**GENESIS: A LIVING CONVERSATION** a 10-part series. Writers, artists, psychologists, composers, lawyers, journalists and Biblical scholars discuss the great stories of Genesis. Each part is a stand-alone study, so if you need to miss a study due to travel you can join us when you return. Snacks are provided. Please bring your favorite beverage (and bring your dinner if you need). The study runs from 6:30-8:15 pm.

- **August 6** Blessed Deception – the story of Isaac, Rebekah, Esau and Jacob
- **August 13** God Wrestling - the story of Jacob coming of age
- **August 20** Exile – the story of Joseph in Egypt

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**MISUNDERSTOOD STORIES FROM THE BIBLE WORSHIP SERIES** This summer we explore:
- **8/5** – Foot washing
- **8/12** – Judas
- **8/19** – Paul and Women
- **8/26** – Heaven, Hell, and the Rapture
- **9/2** – Apocalyptic Literature

**HUMAN SCENE** — Meets on Sunday at 9 AM. Led by Stanley Schade.

**LITTLE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS** —Thank you for your generosity in providing granola bars when requested. We are now in need of canned meats such as canned chicken or tuna. Canned vegetables, fruit cups, canned soups, small containers of laundry detergent, small boxes of raisins and trail mix are also useful. No drink mixes needed at this time.
CARERS CORNER AUGUST — THE BOULEVARD — People without homes temporarily live at The Boulevard while recuperating from illness or injury. When residents complete their recovery, they are assisted in obtaining full independence. Fill the barrel with brand new items to get them started. Personal items: Toothpaste/Toothbrush, Chap Stick, Deodorant, Sanitary wipes (flushable), Body Wash, Shampoo, Shower shoes, Towels (prefer white) Men’s and Women’s wearable items: (Adult sizes SM, MD, LRG) Socks, T-Shirts (white or novelty) and Pajamas.

SUNDAY SCHOOL — We are looking forward to kicking off Sunday School September 9th! We need volunteers to teach Sunday School. Please sign up on the sheet outside of Diante’s office to help. Thanks!

SUMMER HYMNS — do you have a favorite hymn you wish was in the hymnal or a favorite hymn we never sing? Contact the office with the title (no matter how new or old it is) and we will sing it one Sunday this summer.

BRING A COFFEE MUG OR TWO FOR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP — The Eco-Justice committee invites everyone to bring in one or two extra coffee mugs you may have at home to leave at RPC. We will place the mugs on a rack and when you attend coffee fellowship, you can choose a mug and use it for your coffee instead of a disposable cup. We invite everyone to wash their own mug if you are able and put it back on the rack when they are finished. Contact Dale if you are interested in getting involved with the Eco-Justice Committee in the future.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT UPDATE — Please pardon our dust! Things are moving quickly with the capital improvements. The cleaning and tuckpointing of the church exterior limestone is now complete. The contractor also replaced several of the limestone slabs around the South entrance to the church. Jon Jansky has been working hard on the chancel remodel and the painter should start sometime next week. Finally, the new flooring in the manse is finished and the choir and bell choir rooms are complete. The trustees still need to do some painting and patchwork in the other rooms and first floor bathroom.

ALL FAMILY CHURCH WORKDAY — The next All Family Church Work Day is Wednesday August 15, 2018 from 6-8 p.m. Please join us if you are able. We will continue to do outside landscaping and general cleanup work.

STEVEN’S EAGLE PROJECT — Steven Staubus will be working on his Eagle Scout project of rebuilding the preschool sandbox on August 14th to 17th. The cost of materials will be approximately $500. If you would like to contribute, please make out a check to RPC and indicate “Steven’s Eagle Project” in the memo line.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS — Summer hours are in effect. The office will be open Monday-Thursday from 9 am to noon and closed on Fridays. Marika Floros is staffing the office again this summer.

FRIDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP — Join us at Dennis Zander and Sandy Kappmeyer’s home on Friday, August 17, for an evening of fun! Bring an appetizer and a beverage to share and enjoy a lovely summer evening with your church family. Meet us at 420 Mills Street, Hinsdale from 7 - 10 pm. Adults only, please. Please contact the church office or sign up on the board outside Dale’s office if you are interested in hosting a future Friday Night Fellowship.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE
Ushers: Betsy Gardner and Ellen Hamilton
Liturgist: Matt Lisle
Andrew Minister: Susan Lynch

Flowers are given with appreciation to God for giving our members abundant time, talents and treasures which they in turn give back to our church family and church home.

Coffee fellowship is hosted by Ellen Hamilton
Trustees of the Month: Alfred Kitch and Thom DeVries