

Middleburgh Reformed Church
News & Announcements

September 2013

We are going to try this new *News & Announcement* format. Instead of weekly postings with the Order of Worship there will be a monthly page. It will also be available to download on our website. We will try this until December and to see if it works. Thanks! - PJK

Bible Study- beginning September 3rd, on Tuesdays at 1 pm at the Spencer's house. On the 10th we'll meet at the Ryan's house.

Sunday School Year Begins September 8th. At 9:45 am. A calendar and details will be available.

...and a Vroman's Nose Hike- everyone is invited to hike up the Nose.

After worship on the 8th a light lunch will be served (eat a hearty breakfast!) and then we'll head out as a group for the hike.

Lunch will consist of sandwiches, fruit, chips, coffee/juice and cookies. Even if you won't be hiking, please stay and enjoy fellowship over lunch.

Monday Discussion Group: September 16th-October 28th, 7 pm in a classroom in the Hall. We will be discussing *Body & Soul*, by Craig Barnes. Copies of the first chapter are available in the foyer. Books can be purchased online or let Pastor Jeff know by September 4th if you'd like a copy. There is no commitment so come when you can.

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Calendar at a Glance

September

1st: Worship service moves to 11 am.

8th: Sunday School Year Begins, 9:45 am and Vroman's Nose hike.

12th: Consistory Meeting, 7 pm

15th: Choir resumes, 9:45 am
7-8:30 pm : Youth Group

16th: Discussion Group begins

22nd: Sandy and Albino Rodriguez will be with us to share their story with a lunch following worship.

October 2nd: NET Dinner here, 5:30-7 pm.

Ecumenical Food Pantry

Open Wednesdays 4-6;
Saturdays: 9-11 am
and by appointment
827-7121

donations of non-perishable food may be left by the food pantry.

A Visit from Sandy & Albino Rodriguez, missionaries to Peru. On Sunday, the 22nd, they will be talking with the Sunday School, sharing during the worship service and presenting after worship. We will enjoy a lunch together and hear how we can support them in their service. The church has committed to be a Partner in Mission. To read more or give a donation, go to: <https://www.rca.org/rodriguez>

Operation Christmas Child

We ask for your prayers. Please pray that children who have already received shoe box gifts and those who will receive them in the months ahead will develop a strong relationship with our Heavenly Father, rely on God's word, and share the Gospel with friends and family. Pray for the staff and volunteers in both sending and receiving countries that they might be ready for the tasks they are called to perform. Pray for a record number of well-packed shoe boxes in the 2013 campaign. Pray that those who pack shoe boxes will grow in faith.

Please keep the following dates in mind:

Sept. 8 - Choose names of needed items from the gift tree.

Oct. 20 - Gifts for our packing party need to be in on or before this date.

Nov. 3 - Lunch and Packing Party

Nov. 17 - Dedication Sunday

Upcoming Sermons

9/1	2 Corinthians 9:6-15	Generosity
9/8	Luke 13:10-17	The Good News of Restoration
9/15	Mark 10:17-22	The Invitation & Our Comfort
9/22	Romans 1:18-26	Our Misery & Mediator

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:10