

<b><u>Crucifers</u></b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>10:45 a.m.</b>
Sept. 11	Cade DiGuardi	Nathan Reinhart
Sept. 18	Adam Dobroskey	Angelina DeRenzi
Sept. 25		Brian Blackburn

<b><u>Reader</u></b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>
Sept. 4	Anastasia Fantilli
	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>
Sept. 11	Kira Shultz
Sept. 18	Ruth Blatt
Sept. 25	Meghan Austin

<b><u>Assisting Minister/Communion Assistant</u></b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>
Sept. 4	Jeanne Gochnauer
	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>
Sept. 11	Greg Stoddard
Sept. 18	- - - -
Sept. 25	Brenda Haag

<b><u>Nursery</u></b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>
Sept. 4	Crystal & Maddie Fost
	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>
Sept. 11	Teri Stoddard
Sept. 18	A. & E. Fantilli
Sept. 25	Jenny Ryder

<b><u>CD Recording Assistants</u></b>			
<u>Sept 4</u>	Brian Blackburn	<u>Sept. 11</u>	Jerry Centofanti
<u>Sept. 18</u>	Mike Kern	<u>Sept. 25</u>	Andrew Claycomb

**Counters** for September are Sara Lambert, Gerry Wegman & Evelyn Keller

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President: Teri Stoddard  
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Debra Dombroski	Tony Lambert
Karen Hawk	Becky Schaeffer
Cheryl Hadley	Lisa Sokoloff
	Gerry Wegman

**Other Links:**  
**West Berks Mission District**  
 www.westberksmissiondistrict.org  
**NEPS Website:** www.godslove.org  
**ELCA Website:** www.elca.org



## Worship Schedule Change

**Starting September 11, 2011**

**Worship at 8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.**

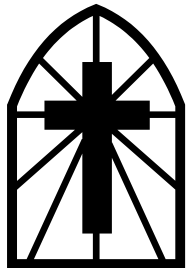
**Informal Service at 5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.**



**Sunday, September 11th**

**Rally Day—First Day of Sunday School**



**Sunday, September 18th**

**Ministry Faire**

**9:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.**

**All Ages—To Explain God's Work Being  
Done at Reformation**

**Food, Fellowship, Learning!**

## **SEPTEMBER SERVICE PARTICIPANTS**

**Altar Guild 8:00 a.m.**

Angela Fonte  
Kathy Miller

**10:45 a.m.**

Candy Fantilli  
JoAnn Smith

**Bulletin Helpers the week of:**

Sept. 4	Jane Humbert	(Thursday, Sept. 8)
Sept. 11	Dick & Dolores Noble	(Thursday, Sept. 15)
Sept. 18	Russ & Harriet Clauser	(Thursday, Sept. 22)
Sept. 25	Joanne Reinhart	(Thursday, Sept. 29)

**Greeters 9:00 a.m.**

Sept. 4 Chris & Michelle Karasek

**8:00 a.m.**

Sept. 11 L. Moyer & J. Dörner  
Sept. 18 H. Hinnershitiz & L. Moyer  
Sept. 25 Mike & Sue Kern

**10:45 a.m.**

Don & JoAnn Smith  
Jim & Nancy Rhoads  
R. & P. Matijasich

**Ushers 9:00 a.m.**

Sept. 4 Ted & Val Wickert

**8:00 a.m.**

Sept. 11 Glenn & Melanie Bechtel  
Sept. 18 Tom & Beth Brizek  
Sept. 25 Austin Family

**10:45 a.m.**

J. & L. Centofanti  
B. Rutherford, S. Barnett  
Alan & Nadine Blackburn

**Acolytes 9:00 a.m.**

Sept. 4 Nicholas DeRenzi

**8:00 a.m.**

Sept. 11 Michael Kern  
Sept. 18 Kolby Haag  
Sept. 25 Michael Kern

**10:45 a.m.**

Adam Dobroskey  
Nicholas DeRenzi  
Bruno Fantilli

## Opportunity House—September 15th

**Food Preparers:** Please meet at the church by 2:00 pm -- JoAnn Smith, Bonnie Claycomb, Evelyn Keller, Ruth Blatt and Gloria Gerhart.

Substitute: Sara Lambert

Servers: Please meet 6:30 pm at church or 6:45 pm at the shelter--Jerry Centofanti, Jane Hinkle, Teri Stoddard, Barbara Wier and Debbie Genova.

Substitute: Theresa Adams

**Bakers:** Nancy Rhoads, Gloria Gerhart, Peggy Kershner, and Melanie Bechtel.

Substitute: Cheryl Hadley

**Please continue baking the pineapple cake for shelter. Refer to the recipe below. Note the change in the length of time in the baking time.**

**Volunteers, please call JoAnn Smith at 610-779-4031 whether you can or cannot serve.**

### Pineapple Cake

#### MIX TOGETHER:

2 Cups sugar                      2 t baking soda  
2 Cups flour

#### ADD:

2 eggs                                1 can 20 oz. crushed pineapple (and juice)

Bake at 325 degrees for 45-50 minutes in a 9 X 13 ungreased disposable pan. When cool, dust with 10X sugar.

## Children's Clothing Bank Update



The clothing bank is now organized in closet I on newly purchased shelves from money raised at the pancake supper. We provided clothing for the King family after the recent fire at their home in Exeter Township. The Care Team also sent a \$200 Wal-Mart gift card to assist them in any other needs they might have.

We will be handing out flyers to the families that come to the new food bank at our church. We expect more people will be using the clothing bank when they know about it.

As we need clothing, a notice will be sent out in the newsletter or bulletin. We are planning a clothing drive for Hope this fall. We will look through the clothing before we send it to Hope for any sizes we might need. We would also like to do a winter coat drive this fall.

**Please do not bring any clothes to the church between clothing drives.** We have found bags of clothes in the closet and at other places that we were unaware of. This makes our job more difficult.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Hawk at 610-779-8864 or Cheryl Hadley at 610-779-7901.

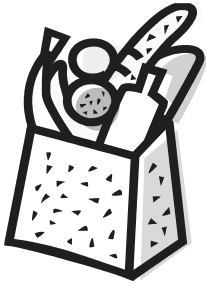
### **Fun & Fellowship in September**



Please consider coming to our Fun & Fellowship card club, for all ages, on September 11th, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Bring your favorite card game and a snack to share. Any questions, call Ruth Blatt (610-777-3928) or Jane Humbert (610-478-4030).

# Exeter Area Food Pantry

## News



The opening of the new Exeter Area Food Pantry was delayed by one month due to finalizing approval from the Greater Berks Food Bank. All the paperwork has been completed, and we are excited to begin operation on **Friday September 16, 2011 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.!**

This exciting new ministry is a partnership among four churches (**Reformation, Schwarzwald Lutheran, St. Catherine's RCC and Northstar UMC**) as well as members of the community. An independent steering committee has been formed to operate the pantry, and **Reformation has agreed to serve as the distribution site for pantry days.**

The pantry will be open on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** The food will be delivered from the Greater Berks Food Bank that morning. Any food remaining at the end of the pantry will either be donated to another organization or stored offsite for the next month.

### **How can you support this ministry?**

- Assist** during distribution times. (2-6 p.m.—can serve partial times)
- Help set up** that morning (9a.m.-noon)
- Donate food** to food drives supporting the pantry
- Join** the steering committee (the next meeting is Thursday, August 25th at 6:30 p.m. at Reformation)
- Pray** for the people who need this service and the organizers of the project

### **God's Work. . . Our Hands**

If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact Melissa Howell-Clarke at 610-779-7999.

# **Prayer List for September**

Please keep the following in your prayers for the coming month. If you would like to place a name on the prayer list, please call the information to Pam Schneeberger or e-mail her at [Lpm33@verizon.net](mailto:Lpm33@verizon.net). To place someone's name on the list, please be sure you have their permission to do so. We will keep their name on the list for one month. If the name needs to remain on the list for the next month, just call Pam with an update.



**Reformation Family:** Patti Kline, Jayne Phillips, Marion Henne, Dorothy Oswald, Skyler Reed, Dorothy Arndt, Genevie Cloak, Joyce & Jay Yerger, Mae Hall, Helen Luckenbach, Catharine Reed, Jean Ross, Barbara Regar, Zeke Murray, George Stamm, Kallie Karafel and Ralph DiGuardi

**Friends of Reformation:** Ann Schaeffer, Dolores Hilbert, Michael Yeager, Matthew Tobias, Rita McHale, Bob Korn, Krista Stone, Terry Keiser, Elvia Cataldo, Kate Schimmel, Karen Heck, Melissa Bennett, Maureen Manzella, Andrea Bolger, David, Jean Brodt, Stephanie Ernst, Sharon Bingamon, Dale Reinecker, Shirley Scheinhart, Toung Phung, Denise, Nancy McDermott, Mary Morici, Cody Stephens, Karen Slyman, Sophie Gray, Cindy Wright, Judi Stufflet, Diane Naugle, Clarke Larson, Jenny, Dave Grisemer, Jim Allen, Charles, Tim Clemmer, Albert & Theresa Steuer, Ann & Eric, Carl Harter, Molly Vonfeldt, Jeff Downey, Doris Antonacci, Alyssa Bray, Monika, Carl Harter, Judy Walger, Cyndi Algiero, Pok Strause, Joan Hinkle, Woodrow Warren, Margaret Lawrence, Sandy Eschelbach, Erika Wattrich, Cheryl Reinsel, Tucker Irwin, Caden & Mason Beisker, Cook Schrafer, Jane Alena, Joe Matthews, Karen Young, Mary Tagger, David Hafer, Megan Paparella, James, Pastor Susan Flicher, Marlene Claycomb, Larry Claycomb, Barbara Casey, Paul H. Anne Smith, Lynn Weis, Bill, John Haag, Bryant Domina, Reverend Rodger A. Krause and Elizabeth Adukaitis

The Prayer List Coordinator is Pam Schneeberger. Please call the church office at 610-779-0534 or Pam at 610-370-0790 for prayer requests.



## From My Heart to Yours

Did you know that your Christian faith has its roots in Judaism? If you did, you are nodding “yes”. If you didn’t, you are shaking your head “no” - and probably wondering what I am talking about! The roots of our faith go down deep, deep, deep into the Hebrew Scriptures, often referred to as Old Testament.

On September 17, 2011, at Lancaster Bible College you can come and learn AMAZING things as well as worship joyfully to Hebrew music and dance.

### The Restoration of All Things

#### Discover Your Roots

Hear four dynamic speakers as they take us on a journey from tradition to truth, from speculation to revelation.

**Saturday, September 17, 2011—8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Lancaster Bible College, 901 Eden Road, Lancaster, PA

**Reservations are Required**

**Cost is \$30 and includes admission and lunch**

**Register online at [www.restorezone.org](http://www.restorezone.org)**

**Tickets also available at J.O.Y. Bookstore  
4906 Penn Avenue, Sinking Spring, PA**

Call me if you have any questions. See you there!

Shalom!

Judy Plica

610-775-0524



## Sunday School News

Welcome back!!

We are excited to begin the new year! The first day of Sunday school will be September 11<sup>th</sup>. Children will report to their classrooms for the first day. We will be using a new curriculum, Spark, this year with the younger children, from nursery through grade six. So, please join us for a year full of fun.

This year we will also incorporate a music/drama time into the Sunday school time. The first Sunday of each month, we will meet as a group for a half hour of together time.

On Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, we will incorporate the Ministry Fair ewith Rally Day. The children will participate in activities for the day.

The grade assignments will be as follows:

Nursery: Age sthree through five

Kindergarten- Grade Two

Grade Three and Grade Four

Grade Five and Grade Six

Confirmation

Teen Class

Adult Class

Please join us and grow in Christ with us!

Blessings,

Sara Lambert and Brenda Haag

## Youth Ministry

As we start another year of Youth Ministry here at Reformation, we wanted to tell you about a few changes. In May, Matthew “Ody” Odenwelder started as our Director of Youth. Over the summer he has been working with the Youth Ministry Committee to develop a plan to energize our youth program.

We have decided to combine the junior and senior high youth together as one group. This will give a larger group and allow us to do a greater variety of activities. The group will be for youth in grades 7-12.

The Jumping Juniors will now be for youth in grades 3-6. They will continue to be under the leadership of Carole Miller, and we thank her for her continued dedication to this ministry.

We look forward to working together with Ody and seeing our youth program grow. We encourage our youth to participate in this important ministry of our church. Join us and have fun growing in your faith.

Terry Trumbauer                  Matthew Odenwelder  
Youth Ministry Committee      Director of Youth



## Attention all College Students:

Please send your current address and email address to Sarah Hawk at [sarah.beth06@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.beth06@gmail.com). This will help us to keep in touch and send you goodies while you are away at school.

Thank you, Parish Outreach Committee

## I’m Honored

Who as I so small and lowly  
To be honored and called His child  
I, who am rough and boisterous  
While He is so gentle and mild?

Who as I so sinful and failing  
To be honored as He died for me  
I, who deserve condemnation  
As sinless, He died on the tree?

Who am I that offers me Heaven  
And forgiveness of all my sin  
As He opens the Door and calls me  
“Come child, come enter in.”

I am honored, I do not deserve it  
Like Peter, I failed my test  
Yet He calls, “My child, come join me.”  
I’m honored, for He gives me His best.

By Catharine Reed



Reformation is currently in good condition financially due to expenses being significantly under-budget. However, giving lags compared to last year. As we return to being fully-staffed and growing our ministries, we need to challenge ourselves for growth in giving.



Did you know that our WELCA Bible Study group began meeting in September, 2003? We have completed the Bible Study from Fall to Spring and one in the Summer every year since then from the *Lutheran Woman Today* magazine. I think that is amazing!

## Tanzania Update - September 2011

We have recently received a letter from Ambikile Kyando, who is our primary contact at Utanziwa. He reported on the 15 girls who are using the scholarships that we provide. We do now have the names of all 15 and the schools that they are attending.

The major problem with communication is language. Although secondary school students learn English, it is their third language. Even those who understand spoken English have difficulty with writing it. The Partnership Committee is exploring some options to aid in this issue. Meanwhile, thank you for those who have written letters, even if you have not received a response. It is a valuable connection point to the people at Utanziwa.

Internet availability is spotty, meaning that email is not always available. A generator has been purchased in addition to the solar power system, providing the village with more access to electricity than has been available before.

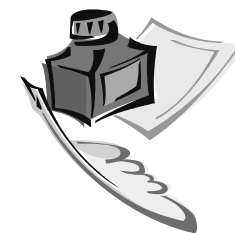
Our Fall Bible study this year is entitled, "To Follow and to Serve: The Gospel of Mark". The theme verse for the entire study is "Take heart; get up, Jesus is calling you." (Mark 10:49b) An author I have read compares the Gospel of Mark to an action-packed movie. Come join us for Bible study and see if you agree. Meeting dates for September are **Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30 a.m.** and **Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m.**

**All women of Reformation are automatically members of WELCA AND EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR ONE OR ALL OF OUR EVENTS!**

Beginning in September, *Lutheran Woman Today* magazine is changing its name to **Gather Magazine**, "...Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Our group will be represented at the Ministries Faire so don't forget to check us out! Just like the Gospel of Mark, Women of the ELCA are full of action.

Something new, WELCA has begun a new group called "Reformation Writers". Check out the article in this newsletter and come and join us.



Our WELCA group is responsible for coordinating the Tanzania Scholarship effort. If you are able to contribute, any amount is appreciated. The African expression, "Educate our women and they will educate the entire village" is still true. We are hoping to sponsor 15 girls at \$300 each.

We continue to support our Lutheran World Relief projects of mission quilts and the sale of Fair Trade Coffee and Tea.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry also continues, and they have added a new project of knitting for the Red Scarf Project.



The Fall West Berks Mission District WELCA Cluster Event will take place on **Saturday morning, September 24, 2011**, at Trinity Lutheran Church in downtown Reading. The topic for the morning is “Bold Women of Faith”. We will carpool from our back church lot leaving at 8:30 a.m.

Always check the Church bulletin for dates and times and Church emails for updates.

#### **WELCA EVENTS:**

**September 10, 2011—9:30 a.m. Bible Study**

**September 12, 2011—6:30 p.m. Bible Study**

**September 13, 2011—9:30 a.m. LWR Quilting**

**September 24, 2011—8:30 p.m. Fall Cluster Event  
(Carpool to Trinity from our Parking Lot)**

### **Newsletter**

**October Newsletter Deadline is September 18th, 2011.**

**For handwritten and E-Mail Articles**

Please use the green forms for newsletter and bulletin articles. They are available in the narthex and library or e-mail us:

**mail@reformationlutheran.org.** Articles received after the due date will not be able to be included in that newsletter.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

**Deadline for bulletin announcements is Tuesdays at 12:00 noon.**

**Deadline for Council reports is Tuesday, September 13th.**

## **Highlights from the Congregation Council Meeting—August 16, 2011**

We will celebrate the gifts that Reformation’s staff bring to further the ministry at Reformation on September 25 as a Staff Appreciation Day. Our new Youth Director – “Ody” Odenwelder and our new Music Director - Joshua Glasner will be installed during the 10:45 a.m. service and a reception for all the staff will be held between the services.

The Worship and Music Committee in conjunction with the Educational Ministry and Youth committees will study the frequency and format options for the informal service for the school year. A portable sound system was purchased with funds from a special gift and has been used for the informal service throughout the summer.

The computers for the offices have been replaced, and all the new equipment is installed and working. Educational Ministry will determine whether the older computers may be of some use for the church educational programs.

The first “give” from the new Exeter Area Food Pantry is scheduled for Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. Two more area churches have joined the effort. If you are interested in volunteering in support of the Food Pantry, please contact Melissa Howell-Clarke.

The Local Community Task Force and the Social Ministry Committee are merging to form one group. It will have 2 co-chairpersons for a transitional period – at least a year. Kathy Miller is the interim co-chair from the Local Community Task Force, and Heather Hinnershitz remains as the co-chair from Social Ministry. The purpose is to increase collaboration and communication between the groups, but retain focus on each set of important initiatives.

## Reformation's Notes of Thanks

Dear members of Reformation,

Thank you very much for your cards, phone calls and prayers during my recovery from my hip replacement surgery. I feel very fortunate to be a part of the Reformation family.

Sincerely, Jim Rhoads

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Thank you very much for the flowers that were sent to Barry last Sunday. That was very kind and a pleasant surprise! He is recovering nicely from his surgery.

Anndria Ciabattoni

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Thank you to all who have volunteered to provide goodies for our monthly fellowship. Your dedication makes organizing this ministry a pleasure. I will be talking to you soon as I begin to schedule bakers for the fall in the near future. The Together Time Team

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Thank you from Hope-

As the school year approaches so does the beginning of the year for Hope Hangout. I wish to thank all who have donated time to make hats and sent items to help the kids at Hope last year.

If you have not yet seen the beautiful thank you letter from Loraine Nicoles, it is on the bulletin board in the narthex. Hope appreciates all that Reformation's Social Ministry has done to support Hope's urban ministries. Our clothing drive reaches many needy families in Reading; our financial and food donations stretch their pantry's dollars, and volunteers and donations to Hope's Hangout make a difference in the lives of so many of the children from the distressed neighborhood around Hope. The children are safe and well fed at Hope and receive a smile from our angel tree.

If you would like to help out at Hope's hangout, talk to me and I will be happy to explain how you can make a difference in the life of these children by volunteering a little time. Kathy Miller

## WEGMAN Memorial Library:



You all know we have a small, but extensive, library here at Reformation. However, have you visited it? Have you taken out any books? Basically, the library is divided into two distinct areas: adult and youth. In the adult area, you can find books on the following subjects: the Bible, History of religion, Devotional literature, Martin Luther histories and biographies, Religious histories [other], and much more. In the Youth section we have Videos and DVDs for young adults, Children's books on religion and the Bible, and much more for the young adult or child. Take the time to stop by and "check out" the books.

Book Review:



**Why the Universe is the Way It Is**

Author: Hugh Ross, PhD. I must admit, this book looks into areas unknown and still emerging in science and religion. The text is a cross between a scientific study, which sometimes overwhelms the reader with details, and the Bible. Dr. Ross systematically steps through the universe and applies passages in the Bible to current scientific observations and theories. His goal.....scientifically justify the existence of *God*. The scope and complexity of the science sometimes makes the point[s] and comparisons difficult to comprehend. However, it is still an interesting study of both scientific and biblical pronouncements, the universe as we currently understand it, and how the *Creator* fits perfectly into it all. If your curiosities surrounding the *Bible* lean toward science, this may be a good book to check out.



***"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and the darkness was upon the face of the deep; and the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters"***

***Genesis 1: 1-3***



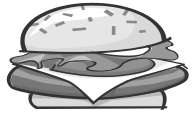
## Produce Collection for Hope's Pantry

September 25

We will again be collecting produce to benefit the patrons of Hope's Pantry.

Please note that, due to spoilage, we will **only** be able to accept produce brought in on the above date. **Home-grown or store-bought** items are acceptable.

Thank you for your participation. Please call Heather Hinnershitz ( 610-779-4190) or Nadine Blackburn ( 610-582-9897) with any questions.



## BURGER-A-MONTH

In September 2008 the Burger-A-Month Campaign returned to Reformation. As of August 2011, through the generosity of our families and individual members, almost \$9,000 has been raised and donated to World Hunger through our Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod. If you were part of that effort, we thank you! Envelopes for the new year of Burger-A-Month (September 2011 – August 2012) are available in the Narthex. We hope you will want to continue making a difference in the lives of people around the world. Thank you again!

If Burger-A-Month is new to you, please read on to see how it works, and consider becoming a part of it in the months ahead. There is no question that the need to do something about world hunger is greater than ever!

Would you and/or the members of your family be willing to do without a burger once a month to help? A Quarter Pounder is more than \$3, a Happy Meal about \$4, and a Big Mac with fries and a soda costs almost \$6. If you choose to "Super-Size" your donation, that's even better! We are asking you to forego your favorite fast food sandwich just once a month and donate the money saved to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

For this purpose, packs of 12 Burger-A-Month envelopes are available – one for each month, now through August 2012. Please pick up a pack of envelopes and sign up. Make a commitment to do what you can to help slow the spread of hunger throughout our world.

## GriefShare

The next thirteen-week cycle of GriefShare will begin on Thursday, September 8th. Please notice the time change for the afternoon session 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Time for the evening session remains the same, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Why come to GriefShare? There are many reasons, but the most important one is that you or someone you know has experienced the death of a loved one. In these Christ-centered aspects of grief including how unique the experiences can be for each of us, we also wrestle with "why" questions as well as our anger, questions for survival and many more issues.

You are welcome to come and bring a support person with you— or be a support person for someone else. Together we learn and grow in our relationship with God while we journey along the sometimes rocky road from mourning to JOY.

Serving Jesus,  
Judy Plica

## 2012 Youth Gathering

The 2012 National Youth Gathering is less than a year away. The Gathering will be held July 18-22, 2012. However, registration for the gathering is just one month away. Registration opens on October 9<sup>th</sup>. There will be a meeting of youth attending the gathering and their parents on Sunday, October 2, at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday School hour. At that time we will be collecting registration forms and the registration fees. We will also update you on cost estimates for the trip and fundraising.

If there are any youth in grades 8-12 who have not yet signed up to attend the Gathering but would like to join the twelve youth who are going, you still have time to do so. Just contact Terry Trumbauer (610-582-5950) to get the information and a registration form for the Gathering. Come Join us and be one of the "Citizens with the Saints" in New Orleans.



Five people sitting around a table

Thinking they are not able

To write one single line

That is worthy or fine.

But then they were asked

To complete their first task,

Free write about your past....

The words came sure and fast.

No poetry or prose,

Just topics they chose,

Letting God take the lead

They began to be freed.

So if you'd like to share your life stories

And jot down disappointments and glories,

Come make your life brighter,

Become a **Reformation Writer**.

The Reformation Writers meet on Mondays at 6:30. If you are interested in joining, call Ruth Blatt at 610-777-3928.

## **Reformation Evangelical Lutheran Church Endowment Funds**



### **The Endowment Fund**

Established in 2011, this Fund [previously known as the Memorial Fund], was created to receive gifts to enhance the mission, outreach and special needs of the congregation, apart from general contributions. Income generated by the Fund can be distributed upon the approval of the Congregation Council.

### **Miriam R. Lessig Outdoor Announcement Board Fund**

This Fund, established by William Lessig, Jr. in 2005, is for the maintenance and replacement of the Church outdoor announcement board. Net income is available for use.

### **William C. & Anna A. Fry Fund**

A Fund established in 1983 for the purchase of capital items for the Church. Net income is available.

### **Reformation Evangelical Lutheran Church of Reiffton Scholarship Fund**

This Fund was established in 2005, by James Fegley in memory of his wife Pat. The Fund provides yearly award[s] to Reformation members attending an institution of higher learning. Net income from the Fund is available for distribution. A committee oversees selection of award recipients. Scholarship applications are available on the Church website.

### **General Information**

Church members may contribute to any of the Funds. Bequests made through wills, should be made in accordance with all requirements of the Commonwealth of PA. All donations to Funds will be recorded by the Endowment Committee, reviewed by the Congregation Council and invested immediately in the appropriate Fund. All questions concerning any Fund should be directed to the Endowment Committee or Church Treasurer.

### **Endowment Committee**

An Endowment Committee is entrusted with administration of all the Funds. The Committee reports to the Congregation Council on at least a quarterly basis.