

Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church of Newberry

1701 Main Street, Newberry, SC 29108

December 2023

Shut-In of the Month

Vernetha Renwick



Newberry, SC 29108

Prayer List

James and Faye Hill,
Richard Lominick,
Lillian Price, Judy
Harmon, Vernetha
Renwick

Ministry Schedule

Sunday

9:45 am

Sunday School

10:30 am

Cong. Assembly

10:55 am

Worship

Wednesday

6:10 pm

Family Feast

Thursday

Noon

Community Bible
Study

Update from the Session

Below is a summary of the actions taken by the Session at their November meeting:

1. The October Financial Report and the October Diaconate minutes were received as information. The October Session minutes were approved.
2. The shepherding concerns of the congregation were discussed.
3. The proposed 2024 budget was approved for adoption by the congregation.
4. The Annual Business Meeting is scheduled for Dec. 3 immediately following the worship service.
5. The Meals on Wheels gift bags will be prepared on Wednesday, Dec. 13 during the Family Feast.
6. The Session's next stated meeting is December 19, 6:00 PM.

If you have any questions, please speak with an elder.



PRAYER CHAIN

If you have a prayer request, please communicate with **Marc Faulkenberry** or **Pastor Seth** to be distributed via email.

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congregational meeting



Annual Congregational Business Meeting

The Session has called a congregational meeting on **December 3** immediately following the worship service to: adopt the 2024 Budget, elect church officers, and conduct any other business.



December 20, 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring an hors d'oeuvre to share. After eating, we will go caroling the local shut-ins of the church.

BUDGET Data as of Nov. 19, 2023

Receipt	\$187,130.70
Need	\$167,641.95

CHRISTMAS EVE
CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
OF LESSONS AND CAROLS
DECEMBER 24, 5:00 PM

Discipleship Ministry

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

Matthews 28:19-20



Growing in your walk with the Lord was not meant to be accomplished on your own. Would you like to participate in a discipleship relationship where you are encouraging and being encouraged in your walk with the Lord? If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, please communicate with Jason McCoy.

Cell: [REDACTED]

Email: mccoyguns33@gmail.com

**Newberry Community
BIBLE STUDY**

**Newberry ARP Church
Thursday Noon - 1 PM**

The Newberry Community Bible Study meets on Thursdays at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to participate. Please invite friends in the community. We are continuing our study of the Gospel of John. Recordings of past lessons are available on the church website.

ATTENTION LADIES

Join us for the

**EISING
BABY
Shower**

IT'S A GIRL!



Saturday, December 2, 9:30 AM

Fellowship Hall

Registered at Amazon

Drew & Lauren Goodman - Uganda/SEED Ministry



Drew & Lauren joined World Witness in 2015, serving in Barry, Wales at Christ Church Presbyterian, a revitalization church plant in partnership with the EPCEW. As pastor, Drew was responsible for preaching, evangelism, outreach, and field development. In Aug 2023, the Goodmans transitioned to Uganda, where Drew is on faculty at African Bible University in Kampala. As part of the WW

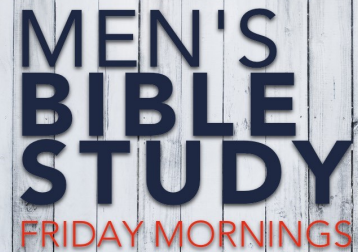


SEED Ministry team, he also trains and mentors church leaders in nearby countries. Drew graduated from Moody Bible Institute, Reformed Theological Seminary, and received his PhD from Westminster Theological Seminary. The Goodmans have four children: Geneva - 14, Peter - 12, Luke - 10, Timothy - 5.

Summary of our First Semester

- **African Bible University:** Drew taught several courses and preached often in chapel and on Sunday evenings. He presented at an ABU conference which highlighted “Christ in all of the Scriptures.” Next semester, Drew is scheduled to teach Greek, Biblical Theology, and Preaching.
- **SEED Rwanda:** Drew will be with our SEED/Erskine students in Nyabihu, Rwanda for Biblical Theology from 8–12 January (God willing).
- **African Reformation Theological Seminary:** Drew will teach *Luke-Acts* from January 15–19 and *Romans* from May 20–24 (God willing).
- **Encouraging Ugandan Churches:** Our family has enjoyed fellowship at a local Presbyterian church (RCEA - Reformed Church in East Africa). Drew was invited to attend Presbytery meetings, to get to know others in the denomination, and to participate in training new officers for the congregation. He preached at Kajansi Presbyterian Church (PCU - Presbyterian Church of Uganda) and the Christian Faith Centre Church in the Kayunga District. We pray for opportunities to build relationships with churches, future students, and to encourage leaders.
- **Lauren’s Involvements:** Schooling has continued with the benefit of many children and a large co-op on campus. Lauren hosts a group of young girls on Saturdays to listen to Bible teaching and discuss application. Lauren organized the first-ever Reformation Day celebration at ABU and has planned for the first week of January a short-term missions team which will feature an evangelistic dental clinic and sports outreach. As always, Lauren has been quick to make friends and enrich the community and the Church.

On Friday mornings, 6:45 AM, several men gather at Doug Wicker's home for a time of food, fellowship, Bible Study, and prayer. Pastor Seth leads an interactive study (currently *2 Peter*). Email Doug to be added to the weekly reminder.



**MEN'S
BIBLE
STUDY**
FRIDAY MORNINGS



All singles and widows are invited to share in this monthly fellowship meal following the worship service. We will next meet on December 10th.

SUNDAY MORNING CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Everyone is invited to gather in the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday mornings from 10:30 AM to 10:50 AM** to nurture *koinonia* with one another. Drinks and refreshments are provided.

Wednesday Night Family Feast

Sharing a meal, nurturing intergenerational relationships, praising the Lord in song, studying the Heidelberg Catechism, and seeking the Lord in prayer. These are some of the blessings we enjoy on Wednesday nights, starting at 6:10 PM. Join your church family and grow in faith and love for one another!

Women's Ministry

2023 Theme Verse: Revelation 21:3-4 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them and they will be His people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

ARP Women's Ministries is an organization which encourages, equips, and connects the community of ARP women to minister together for God's glory and purpose.

Our desire is that all women in the ARP Church will: Know Jesus Intimately, Love Jesus Faithfully, and Serve Jesus Fruitfully.

*The Morning Circle will meet on **Tuesday, December 5**, at **10:00 AM** in the Fellowship Hall for Bible study, prayer, and fellowship. We are studying the book of Revelation. Please read Revelation chapters 22 in preparation for our study. Marcia Cole will be leading our study.*

Everyone is asked to bring a snack to share for the fellowship time.

Are you free on the first Tuesday of the month? The Morning Circle is always open for new members or visitors!!



There is a **ministry** in our church that can easily be overlooked but is **critical** to our church's vitality. As the Lord graciously grows our church, the need for **nursery volunteers** increases. Currently, we have **eight** workers who serve during the worship on a rotational schedule. Would you please **prayerfully consider** volunteering, if not on the regular rotation, possibly some other schedule? Anyway you can **serve** will lesson the load on the regular volunteers. **Many hands make light work!** Please communicate with **Katie Eising**, if you are willing to **serve in any capacity!**

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We're on the web
NewberryARP.org

Flowers

3 - Shirley Mohler
10, 17, 24 - Poinsettias
31 - TBD

Nursery

3 - Elizabeth Yi (Allison Yi)
10 - Merri Avery (Kathy Wicker)
17 - Katie Eising (Edith Bedenbaugh)
24 - Allison Yi (Marisol Stevenson)
31 - Kathy Wicker (Janet Porth)

Ushers

3 - Aaron Eising & Marc Faulkenberry
10 - Cecil McRacken & Herb Seigler
17 - Chip Porth & Adam Petty
24 - Keith Avery & Jason McCoy
31 - TBD