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Church Newsletter

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Please contact the church office if you:
Are planning to move? Update your address.

Tallest snow-woman: Built in Bethel, Maine, in 2008, "Olympia" stood 122 feet tall, weighed 13 million pounds, and used skis for eyelashes

Smallest snowman: Scientists in West London created a microscopic snowman measuring just 0.01 millimeters wide in 2009





FROM THE *Pastor's Desk*

1 Thessalonians 5:18, "give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." NIV.

November is a month when we tend to list the things we are thankful for, (*it's probably because of that one holiday called "Thanksgiving"*). Some will keep a list of one (or a few things) they are thankful for each day. If you are on Facebook, you may see people post something they are thankful for each day.

Now don't get me wrong, it is good to be thankful and share those things; and I am thankful for many different things, but in social media, all too often, people try to "one up" or compete with others. Thankfulness is not a competition but a way of thanking God for all the things He has blessed us with. Besides, a lot of times the things listed after family and friends are all material things which will eventually break and get replaced.

And please don't take me as being ungrateful, I am thankful for so much. The Bible tells us to "***give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus***."

Wait a second! Look at the verse again! Did you notice what that verse says? "*Give thanks in* ***ALL*** *circumstances*." So, does this mean I have to give thanks in those times when life isn't going like I planned it or when something bad happens? Yes, that is exactly what it means.

We all know that bad things are going to happen. People will get sick, things will break or be stolen, feelings will be hurt by those we call our friends, and relationships

are going to go through tough times and may even lead to a break-up. It may be hard to see these as times to give thanks … but they are.

AND HERE'S WHY …

Notice the word before that bold, italicized, and underlined ***<u>all</u>***? What is it? It's the word ***in***. We are told to give thanks ***in*** all circumstances, not ***for*** all circumstances. The evil, the bad things of life do not come from God, those are a result of sin being in the world.

This is why we are not thankful ***for*** all circumstances. We are thankful ***in*** all circumstances because no matter what we are facing in life, God is still in control and God's presence is still with us. This means that His love, His mercy, His compassion, and all the other wonderful things God is and does are still with us.

They are with us because we are His dearly loved child. And to prove that, God sent Jesus, His only Son, so that anyone who believes in Him may have eternal life.

So, in this month of reflection on what it is we are thankful for, the thing I'm most thankful for is this … the precious blood shed by Jesus and His victorious resurrection! For it is through this that *you* are claimed as one of His dear children. I'm thankful that God continues





Administrative Assistant

REMEMBER
SHARING IS CARING
and a great way to make friends!

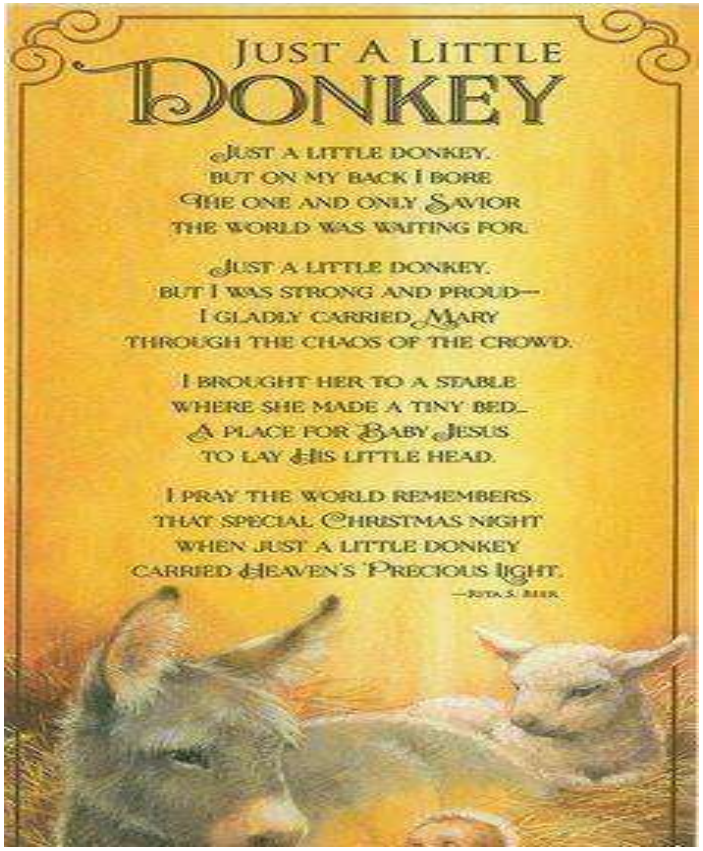
Ladies did you know that our church has a Sharing Group? Every other Wednesday at 10:00am, Marie, Maxine and Brenda meet in the social hall for fellowship, Bible study and donuts, they would love to have you join them.



Mary

Fun fact: Did you know that donkeys played a role in the Christmas story? We read about the camels bringing the Wise Men from the East and the reindeer who drive Santa's sleigh, but who would think a donkey would play a part in Christmas? "Dominick the Donkey" (subtitled "The Italian Christmas Donkey") is a Christmas song written by Ray Allen, Sam Saltzberg and Wandra Merrell, and was recorded by Lou Monte in 1960, on Roulette Records. The song describes Dominick, a donkey who helps Santa Claus bring presents ("made in Brooklyn") to children in Italy due to the reindeer, despite their flight, being unable to climb the mountainous terrain.

If you would like to hear the fun song, go to YouTube and search for Dominic the Christmas Donkey.



to go with us wherever it is that we go. It is my constant prayer that no matter what you experience in your life, that you remember that He is there with you and that can lean on Him all the time.

Happy Thanksgiving,
Pastor Becky

A Thanksgiving Prayer: Dear God, I come before you today with a heart full of gratitude. I thank you for all the blessings you have bestowed upon me, both big and small. Help me to remember to give thanks in everything, even in the midst of difficult circumstances. I trust that this is your will for my life, and I pray that you would give me the strength and courage to follow it. Thank you for your love and grace, and for the gift of salvation through Christ Jesus. May I always be mindful of your goodness and mercy, and may my life be a reflection of your love.
In Jesus' name, Amen.



RFMC Council Monthly Report August 2026
Treasurer: Mrs. Carol A Curry

Balance beginning of August 2026	$20,082.13
Transfers In (Missions, Trustees)	$4,422.00
Receipts for the month of August 2026	$9,409.00
Transfers Out (Missions, Trustees)	$4,422.00
Expenses for the month of August 2026	$9,290.28
Actual Balance end of August 2026	$20,200.85

Less Designated Funds:	
Choir Fund	$(2,561.19)
Library	$(250.00)
Education	$(1,445.89)
Camp Fund Scholarships	$(1,246.52)
Men's Ministry	$(252.81)
Youth Ministry	$(1,949.05)
TLC	$(2,944.61)
Funeral Dinners	$(,186.14)
Pastors Moving Fund	$(600.00)
Reynoldsville Ministerium	$(4,500.00)
Balance available end of August 2026	$ 264.64

EXPENSES:		
623	EBC Flex HAS August Church's share	$87.08
602-	Rev. Rebecca Edwards (Salary)	$1,505.39
611	Rev Rebecca Edwards (July Reimbursement)	$83.60
103	American Cancer Society (Special Offering)	$121.00
603	Dennis C. Depello (Salary)	$476.89
604	Mary L Smith (Salary)	$361.28
201	The Upper Room (Cust # 1084249)	$18.60
403	PA Restaurant Supply LLC (Inv # 108895)	$88.25
405	Jackie Walls (Reimb. Funeral Dinner	$212.39
617/620	Guidestone (July 2026 Pension)	$793.74
615/622	Guidestone (September 2026 Insurance)	$1,016.81
621	EBC Flex (HAS for August 2026- Pastor's Share)	$40.00
602	Rev Rebecca Edwards (Salary)	$1505.38
208	CM Almy (# 37841073	$221.00
603	Dennis C. Depello (Salary)	$476.91
604	Mary L Smith	$361.28
208	CCLI (Annual Renewal of Copyright License)	$529.00
613	EFTPS (Federal Tax August 2026)	$1,203.39
613	My Path (State Tax for August 2026)	$188.30
	Total:	$9,290.28

Milestones

November Birthdays (All Reynoldsville area unless designated):



2 John McMillen, 532 Hill St.
3 Candy Reighn, 307 N. 5th St.
7 Maitland McMillen Flock, 552 Hill St.
9 Dan Engle, 915 Grant St.
10 Shelly Wells, 709 Worth St.
18 Jaime Crooks, 100 Greenwood Dr., Wexford, PA 15090-8503
20 Sherry Heberling, 1683 Behringer Hwy., Dubois, PA 15801
25 Rachel Clontz, 918 Pancoast St.
28 Douglas Kougher, 8907 Route 322

December - Birthdays (All Reynoldsville area unless designated)

18 Beth Edwards, 506 Jackson Street
22 Addison Rose Plummer, 26124 State Hwy. 98, Edinboro, PA 1641
Dennis Siple, Jr., 134 Daffodil Rd.
23 Amanda Zimmerman, 84 Johnson Rd.
27 Brennan McMillen, brennanmcmillen@yahoo.com
Nancy Engle, 915 Grant St.
28 William Bowlby, Jr., 913 Pancoast St.
Tracey Schuckers, 2604 Big Run-Prescottville Rd.

Anniversaries:

24 Dennis and Iola Faber (1973), 427 Hill St.

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



Missions Treasurer's Report: September 2026

Jackie Walls	$18,872.74
Expenses	$238.45
Income	$ 572.35
Current Balance	$19,206.64
Designated funds	
NHN	$6,928.10
Missions	$5,385.04
Connectional Giving	$5,446.85
NHN Shoes	$578.71
Prayer Shawl	$252.94
Treasure for Children	$515.00
Christmas for Seniors	$100.00
Total	$19,206.64

Candy Canes: These were originally invented in Germany in 1600 to keep children quiet during long church services; the red stripes were added later to represent Jesus' sacrifice



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Treasurer: Mrs. Carol A Curry

Balance beginning of September 2026	$20,200.85
Transfers In (Missions, Trustees)	$3,232.95
Receipts for the month of September 2026	$6,744.99
Transfers Out (Missions, Trustees)	$3,232.95
Expenses for the month of September 2026	$9,946.41
Actual Balance end of September 2026	$16,999.43
Less Designated Funds:	
Choir Fund	$(2,561.19)
Library	$(250.00)
Education	$(1,241.67)
Camp Fund Scholarships	$(1,246.52)
Men's Ministry	$(252.81)
Youth Ministry	$(1,949.05)
TLC	$(2,802.11)
Funeral Dinners	$(4,136.08)
Pastors Moving Fund	$(600.00)
Reynoldsville Ministerium	$(4,500.00)
Balance available end of September 2026	$(2,540.00)

EXPENSES:

623 EBC-/HAS for September 2026 Church share	$87.08
602 Rev Rebecca Edwards (Salary)	$1505.39
611 Rev. Rebecca Edwards (August Reimbursement)	$33.44
103/612/614 Christ Family Credit Union (Credit Card)	555.67
209 Cokesbury (Acct # 11950730)	215.22
603 Dennis C Depello (Salary)	$476.89
604 Void	-
604 Mary L Smith (Salary)	$361.28
403 PA Restaurant Supply LLC (# 109373)	32.25
617/620 Guidestone (August 2026 Pension)	$793.74
615/622 Guidestone (October 2026 Insurance)	$1,016.81
621 EBC Flex (HAS for Sept. 2026 Pastor's Share)	$40.00
602 Rev. Rebecca Edwards (Salary)	$1,505.38
604 Mary L. Smith (Retroactive pay increase July/August)	$86.00
603 Dennis C Depello (Salary)	$476.91
604 Mary L Smith (Salary)	$396.18
208 Concordia Supply Co. (Inv # 51257470)	$210.00
208 Cory Turner (Inv.# RFMC26002)	$275.00
201 The Upper Room (Cust # 1084249)	$18.60
405 Jackie Walls (Reimb. Funeral Dinner)	$50.06
403 PA Restaurant Supply LLC (Inv. #109513)	$110.25
613 EFTPS (Federal Taxes for September2026)	$1,212.95
613 My Path (State Taxes for September 2026)	$189.62
613 Keystone Collections Group (Local/LST Taxes 3rd Q)	$197.44
614 Deluxe Check Charges	$100.25
Total:	$9,946.41

RFMC Trustees Report for Month August 2026

Treasurer: Kim Tagliaferre

Trustees Checkbook Balance beginning of August 2026	$14,879.82
Total Receipts for Month August 2026	$3,514.00
Transfer from Money Market Acct	$0.00
Total Expenses for Month	$-4,349.11
Balance Checking Account	$14,044.71
Less Designated Funds:	
Trustees Fund	-2,844.20
Improvement Fund	$2,893.65
Stone Maintenance fund	$11,461.31
Undesignated Memorials Fund	$1,854.95
Stained Glass Windows Fund	$0.00
Organ Fund	$100.00
Safety Committee Fund	$579.00
Furnace Fund	$0.00
Trustees Checkbook Balance, end of August 2026	$14,044.71

Trustees Money Market Account Beginning balance	$203,345.72
Total Receipts for August 2026	$231.65
Total Expenses for August 2026	$0.00
Transfer	$0.00
Balance Trustees MM Account August 2026	$203,577.37

Designated Funds:	
Furnace Fund	$32,433.75
Stained Glass Window Fund	$9,683.00
Trustees Fund	$8,753.14
Perpetual loan Fund	$12,525.00
CDs From Common Roots FCU	$49,482.66
Operating Expense Ada Redin Estate	$62,513.53
Robert Harris Estate	$28,186.29
Total Designated end of August 2026	$203,577.37

EXPENSES		
711	Penelec—Church	$219.30
712	Penelec—Parsonage	$111.68
713	Denny Depello – reimbursement- tube for salt spreader	$18.44
711	Reynoldsville Water Auth -church	$108.00
712	Reynoldsville Water Authority—Parsonage	$84.00
716	2 Krew Security (3 months)	$72.00
713	Reynoldsville Hardware – Janitor Supplies	$44.98
711	Hugill Sanitation- 2yd dumpster	$50.00
711	National Fuel—Church	$598.00
712	National Fuel—Parsonage	$109.00
n/a	Void	
713	Debbie Kougher- reimburse Janitor Supplies	$70.03
716	Erie Insurance Secure Business 4 of 4	$2,314.25
711	Comcast – phone & internet	$549.43
Ending Balance		**$4,349.00**

DECEMBER:

1: Bible study 2 pm

5: Church Christmas Dinner – details will be announced

8: Bible study 2 pm

9: Sharing Group 10 am

15: Bible study 2 pm

18: Salvation Army Angel Tree distribution – 10 am to noon; Christmas for Seniors bag distribution 1 pm to 3 pm

21: Blue Christmas service 7 pm

22: Bible study 2 pm

23: Sharing Group 10 am

24: Christmas Eve service 7 pm

**Calendar is subject to change.



NOVEMBER:

1: All Saints Day

2: Trustees Meeting 7 pm

3: Bible study 2 pm

7: Project Warm-Up 9 am to 2 pm

9: Finance Meeting 5:30 pm

10: Bible study 2 pm

11: Sharing Group 10 am

14: Pancake breakfast 7 am to 11 am; Sign-up for Christmas for Senior bags and Salvation Army Treasures for Children 7 am to 2 pm

16: Council Meeting 7 pm

17: Bible study 2 pm

22: Julie Lindemuth – Christmas concert 6:30 pm

24: Thanksgiving service 7 pm

25: Sharing Group 10 am

26: THANKSGIVING DAY



28: Christmas Parade – details will be announced

29: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

RFMC Trustees Report for Month September 2026

Treasurer: Kim Tagliaferre

Trustees Checkbook Balance beginning of September 2026	$14,044.71
Total Receipts for Month September 2026	$2,660.60
Transfer from Money Market Acct	$2,314.25
Total Expenses for Month	$-4,404.68
Balance Checking Account	$14,614.88
Less Designated Funds:	
Trustees Fund	-2,446.03
Improvement Fund	$3,065.65
Stone Maintenance fund	$11,461.31
Undesignated Memorials Fund	$1,854.95
Stained Glass Windows Fund	$0.00
Organ Fund	$100.00
Safety Committee Fund	$579.00
Furnace Fund	$0.00
Trustees Checkbook Balance, end of September 2026	$14,614.88

Trustees Money Market Account Beginning balance	$203,577.37
Total Receipts for September 2026	$440.78
Total Expenses for September 2026	$0.00
Transfer	-$2,314.25
Balance Trustees MM Account September 2026	$201,703.90

Designated Funds:	
Furnace Fund	$32,433.75
Stained Glass Window Fund	$9,683.00
Trustees Fund	$9,193.92
Perpetual loan Fund	$12,525.00
CDs From Common Roots FCU	$49,482.66
Operating Expense Ada Redin Estate	$60,199.28
Robert Harris Estate	$28,186.29
Total Designated end of September 2026	$201,703.90

EXPENSES

716	Transfer from MM Ada Redin Estate (for Aug. Ins. Payment)	$2,314.25
713	Christian Family Credit Union-fuel & bolts	$63.97
711	Penelec—Church	$267.45
712	Penelec—Parsonage	$125.86
715	BMP Systems – copier copies(6/1/26 – 9/1/26)	$202.17
711	Reynoldsville Water Auth -church	$144.00
712	Reynoldsville Water Authority—Parsonage	$96.00
711	Hugill Sanitation- 2 yd dumpster	$50.00
714	Reynoldsville Boro Tax Collector	$2,052.02
711	National Fuel—Church	$598.00
712	National Fuel—Parsonage	$109.00
711	Comcast – phone & internet	$404.13
713	Clearfield Wholesale (rock salt, paper towels, tissues.)	$ 240.08
701	Deposit- Reimbursement from Bob Clontz – rock salt	$17.50
713	Reynoldsville Hardware – garden hose	$52.00

Church Photo Directory

I would like to say thank you to everyone that helped with the Church Directory, it was great that so many were willing to help. It also warms the heart to see how many are willing to be a part of the directory rather with a picture, information or prayers for a successful Directory.

Again, Thank You. *Mary*



CHRISTMAS Nativity Scene Word Search



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MANGER BED
BABY JESUS
SHEPHERD'S STAFF
ANGEL CHOIR
BETHLEHEM TOWN
STAR OF DAVID
HOLY FAMILY

VIRGIN MARY
STABLE ANIMALS
WISE MEN GIFTS
GOLDEN FRANKINCENSE
DONKEY'S STALL
GUIDING STAR
SACRED NIGHT

JOSEPH'S JOURNEY
HEAVENLY PEACE
KING HEROD
CHRISTMAS MIRACLE
SWADDLING CLOTH
NOEL'S LIGHT

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October 25th 2026





Laity Sunday









On September 27th, Krewe Andrew Lach was baptized. Krewe is the son of Nick & Chantel Lach, brother of Menden, and grandson of Buzz & Rhonda Connor.





New Members:

Barb Yoder, Ken Smith Jeanine Bryan, Jeff Bryan, Joe Smith, Shari Smith, Terri Rhodes and Bryon Harry



Thank you for all the birthday wishes, cards, texts, messages, and gifts. Also thank you for all the cards and gifts given to me for Pastor Appreciation Month. I love all of you and I am so blessed!
Pastor Becky

I wish to thank everyone for your prayers and get-well cards during my illness. I read them often and it brightens my day.
Maxine King

