

# LIGHTHOUSE

*“ Your Word is a lamp to guide me and a light for my path”  
Psalm 119:105*

The purpose of this news-sheet is to provide information on events and activities that have and will be happening at Riga Church. It is our intent to publish, LIGHTHOUSE, each quarter.

The title, LIGHTHOUSE, was chosen because that is what our Church should be to our community; leading people to the light of Christ.

We were blessed to have had two baptisms in the month of June. Jerry Clark's was in the 19<sup>th</sup> and Madelyn Sue Robinson was on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

About 55 meals were prepared and served for a “soup kitchen” on July 28.

Our Pennies for Rice collection continues. For every ~\$16.00 equals 50 lbs of rice to be donated to Mary's Place. They support refugees in Rochester.

The Spring rummage sale raised about over \$600.00

Now that summer is here; some much needed work is being done around Church. The sanding, glazing and painting of storm windows and casings was started in June and will need to be completed.

Unfortunately, the water pipe to the outside faucet sprung a leak needs fixing. Most of the mulching has been done in the gardens.

The annual flowers that were planted were donated from Salomon Creek nursery.

A weeping redbud tree was planted in the front of the Church. Pastor Susan donated the tree in loving memory to her parents; Glenn Alan Lancaster (1927-2004) and Donna Joan Lancaster ( 1930 – 1991 ). Come spring, the colorful blossoms will be a wonderful memory of their love

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**Beginning July 10 a Summer Sunday Morning Prayer Group will begin from 9:15 – 9:45. It offers the opportunity to prayer prior to the service focusing on the Church, current events and specific prayer requests.**

**July 20 – August 17 there will be a Bible Study on the book of Romans. We will meet on Wednesday 7:30 – 8:30 pm. First meeting at Riga Church**

**July 9 there will be a bon-fire at Church at Dusk...Come and Enjoy**

**July 10 will be the Cycles for Christ Service. Picnic and music to follow by Light Blue**

**July 16 & August 18 will be Church painting workday**

**July 29 will be coffee and conversation at Leaf and Bean. Discussion will be on what is happening in the world and how it effects our faith**

**August 7 & August 21 will be new membership class at 11:30. New membership service will be August 28<sup>th</sup>**

**August 27 will be a Congregational Retreat at Riga between 1 – 4 pm. It will focus on Spiritual Renewal**

**Thank you for everyone who continue to make our Church a beacon to the community and beyond.**

**We hope this has been informative.**