

REDEEMER MORAVIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER JUNE - JULY 2026

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2026 CRMC Watchword:

“Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them,
and we will come to them and make our home with them.” John 14:23

After Pentecost: What Happens Next?

School is out, and the weather finally feels like summer in Ohio. What are you doing this summer? What’s next for you? Is this the year to finally start a garden, take that trip you’ve been planning, or spend a morning exploring God’s creation at a local park or botanical garden?

This season of summer, for us, coincides with the long liturgical season we call *after Pentecost*. Indeed, what happened after the crowds dissipated, after the flame-like tongues disappeared, after the wind died down ... what happened *after* Pentecost?

The outpouring of the Holy Spirit inspired and prepared the disciples to respond with boldness. After Pentecost, they continued to gather, to pray, and to care for one another. But they also responded with confidence and urgency—to share and to *become* the Good News. Wherever they went—to the market, to visit a neighbor, or on a journey or from the confines of prison —they made it their mission to bring healing and to inspire hope among the suffering.

What comes to mind when you consider your own experiences of God’s transforming power at work in your life? Jesus promises that through baptism, we have received the power of the Holy Spirit. That Spirit is always at work in and through us— but the power of Pentecost is expressed in what happens next!

More than the mysterious moment of the Spirit’s outpouring, it was what happened *after* that changed everything. When the disciples left that room and stepped into the world, the Holy Spirit continued to be poured out. As they shared the promises of baptism, they were transformed—and so were those they encountered.

We are now more than halfway through our 40th year of celebration, and much has happened in and through our congregation. We have been blessed and have also been a blessing through gifts of food, connection, and service. Our returning gardeners have brought friends this season, we have welcomed new ministry partners, and we are completing important repairs to our roof and facility.

As we move into this season after Pentecost, may we continue to experience the outpouring of the Holy Spirit—renewing our hope and strengthening our courage as a community of faith. May our hearts be warmed and our faith deepened as we proclaim the Good News. Whether you find yourselves serving others or being served, on a mission or on vacation, attending camp or supporting others who go, whether you are sent or sending—you are called and empowered with the Holy Spirit to be witnesses to God’s love and mercy in the world.

Excited to see what happens NEXT for you!

Pastor Tracy

40th YEAR CHALLENGE MAY UPDATE
November 2025 - November 2026

1. FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

May – Ramen
Collected – 110 packages!

2. NEW VISITORS

May = 2 (24 total)
40th year GOAL – 40

3. ABOVE and BEYOND FUND

May \$800 = \$16,281 total
40th year GOAL = \$40,000

JUNE'S COLLECTION – **CANND MEAT or BEANS REDEEMER CHURCH**

JULY'S COLLECTION – **HANDSOAP REDEEMER CHURCH**

If you are interested in Electronic Giving for regular offering or our Above and Beyond account you may use the this QR code.



MAY BOARD REPORT

Pastor's report was given.

Financial report approved.

- 40th year Challenge progress reported
- Further roofing repairs approved
- Parsonage repairs discussed
- Building Use requests approved
- Discussed gardens
- Joint Board Retreat, PEC plan

2026 CHURCH BOARDS

Members serving on the Joint Boards for 2026 are:

Elders:

Dee Brooke
Gail Dufford - Jt. Brd. Secretary
Jenny Hammond
Susan Heeter
Karen Jackson
Vicki Minard - Vice Chair

Trustees:

Carl Dufford - President
Don Gerbig
Marcie Hoffman
Michael Kilmartin
Dan Minard - Vice Pres.
Keith Schneider

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The adult Sunday School class continues during the summer. "Story-Tellers, Poets, and Prophets" is a study of the Bible.

You are welcome to join us any time at 9:30 am for coffee/tea and conversation... bring a friend and your favorite Bible (or borrow one from the library if you forget).

MINISTRY TO CHILDREN – LAMB JAM!



An addition to our worship service is "Lamb Jam". Evie Blum is offering an option for ministry to children that will allow the children to stay in the sanctuary and allow their parents a moment to worship with a little less distraction, while keeping the children involved in the day's worship theme.

Each week, she provides an activity at a small table placed over to the side of the sanctuary. Each week's activity is themed with the scripture/sermon focus for the week.

LEGOS NEEDED

Evie is looking for Classic Legos for the Lamb Jam space.
Do you have some Classic Legos you would be willing to donate?
Please let Evie or the church office know!



ROOF REPAIR UPDATE

Our partial roof repair and front of the church improvements have been completed. Visit our Facebook page to see what all was done. The roof project (phase 2) has been approved and will begin in a few weeks.

**Our Above and Beyond Fund helps cover the costs of these projects.

If you would like to help out, our Electronic Giving QR code is listed at the beginning of the newsletter with the 40th year challenge information.



PRAYER CONCERNS Peace in our world, nation's leaders, Iran, service men and their families, Penny Surber, Tracy Pryor Poole and family, Susan's brother, Penny Surber, Fran's mom, all ESL students, Vicki's co-worker Amber, Karen's sister-in-law Lori, Keith Schneider, Jenifer Russell, John Hammond, Vicki's mother Mitzi, Joshua Dufford (job), Joan Daley, Marsha's family, Mike (cancer), Joe and Judy (tumor and blood disorder), Elizabeth Rendi (transplant list), all healthcare staff, Ukrainians, the Middle East, Slovenians



PRAISE: Those who give freely to assist in the church, diverse people gathering together, those who serve faithfully

SUMMER CHOIR

Our choir will continue through June/July and will take August "off" for sabbath rest. They will resume rehearsals and singing after Labor Day.

ESL CLASSES

Classes meet Wednesdays at 7:00 in the church library. To register please email the church office or pick up a registration form from our community service bulletin board.

SUMMER CHURCH CAMPS

Calling all campers and staff! Get ready for Tar Hollow and Bethany!



Camp Tar Hollow: July 19-25 (staff Day is July 18). For campers who have completed 7th grade through age 21.

Camp Bethany: August 3-7 (staff Day is August 2). For campers who have completed 2nd through 6th grade.

Visit msymc.weebly.com for more details.

Contact the church office for printed registration forms.

JUNE CALENDAR

JUNE

7 Sunday Adult Sunday School 9:30
Worship

9 Tuesday Joint Board 7:00

10 Wednesday ESL 7:00

11 Thursday Choir 7:00

14 Sunday Adult Sunday School 9:30
Worship 11:30

17 Wednesday ESL 7:00

18 Thursday Choir 7:00

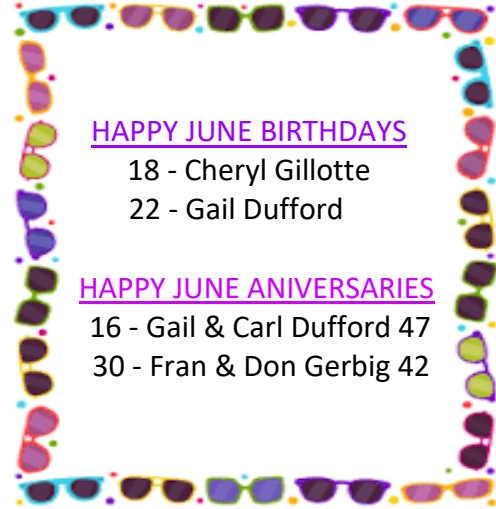
21 Sunday Adult Sunday School 9:30
Worship 10:30
HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

24 Wednesday ESL 7:00

24-27 Wed-Sat. Synod

25 Thursday Choir 7:00

28 Sunday Adult Sunday School 9:30
Worship 10:30



HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAYS

18 - Cheryl Gillotte

22 - Gail Dufford

HAPPY JUNE ANIVERSARIES

16 - Gail & Carl Dufford 47

30 - Fran & Don Gerbig 42

JULY CALENDAR

JULY

1 Wednesday ESL 7:00

2 Thursday Choir 7:00

4 Saturday HAPPY, SAFE FOURTH

6 Sunday Adult Sunday School 9:30
Worship 10:30, Communion

8 Wednesday ESL 7:00

9 Thursday Choir 7:00

12 Sunday Adult Sunday School 9:30
Worship 10:30

14 Tuesday Joint Board 7:00

15 Wednesday ESL 7:00

16 Thursday Choir 7:00

19-25 Sun.-Sat. Tar Hollow

19 Sunday Adult Sunday School 9:30
Worship 10:30

22 Wednesday ESL 7:00

23 Thursday Choir 7:00

26 Sunday Adult Sunday School 9:30
Worship 10:30



JULY BIRTHDAYS

13 Emma Hammond

21 Thomas Merrick

31 Rylynn Seagle

ANNIVERSARY

23 June & Jim Stoycheff (51)

FOOD PANTRY



Redeemer has an ongoing collection for food pantry items. We continuously give to the Smoky Row Food Pantry. Your donations are always appreciated.

Any nonperishable, unopened, unexpired items will be accepted. Monetary donations also accepted, payable to Smoky Row Food Pantry. You can drop your items off at the church.

EARTH and CUP

Earth and Cup is a nonprofit 501c3 ministry co-founded by Pastor Tracy and Mike with a holistic approach to healing and transformation. Redeemer Moravian partners with Earth and Cup by offering classroom space for movement classes and activities. Earth and Cup offers group classes, private sessions, and workshops for the community on a pay-as-able basis. All are welcome!

Find out more and discover upcoming classes/private session/workshops at <http://earthandcup.com/>
You may also email them directly at: earthandcup@gmail.com.



ENJOY!