

Reeds Mill Church

“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.” *Declared in 1892*

June 2014

Greetings Friends of Reeds Mill Church ~

Reeds Mill Church will be open for nine Sunday services in July and August at 2:00 PM beginning July 6. Here are the speakers for those Sundays:

<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>
6 –Mike Senecal	3 – Carl Beu
13 – Bob Edgerton	10 – Bill Pierce
20 – Ben Witherill	17 – Andrew Neal
27 – Doug Dunlap	24 - John Gensel (Old Home Sunday)
	31 – Ken Hinkley

Old Home Sunday will be August 24th this year. This is a special time of celebrating the church, its history and its people. Potluck/picnic at noon; bring your place settings and a dish to share. Service at 1:00. Please note: this is NOT the last Sunday in August which is when we typically hold Old Home Sunday. The last service is August 31st.

Another special service is our annual Hymn Sing on Sunday, September 14 at 7:00 PM. Bring a flashlight and your singing voice for an hour of praising God with music. There will also be a service at 10:00 Thanksgiving morning (November 27). Finally, a Christmas Candlelight Service will be held Sunday, December 21 at 3:00 PM.

We mourn the passing of Evelyn Norton who had a lifetime association with Reeds Mill Church. She passed on April 30, 2014. Her knowledge of history, not only of the church but also of this area in Franklin County, was extensive and so appreciated. She was always more than happy to share a story about days gone by, many of which were handed down to her from earlier generations. We thank the Norton family for suggesting donations be made to the church in her honor and memory.

The officers and trustees of the church do their very best to maintain this church in the wildwood. This year we are replacing our non-conforming handicap ramp with an ‘up-to-code’ ramp. We want to be absolutely certain anyone wishing to attend services here can do so no matter what. We have accepted an estimate for \$2,200, which will include removal of the current ramp and building of the new ramp. The builder has also agreed to sand the stairs at the main entrance, which will be stained to match the ramp. Please consider making a donation to this effort, either as a love gift or in honor of or in memory of a loved one.

The Reeds Mill Ladies Sewing Circle supports the church with the sale of their quilts and other handmade items. The circle, originally known as the Ladies Union, has been supporting the church continuously since its inception. It has always been a hard working group of women who have donated their time and have a wonderful time doing so! Still going strong, the group welcomes new members, no matter the age or experience-ALL ARE WELCOME! Meetings are held the first and third Thursdays of the month at the school house that houses the Madrid Historical Society, 10:00 AM where much of the sewing is done. The meeting is followed by a potluck lunch. A lovely time to

socialize as well as work for the glory of God. Current members are Claudia Boucher -President, Terri Plog – Vice President, Marie Bubier - Treasurer, Lori Durrell and Barbara Matolay – Co-Secretaries. Also Dot Abbott, Erin Kelley, Jesse Kane, Caroline King, Roberta Howard, Prudy Pike, Joyce Rego, Adrienne Rollo, Sandy Fuller, Eleanor Newman, Ann Zahn, Kathy Tripp, Poochy Ross, Irene Trembly, and Wilda Lewis. The next time you see one of these ladies, please be sure to thank them for the work they do to support Reeds Mill Church. If you would like to join the sewing circle or want to order a quilt, please send an email to reedsmillsewingcircle@gmail.com or Claudia Boucher at 639-5281 or Marie Bubier at 639-4666. For quilt prices see the website.

The church also recognizes the significance of memorial gifts, love gifts, and what goes into the basket each service. ALL of these sources keep Reeds Mill Church going. And although it is good to have the financial needs of the church met, the gathering of worshipers joining together to sing His praises and hear His word, to pray for one another and enjoy the fellowship – these are important, too. Hopefully you will be able to attend a service or two this summer!

The wedding of Laurie Gooding and Wesley Godwin took place in the church on September 10, 2013. May their marriage be well blessed!

Visit our web site at www.reedsmillchurch.org to learn more about the church. Should you ever find the website not up and working, please notify the clerk, Ginni Robie at 207-639-2713 or email vrobie@live.com. These contacts may also be used to arrange for weddings, baptisms, celebration of life and memorial services, retreat bible study time and special services. Reeds Mill Church does not charge for its use; 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. Church information is all you will receive via email.



Reeds Mill Church

c/o 956 Reeds Mill Road - Madrid Twp., ME 04966 207-639-2713
www.reedsmillchurch.org Email: vrobie@live.com