



BEACON

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SEPTEMBER ISSUE 2023

Sunday School Teachers and Assistants for September.

September 3rd

Rebecca and Randy Foringer

September 10th

Rachel Maxson & Sarah Zundel

September 17th

Chris and Carter Stasicha

September 24th

Carolyn Smith & Rebecca Reeb

For information on services and the life of the church, keep an eye on the following sites:

www.rehobothchurchpa.org

www.youtube.com

Rehoboth Presbyterian Church PA

www.facebook.com/rehobothchurchbelleversonpa

Pastor Don's Yarns

www.facebook.com/RehobothPresbyterianChurch/

Upcoming September Schedule

September 3rd Worship/Communion 11:00am
September 5th Visiting Day for Preschool 4 & 5 yr olds. 7:00pm
September 8th Visiting day for Preschool 3yr olds 7:00pm
September 10th Worship Service 11:00am
September 17th Worship Service 11:00am
September 19th Bag Brigade 5:15pm
September 24th Worship Service 11:00am

Zoom BIBLE STUDY CLASS will be taking a summer break! Will re-zoom after Labor Day

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2nd – Carolyn Clark

Jessica Reid

5th – Jerri Lynn Zundel

10th – Erin McNair

Sherry Riskey

11th – Jeremy Wolfe

12th – Jason Winters

13th – Austin Bell

Russ Moon

Craig Orr

Carrie Fleming-Chacko

14th – Rebecca Reeb

Tyler Bell

15th – Linda Kissler

Jacob Campbell

17th – Troy Smith

Bill Ress

20th – Rylie Campbell

21st – Penny Moon

Dale Nelson

Dan Campbell

Shayla Hill

Lucas Hill

22nd- Sarah Reeb

25th- Eli Hill

Patty Smith

Jeff Smith

26th-Casey Gregor

Allyson Lee

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

10th – Doug and Luanne Zundel

13th – Bill and Colleen Ress

18th – Bill and Kellie Welsh

20th– Allan and Debi Buza

26th – Frank and Heidi Sanner

Prayer List

Melvin O'bryon

Dale Nelson

Sherry Freet

Buffy Roberts

Noreen Yakich

Gianna Smoyer

Dave Vindivich

Don Strickler

Donna Adams

Idalee Leeper

Lida Evans

Dee Alekson

Nancy Layton

Florence Orr

Diane Morgan

Cindy & Emil Hruby

Melba Jean & Jeremy Wolfe

Bill & Carolyn Smith

Derryl Smith

Sharon

Ian & Lucy Chikoti

Lou Hayden

Baby Asher

Jamie Alexander

Robert Korff

PASTOR'S CORNER

SEPTEMBER 2023 BEACON ARTICLE

September is a month of refocusing on our labors. After the lazy, hazy days of deep Summer many find the pace of work quickens in September. During this month a student may return to classes, a farmer prepares for the harvest, or workers brace themselves for the coming holiday rush.

Perhaps the most well-known holiday in September is Labor Day. A time of acknowledgement, appreciation, and hopefully, a time off for those who work for a living. There are many who, through their labors have helped to forge the direction of this nation and serve as an advocate for labor, but perhaps none has outdone Frances Perkins.

In 1933, during the depths of the Great Depression, President Franklin Roosevelt appointed Frances Perkins as his Secretary of Labor. She was the first female Cabinet member, and she held the position for twelve years, longer than anyone else. She was instrumental in creating minimum wage laws and Social Security.

If you work now, or worked at one time, she literally has showed up in your paycheck. As influential as Francis Perkins was, there is One that stands above and beyond all others in His concern and compassion for those who work.

Our Savior, Jesus Christ once said, "Come unto Me all you who labor, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28) He watches over us with a loving eye and will reward all who labor on in this life until the final hour. Although there are many, we must give allegiance to in our daily lives - family members, employers, and other authority figures - I'm glad that after everything is said and done Jesus is my ultimate boss. Aren't you glad, too?

Blessings,

Pastor Don

The Father's Wings

I spent an August morning watching wrens try to coax their babies out of the nest on my parents' back porch. It was slow-going. The youngsters were content with the status quo and didn't seem to see the point of leaving.

I get the impression that's a problem faced by every bird parent: It takes some time for fledglings to get the idea that they can go get their own food instead of depending on an adult.

Unfortunately, God has the opposite problem. Dating back to Adam and Eve, humans have had trouble trusting in God and His wisdom. Instead, we have consistently been too independent and gone our own way, defying Proverbs 3:5, which instructs, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding."

As a result, the Old Testament is a cycle of stories about people straying from God, doing what is "right" in their own eyes, and making a mess of things. It's not until the New Testament that we find someone who can break that cycle—someone who, even in the face of the cross, said, "Not my will but yours be done."

Of course, even after the cross, we keep making that same foolish mistake of leaning on our own understanding. But Jesus changed the equation, taking the weight of our sin upon His own shoulders.

And there's more good news: Unlike a wren intent on shedding the burden of mouths to feed, God invites us to take shelter under His wings and to depend more and more on Him. James 5:8 sums it up nicely: "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you."

Laurie Bartolotta

August 15th, 2023, Session Highlights:

Nominating Committee/Finance Committee:

Motion made by Justin Walsh, seconded, and passed for Randy Foringer to be the interim treasurer for three months beginning on October 1, 2023, and then being the treasurer for one year beginning in 2024. Before the transfer of treasury books, the Auditing Committee should audit the books. **Motion** made by Ed Moore, seconded, and passed to approve Dalton Smith to be placed on the finance committee as an understudy for the treasury position.

The Nominating Committee suggested fundraising ideas such as a spaghetti dinner and a sing a long worship service.

Moderator's June/July 2023 Report

Visitation: 25 Counseling: 10 Funerals: 1 Meetings: 5 Events: 8 Continuing Education: 1

Moderator's Items: Smoke detector problem on second floor of Educational Building, Bill Nicholls replaced the smoke detector with one good for ten years.

Rev. Glunt will work with Mr. Walker to restart the choir.

Motion made by Justin Walsh, seconded, and passed for Rev. Glunt to attend the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary Training, Pastoral Care, & Biblical Studies, Continuing Education Program from September 24-26, 2023, at a cost of \$190.00 with funding taken from the Study Leave Budget with Glenn Hart covering for Rev. Glunt.

Motion made by David Vindivich, seconded, and passed for Rev. Glunt to take vacation days on August 23-25, 2023, with Glenn Hart covering for Rev. Glunt.

Belle Vernon Ministerium will attend the Mon Valley Hospital Penn Highlands opening of its new opioid center on August 17, 2023, from 4:00-6:30 PM.

Belle Vernon Ministerium will attend on August 31, 2023 at the Monessen Boat Launch, a program on Mom's giving presentations about their children and drug overdose.

St. Sebastian Church will present its choral program, Lessons, and Carols, the second week of Advent.

Building and Maintenance Committee:

Difficulty with getting Salvio Heating/Air-Conditioning Unit to complete repairs since the March 26, 2023, Power Surge.

Fire Fighters, Ken Amrick is working to complete the fire suppression project this week.

An eighteen-inch dishwasher for Manse will be installed this week, Bill Nicholls.

Bill Nicholls will install a urinal flush valve in the Educational Building, Boys Restroom, first floor.

Finance Committee:

Jeff Smith reported the finance committee would meet to begin working on the 2024 budget.

Christian Education Committee:

Carolyn Smith reported she hoped to receive the Sunday School Surveys from teachers and parents.

Total of Vacation Bible School offering of \$527.78 has been donated for local mission of upgrading our church safety.

Outreach Committee- Used pencils and pens collection for Rebekah Foringer's Bethel Park students was successful.

Nursery School:

Door lock installation in the Nursery School classroom area is completed, Ken Amrick.

Nursery School provides pre-school service to the community; provides outreach for our church.

Classes meet Monday and Friday from 9:30-12:30 and Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, from 8:45AM to 3:15 PM.

Motion made by Bill J Smith, seconded, and passed for Nursery School to use during the 2023-2024 school year the basement play area; classrooms for the Nursery School use of the first floor of the Education Building; Pavilion; Library for conferences and testing; sanctuary for orientation September 5 and 8, 2023 and for programs at Christmas and Easter and graduation for 3 year old class; and occasionally full basement use for socials with parents.

Reminder that Nursery School pays \$500.00/month, September-May, and \$500.00 yearly toward office supplies and sidewalk salt.

Nursery School Enrollment is almost full in both classes.

Suggestion

Rev. Glunt will repeat the announcements from the pulpit so that all may hear the announcements.

Deacons

The church picnic is canceled for August 27, 2023, by the Deacons. May be re-scheduled for the fall.

Friday prayer sessions will restart during the Fall season

OCTOBER 7 SOUP SALE

The Redstone Mission Group is having another soup sale to help with expenses/building materials for our trip to assist the completion of Hezekiah House in St. Albans, West Virginia this October. Soup will be sold in quart containers at a cost of \$8 each. Orders must be in by Sunday, October 1 and will be distributed after church the following Sunday, October 8.

We will have a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the church vestibule. You may also call/text Ed or Becky Moore with your order or questions, 724-825-6483 or 412-370-0992, or for other delivery options.

Soup Flavors: Chicken Noodle (made with onions)

Chicken Noodle (no onions)

Vegetarian Vegetable (gluten free)

Chili (gluten free)

Please support our mission trip with your order and/or your prayers.

Thank you,

The Redstone Mission Group



Rehoboth Deacons VENDOR & CRAFT SHOW

**Saturday, October 7
9:30 am to 2:00 pm**

The Deacons will have a Vendor and Craft Show to help support their many mission projects in the community and around the world!

There will be a Gift Basket Raffle, Bake Sale & Hamburgers & Hotdogs for sale.

Come out and start your holiday shopping. There will be painted holiday wooden items, candles, Watkins products, Tastefully Simple, purses, wreaths, jewelry, bowl cozies & other homemade items, holiday ornaments, inspirations art and many more crafts to buy.

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**“There is always
room and
a home for all”**

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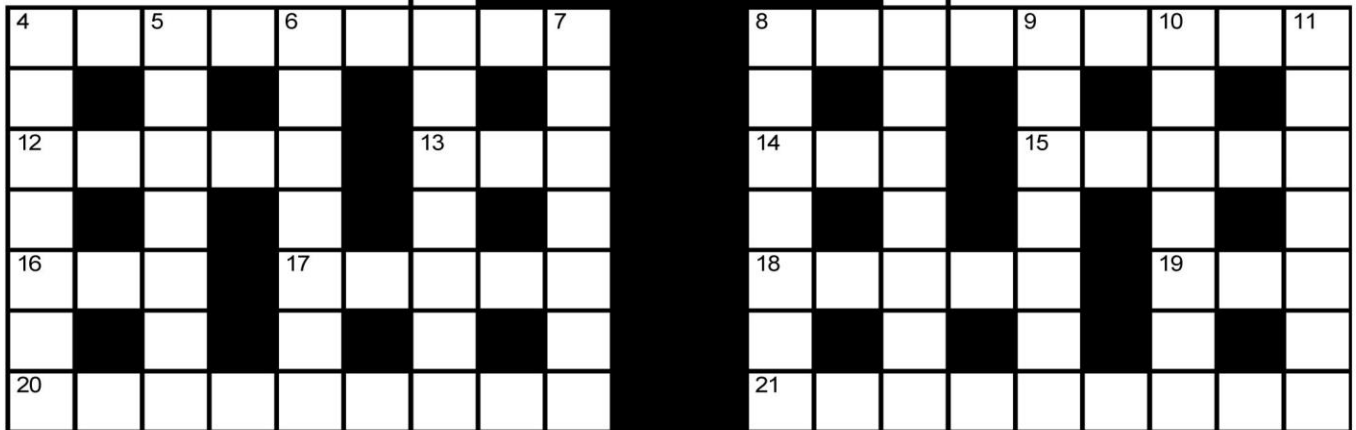
Bible Crossword X

Across

Down

- 1 Donkey (3)
- 2 Jesus' Father (3)
- 4 One of the twelve (9)

- 1 One of God's messengers (5,2,3,4)
- 3 1940s archaeological find (4,3,7)



- 8 Didn't believe in resurrection (9)
- 12 One of David's warriors (5)
- 13 First word of the Lord's Prayer (3)
- 14 New Testament name for Noah (3)
- 15 Wish harm upon (5)
- 16 Hole in the ground (3)
- 17 Adversary (5)
- 18 Saviour (5)
- 19 First woman (3)
- 20 Mother of John the Baptist (9)
- 21 Family of priests (9)
- 22 Third son of Jacob (4)
- 23 Hates (8)
- 26 Assurances (8)
- 30 Endured pain (8)
- 31 Return from the dead (4)
- 32 Intercessor (8)
- 35 Decorating (8)
- 39 Old Testament book of the Bible (4)
- 40 The prince of Rosh, Mesech and Tubal (3)
- 42 A wise insect (3)
- 44 Dwelling place of kings (6)
- 45 Make bigger (8)

- 4 Tread down (7)
- 5 Father of Jonah (7)
- 6 Very salty water bordering Israel (4,3)
- 7 Defensive structures (11)
- 8 Refuges (11)
- 9 Dirty (7)
- 10 Devout (7)
- 11 Pieces of money (7)
- 24 Used to listen (3)
- 25 Used to see (3)
- 26 Positions (5)
- 27 Made available (7)
- 28 Snake (7)
- 29 Destroyed along with Gomorrah (5)
- 33 Finish (3)
- 34 Possess (3)
- 35 King of the Amalekites (4)
- 36 Last letter of the Greek alphabet (5)
- 37 Almost sacrificed by Abraham (5)
- 38 Present (4)
- 41 Unfasten (4)
- 43 Fish traps (4)

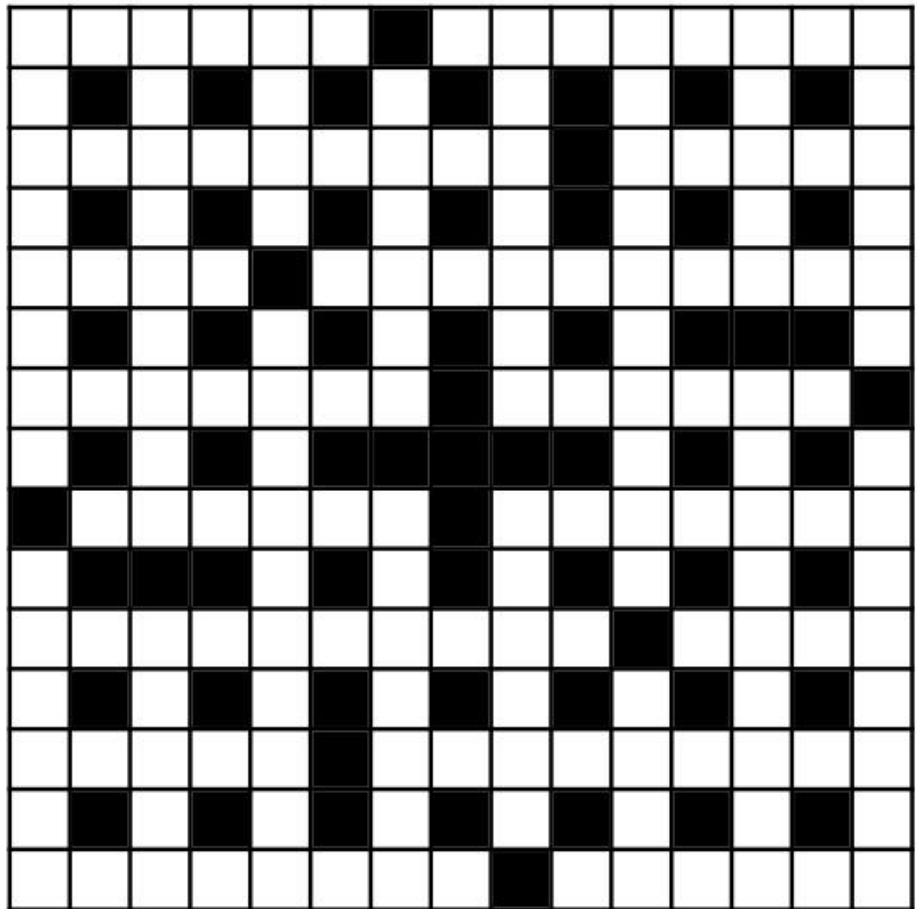
BIBLE CROSSWORD

Across

- 1 An ancient weight (6)
- 4 Seemed (8)
- 10 New Testament book (9)
- 11 Unit of length (5)
- 12 '...it is a ____ thing
the king requireth'
(Dan 2:11) (4)
- 13 Contemplation (10)
- 15 Abigail supplied David
with one hundred
clusters of these (7)
- 16 A son of King David (6)
- 19 Concurred (6)
- 21 Light sources (7)
- 23 Propitiations (10)
- 25 A false god (4)
- 27 Gather (5)
- 28 Abimelech was hit by
this (9)
- 29 Instructors (8)
- 30 Hastily (6)

Down

- 1 Skilled animal
workers (8)
- 2 Inspiring (9)
- 3 Compass point (4)
- 5 Intense emotion (7)



by *Philologus*

6 The words of Jeremiah
said not to listen to
these (10)

7 Jewish leader (5)

8 'He is proud, knowing
nothing, but _____
about questions and
strifes of words...'
(1 Tim 6:4) (6)

9 Bread makers (6)

14 In this year of King
Nebuchadrezzar's reign,
Nebuzaradan arrived in
Jerusalem (10)

17 Ancient city of Og, King
of Bashan (9)

18 Stringed instrument (8)

20 Joseph, perhaps? (7)

21 Tiny amount (6)

22 Jesus did this with
authority (6)

24 Last letter of the Greek
alphabet (5)

26 Province of the Roman
Empire (4)