

ROUGH & READY RUMBLINGS
JUNE 2023

Salem Church of Rough & Ready
11 Church Road
Klingerstown, PA 17941
Church/Children's Church: 9:00 A.M.
Sunday School: 10:15 A.M.

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INFORMATION FOR THE RUMBLINGS SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE SECRETARY BY THE 15TH.

BIBLE STUDY - Please join us every Sunday after morning church service and every Thursday at 1 PM as we learn about Abraham a Man of Faith. The same material is covered at both sessions so that you have two opportunities to participate in this Bible Study. This is an enlightening weekly study so be sure to bring your Bible, notebook, and pen.

Cemetery Regulations: Planting of shrubs or bushes of any kind will not be allowed. All flowers cut or potted are to be placed on top of the headstone. The cemetery association reserves the right to remove objects and flowers not allowed after May 15th.

Kera was contacted by Jen at the winery for an opportunity to increase our missions fund through the summer months instead of solely relying on the soup sale in November. She has asked if Salem would be interested in doing bake sales and I volunteered that we would gladly accept this opportunity. The first date that is scheduled is Sunday June 25. I am looking for volunteers to provide desserts for this event. They can be dropped off at church in the kitchen and I will be more than happy to put them in individual servings. I was told to plan for approximately 50-100 people. This event's theme is picnic at the winery. She had inquired about "old fashioned desserts" but basically anything that could be brought to a picnic would be great such as pies, cookies, cupcakes etc. I will be putting a sign up sheet downstairs, not to sign up for something specific but to see how many people would be willing to bake so that I can plan for what I need to make. If there are any questions, please contact me. The other dates that I was told about are August 19 as well as September 16.

Sunday, May 28th – Pentecost Sunday.

Sunday, June 4th – Recognition of Grads.

Tuesday, June 6th – Salem Consistory meeting at 7 PM

Sunday, June 11th – Second Sunday after Pentecost. Bible School "PROCLAMATION SAFARI PARK" begins today with registration at 5:30- PM. Please join us Bible Lessons, Snacks, Games and Crafts.

Monday, June 12th thru Thursday, June 15th – Join us every night at 6 PM for Vacation Bible School.

Sunday, June 18th – Third Sunday after Pentecost and Father's Day.

Saturday, June 24th – Men's Fellowship Breakfast at 8 AM.

Sunday, June 25th – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost. “Coffee Shoppe Social” will be held immediately after church to celebrate Father’s Day.

Sunday School Meeting Minutes: May 1, 2023

Treasurer’s Report:

Beginning Balance \$4,189.76

Offering Deposit \$278.00

Ending Balance: \$4,467.76

Old Business:

- The basement cleanout is complete. We will begin cleaning out the Sunday School Classrooms from 11:15 a.m. (following the conclusion of Sunday School) through 12:00 p.m every Sunday until the classrooms are organized. Help would be greatly appreciated from anyone from the congregation.
- The May men’s prayer breakfast will take place on May 20th at Amazing Grace church in Northumberland, PA beginning at 8 a.m.
- The Consistory continues to evaluate a Salem Church Foundation that would provide various fundraising opportunities that would welcome ideas for fundraising from Sunday School. No further updates to date on this foundation.
- Brock will address the slow speed and connection of the internet.

New Business:

- We will add a note in the bulletin notifying the congregation that snacks are served at Children’s Church and Sunday school. Parents of students with dietary restrictions or food allergies need to notify teachers of their child’s dietary needs.
- Discussed a Father’s Day celebration event and decided that the Sunday School will host a “Coffee Shoppe Social” on June 25th immediately following the church service. Coffee will be provided and the congregation is encouraged to bring a baked good or pastry item to share.
- Discussed plans for the July 8th Sunday School picnic at Knoebels Amusement Park - Pavilion “U.” There will be no Sunday School this day.
- Nominations for Sunday School officers are open now through May 14, 2023. The election of officers will take place on May 21, 2023.
- We will continue with a combined Sunday School class through Rally Day and reassess classroom sizes and materials later this summer.
- Discussed hosting a youth activity sometime over the summer.
- Vacation Bible School Planning continues.
- Dates: June 11-15, 2023
- Times: 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. nightly (Registration will begin at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 11, 2023)
- Ages: 2 Years - 16 Years Old
- Theme: “Proclamation Safari Park”

Sunday School Calendar of Events (Second Quarter):

- May 18: Ascension Day Service at 7:00 p.m.
 - May 21: Mother/Daughter Banquet
- May 21: Election of Sunday School Officers
 - June 4: Recognition of Graduates Sunday

- June 11 - 15: Vacation Bible School “Proclamation Safari Park”
- June 25: Father’s Day “Coffee Shoppe Social”

Salem Church of Rough & Ready Consistory Meeting May 2, 2023

Present: Pastor Mantz, Mike Masser, Dan Scheib, Randy Wehry, Louise Rothermel, Arlin Weikel, Andy Kuczala, Matt Lucas, Dorothy Brown, Brock Klinger

Opening Devotional:

From Exodus Ch 35 and 36: We find the secret to making God’s work happen. It’s not hidden. It’s just overlooked. Moses called the Israelites together and said, “From what you have, take an offering to the Lord.” They were to take an offering for the Lord, but God only wanted gifts from those that were willing. The only qualification is the willingness of the heart. In Vs 21, everyone who was willing brought an offering. They were those with a tender heart for God. In Vs 22, all who were willing, men and women, alike were involved. They brought jewelry and ornaments of all kinds. In Vs 26, all the women who were willing and had skill spun the fabrics. The things they made were skillfully made, but God was most concerned with willingness. Why is it specified, “All the Israelite men and women?” They were a mixed multitude, but it was only the Israelites that had willing hearts. In Ch 36, Moses called on specialized craftsmen, but what mattered most was their willingness. In Vs 4, the craftsmen were overwhelmed with the amount of contributions. Why were the Israelites so willing to give? God had freed them from slavery, and they were grateful.

No formal minutes were recorded for the April meeting.

Treasurer’s Report:

Current \$283,432.62

Benevolence \$8,735.24

Building \$7,187.83

New Business:

- Residential
 - Fixed the drain outside the church, and extended it so it would be blocked.
 - Fixed the motion sensor switch in the restroom.
 - Safety light was fixed.
- Communion on the 14th
 - Mike and Brock will be out, so we need coverage.
 - Mindy is playing, so Arlin will cover.
- Pastor Mantz as love offering
 - Offering will carry through June 4th.
- Mini splits
 - Each unit has a serial number and warranty.
 - Mike will try to coordinate a meeting with the installer to teach a few people how to use them.
- Furnace
 - There’s an issue with the suction. When the oil is down to 12 inches, the suction won’t pull oil in. Jim is going to have it looked at.
- Steeple
 - Arlin talked to Jim soon after he attached the louvered doors. 6”+ screws were necessary to attach the louver because so much of the wood was rotten.
 - The steeple has two sets of doors - one facing the parking lot, and one facing the opposite. The doors fell off because the wood rotted away that the hinges were attached to.
 - The cross at the top is also in bad shape.
 - If it continues as it is now, it may be necessary to replace the entire steeple.

- Jim thought he might know someone with a lift high enough to reach it.
- The first step will be for Dan to talk to Jim about how to handle the repairs.
- CDs
- We could take money out of the current fund and invest it. The rates right now are around 5% on 9 month investments of new money.
- Arlin will call and gather details. If all is well, we may invest \$25,000 per quarter for the next four quarters. At maturity, that's up to \$5,000 gain for little effort.
- Allergy notice
- We'll put a disclaimer message in the bulletin letting parents know:
 - Sunday School teachers often bring snacks
 - Those snacks may contain allergens
 - If their child has allergies, please notify a Sunday School teacher
- Communion cards
- We'll allow them to run out without ordering more since we don't enforce restrictions on communion anyway.
- Shelly Hikes
- She'll be visiting from Schuylkill County CEF this week. We'll donate the loose offering to her.
- Cemetery
- Steve Haas contacted Mike about transferring property to expand the cemetery.
- May activities
- Mother-Daughter Banquet
- Entrance ramp repair
- Ascension Day - May 18th at 7. There will be no communion.
- Audio during services
- We've been using the bluetooth microphone for broadcasting the service. The audio quality is not sufficient. Brock will investigate different solutions.
- Air conditioners
- The old window units are no longer necessary and could be donated if anyone wants them.

Pastor Mantz provided a detailed activity report for the month of April.

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was closed with all present reciting the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Brock Klinger

Recording Secretary

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT FROM APRIL

Current Fund Income: \$10,033.00
 Current Fund Expenses: \$13,560.13
 End of Month Balance: \$283,432.62

Janitor for June is Marvin Tobias.

Results of the Sunday School Election of Officers

President: Brock Klinger
 Superintendent: Jacob Masser

Secretary: Madeline Klinger
 Treasurer: Carol Kerstetter

<u>Date</u>	<u>Children's Church Leader</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>
June 4 th	Carol Kersteter	Tyler Heim
June 11 th	Tricia Morrison	Sarah Schaible
June 18 th	Laura Smith	Ethan Lenker
June 25 th	Tina Novinger	Marian Heim

ALTAR FLOWERS

June 4th In Memory of Rachael Kehler Webb by the Family
 June 11th
 June 18th
 June 25th

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1 Allen Troutman
 6 Ray Williard
 Alvin Shaffer
 8 Janesa Klinger
 Andrew Kuczala
 13 David Kimmel
 14 Rick Snyder
 Amanda Lenker
 15 Carol Heim
 Wesley Rothermel
 16 Brent Buffington
 Marvin Tobias
 Patty Drumheller
 18 Presli Poletti
 Bryant Klinger
 19 David Roadcap
 21 Giana Frederick
 Sandra Schreck

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

22 Bronson Reed
 23 Sandra Rothermel
 Sandra KnorrShaver
 24 Mark Brown
 Tristan Schwartz
 Douglas Williard
 25 Chase Gemberling
 Ella Gemberling
 27 Lanie Shaffer
 Russell Rose
 Tanner Reed
 28 Benjamin Gessner
 Riley Rothermel
 29 Zachary Dietrich
 30 Carol Snyder
 Heidi Wehry

2 Charles & Linda Fetterolf
 12 Willard & June Haas
 15 Ray & Eleanor Williard
 18 Patrick & Alician Morgan
 20 Bryant & Diane Klinger
 24 Chris & Tammy Klinger
 26 Dan & Beth Scheib

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