# Middleburgh Reformed Church News & Announcements

**June 2015** 

**Sunday School Year End Celebration**. June 14ththe students will help lead the worship service, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated together with a lunch following.

Saving Past for our Future- a note from Marian Lynes: In the past 300 years of our Middleburgh Church history, perhaps the most severe catastrophe occurred with Storm Irene. The way our congregation responded to it should be recorded for future generations to review.

We need to assemble all pertinent information including reports, publications, CDs, pamphlets, etc for the archival box which is set aside for that purpose. There is a large collection of photos (mostly Jim Spencer's) which needs to be sorted, labeled, and put into albums. (We have albums.) Please plan to stay after coffee hour on June 7, 2015 to start the work on the photos. A few of us can get a lot done. Let's get rolling!

## the Joshua Project

Get involved with various outreach programs-including:

**Meals on Wheels** delivery; working with a partner routes take about 40 minutes to 1 hour. **Summer backpack program** delivers food to families on Thursdays during the summer, drivers and packers welcome.

**Summer School Lunch Program**- serving lunch at the high school for the summer. Serve lunches, once or the entire summer. A sign-up is on The Table.

These, and other efforts, are discussed the monthly Joshua Project meetings in the Public Library Community Room each second Tuesday of the month. You are invited to come and learn more about how you can become involved in helping our neighbors.

Middleburgh Baccalaureate Service: a worship service to thank God for the graduating class and offer a blessing on them, June 21st, 7 p.m. Middleburgh United Methodist Church. A sign-up will be out if you would like to help by providing a dozen cookies.

**No time change** for our worship service during the summer. It will remain at 11 a.m. This will allow you to enjoy a breakfast picnic in the cool of the morning rather than suffering from the heat during lunch.

#### **Operation Christmas Child**

Many children who receive OCC shoeboxes are blessed with something to call their own for the first time in their lives -- a NEW article of clothing! The item to purchase this month for our packing party is **t-shirts**. Some have already been purchased. We are still in need of shirts for boys and girls in the 2-4 age group and the 10-14 age group.

Thank you for supporting OCC with your resources and your prayers.

### **Food Pantry**

Your donations of non-perishable foods are always appreciated in the food pantry. This month you are asked to purchase **canned fruits** and **saltine crackers**. THANK YOU! Please see Russ Ryan to learn about opportunities to serve in the food pantry ministry. Regular and substitute volunteers are needed.

#### **Regular Happenings**

*Bible Study Tuesday*: 1 pm-2:30 at the Spencer's house, studying the Scripture for the coming week in worship.

Bible Study Thursday: 3:30-4:30 p.m. at Marian Lynes' house.

Consistory Meeting: Thursday June 11th, 7 p.m.

#### Consistory

Elders: Sarah Bramer (VP), Kim Smith, Joan Youmans

Deacons: Arleen Kingsbury, Leslie Hooper, Mary Lou Ryan.

Clerk of Consistory: Melissa Yung

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