

Reeds Mill Church

“Its (the church’s) object shall be to promote an earnest Christian life among its members, to increase their mutual acquaintance, and to make them more useful in the service of God.”



June 2012

Greetings Friends of Reeds Mill Church ~

It is time to “list to the clear ringing bell” at “The Church in Wildwood”. Reeds Mill Church is getting ready to open the doors again for nine services this summer, every Sunday in July and August at 2:00 PM. In addition, we will hold our annual Hymn Sing on Sunday, September 9 at 7:00 PM, a Thanksgiving Service on Thursday, November 22 at 10:00 AM, and a Candlelight Christmas Service on Sunday, December 23 at 3:00.

The trustees and worshipers of the church have worked very hard to maintain the elegant simplicity of this beloved church. A fresh coat of paint from floor to ceiling last summer has woken up the interior with the previous colors carefully matched to hold on to the church’s authenticity and character. This year, the exterior of the church will be painted preserving the current colors. Even the outhouse will get a facelift, just in time to celebrate our 120th year! We appreciate the fine work of Pro Painters Co. LLC.

We would like to purchase a new American Flag and a new Christian Flag for the pulpit area. The current flags are faded and worn. You are invited to donate, in part or in full, to the cost of the flags, perhaps designating your gift in memory of someone or in honor of someone. Total cost of the flags is \$140. Checks can be sent to the address on the next page, indicating your designation.

In addition to the new flags, we will be replacing sash ropes, identical to the originals, and keeping our eye on the underpinnings to insure the safety of the building and all who step inside.

It is the refreshing and not changing that keeps our church dear in our hearts. We walk into the nostalgia, the comfort of the familiar, a sense of ‘all is right with the world’ even if only for an hour on Sunday afternoon.

Reeds Mill Church continues to play a role in creating new memories as well! Jennifer Dorr and Jason Cyr were united in holy matrimony last summer. The couple made their vows on a beautiful August day in the presence of God, their families and friends. This year, Megan Manner will wed Tyler Knott in September. Megan’s grandparents, Raymond and Elizabeth Manner, were Madrid residents, owning property here for fifty years. Another wedding is scheduled in October.

Our Old Home Sunday will be on August 26. We will begin with a potluck/picnic at noon; bring your place settings and a dish to share. This is the only Sunday all summer when the service is at 1:00, immediately following the midday meal. Sadly, last year we had to cancel not only the picnic but the service as well. Hurricane Irene made her presence well known that day!

The Reeds Mill Ladies Sewing Circle continues to support the church with the sale of the quilts and other hand made items. They donate quilts to victims of house fires as well. We are blessed to have this group of talented women dedicating their time and efforts to continuing the Lord's work. This past year, a plaque was hung in the church in honor of all members of the Circle since its beginning in 1892. There is also a book recording names of all members, past and present. If you would like to join the sewing circle or have interest in ordering a quilt, please send an email to reedsmillsewingcircle@gmail.com or contact the Circle president, Claudia Boucher: 639-5821.

Visit our web site at www.reedsmillchurch.org to learn more about the church. To make arrangements for use of the church for weddings, baptisms, celebration of life and memorial services, retreat bible study time and special services, please contact Ginni at 207-639-2713 or send an email to info@reedsmillchurch.org. Reeds Mill Church does not charge for use of the church for weddings or other functions; however, donations are gratefully accepted!

If you have received this through the U S Postal Service and have an email address, we would appreciate having it; please send it to vrobie@live.com. Your only communications from Reeds Mill Church will be about Reeds Mill Church. And let us know if you'd prefer to be removed from our mailing lists.

Here is the schedule for this summer- *WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!*

<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>
1 - Laura Church	5 - Pending
8 - Ben Witherill	12 - John Pillsbury
15 - Mike Senecal	19 - Steve Mitchell
22 - Carl Beu	26 - John Gensel
29 - Doug Dunlap	

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