

SONSHINE NEWSLETTER

July 2020

A Publication of Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church



“Sharing, Preparing and Caring in Jesus’ Name”

Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church

321 Rocky Grove Avenue, Franklin, PA 16323

Church Phone: 814-432-4162

Website: www.rockygrovepres.org

Email Address: rgapc@verizon.net

Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Church Staff

Rev. Rachel J. Johns, Pastor

Rhonda Rust, Secretary

Mike Burkhardt, Organist

Janet Bish, Assistant Organist

Scott Donaldson, Custodian

Church Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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



SESSION ACTIONS TAKEN

June 11, 2020

1. Approved the minutes of the January 20, 2020 Session meeting.
2. Approved the January, February, March, April and May Financial Secretary's Reports, checking account summaries, and Treasurer's Reports.
3. Approved requests of Grace Learning Center to install a fence across the back of the church property to connect to the GLC outbuilding and install fans in the restrooms beside Moorhead Hall to be paid for through a grant to GLC.
4. Elected Elissa Stuttler as Clerk of Session for 2020.
5. Approved the minutes of the Annual Meeting and Corporation Meetings of November 17, 2019.
6. Approved our church's Annual Report to the General Assembly.
7. Approved Diane Spalding for membership into our congregation.
8. Approved a motion to suspend church services during the coronavirus epidemic.
9. Approved a motion to suspend payment of rent by GLC during the coronavirus.
10. Approved continued payment of salaries during the coronavirus.
11. Approved a motion to suspend stated meetings of Session and to conduct business by phone conference as necessary.
12. Approved the request of the Boy Scouts to conduct training toward a religion badge at our church.
13. Approved the donation of \$100 to the Rocky Grove Volunteer Fire Department.
14. Approved the request of Fatherhood Initiative to hold its Soapbox Derby on church grounds and use the church's electricity for the event to be held July 25, 2020.
15. Approved the request of the Church Secretary to reduce her hours to 13.5 hours per week.
16. Approved the request of the minister to perform a wedding on August 15, 2020 for persons not members of our Church should they decide to hold the ceremony in our sanctuary.



July Birthdays

- 17 Doris Feather
- 24 Brad Wetjen
- 25 Jamie Wetjen
- 27 Reagan Hartman



Servants for July

Recorders:

Lois Pierce & Joyce Wetjen

Worship Leaders:

- 5 Rhonda Rust
- 12 Pastor Rachel Johns
- 19 Lois Pierce
- 26 Rhonda Rust

~~~~~

A memorial service for Richard "Dick" Norr will be held Saturday, August 8, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. at Linesville Presbyterian Church, 206 West Erie Street, Linesville, PA 16424

*Answers to crossword:  
 ACROSS: 2) Philadelphia 3) Great Britain 4) Thomas Jefferson 5) Continental Congress 7) George 8) thirteen  
 9) fireworks  
 DOWN: 1) George Washington 6) John Hancock*



If you would like to provide flowers for Sunday morning worship, please contact the church office (432-4162). You will want to advise the office as to whether you will order your own flowers, how you want it listed in the bulletin and if you will be removing them after the service.

~~~~~

UPCOMING EVENTS OF RGAPC

Youthful Spirits

Men and women will once again gather for food and fellowship at 11:45 a.m. the first Wednesday of each month soon. If you are willing to venture out to a local restaurant with the group, please notify the office.

~~~~~

Beginning July 1, 2020, the church office will be open fewer hours – Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

~~~~~

One Great Hour of Sharing offering collected this year totaled \$70.00. Thank you for your continued generosity to help those less fortunate than we.

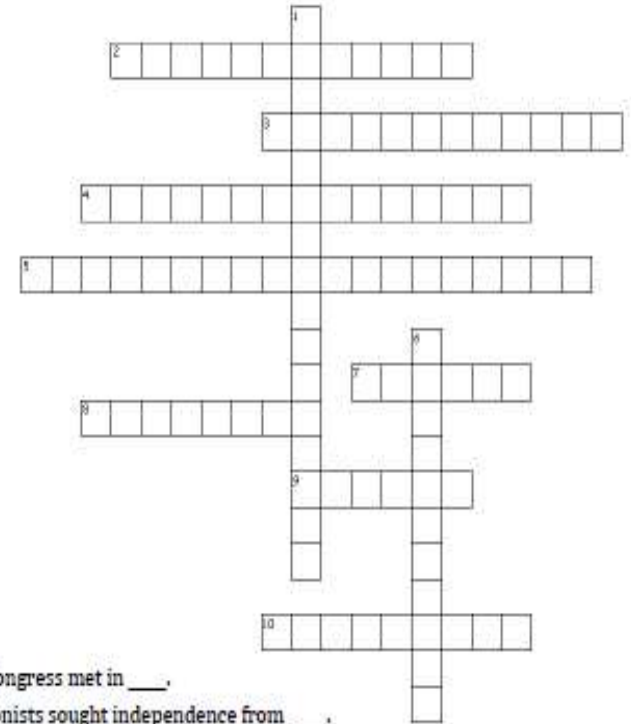
~~~~~

**Newsletter articles are due in the church office by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month or risk being omitted from next month's issue.**



# Independence Day

Crossword Puzzle



**Across**

2. The Continental Congress met in \_\_\_\_.
3. The American colonists sought independence from \_\_\_\_.
4. The Declaration of Independence was primarily written by \_\_\_\_.
5. The Declaration of Independence was signed by members of the \_\_\_\_.
7. The British king at this time was \_\_\_\_ III.
8. There were \_\_\_\_ original colonies.
9. "We hold these \_\_\_\_ to be self-evident..."
10. Crowds gather to watch \_\_\_\_.

**Down**

1. \_\_\_\_ led American troops in the fight for independence.
6. \_\_\_\_ was the first person to sign the Declaration of Independence.





# JULY 2020



| SUNDAY                         | MONDAY                           | TUESDAY                                 | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY                                                                                                            | SATURDAY                                                                                                                                 |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                |                                  |                                         | 1         | 2        | 3                                                                                                                 | 4 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous<br><br>Happy 4th of July! |
| 5<br>9:00 Worship              | 6<br>1:30 CLAW                   | 7<br>6:30 Sweet Adelines (tentatively)  | 8         | 9        | 10                                                                                                                | 11<br>9:30 Overeaters Anonymous                                                                                                          |
| 12<br>9:00 Worship ~ Communion | 13<br>7:00 Trustees              | 14<br>6:30 Sweet Adelines (tentatively) | 15        | 16       | 17                                                                                                                | 18<br>9:30 Overeaters Anonymous                                                                                                          |
| 19<br>9:00 Worship             | 20<br><b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b> | 21<br>6:30 Sweet Adelines (tentatively) | 22        | 23       | 24                                                                                                                | 25<br>9:00 Soap Box Derby (tentatively)<br>9:30 Overeaters Anonymous                                                                     |
| 26<br>9:00 Worship             | 27                               | 28<br>6:30 Sweet Adelines (tentatively) | 29        | 30       | 31<br>August Sonshine Newsletter available:<br><a href="http://www.rockygrovepres.org">www.rockygrovepres.org</a> |                                                                                                                                          |