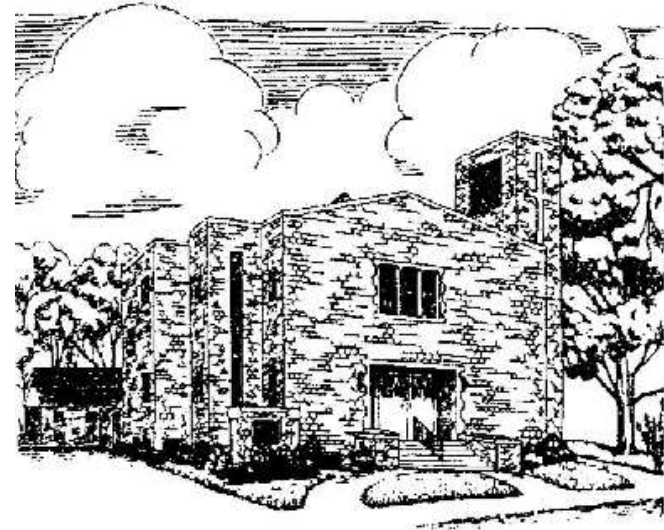


SONSHINE NEWSLETTER

July 2017

A Publication of Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church



“Sharing, Preparing and Caring in Jesus’ Name”

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Church Phone: 814-432-4162

Website: www.rockygrovepres.org

Email Address: [rgapc @ verizon.net](mailto:rgapc@verizon.net)

Worship – 9:00 a.m.

(No Sunday School – June through August)

Rev. Rachel J. Johns, Pastor

Rhonda Rust, Secretary

Mike Burkhardt, Organist

Janet Bish, Assistant Organist

Scott Donaldson, Custodian

Church Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church
321 Rocky Grove Avenue
Franklin, PA 16323





July Birthdays

1 David Brandt	18 Allyson Cook
1 Jimmy Newton	22 Samantha Hoffman
3 Lillian Griffin (2010)	24 Brad Wetjen
3 Maxwell Griffin (2010)	25 Jamie Wetjen
9 Elissa Baker	27 Reagan Hartman
12 Jarrad Griffin	28 Sarah DeLong
17 Doris Feather	31 Beth Blanchard

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RACE TIME IS COMING

On July 22nd, the Avenue will be the race track for the SOAPBOX DERBY, sponsored by the Fatherhood Initiative. The race starts at 9:00 a.m. Come join the fun and have a coffee, hot dog, soda and/or chips while you watch.

MISSIONFEST IS GETTING CLOSER – 9/9/2017

It's time to start looking for items to donate to the garage sale and, if you have the opportunity to talk to anyone who is having a sale this summer, please suggest that their leftovers be donated to RGAPC for our sale. Just remember that we cannot take clothing. If they want to drop items off, we will be accepting donations beginning August 1st during regular office hours. If anything needs to be picked up, call Rhonda Rust, Joyce Wetjen, Diane Whitman, Elissa Stuttler or Linda Zeller; and we will work out a pick up time.

Also, be thinking what you can do to help at Missionfest. Crafters need to be crafting. Bakers can get started on bake sale goodies that can be frozen.

Missionfest will be here before we know it! We need everyone's help to make it a success.



JULY Servants

Hospital Visits:

Joyce Wetjen & Grace Gibbons

Greeters:

- 2 Rhonda Rust
- 9 John & Mary Jo Dumbleton
- 16 Arnie & Janet Bish
- 23 Diane Whitman
- 30 Brad & Joyce Wetjen

Worship Leaders:

- 2 Diane Whitman
- 9 Rhonda Rust
- 16 Lois Pierce
- 23 Diane Whitman
- 30 Rhonda Rust

Recorders:

- 2 Lois Pierce & Joyce Wetjen
- 9 Lois Pierce & Diane Whitman
- 16 Jane Beach & Joyce Wetjen
- 23 Linda Hartman & Lois Pierce
- 30 Jane Beach & Diane Whitman

Newsletter articles are due in the church office by the 20th of each month. **Please write out all of the information as you wish it to appear.** Be sure to provide a contact name and phone number for an event so your group can be contacted if needed. Thank you!

Missions Corner

BLANKET SUNDAY OFFERING – June 18, 2017 resulted the collection of \$146.00 to assist Church World Service provide blankets to those suffering from disaster. Thank you for your generosity once again!!



During the month of June we collected 11 bed pillows to benefit Mustard Seed Missions. When a bed is requested by a person of need, they will now have that many more pillows to accompany each bed and linens. Thank you!

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For our year-round Operation Christmas Child, a collection tote is in the Narthex. During **July**, you are asked to contribute **socks, hats, t-shirts & hair accessories**.

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Used cell phones (working or not) are still being collected for donation to **Cell Phones for Soldiers**. Please help with this worthy cause any time you get a new phone. A box for collection is located in the narthex.

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**BAKE SALE RESULTS:** The **BAKE SALE** held on **Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**, at Northwest Savings Bank in Franklin was a huge success again this year. Thanks to all who donated so many goodies. They were irresistible to only a few diabetics!!!

We netted **\$465.00!!!!** 

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# UPCOMING EVENTS at RGAPC

Men and women with youthful spirits gather for food and fellowship at noon the first Wednesday of each month. Make your reservation for the *Youthful Spirits* picnic on July 5, 2017, at Ray & Toby Aikins, 162 Shade Tree Lane, Franklin. Call 432-2726 by Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Hot dogs, hamburgers, condiments & beverage will be provided. All attending are asked to take a picnic dish to share!! Next month's gathering will be August 2<sup>nd</sup> hosted by Joan Partridge.

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Congregational Life & Worship has cancelled the planning for a Progressive Dinner for July 22nd and is not rescheduling at this time. The next event will be on October 14th with a Pot Luck Dinner. Any questions or suggestions should be addressed with Lois Pierce or Linda Zeller.

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**Saturday, July 8th - Women's Prayer Breakfast (8:30 am)**  
Join the women of RGAPC for breakfast the second Saturday of the month at Linda Lou's Restaurant, 1572 Mercer Road. Come out and enjoy fellowship, devotions and good food too!

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Allegheny Sounds of Sweet Adelines will be joining us in worship on August 13th and will be offering up their musical talents. It's a Sunday you won't want to miss!!!

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Check out RGAPC's web site – [www.rockygrovepres.org](http://www.rockygrovepres.org).

## CHANGE OF OFFICE HOURS

Office hours of the church have been reduced to fifteen (15) per week. The office will be open 9:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

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UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Wednesday, July 12th – The quilt group that meets on the second Wednesday of each month at Franklin First Presbyterian from 10:00 a.m. ‘til Noon is seeking helpers. You don’t have to know how to quilt or even sew. Whatever your talent, it can be put to good use. Why not give it a try?!?

Sunday, July 16th - Jews for Jesus Presentation, 6 pm; First Baptist Church, 1041 Liberty St, Franklin. First Baptist Church, in conjunction with Franklin Alliance Church, invites all to hear a presentation on the topic Gospel in the Feasts of Israel.

Saturday, July 29th - All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner, 3:30-7PM; Wolf's Den, 308 Timberwolf Run, Knox. Benefits Charitable Deeds and Services.

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Summer is here and things are in full swing at **Seneca Hills Bible Camp!** You could be there too! Don't miss out on a great week at camp. There are 6 more weeks to go. Space is still available for ages 5-14. If you have questions, call 432-3026 or register online - [senecahills.campbrainregistration.com](http://senecahills.campbrainregistration.com).

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THE LIGHTER SIDE OF LIFE:

The personnel manager had advertised a job opening, and a large group of applicants was waiting in her waiting room. The first young man was ushered into her office, and she began explaining the job to him.

“We need someone in this job who can really think on his feet. Can you show me that you’re capable of doing that?”

Without a word, the young man got to his feet, stuck his head out the door, and announced to the waiting applicants, “Okay, you guys. You can all go home – the job’s just been filled.”

Having a bad day?

There was a case in one hospital’s Intensive Care Unit where patients always died in the same bed, on Sunday morning, at about 11:00 a.m., regardless of their medical condition. This puzzled the doctors and some even thought that it had something to do with the supernatural. No one could solve the mystery as to why the deaths occurred around 11 a.m. on Sundays. So a world-wide team of experts was assembled to investigate the cause of the incidents. The next Sunday morning, a few minutes before 11 a.m., all doctors and nurses nervously waited outside the ICU to see for themselves what the terrible phenomenon was all about. Some were holding wooden crosses, prayer books and others held objects to ward off the evil spirits.

Just when the clock struck 11, Pookie Johnson, the part-time Sunday sweeper, entered the ICU and unplugged the life support system so that he could use the vacuum cleaner. Mystery solved!

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If you would like to provide flowers for Sunday morning worship, please contact Margie Sheffer at 432-3456.

## WATCH!

Watch the words that you may speak;  
Watch the things that you may seek;  
Watch the habits that you form,  
Watch in sunshine, as in storm;  
Watch your feet, lest they should stray  
In forbidden paths each day;  
Watch the kind of seed you sow,  
For the same you'll have to mow.

Watch the kind of books you read,  
Watch the way that others lead;  
Watch your heart, and keep it kind;  
Watch your soul, and watch your mind;  
Watch the trend of life each day,  
Watch and meditate and pray;  
Watch the dangers of life's road,  
Watch the things with which you load.

Watch the comp'ny that you keep,  
Watch whate'er would sink you deep;  
Watch what makes your fellows fail,  
Do not walk their downward trail.  
Watch the lure of evil things,  
Watch their bitter gall and stings;  
Watch the way that saints have trod,  
Watch and travel home to God.

Watch that you may nobly live,  
And to man your best may give,  
Watch your time, and spend it right,  
Watch your life, and keep it bright;  
Watch your duty day by day,  
And ascend life's royal way;  
Watch, that when you're gone from here,  
You shall leave a mem'ry dear.

--Walter E. Isenhour

# 4th of July

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Barbeque  
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Freedom  
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Stars and Stripes  
Uncle Sam  
USA

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# JULY 2017



| SUNDAY                                       | MONDAY                                              | TUESDAY                                                                                                                                     | WEDNESDAY                                                          | THURSDAY                                                           | FRIDAY                                               | SATURDAY                                                                                                       |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                              |                                                     |                                                                                                                                             |                                                                    |                                                                    |                                                      | <b>1</b><br>9:30 Overeaters<br>Anonymous                                                                       |
| <b>2</b><br>9:00 Worship                     | <b>3</b><br>7:00 Trustees                           | <b>4</b><br><br>Happy 4th of July!<br><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> | <b>5</b><br>Noon <i>Youthful Spirits</i><br>at 162 Shade Tree Lane | <b>6</b>                                                           | <b>7</b><br>4:00 <i>Green-Masterson</i><br>Rehearsal | <b>8</b><br>8:30 Prayer Breakfast<br>@ <i>Linda Lou's</i><br>9:30 OA<br>5:00 <i>Green-Masterson</i><br>Wedding |
| <b>9</b><br>9:00 Worship                     | <b>10</b><br>6:15 Session –<br><i>Ladies Parlor</i> | <b>11</b><br>6:30 Sweet A's<br>Practice                                                                                                     | <b>12</b><br>10:00 Prayer Quilting<br>at Franklin 1 <sup>st</sup>  | <b>13</b>                                                          | <b>14</b>                                            | <b>15</b><br>9:30 Overeaters<br>Anonymous                                                                      |
| <b>16</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>5:30 Boy Scouts | <b>17</b>                                           | <b>18</b><br>6:30 Sweet A's<br>Practice                                                                                                     | <b>19</b>                                                          | <b>20</b><br><b>AUGUST</b><br><b>NEWSLETTER</b><br><b>DEADLINE</b> | <b>21</b>                                            | <b>22</b><br>9:00 <i>Soap Box Derby</i><br>on Rocky Grove Ave.<br>9:30 Overeaters<br>Anonymous                 |
| <b>23</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>5:30 Boy Scouts | <b>24</b>                                           | <b>25</b><br>6:30 Sweet A's<br>Practice                                                                                                     | <b>26</b>                                                          | <b>27</b><br>6:30 Missions                                         | <b>28</b>                                            | <b>29</b><br>9:30 Overeaters<br>Anonymous                                                                      |
| <b>30</b><br>9:00 Worship<br>5:30 Boy Scouts | <b>31</b>                                           |                                                                                                                                             |                                                                    |                                                                    |                                                      |                                                                                                                |