



The Fonda Reformed Church

# Newsletter

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Prepare  
YOUR



LIFT UP YOUR HANDS TO  
HIM IN PRAYER

*Loving God, I pray that you will comfort those that are suffering, lend skill to the hands of their healers, and bless the means used for their cure. Give them such confidence in the power of your grace, that even when they are afraid, they may put their whole trust in you; through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen*

If you would like to add or remove someone on the prayer list please let the church office know (518)853-3621 or [fondareformedchurch@yahoo.com](mailto:fondareformedchurch@yahoo.com) Thank you!!

***Please continue to pray  
for those who grieve.***

**Please pray for our missions:**

The Ford family as they retire from the mission field and settle into their new home in Virginia  
Haven of Hope Farm & Residence

**Other prayer requests:**

- Our Shut-ins
- Students
- Ministries of our church
- Government leaders
- Our service men and women, and their families
- Family & friends separated from Jesus Christ
- Those who are struggling through hardships.

- Willie E. Baker (C. Henry)
- Paula Frasier Bobilin
- Wayne Bobilin
- Ruthie Burke
- Lois Brockey (K. Patterson)
- Cherie Craig (M. White)
- Jaye Evangelista
- Frances Filanova (B.Kruger)
- Rebecca Finn (G. Kimball)
- Bryan Finn, SR (G. Kimball)
- Laurie Fischer
- Carrie Fonda (G. Kimball)
- Charlene Fonda (G. Kimball)
- Joan Francisco
- Vernon Francisco, Jr.
- Carla Goodwin (Tina Belfance)
- Jay Hine
- Gus Joyce (B. Marshall)
- Mary Kansfield
- Sue Sammons Kennedy
- Stacy Kimball
- Peter Klock (S. Emery)
- Megan Kucel
- Lisa Knapp (Pete Perez)
- Sebastian Lasher (Rob Garren)
- Bob Langdon
- Tom Lewis
- Rosanne Lybolt
- Tara Nimmo (D. Klim)
- Al Mancini
- Art Marshall
- Anas Mashhadi
- Kaden McRedmond
- Pat Mosher
- Carol Y Persse (N. Langdon)
- Andrea Rogers
- Hunter Rose
- Wendy Sargalis (C. Bruno)
- Robert Smith (L Huth)
- Deana Smith (B. Guiffre)
- James Santangelo (B. Guiffre)
- Cheyenne Sawyer (G. Kimball)
- Sue Swanson
- Helen Tarvin (C. Henry)
- Alan Taylor
- Steve Urbanczyk (Blackwood)
- Bob VanAlstyne (M Francisco)
- Carolyn Whipple
- Bill Whipple
- Lu Wilmot
- Judy Wilson
- Sarah Woodcock
- Albert Zierak (N. Sheldon)

For the Lord's sake be subject to every human authority,<sup>[a]</sup> whether to the emperor as supreme<sup>14</sup> or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to praise those who do right.<sup>15</sup> For it is God's will that by doing right you should silence the ignorance of the foolish.<sup>16</sup> As servants of God, live as free people, yet do not use your freedom as a pretext for evil.<sup>17</sup> Honor everyone. Love the family of believers.<sup>[b]</sup> Fear God. Honor the emperor. – 1 Peter 2:13-17

Dear Friends,

July is a time we celebrate freedom. We hold Barbecues and watch fireworks to celebrate that we live in a nation of freedoms. Freedoms that were hard fought for and won. Freedoms that sometimes need to be fought for again within the nation so that they are provided for all.

The Declaration of Independence, signed 248 years ago proclaimed that all have the rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. And in their hearts, the signers believed in that. But we also know that many of the laws of the time only afforded you those rights if you were rich and white and male. The path of increasing what was meant by ALL took many, many years. It took the abolition of slavery and several Constitutional amendments to get closer to the vision laid out in those words. And we know that there are still battles to be fought before it can become a complete reality.

But we love and honor our freedom. We work to make the more perfect union. We heed the words of Scripture to follow the laws of the land that we live in and those that are in authority.

But we are also called to honor and follow the law of God. This may mean – as it did for those that Peter was writing to – that there may be consequences. And followers of God's law need to be willing to face those consequences.

And we also need to be sure that we use our freedom for good and not for evil. Just because something is legal doesn't make it good. And just because something is allowed doesn't mean that it is appropriate for those who carry the name of Christ. Frederick Buechner writes, "We have freedom to the degree that the master whom we obey grants it to us in return for our obedience." We are at our most free when we choose the yolk of Jesus and to submit to his ways.

Enjoy the freedom we celebrate. And practice your freedom wisely so that you may be known as a servant of the one who has set us free.

Pastor Linda

## WORSHIP IN THE MONTHS of July & August

July 7

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost—  
Communion

August 4

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost—  
Communion

July 14

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost—  
VBS Wrap Up

August 11

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost—  
(Pastor Linda away)  
Linda Jacobs leading worship

July 21

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost—  
Outdoor Worship

August 18

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost -  
Christmas in July

August 25

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

### Zoom meeting information

Our worship information is the same each week Please feel free to save this sheet with the log in information!

**Topic:** Fonda Reformed Church Sunday Worship

**Meeting ID:** 481 802 235

**Password:** 233126

**Telephone audio:** 929-205-6099 (New York)

We are also on Facebook Live—you can watch live or catch up with the recording later.

[www.facebook.com/fondareformedchurch](http://www.facebook.com/fondareformedchurch)

### **Consistory**

**Consistory meets on the third Monday of the month at 6:30 pm**

#### **Elders**

Ruthie Cook  
Stacey DeLaney  
Bob Kruger  
Jill Perez

#### **Deacons**

Judy Ferguson  
Rob Garren  
Tom Hoefs

# July Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
The Pastor's Office Hours will be flexible over the summer...	please call to make an appointment if needed.	10:30-1pm Glen-Mohawk Seniors 7pm Ladies Bible Study/walk	2:30-4:30 Fonda Food Pantry	Happy 4th of July!	6:15am Men's Bible Study	6am Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer 12:30-2:30 AA
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:30 Praise Practice 10:30 Worship with Communion	VBS "Rocky Railway" Pre K-5th Grade 9-11am	9-11am VBS 7pm Ladies Bible Study	9-11am VBS 2:30-4:30 Fonda Food Pantry	9-11am VBS	6:15am Men's Bible Study 9-11am VBS	6am Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer 12:30-2:30 AA
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
9:30 Praise Practice 10:30 Worship	6:30 pm Consistory Meeting	10:30-1pm Glen-Mohawk Seniors 7pm Ladies Bible Study	2:30-4:30 Fonda Food Pantry 6-8pm Parsonage Porch Night		6:15am Men's Bible Study	6am Early Riser's ONLINE Prayer 12:30-2:30 AA
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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28	29	30	31			
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# August Calendar

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## JULY Birthdays

- 1 Jodi Frenyea
- 2 Tony Bruno
- 3 Jeremiah Nare  
Anne Marie Carpenter  
Donald Young  
Peter Perez
- 6 Katie Boshart  
Lindsey Therrien
- 7 Alyssa Wilmot  
Emerson Mitchell
- 8 Gene Alan Hinkle
- 10 Bonnie Kruger
- 12 Bill Nare
- 13 Tom Stanton
- 14 Megan Carpenter
- 18 Joshua Mitchell
- 19 Caleb Bowler  
Dan Kirschman  
Sue Schwabrow
- 20 Jill Perez  
Jacob Richardson
- 23 Loren Webber  
Johnny Gyurik
- 24 Susan Boshart  
Eric Subik
- 25 Kathie Carpenter
- 26 Shyanne Roberson
- 26 Ashlyn Butler
- 30 Aaron Kimball
- 31 Kevin Getman

## AUGUST Birthdays

- 3 Beryl Gold
- 4 Erin Carpenter  
David Livingstone  
Hunter Livingstone
- 6 Jeremiah Hinkle  
Kaylyn Akey
- 7 Bev Guiffre
- 8 Reagan Webber
- 11 Laura Burroughs
- 13 John Deckro  
Debby Young
- 15 Jillian Getman
- 16 Michael Hinkle
- 17 Alexis Lynn Livingstone
- 19 Tom Channell
- 21 Peyton Webber
- 22 Jason Kruger
- 25 Amanda Wilmot  
Fred Hoffman
- 27 Brett Hanson  
Deana Wheeler
- 29 Joshua Nare
- 30 David Kruger

## JULY Anniversaries

- 1 Bob & Bonnie Kruger
- 19 Mike & Michelle Knapik
- 24 Thomas & Barbara Hoefs
- 26 Seth & Jessica Mitchell
- 28 Rob & Tammy Garren
- 30 Clark & Gretchen Subik

## AUGUST Anniversaries

- 2 Andy & Sharon Carpenter
- 6 Dave & Stacey DeLaney
- 8 Kevin & Katie Bowler

**We apologize if we missed your birthday or anniversary.** If we did, it probably means we don't have it. Please let the Church Office know of birthdays or anniversaries to be included, or if any of the information needs to be corrected.

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**Between small groups, serving our church or serving the community we want to encourage you to find what fits you the best and get involved!**

### **Tuesday Night Women's Bible Study**

Ladies Bible Study meets on Tuesday nights at 7pm. Please come and join us. We are a fun-loving group of women from different churches who gather to discuss God's Word. We'll be meeting over the summer and **walking!** For more information you may contact Sherri Gray (518)332-2512 or Gretchen Subik (518)848-2682

### **Wednesday Evenings Praise Practice**

If you're musically gifted, and Praise Practice is continuing give Karen Patterson a shout. We meet Wednesdays at 7pm and on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am before service but will **not be meeting on Wednesdays** over the summer... see you in September!

### **Saturday Morning Early Risers!**

There is an early-morning ONLINE prayer group for you early risers! Join us at 6:00 am to start your day in a wonderful way! For more information or assistance setting up Zoom please contact Debbie Silvernail. [dsilvernail@ffcsd.org](mailto:dsilvernail@ffcsd.org)

### **Sunday**

**Sunday school will not be session over the summer** (following the FCSD Schedule)

\*If teaching is your passion we would love to have you join our Sunday School teachers /and get in on the rotation to teach a Sunday School Class. Sunday school is at 9:30, before the church service each week.

### **Volunteer for Worship**

There are also opportunities to get involved in the worship service. Have you considered reading scripture, lighting candles or hosting a coffee hour?  
Sign-ups can be found on the table in the upstairs atrium.

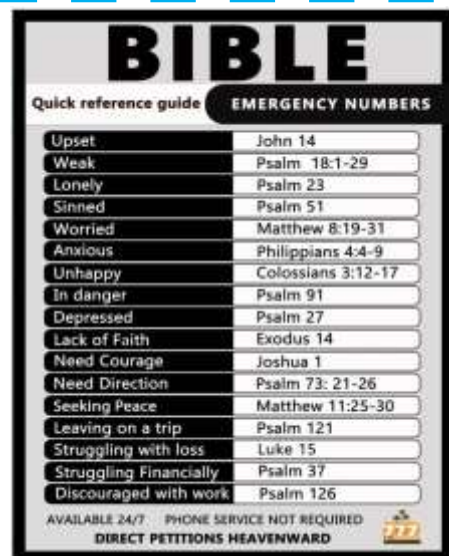
### **Interested in exploring a deeper connection to Christ by joining the church?**

Please speak to Pastor Linda or one of the Elders.

**The Food Pantry is always looking for reliable, dedicated volunteers to help feed our community. From picking up food, organizing shelves, cleaning the pantry to working a Wednesday time slot... there is a space for you! Contact Steve Cook 518-853-3513**

**If you have ideas on how to help our community we would love to hear them so please let us know!**

	<b>Church Office</b>	<b>518-853-3621</b>
Pastor	Linda Gold	518-853-2130
Treasurer	Doug Hall	518-848-9557
Music Director	Karen Patterson	518-684-0321
Custodian	Ronnie Pollock	518-853-3296
Sunday School Director	Cindy Mitchell	518-853-3712
Finance Ministry	Nancy Langdon	518-853-1224
Worship Ministry	Bonnie Kruger	518-853-4398
Prayer Chain	Peg LaBarge	518-853-4318
Building & Property	Peter Perez	518-774-0585
Hospitality Ministry	Gretchen Subik	518-853-3678
Outreach Ministry		518-853-3621
Fonda Food Pantry	Steve Cook	518-853-3513





## Christian Women Connecting's Schedule for luncheons in



### July:

#### “With a Song in Our Hearts”

Inspirational speaker: Gloria Beachy

**Monday, July 8th at 11:30 am**

Holiday Inn, Johnstown

\$19.50 pay at the door

Stuffed shells with Italian Sausage

(or)

Chef Salad

Sandy J Peters-Photography Creations

### and in August:

#### “You’re Never Alone”

Inspirational Speaker: Dee Gardener

**Monday, August 12, 2024 - 11:30am**

Holiday Inn, Johnstown

\$19.50 pay at the door

Honey Mustard Chicken Salad (or) BLT on white toast w/Chicken Rice Soup

Officer Melinda Harrington of the Fulton Co. Sheriff’s Office

discusses safety and fraud

For reservations call Patti @ 518-842-1997

Or email: womentoconnect@gmail.com

## **Parsonage Porch Nights**



You are invited to join Pastor Linda in the parsonage yard on **July 17 & August 21** from 6-8pm for a time of fellowship. No program, no prep, just some time to gather together over lemonade and cookies. Bring a chair if you would like and come for as little or as long as you are able.

## **Worship at the Fonda Fair**



On **Sunday, September 1**, we will be holding a worship service at the Fonda Fair at 8am. We will meet at the Horse Arena—in the back by the train tracks. We are looking forward to this time of music, Scripture and prayer. Admission to the fair is free that morning.

Join us for this special service!



## VBS is Here, Summer, 2024!

*Rocky Railway: Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through!*

Vacation Bible School is happening!

**July 8-12th**, 9am-11am Ages: Pre-K –5th grade  
Deb Silvernail is leading the program which will include science/craft, snack/video and game stations, music and how Jesus' power helps us, gives us hope, be bold, be good friends and live forever.

There's still time to register by visiting our Facebook page and scrolling down the the online fillable form. Hope to see you there!



## Glen-Mohawk Seniors

The Glen-Mohawk Senior Citizens Group meets **every Tuesday at 10:30 am** at the Fonda Reformed Church Hall. Anyone over the age of 55 is welcome to attend a meeting and see what we are about. Our meetings usually last about an hour and light refreshments are served. We are a very active group and we would welcome new members.

**We also have \$6 Senior Movie Days at Johnstown Movieplex. July 11, 1pm** includes popcorn & a drink!

**And a Free movie each month at the Johnstown Holiday Inn. July 29, 11:30-1:30** the movie is, "A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood" starring Tom Hanks.

If you are interested, please contact President Joe Mancini at 518-853-4875 or Vice President Gloria Kimball at 518-853-3126.



## **The Library is more than just books!**

The Frothingham Library in Fonda has an amazing array of books, e-books, audio books and more for all ages, but did you know that they also offer enriching activities for children toddlers-to-teens as well as adults! They offer a children's story hour every Tuesday, teen's Game Design program, a Garden Club and special events: **July 20th** join

Cosby & Tom for a "Songwriters Workshop for Everyone", 11-1pm. Free admission and refreshments/door prizes. RSVP 518-853-3016 or visit the library website: <https://frothinghamfreelibrary.mvls.info>

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