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Have Thine Own Way Lord.

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WINTER FOODS

B	T	N	E	S	T	R	Z	G	V
Q	A	U	V	S	V	O	J	O	T
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WORD LIST

CIDER	NUTMEG
EGGNOG	SOUP
FONDUE	STEW
GOULASH	TURKEY
GRAVY	YAMS



Homemade
GIFTS MADE EASY

Missions Treasurer's Report: Oct. 15, 2024

Previous Balance

Expenses

Income

Current Balance

Designated funds

NHN

RADA

NHN Shoes

Pancake Breakfast

Prayer Shawl

Total



First day of Spring is March 20th 2025

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

Happy New Year!

Can you believe it? Another year has gone by, we say goodbye to 2024 and hello to 2025. I know a few times I have said that I can't wait for 2024 to be over. It was a hard year, not just for me and Beth, but for many individuals and family. But just as I say or think that I can't wait for 2024 to be over, I am convicted, because I have been greatly blessed in 2024. I am amazed with all of God's blessings throughout 2024.

A number of people will begin the New Year with making some New Year resolutions. For some, those resolutions may actually produce real change – if, of course, they stick with it. That's always the hard part.

I've never been big on New Year resolutions, but starting a New Year is a great opportunity to ask ourselves if there are changes, we need to make in our walk with the Lord. I believe it was A.W. Tozer who said, "We are as close to God right now, as we want to be." The apostle Paul tells us in 2 Corinthians 13:5a, "Examine yourself as to whether you are in the faith." It's a good thing to stop every once in a while, and take a personal inventory. "Am I where I want to be with God?" "Have I reached my potential in Him?" "How can I glorify Him more in this coming year?" If we, including myself, are honest, I believe we would answer, "No" to most of those questions. I definitely want to be closer to Him.

So, I've been thinking a lot lately about the importance of the daily disciplines of our faith. They can produce lasting change and upward growth more than anything else we do. We all know how important the Word, worship, prayer, fellowship, and serving are in moving us closer to God. Yet, as much as we may know it – like most New Year resolutions – the hard part is doing it.

A lot of Christians kick off the New Year with a fast. Fasting is always in vogue; it's like coming out of the gate full speed ahead. However, what happens after the fast? Do we continue in hot pursuit of the Lord, or do we revert back to where we were before? That's why I want to focus more on the daily disciplines this year.

Take prayer, for instance... I often feel overwhelmed with its vastness. We need to be praying for our families, neighbors, friends, our country, our leaders, our church, persecuted believers, and the list goes on and on. So, where do I begin?

Leonard Ravenhill once said, "A man is no greater than his personal prayer life." Our prayer life needs to begin with us. Our entire spiritual walk flows from our personal prayer life. If I'm not spending time talking to God about me, I won't be talking to God about others.

George Mueller was asked shortly before he died if he had anything to say to the Church. Here is his answer: “Learn to persist in prayer. Keep on asking, keep on seeking, and keep on knocking until you receive”. So, I want to challenge you to commit some time every day to ask, seek, and knock. You might be surprised at what happens! Spending regular time in the Word of God is a must for every believer. Jesus said it best, “Man does not live by bread alone, but every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.” (Matt 4:4) Reading, studying, and mediating in the Word of God will feed and satisfy your soul. Again, the challenge we all face is doing it daily. I want to recommend finding a reading plan that works for you – and maybe a reading buddy, if you can.

I have read through the Bible several times, but I have to admit that often I would read it, check the box, and not be able to tell you what I read. Ultimately, the Word does not return void, but I was never sure if my “check the box” reading ever had any real impact on my life.

This year I am committing to a one-year Bible reading plan. There are various reading plans, one-year and three-year reading plans are the most widely used reading plans. There is a lot of daily reading in the one-year Bible reading plan, so maybe the three-year daily reading plan would work better for you.

You may need to try both and see what works best for you. If three chapters per day is too much, how about one? Maybe just a passage, a few verses, or even one verse daily is what you need to really get the Word down into your heart. Again, we need to partake daily from the bread of heaven. (Romans 12:1-2)

Praise and worship are amazing spiritual disciplines – and are the keys to victory. Satan hates it when we praise and worship our God – from the heart! Let’s learn to make praise and worship a daily part of our lives, too.

Serving is vital to our spiritual growth. Jesus told us to give and it will be given to us (Luke 6:38). When we take the initiative to give of our time, money, and energy, it will open the flood gates of heaven for God to pour back into our lives. It makes sense; we have to give and serve to make room for more. Otherwise, we tend to become

January birthdays (all Reynoldsville area unless designated):

4 Ty August, 3345 Church St.

8 Jackie Stitt, 540 Hill St.

15 Bob Clontz, 615 Jackson St.

18 Jenna Stitt, 320 Grant St.

21 John Himes, 139 Grant St., Sykesville, PA 15865

24 Matt Watt, 3383 Church St.

27 Maxine McMillen, 532 Hill St.

February birthdays:

12 Grace Plummer, 416 VoTech Rd.

(If you want a birthday or anniversary, put in the newsletter, please call the church office.)

If you or anyone you know, has updated information for any birthday/anniversary notices for the newsletter, please forward the information to Pastor Becky or Sue Burkett. There are people on these lists that no one knows anymore and probably people who should be added. Thank you for your help.



Move the clocks forward March 9, 2025

MEMORIALS

DISAFFILIATION

IN MEMOROY OF DONNA JARRETT PRICE

Given by: Sue & Terry Stapleton

ORGAN FUND

IN MEMORY OF JANE & ROBERT LAIRD

Given by: Roberta Laird

TRUSTEES:

IN MEMOROY OF DONNA JARRETT PRICE

Given by: Douglas & Linda Doza

Given by: Karen & Rob Bussard

Given by: Sally Wells & Family

Given by: Wendy Watt

Given by: Jack Matusky

Given by: Kevin & Kathy Crooks

Given by: Helen Long

UNDESIGNATED

IN MEMOROY OF DONNA JARRETT PRICE

Given by: Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Jarrett

Given by: Carol Brodie

Given by: Carol Dennison

Given by: James & Carol Beck



DISAFFILITATION UPDATE

Luke 2:10 "But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.'" I wanted to go with the Advent/Christmas theme ☺

The church's total disaffiliation cost was \$56,789. As of December 15th, we have paid ourselves back, \$57,057.99. Yes, we have paid ourselves back the entire cost of the disaffiliation agreement representatives of the church signed with the Trustees of the Western PA Conference of the United Methodist Church. With God's continued blessings and your faithful giving, we have paid the agreement in full in less than two years.

It is important to remember our past but to continue looking forward to what God is calling us to now and, in the future, together as a body of Christ.



spiritually fat and lazy! Ask the Lord, "How can I serve You more?" He'll show you.

And, last but not least: Fellowship. This may be more important than we realize. The Bible says we need to encourage one another. We all need encouragement at times. However, the Bible warns us that in the Last Days many will forsake gathering together (Hebrews 10:24-25), "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

Satan knows that if he can scatter the sheep, they will become vulnerable to every form of temptation and deception known to man. Please, please, please don't forsake joining together with other believers in the Lord. True fellowship happens when we come together with Jesus (Matthew 18:20), "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

I want to encourage all of us to pause and examine your walk with God, as we head into the New Year. Over the years, I have come to realize how important our daily walk with God really is. I love those times when God shows up and makes some immediate changes in my life – and yet, it's the daily walk with God that ultimately transforms us. We have all been given the same 24 hours in each day – now it's up to us to use them.

Prayer: Gracious God, we come before you seeking renewal in the new year. Renew our minds, our hearts, and our spirits. May we be transformed by the power of your Holy Spirit, leaving behind the old and embracing the new that you have in store for us. Amen.

May God bless each of you richly in 2025!

Pastor Becky

RFMC Council Monthly Report October 2024

Treasurer: Mrs. Carol A Curry

Balance beginning of October 2024	\$22285.65
Transfers In (Missions, Trustees)	10382.75
Receipts for the month of October 2024	7322.50
Transfers Out (Missions, Trustees)	10382.75
Expenses for the month of October 2024	8512.08
Actual Balance end of October 2024	21096.07

Less Designated Funds:

Education	-2442.29
Men's Ministry	-252.81
Youth Ministry	-1249.05
TLC	-3655.61
Choir Fund	-2511.19
Funeral Dinners	-3221.88
Pastors Moving Fund	-600.00
Camp Fund Scholarships	-1246.52
Reynoldsville Ministerium	-4500.00
Balance available end of October 2024	1415.97

EXPENSES:

613 Keystone Collections Group (3 rd Qu Local/LST)	204.74
621 EBC Flex (HAS for October-Church's Share)	83.33
602 Pastor (Salary)	1367.22
603 Dennis C. Depello (Salary)	450.31
604 Susan L Burkett (Salary)	387.54
617/620 Guidestone (July pension)	735.00
621 EBC Flex (HAS for Oct church share)	40.00
615/622 Guidestone (Nov Ins)	963.74
208 Concordia Supply Co	49.95
602 Pastor (Salary)	1347.21
603 Dennis C. Depello (Salary)	450.31
604 Susan L Burkett (Salary)	387.53
614 Rev Rebecca L Edwards (Reimb Ink of Printer at Staples)	57.23
614 Common Roots FCU	395.00
201 The Upper Room	12.90
208 One License (Renewal of Streaming/Podcast License)	290.00
403 DuBois Rest. Supply	19.25
613 My Path (State Tx for Oct 2024)	182.90
613 EFTPS Fed'l tax June 2024	1067.92

UP COMING EVENTS

Jan 6: Ministerium meeting 10 am; Boy Scouts 6 pm
 Jan 7: Yarn 10 am; Bible study 2 pm; Girl Scouts 6 pm
 Jan 8: Sharing group 10 am; Education meeting 7 pm
 Jan 9: SPRC meeting 5:30 pm
 Jan 11: Pancake Breakfast 7-11 am
 Jan 13: Trustees 7 pm
 Jan 14: Yarn 10 am; Bible study 2 pm; Girl Scouts 6 pm; Missions 6:30 pm
 Jan 16: Safety meeting 5 pm
 Jan 20: Boy Scouts 6 pm; Council meeting 7 pm
 Jan 21: Yarn 10 am; Bible study 2 pm; Girl Scouts 6 pm
 Jan 22: Sharing group 10 am
 Jan 27: Worship Committee 7 pm
 Jan 28: Yarn 10 am; Bible study 2 pm; Girl Scouts 6 pm.

FEBRUARY:

Feb 3: Ministerium 10 am; Boy Scouts 6 pm
 Feb 4: Yarn 10 am; Bible study 2 pm; Girl Scouts 6 pm
 Feb 5: Sharing 10 am
 Feb 8: Pancake Breakfast 7-11 am
 Feb 10: Trustees 7 pm
 Feb 11: Yarn 10 am; Bible study 2 pm; Girl Scouts 6 pm; Missions 6:30 pm
 Feb 13: Food Pantry Meeting 10 am
 Feb 17: Boy Scouts 6 pm; Council 7 pm
 Feb 18: Yarn 10 am; Bible study 2 pm; Girl Scouts 6 pm
 Feb 19: Sharing group 10 am
 Feb 22: Thornton Hall Reserved
 Feb 24: Worship 7 pm
 Feb 25: Yarn 10 am; Bible study 2 pm; Girl Scouts 6 pm

LIBRARY RESOUNCES

Advent of the Savior, Cindy Bunch, Editor, IVP Connect, Downers Grove, Illinois, 2009

Season's Greetings, by Ruth L. Boling, Upper Room Books, Nashville, TN, 2024

The Great Disappearance-How to be Rapture Ready, by Dr. David Jeremiah, Book, Study Gide and audio CD's from Turning Point, 2024. (Donated by David King)

The Coming golden Age-31 Ways to be Kingdome Ready, by Dr. David Jeremiah, W Publishing Group, Nashville, Tennessee, 2024. (Donated to the church library in memory of Donna Price by her reading group-The Utopia Club.)

DVD

Our Father (Keys to the Lord's Prayer), by Gordon Robertson, The Christian Broadcasting Network, Virginia Beach, Virginia 2013. (Donated by Mike and Debi Haggerty.)



RFMC Trustees Report for Month October 2024

Treasurer: Kim Tagliaferre

Trustees Checkbook Balance beginning of October 2024	\$9788.59
Total Receipts for Month October 2024	3080.25
Transfer from Money Market Acct	6005.180
Total Expenses for Month	-3334.78
Less Designated Funds:	
Improvement Fund	-1930.17
Stone Maintenance fund	-11419.56
Undesignated Memorials Fund	-1209.95
Stained Glass Windows Fund	0
Organ Fund	-190.00
Safety Committee Fund	-79.00
Furnace Fund	0
Trustees Checkbook Balance, end of October 2024	710.56

Trustees Money Market Account Beginning balance	167986.637
Total Receipts for October 2024	2543.45
Total Expenses for October 2024	
Transfer	-6005.18
Balance Trustees MM Account end of October 2024	164524.90

Designated Funds:

Furnace Fund	32423.75
Stained Glass Window Fund	9623.00
Disaffiliation Fund	-9659.79
Perpetual loan Fund	12525.00
CDs From Common Roots FCU	49482.66
Operating Expense Ada Redin Estate	70130.28
Total Designated end of October 2024	164524.90

EXPENSES

711 Rebecca Edwards Reimb.elevator battery	13.30
711 Penelec—Church	241.945
712 Penelec—Parsonage	108.84
711 WM Corporate Service-dumpster	79.18
711 Reynoldsville Water Auth -church	84.00
712 Reynoldsville Water Authority—Parsonage	96.00
711 National Fuel—Church	376.00
712 National Fuel—Parsonage	76.00
713 Western PA slate diagnose leak repair	250.00
713 Comm.Tech Svc (semiannual State Elev..insp)	83.00
713 Eastern Elevator -repair broken wire	1156.72
716 Eastern Elevator quarterly maing	187.87
712 Comcast—Parsonage Cable	149.77
711 Comcast – phone & internet	358.67
701 Debbie Kougher-reimburse janitor supplies	73.49



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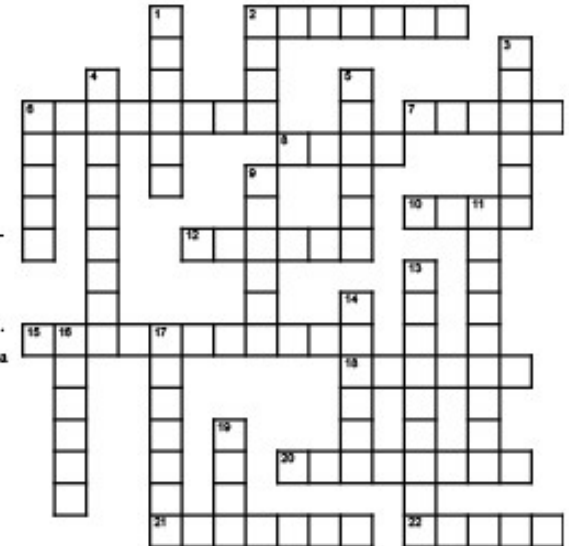
Winter Crossword

Across

2. Knitted top.
6. Snowstorm with winds.
7. Month that winter ends in.
8. When the air moves.
10. A sudden blast of wind.
12. Shake from the cold.
15. Tells you how cold it is outside.
18. Rather cold.
20. Month that winter starts in.
21. He might have a carrot for a nose.
22. Keeps you neck warm.

Down

1. Turned into ice.
2. It goes downhill fast.
3. A short coat.
4. What bears do in the winter.
5. Opposite of summer.
6. Shoes for snowy days.
9. Frozen trickle of water.
11. Ice crystal.
13. December 25th.
14. Area around the North Pole.
16. Used to warm a room.
17. Winter hand warmers.
19. Temperature (in Celsius) at which water freezes.



Arctic, Blizzard, Boots, Chilly, Christmas, December, Frozen, Gust, Heater, Hibernate, Icicle, Jacket, March, Mittens, Scarf, Shiver, Sled, Snowflake, Snowman, Sweater, Thermometer, Wind, Winter, Zero

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 8:15am - Communion 9:30am - Adult Sunday 10:45am - Traditional 11am - HOSS'S SUNDAY	30	31 New Year's Eve	1 New Year's Day	2 Pastor out of office	3	4
5 8:15am - Communion 9:30am - Adult Sunday 10:45am - Traditional	6 10am - Ministerium Mtg 6pm - Boy Scouts	7 10am - Yarn Group- 2pm - Bible Study 6pm - Girl Scouts	8 10am - Sharing Group 7pm - Education Mtg	9 5:30pm - SPRC MTG 6:30pm - Homecoming	10	11 7am - PANCAKE
12 8:15am - Communion 9:30am - Adult Sunday 10:45am - Traditional	13 7pm - Board of Trustees	14 10am - Yarn Group 2pm - Bible Study 6pm - Girl Scouts 6:30pm - Mission Mtg	15	16 5pm - Safety Mtg	17	18
19 8:15am - Communion 9:30am - Adult Sunday 10:45am - Traditional	20 Inauguration Day Martin Luther King Jr. 6pm - Boy Scouts 7pm - Church Council	21 10am - Yarn Group 2pm - Bible Study 6pm - Girl Scouts	22 10am - Sharing Group	23	24	25
26 8:15am - Communion 9:30am - Adult Sunday 10:45am - Traditional	27 7pm - Worship	28 10am - Yarn Group 2pm - Bible Study 6pm - Girl Scouts	29	30	31	1

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