

Weekly Opportunities for Service

Sunday mornings

Adult Bible Study @ 9:30am
Morning Worship @ 10:30am
Children's Church @ 10:30 am

Wednesday evenings

Meal @ 5:30 pm
Adult Bible Study @ 6:15 pm
RF Kids @ 6:15 pm
Worship Choir Rehearsal @ 7:15

Special Opportunities for Service

Triune Ministry: First Saturdays, February, June, October
Serving lunch to the homeless/ hungry in Greenville

WMU Groups: Career Baptist Women, 3rd Tuesdays 6pm
Clara Henderson, Thursday after 3rd Sunday 10am
WMU Prayer Group 4th Thurs alternate months 10am

With the beginning of the new church year on October 1, come new opportunities to serve.

Please let Gerald Scott know if you wish to join the group of ushers. Those who wish to help at the Welcome Desk on Sunday mornings, please contact Aggie Cooper.

Nina Levan (and our youngest members) look for grown-ups to work with Children's Church.

There are places for prayer warriors, Sunday school teachers, card writers, and other volunteers. Just ask Pastor Sean!!

Save these dates...

September 14: Monthly Collection-**Triune Mercy Center**

October 5: **Breakfast at the Pavilion (8:30-9:15 am)**

October 25: **Harvest Festival**

November 16: **Thanksgiving dinner at church**

Nov. 23: **5-Church service**

December 5: **Decorate Sanctuary for Christmas**

From Our Pastor:

So, Fall is here! With that comes football, festivals, and Pumpkin Spice. It also brings the plans and preparations for 2026. The leadership gathered last month to pray about the direction and goals for Reedy Fork Baptist Church for next year. The theme is **Fahrenheit '26!**

When I lived in Montreal, Canada, I had to learn to adapt to the metric system and Celsius. There is a formula for converting Fahrenheit to Celsius, but the easy way was to double it and add 30. That is the goal for 2026. I want us to double it...and add 30.

- Our current average attendance is 140. I want to double it (280) and add 30 (310).
- Our current average offering is \$7,000. I want to double it (\$14,000) and add 30% (\$18,200).
- Our current Sunday School average is 55. I want to double (110) and add 30 (140).
- Our current Wednesday Night Bible Study is 30, I want to double it (60) and add 30 (90).
- Our current new members total is 5, I want to double it (10) and add 30 (40).

We will accomplish this through:

Family Ministry:

- We are on the 5-year line of announcing new leadership for our Youth Ministry.
- The new gym floor is down, and we will begin rec leagues for the community.
- New men's accountability group.

Bible Study/Community:

Revitalized and focused Bible Study ministry including...

- Sunday Morning Bible Study
- Wednesday Night Bible Study
- Ladies Bible Study
- New Home Bible Studies coming

Technology:

- Doubling down on our website and social media. This is the new "first impression" for people looking for a church

Focused training on missions and evangelism.

Updating our campus for better flow and first impression.

These are simply tools to help us all accomplish the goal to reach South Greenville with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. If you have any questions, please reach out to me at sean@myreedyfork.com or stop by the office.

I love being your pastor,

Pastor Sean



Reedy Fork Baptist Church was planted over 150 years ago with a call to make much of the name of Jesus Christ here in the local community and the entire world. Our story in the past, present, and future is simply to make known the hope found in the name of Jesus Christ here, there, and everywhere.

The Builder

September 2025

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Sean Rheaume, Senior Pastor, 864-636-7478

Dr. Bob Whaley, Associate Pastor Member

Care/Outreach

Mrs. Nina Levan, Director of Children's Ministry

Rev. Donald Starling, Director of Music Ministry

Mr. Pat Cannon, Pianist/ Organist

Mrs. Denise Morgan, Church Office, 864-277-4617



Maybe it’s too hot to think about Christmas, but beautiful music is always in season! Think about joining the **Handbell Choir!** Reading music is helpful but not required. These brass bells play in three octaves and are a tradition at RFBC. Please text Kathy Howard at 864-498-8088 for more information.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2	Niecie Brewer
3	Mike Holcombe, Beth Reynolds
4	Ethan Birx
5	Racheal Garrison, Karen Greene, Mo Howard, Don Wardlaw
8	Janis Phillips
10	Nate Reynolds
11	Heidi Kellett, David Levan
13	Fred Greene, Montgomery Owens (Traynham)
14	Ethan Birx, Jackie Clark
15	Diane Flanagan, Carol Marshall, Lincoln Nichter, Phyllis Sanders
16	Wendy Pace
17	Gail Gray, Benalee Uldrick
18	Gary Bailey, Anita Holcombe, Sylvia McCrary
19	Jessie Smiley
22	Nina Levan
23	Scot Henderson, Doug Rice
26	Susan Davis, Terri Broadwater
30	Sue Daniels

Can you believe it’s September and time for another deacon election?

I can’t begin to tell you how important this decision is for our members. Deacons are God’s called servants and are recognized as spiritual leaders in our fellowship. They meet with our pastor to discuss church business, prayer needs within the congregation, and support our pastor as he follows God’s calling for our church. Our deacons are each responsible to minister to 15-20 families, assisting however possible in meeting the needs of their families. We are continually striving to be ministers instead of managers. Paul listed the qualifications to be a deacon in 1 Timothy 3:8-13.

A deacon’s term at Reedy Fork is three years. He then rotates off the body of deacons for one year before he can be re-elected. This year, we have one deacon who has completed his term. Pastor Sean and the deacons are increasing our number of deacons **from** eight to nine, so we need to elect two men. We will have a one-time vote on Sept 21. Each member will be asked to vote for two men to serve a three-year term. The top two candidates who are willing to serve will begin their service on Oct. 1, 2025. These deacons’ names will be announced to our congregation on September 28.

If you would like to pick up an absentee ballot, please see Denise in our church office during regular church office hours September 15-18. From a personal standpoint, let me say it has indeed been my highest honor to serve our membership as a deacon many times. The blessings I have received from this service are far too many to count. The Lord has always blessed Reedy Fork with spiritual men to serve in this capacity. I am confident this time will be no different!

Sincerely,
Mo Howard, Deacon Chairman

DEACONS

First Sundays at 8:30 in the Family Life Center

MUSIC MINISTRY

Sunday Morning Rehearsal Schedule

9:00am to 9:25am – Worship Choir

9:30am to 10:00 am – Praise Team and Worship Band

ADULTS

Young at Heart

First Tuesdays from noon-3:00 pm (except January and July)

Men’s Breakfast

Fourth Thursdays at the Coach House, Simpsonville at 8:45 am

Memorials for Jennie Miller

David and Betty Jo Crews Bruce and Anna Holcombe
Mo and Kathy Howard Lonnie Littlejohn
Doug and Patti Rice

WMU Reports

September is the signal for fall to begin with all the fun things it holds: Pumpkin Spice everything, Football, the colors of the leaves begin to change; and, well, the wind just blows differently in September. Here at The Fork- we have a calendar of things to look forward to as well. Please make note of the following:

September- Our annual Janie Chapman SC State Missionary offering is collected in September. 100% of these funds stay in SC and help our in-state missionaries and church plants. We also plan to host our first Women's SWIM (Southern Women in Mission) Class in September! See the bulletin for dates and times.

October- Holds our fall festival, games, and kids in costumes! Always great times to be had. Also- let's bring our filled shoeboxes and complete the Operation Christmas Child project. **Saturday Oct 4th** is our last service date at Triune Mercy Center. RFBC prepares and serves lunch to the homeless and indigent of Greenville. We need volunteers to help serve. Please consider helping us with this ongoing mission of love. See Janis for details

Bricks for the Wildflower Garden

It’s time to order Memorial/Honorarium Bricks for the Prayer Walk! For those of you who don’t know, there is a beautiful brick walk around the Wildflower Garden on the Pavilion Grounds. The OASIS Sunday School class sponsors the garden and the placement of the bricks. Each brick is engraved with a memorial or honorarium for individuals or families and is purchased by church members.

There is a form with a template indicating the number of letters/numbers that can be engraved on each brick. These forms are available in the vestibule on the Welcome Desk for you to pick up/complete. Each brick with etching is \$50, and a check made to RFBC must be attached to the order. There will be one order placed before Christmas. On Christmas Eve, we will have a candle lighting for the family members who have placed bricks in the walk.

The deadline for orders is October 31. All forms should be completed and a \$50 check attached for EACH brick ordered. The forms and checks should be given to Kathy Howard or Laurie Morgan. Any questions, please contact these ladies.