

# Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church of Newberry

## Shut In of the Month

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July 2018

## Update from the Session

Below is a summary of the actions taken by the elders at the June meeting:

1. The May Financial Report was reviewed and received as information.
2. The May stated session minutes were approved.
3. The shepherding concerns on the church were discussed.
4. The next Fellowship Meal is scheduled for July 29.
5. Missions Committee: 1) 8 new backpacks will be purchased for next years program. 2) We will participate in the Free Medical Clinic workday (interior painting) on July 21.
6. A speaker from Chosen People Ministries will give a presentation on "Messiah in the Passover" on a Wednesday evening in the future.
7. The next stated Session meeting is July 25.

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



## PRAYER CHAIN

If you have an urgent prayer request, please email or call **Marc Faulkenberry**, and he will distribute it via email. If you would like to be **added** to the distribution list, please email Marc. It is a privilege to lift up others in prayer to our great God.

prayers4newberry@gmail.com  
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## Manna House Food Pantry

**Cereal, Instant Potatoes, &  
Sugar**

The Manna House box is in the Main Street vestibule.

"...the Lord Jesus Himself said, 'there is more happiness in giving than in receiving.'" Acts 20:35

## Prayer List

**David Bunn - military;**  
**Betty Bland, Nelle Cromer,**  
**Pat Harmon, Mark**  
**McGuffee.**

## Ministry Schedule

### Sunday

9:45 am  
Sunday School  
10:55 am  
Worship

### Wednesday

6:30 pm  
Bible Study/Prayer  
6:15 pm

## FINANCIAL DATA as of June 20, 2018

Budget Receipts	\$ 77,750.91
Budget Needs	\$ 82,999.75



On **July 29**, following the worship service, we will share a covered-dish meal in the Fellowship Hall. More details to come.

## *Thank You!!!*

Dear ARP Newberry Family,  
Thank you very much for the possibility and openness to welcome my private students and friends for their Spring recital in your Fellowship hall!

I was very happy to see many of you there, enjoying all the musicians and their music! Also it is a big help and support for my private studio in Newberry, to make such an event possible! I am very grateful!

Alice Ramirez



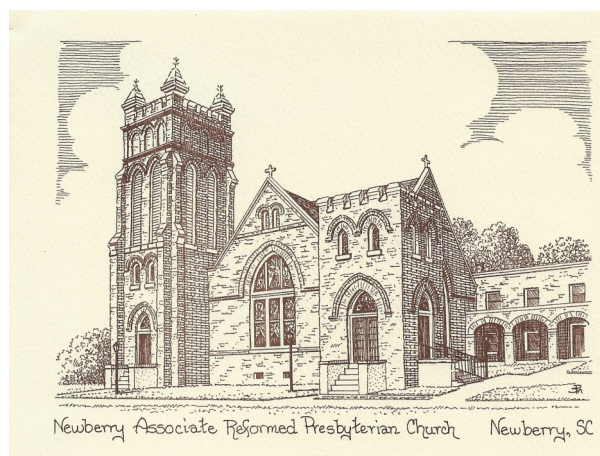
Our theme Scripture for 2018 is Genesis 17:7 - "I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you." (NIV)

*ARP Women's Ministries is an organization which encourages and equips 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, July 10** at 10 am in the Carson Room for Bible study, prayer, and fellowship. Marcie Cole will be leading the Bible study on the life of Abraham. Light refreshments will be served by Harriet Boazman and Edith Bedenbaugh. The Circle is always open for new members; contact Carolyn Fulmer for further information.*

***ALL LADIES ARE WELCOME!!!***



Newberry Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church Newberry, SC

We recently reprinted the Church note cards. They are packaged 12 cards/envelopes to a box and the cost is **\$5.00**. If you are interested in purchasing a pack or two they are located in the office. If paying by check please make them payable to Women's Ministries.



Love to eat? Love to Fellowship? Come join **The Wednesday Lunch Bunch** on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday** of each month for lunch.

The Over 55 group has a new name and **no age limit**. We want to encourage others to come and join us for “good ole fellowship” and food. We are a “real laid back” group of people who just love to talk and eat. We try a different restaurant each month and occasionally we do go out of town for lunch.

Our July outing will be on **July 18** at **The Grille on Main** at **11:30 am**. After lunch we will stroll down the street to The Corner Scoop for dessert. Put this date on your calendar and join a fun group for a time of fellowship!!!!

*On two warm, beautiful, sunny days in June, the women hosted birthday parties at JF Hawkins/Springfield and White Oak Manor nursing facilities.*

*We were honored to serve over 60 people ice cream, cake and drinks. We had 16 residents to celebrate June birthdays and each was given a bag of goodies from the church.*

*Thanks to those who baked cakes, provided drinks, played the piano, and helped to serve the residents.*

*Would you like to put a smile on someone's face???? Stop by and say hello to any of the residents at the nursing home. If you will come away with a smiling face and a warm heart.*





## MISSIONS FOCUS

### Featured Field – Pakistan



Located in southeast Asia, it is a predominately Muslim country. More than 98% of the people living in the country have not heard and accepted the Gospel Message. Less than 1% of the population is Christian. Unfortunately, there are many obstacles to sharing the Gospel in Pakistan. Much of the country is rural and illiterate. Because Islam is the official religion of the country, Christians often face opposition in their work.

#### Praises

- Christian Hospital Sahiwal has been approved to offer a 4-year BSN Program.
- Renovations being made at the ARP Christian School for additional boys and girls.
- Hospital staff have opportunities to pray with those receiving medical treatment.
- Children are receiving a Christ-centered education.

#### Prayers

- For the health and safety of the missionaries serving in Pakistan.
- That God would lead more missionaries to take the Gospel to the Pakistani people.
- For doctors to serve at Christian Hospital Sahiwal.
- For teachers to serve in the ARP Mission Schools.

### What is 2-2-20?

22  
20

World Witness is asking every ARP church to submit 2 names of 2 potential missionaries by the year 2020 (Hence 2-2-20).

The 2-2-20 initiative is your chance to join World Witness and the ARP denomination in a new era of missions. When an entire congregation **daily** engages in prayer for God to call a new generation of missionaries, the INESCAPABLE OUTCOME is a thriving congregation involved in next-door and worldwide missions.

Will you be part of this bold embrace of the Great Commission and participate in reaching thousands with the Gospel?

#### How do I pray?

- \* Boldness in encouraging young people to seek God's will for their lives.
- \* The Lord to raise up missionaries from your congregation.
- \* Courage to ask – "Lord, are you calling me?"
- \* Strength, protection, anointing for present WW missionaries.

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## Report of the 2018 General Synod Meeting by Andre Jennings

The 214<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the General Synod of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church was a tremendous blessing. I was reminded of the blessing it is to serve in Christ's Church. The worship and singing at the beginning of each business meeting were beautiful and uplifting. The second day of Synod began with a sermon led by Pastor Andrew Di Iulio of the Devenger Road Presbyterian Church. After a short recess, we heard from the PCA Fraternal delegate who brought greetings and gave an update of ministries in their church.

Business began with the Special Committee to Revise the Book of Discipline. After much discussion, their recommendations were not approved by the court. Instead a substitute motion to refer the document for review to the Committee on Theological and Social Concerns was approved. The next order of business were the recommendations from the special committee on the 2019 Synod Logistics that will be held in conjunction with the RPCNA in Beaver Falls, PA on June 11-13. All the recommendations were approved. The Special Committee on Directory of Private/Family Worship recommended that the Moderator of General Synod appoint a committee to produce a new "Directory of Private and Family Worship" was approved. The recommendations from the Special Committee on Domain Names were approved which authorized Central Services to trademark the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church name, along with simple variations of the ARPC name, and the ARPC logo. Following this, the delegates watched a video produced by the Committee on Campus Ministry Oversight which highlighted the expansion of the RUF Ministry in the ARP which now includes Rev. Josh Grimm at Queens University of Charlotte, Rev. Scott Andes at the University of South Carolina, ministering specifically to international students, and Rev. Paul Patrick at Erskine College. The General Synod approved the recommendations from the committee on Inter-Church Relations which included sending fraternal delegates to the OPC, RPCNA, EPC, EPCEW, and EPCI to their General Assemblies later this summer. The Synod received and approved the recommendations from the Committee on Investment followed by the approval of the recommendations from the Minister and His Work committee as well as the Committee on Worship. Rev. Mike Jones updated the Synod on new church development and the vision of Outreach North America for continued growth of our denomination. Currently, ONA is supporting 12 new church developments in 7 presbyteries along with exploring additional fields for 2019. After much discussion on their budget, all of their recommendations were approved.

After lunch, the Synod reconvened, and worship was led by Rev. John Paul Marr giving a message on Isaiah 7:1-9. Following the message, greetings were brought by the fraternal delegate from the OPC and a prayer was offered on behalf of the OPC. Business resumed with the recommendations from the William H. Dunlap Orphanage being approved. Dr. Leslie Holmes, Provost for Erskine Seminary, presented the Synod with an update of the Seminary and the plans for a extension campus in Greenville, followed by a report by Dr. Gustafson, president of Erskine College. All the recommendations from Erskine College and Theological Seminary were approved. The recommendations from the Board of Stewardship, the Executive Board, and Bonclarken were all approved. Mr. Alex Pettett, Executive Director of World Witness, introduced Rev. Zeeshan Sadiq who spoke of the work of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church in Pakistan, giving an update on the state of the ARP in Pakistan. Mr. Pettett also presented his report and World Witness' vision of "2-2-20" where WW is asking for every ARP church to submit 2 names of 2 potential missionaries to WW by 2020. The other recommendations from WW were also approved by the Synod.

Synod reconvened for the evening in the Chapel where Rev. Clint Davis preached a message from Joshua 1. Greetings were then brought by the fraternal delegate from the RPCNA. Business resumed with a memorial presented by First Presbytery requesting that the Synod study the nature of authority as it relates to the Diaconate. This was approved by the court. First Presbytery also presented a memorial to establish a New Eastern NC Presbytery which will be comprised of 16 churches and 5 church plants in western North Carolina. All the recommendations in this memorial were approved.

Some of the other significant motions approved included: removing the president of the Alumni Association as a voting member of the Erskine Board; Leslie Holmes, Provost of ETS, elected as Moderator Elect, and Rob Roy McGregor, III, an elder at Back Creek ARP Church in Charlotte, NC as Vice Moderator Elect.



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We're on the web  
[NewberryARP.org](http://NewberryARP.org)

## Flowers for July

1 - Communion

8 - Merri Avery

15 - Doris Singley

22 - Kathy Wicker    29 - Kristy Jennings

## Nursery for July

1 - Shannon Winters & Abigail Yi

8 - Merri Avery & Caleb Jennings

15 - Joanna Bedenbaugh

22 - Rachel Faulkenberry & Elizabeth Yi    29 - Catherine Faulkenberry & Noah Yi

## Ushers for July

1 - Gene Wicker, Marc Faulkenberry, Keith Avery, Benjamin Jennings

8 - George Farris, Keith Avery, Lee Winters, Joseph Yi

15 - Lee Ringer, Jean Williamson, Aaron Eising, David Jennings

22 - Doug Wicker, Cecil McRacken, Herb Seigler, Noah Yi

29 - Gene Wicker, Marc Faulkenberry, Keith Avery, Benjamin Jennings

