cub Scout Den 5	<b>8 IHN</b> 9:00 – Building & Grounds Work Day
<b>9</b> 9:30-Sunday School 10:30-Joyful Noise 11:00-WORSHIP 12:00-Coffee 1:00-IHN Departs	<b>10</b>  7:00-Troop 1980 Committee 7:30-RRCWM	<b>11</b> 10:00-Quilters	<b>12</b> 9:00-MOM's  7:00-R. Ringers/BS 7:30-NA/NARANON 8:00-Chancel Choir	<b>13</b> 10:00-Bible Study Turkey Dinner Prep	<b>14</b>  7:00 - Turkey Dinner Prep	<b>15</b>  <b>TURKEY DINNER</b>
<b>16</b> 9:30-Sunday School 10:30-Joyful Noise 11:00-WORSHIP 12:00-Coffee	<b>17</b>  7:00-Troop 1980 Spiritual Care Com.	<b>18</b> 10:00-Quilters  7:00-Deacons 7:30-CONSISTORY	<b>19</b>  7:00-R. Ringers/BS 7:30-NA/NARANON 8:00-Chancel Choir	<b>20</b> 10:00-Bible Study	<b>21</b> 9:30-Hunterdon County Quilters Meeting & Workshop	<b>22</b> 9:00-Building & Grounds Work Day
<b>23 NL DEADLINE</b> 9:30-Sunday School 10:30-Joyful Noise 11:00-WORSHIP 12:00-Coffee	<b>24</b>  7:00-Troop 1980	<b>25</b> 10:00-Quilters	<b>26</b>  7:00-R. Ringers/BS 7:30-NA/NARANON 8:00-Chancel Choir	<b>27</b> 10:00-Bible Study	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
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# CHURCH SERVICE SCHEDULE

## HEAD USHER/ASSISTANT USHER SCHEDULE FOR MAY & JUNE

Sunday, May	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Steve Freeman/Donna Freeman (COMMUNION)
Sunday, May	9 <sup>th</sup>	Ken Iselin/Pat Chadwick
Sunday, May	16 <sup>th</sup>	Bernie Lewis/Karen Weber
Sunday, May	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Imre Vitez/Laura Fields
Sunday, May	30 <sup>th</sup>	Donald Beissanger/Maryfern Beisswanger
Sunday, June	6 <sup>th</sup>	Bernie Lewis/Judy Iselin (COMMUNION)
Sunday, June	13 <sup>th</sup>	Bob Lefever/Toni Rathborne
Sunday, June	20 <sup>th</sup>	David Cole/Pat Chadwick
Sunday, June	27 <sup>th</sup>	Steve Freeman/Donna Freeman

## WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE FOR MAY & JUNE

Sunday, May	2 <sup>nd</sup>	COMMUNION	Sunday, June	6 <sup>th</sup>	COMMUNION
Sunday, May	9 <sup>th</sup>	Ken Iselin	Sunday, June	13 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday, May	16 <sup>th</sup>		Sunday, June	20 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday, May	23 <sup>rd</sup>		Sunday, June	27 <sup>th</sup>	Ken Iselin
Sunday, May	30 <sup>th</sup>				

## CHILDREN'S SERMON SCHEDULE FOR MAY & JUNE

Sunday, May	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pastor Cathy	Sunday, June	6 <sup>th</sup>	Kim Cole
Sunday, May	9 <sup>th</sup>	Laura Fields	Sunday, June	13 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor Cathy
Sunday, May	16 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor Cathy	Sunday, June	20 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor Cathy
Sunday, May	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sandy Vitez	Sunday, June	27 <sup>th</sup>	Laura Fields
Sunday, May	30 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor Cathy			

## ACOLYTE SCHEDULE FOR MAY & JUNE

Sunday, May	2 <sup>nd</sup>	COMMUNION	Sunday, June	6 <sup>th</sup>	COMMUNION
Sunday, May	9 <sup>th</sup>	Katie Weger	Sunday, June	13 <sup>th</sup>	Children's Day
Sunday, May	16 <sup>th</sup>	Robert Nashed	Sunday, June	20 <sup>th</sup>	Father's Day
Sunday, May	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Hannah Lelah			
Sunday, May	30 <sup>th</sup>				

## \*NURSERY SCHEDULE FOR MAY & JUNE

Sunday, May	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Sunday, June	6 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday, May	9 <sup>th</sup>		Sunday, June	13 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday, May	16 <sup>th</sup>		Sunday, June	20 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday, May	23 <sup>rd</sup>		Sunday, June	27 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday, May	30 <sup>th</sup>				

\*Additional volunteers are welcome. Please contact our Nursery Coordinator, Toni Rathborne, at (908) 369-4070 or sign up on the sheet located in Fellowship Hall.

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Brenda Gerlipp	2012	369-4192
Spiritual Care Liaison		

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Fun-raising & Outreach Chair		
Carol Gauer	2012	369-4814
Spiritual Care		
Herb Wood	2012	534-6290

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Carol Gauer  
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Liaison

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**Music:**

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**Youth & Family  
Ministry:**

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**Outreach:**

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Grounds:**

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Ken Ciccotelli  
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