



The Reedville Presbyterian Church

Weekly E-Update

**For the week beginning with worship
in person/virtually on Sunday, August 23, 2026**

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Liturgical Color:
Green

Sunday's Worship Text: Amos 5:18-24 and Mark 8:1-8
(Visit BibleGateway.com for text.)

Invitation to Discipleship (ITD) Schedule: 1st Sunday-Deacons, 2nd- B&G, 3rd-Worship Committee, 4th-Faith Formation, 5th-WFWA.

Eight Days at Reedville, August 23, 2026 – August 30, 2026

Sun. Aug. 23:	9:30 am – Sunday Worship (<i>In-person and Virtual</i>) 10:45 am – Fellowship Hall 11:00 am – Crafternoon (Hall) 2:00 pm – Iglesia de Cristo (Hall, 6 hrs)
Mon. Aug. 24:	6:00 pm – Nose Work Detectives (Bldg., 1.5 hrs) 7:00 pm – Community Craft Night (Sanctuary)
Tues. Aug. 25:	6:30 pm – Boy Scouts (Hall, 3 hrs) 7:00 pm – Iglesia Church Prayer Meeting (2 hrs)
Wed. Aug. 26:	7:00 pm – Iglesia Church (Classroom) 7:30 pm – AA Big Book (Hall, 2 hrs)
Thurs. Aug. 27:	6:00 pm – Nose Work Detectives (Bldg., 1.5 hrs) 7:00 pm – Tutoring Time (Sanctuary)
Fri. Aug. 28:	6:00 pm – Iglesia de Cristo (Hall, 5 hrs)
Sat. Aug. 29:	9:00 am – Iglesia de Cristo (Hall, 4 hrs) 10:00 am – St. Aiden's Group - Sanctuary (4 hrs)
Sun. Aug. 30:	9:30 am – Sunday Worship (<i>In-person and Virtual</i>) 10:45 am – Fellowship Hall 2:00 pm – Iglesia de Cristo (Hall, 6 hrs)

News and Updates

We are united in Christ, and what a joy that is! This summer we have been looking at the creeds and confessions from our Reformed Tradition. We are reformed and always reforming. This Sunday August 23rd is the final sermon in the series. We will focus on the Confession of Belhar which was written in South Africa in response to Apartheid and the segregation in the Church there and all the evils that occurred.

The Confession declares “we believe...” and then says, “Therefore we reject...” Have you ever thought about what you believe? And further about what is rejected based on those beliefs? Like the writers of the Confession of Belhar, “we believe that unity is both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ.” What does that look like? Unity does not mean that we all believe exactly the same and have the same exact priorities in every situation, but it does mean that we put the value of Jesus as Lord as the guiding force behind all we do as the church and all we are. What do we reject because we believe that we are called to unity? How does our unity play out in real life? I think prayer time is one beautiful example of our unity. It is a wonderful thing to see all the compassion for one another and those around the world as prayers are lifted up each Sunday.

Monday we had a one day VBS. It was really fun! I’m so appreciative of those that helped make it a success by planning and action: Helen Stevens, Kathy Stevens, Crystal Rae, Sofie Westcott, Emily Weller, Preston Weller, Lila Wilson and Miguel, Kenny, Kaleb and Aurora.

The Ice Cream Social was great too! Thank you to all who came and mingled with our neighbors and who set up and served ice cream and those who advertised! We are strengthening our skills in reaching out beyond our walls and welcoming those around us.

Thank you for a wonderful summer!!

Love,

Pastor Paulette

Resume Improvement Fund

Last Sunday Deacons shared about the Resume Improvement Fund (RIF) in the Invitation to Discipleship. RIF offers modest grants of up to \$50 for a wide variety of activities intended to improve or add skills for people connected to the church. For instance, in recent years grants have been made to cover books, online training, driving lessons, and a food-handlers license.

RIF grants are funded through a monthly transfer of 10% of any undesignated donations to the Deacons. We currently keep enough funding on hand for two grants, at which point the monthly 10% transfer goes to the Food Pantry instead. Deacons are solely funded through donations from the congregation. If you would like to make one, use a green Deacon envelope in the pews or identify your intent on the memo line of a check.

August Mission of the Month is Domestic Violence Resource Center

They cannot fix broken hearts, but provide emergency hotlines, shelters, and resources throughout Washington County. Click on the links below to learn about the sad circumstances in which people hurt their loved ones and the vast resources available toward hope and reconciliation within our community. Then please give generously by making your check to Reedville Presbyterian Church with “Domestic Violence” in the memo line.

Zoom link for Worship! <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84009463348> Meeting ID: 840 0946 3348.

Join Zoom Meetings: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5036491282?pwd=ZFB5a3VLbzR6Q00vYzBkTzBITs9hUT09>
Meeting ID: 503 649 1282, Passcode: 1282

To call into a meeting use the following: 503-649-1282 password 1282

Information for the E-Update (including the ITD) or website is welcome. It needs to be received by the office no later than Tuesday afternoon!

To Keep in Mind...

The Reedville Food Pantry is focusing on the five core items: Sugar (4 lbs bags), **Masa** (4-6 lbs), **White rice** (2 lb), **Pinto beans, dry** (2 lb), and **Cooking oil** (24-32-oz bottle). The Pantry also needs canned fruits, vegetables, tuna, and chicken. Mac 'N Cheese would also be a great donation. The Pantry is open the first Tuesday of the month, 10:00-11:30 am, staffed by volunteers. **Food Pantry donations may be dropped off at church** while a staff member is present, M-F, 10:00-12:00. For more information contact Linda Churchley at pacldc@comcast.net or Mark at hutchisfishin@gmail.com. Monetary donations are always welcome because they allow the Pantry to purchase needed items that were not donated.

The Prayer Chain is one way the Reedville Church holds its members, household and their loved ones, and the community in prayer. Anyone is welcome to serve on the Prayer Chain by emailing Amy (amyewestcott@gmail.com) who will add you to the list. Anyone may make a prayer request by emailing Amy. We are also receiving prayers in the Community Prayer Mailbox. If you have questions or comments please contact Mark Hutchinson (hutchisfishin@gmail.com), who currently serves as Moderator of Deacons.

Regular Meetings and Events

In-Person and by Zoom

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| Every Sunday: | 9:30 am: Lord's Day Worship |
| First Tuesday: | 10:00 am: Deacon Food Pantry open |
| First Tuesday: | 7:00 pm: Deacons Monthly Meeting |
| First Wednesday: | 7:00 pm: Worship Ministry Group (WMG) Monthly Meeting |
| Second Monday: | 10:00 am: Building and Grounds Committee (B&G) Monthly Meeting |
| Second Monday: | 1:00 pm: Personnel Committee Monthly Meeting |
| Second Tuesday: | 10:00 am: Finance Committee Monthly Meeting (Zoom) |
| Second Tuesday: | 1:15 pm: Faith Formation Ministry Group (FFMG) Monthly Meeting |
| Third Tuesday: | 7:00 pm: Session Monthly Meeting |
| Fourth Sunday: | 11:00 am: CrafterNoon crafting (after Worship) |
| Second and Fourth Wednesday: | 9:15 am: Circle of Grace Women's Bible Study |
| Alternating Wednesdays: | 10:00 am: Men's Coffee and Conversation |
| Quarterly: | Presbyterian Women (PW) Meeting |
| Second Tuesday of Odd Months: | 7:00 pm: Grace Endowment Executive Committee
(Jan. 10, March 12, May 14, July 9, Sept. 10 & Nov. 12) |

The Reedville Presbyterian Church: *Hope Here*

Mission Statement - January 2018

We believe that God loves the world, that Jesus embodies that love, and that, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we follow Jesus by sharing this love the best we can. Reedville is a landing place. Whether staying for decades, visiting a few times, or dropping in when times are tough for sanctuary and rest, we want people to feel welcomed and loved.

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