

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**January 28, 2024 11:00 A.M.**

“The Church is the only society that exists  
for the benefit of those who are not its members.  
~ William Temple

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**\*HYMN:** “I Will Sing of My Redeemer”

Hymn No. 309

**\*CONFESSION**

**\*Invitation**

**\*Prayer of Confession:** *in unison*

Dear loving and gracious God, we recognize that we are weak and sinful people. We are sorry for the times we have been silent and for the times we have shied away from sharing the gospel of hope with others. Forgive us for the times we put our own comfort, security, and pride before you. Help us believe that you can take our failures and use them to encourage and bless others. In Jesus' name. Amen.

**\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS:**

*“Do not fear, say the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth! By the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.”*

**\*RESPONSE:**

Hymn No. 813

“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
World without end.” Amen, Amen.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*Those who are able are asked to stand

**WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**\*Doxology:** “Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.” Amen.

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**CHILDREN 4 YEARS – 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ARE DISMISSED TO JR. CHURCH**

**THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**\*HYMN:** “The Old Rugged Cross”

Hymn No. 327

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Mark 15: 16-32  
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**SERMON**

“That We May See and Believe”

Dr. Heather Rice

**\*HYMN:** “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Hymn No. 324

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RESPONSE:**

“Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, If You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart. ”

Hymn No. 589

**\*POSTLUDE**

## NEW PRAYER FOCUS

- Dee Foster, on hospice and becoming less responsive.
- Steve Pilacik's father, Steve, has been diagnosed with brain and stomach cancer. Travel mercies for Steve as he will be traveling south to be with his father.
- Susan Jorett, recovering from foot surgery. She will also be having an ultrasound for a nodule found on her thyroid.
- Gail Klein, in the hospital with kidney infection.
- Dave Golder, facing radiation for a benign brain tumor that is growing and threatening what is left of his eyesight.
- Bob Weaver, in hospital with pneumonia and on oxygen.
- Timothy Eck Jr. (16 yrs. old), newly diagnosed with a heart condition.
- Kathy Koehler, difficulty recovering from medical procedure.
- Nancy O., recovering from spinal cord surgery.
- Peace in Israel.



## MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Ann Mulholland - personal & family issues

Millie O'Neal

Bill Ray

Pat Salemno – Flap surgery scheduled for Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>

Bob Toner

**\* Urgent Prayer needs this week**

**+ Just added this week**

## MINISTRY TEAM

Amy Ferretti, Administrative Assistant

Olena Haviuk-Sheremet, Organist

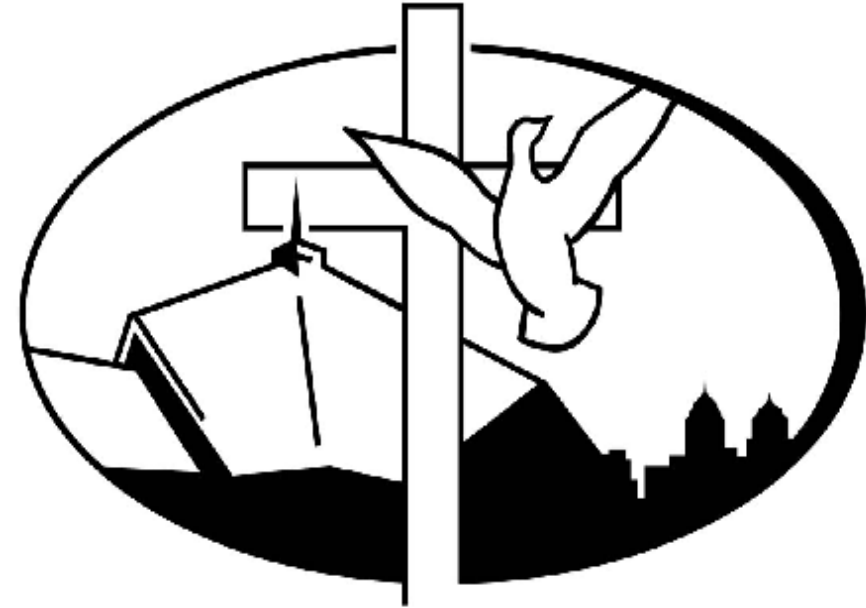
Amy Blau, Clerk of Session

Jesse Acosta, Joel Allen, Sexton

## PARTNERS IN MINISTRY

The Congregation of the Church

*“We are a church that strives to teach the Bible,  
encourage a relationship with Christ,  
minister to all people, promote fellowship,  
serve our community,  
and invite them to know Jesus.”*



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## WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. We pray by the hearing of His Word, you find your burdens lighter, your heart encouraged, and your soul refreshed.  
 “Be exalted, O Lord, in your strength; we will sing and praise Your might.”  
 Psalm 21:13

### THIS WEEK AT RPC

TODAY	11:00 AM	WORSHIP
MONDAY	10:00 AM	Office Hours until 3:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	10:00 AM	Office Hours until 3:00 PM

### UPCOMING EVENTS



<b>TODAY</b>	Deacon's Meeting
February 11 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Meeting Potluck Luncheon
February 18 <sup>th</sup>	Communion Coffee Hour



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**TO THE PULPIT, DR. HEATHER RICE.** Born and raised in Philadelphia, Heather is the Director of the Whosoever Gospel Mission in Germantown for the last 29 years, sharing the love of Christ with homeless men since she was a freshman at Central High. She's a graduate of Cairn University, Westminster Theological

Seminary, and holds a doctorate in urban mission from Biblical Theological Seminary (now Mission Seminary). Heather is passionate about helping others find and drink deeply of God's grace in Christ through her relationships, her work at the Mission, and her preaching and teaching ministry throughout the Greater Philadelphia area. She lives in Northeast Philadelphia with her cat, Pickles, and loves gardening, camping, and spending time with her friends and family.

**ANNUAL MEETING REPORTS DUE TODAY.** Plan on staying after worship on February 11<sup>th</sup> for our Annual Meeting. At this meeting we will review the Annual Report of 2023. If you are responsible for any reports for the meeting, please have them in the office by **today**.



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD.** This year, we are doing things differently for collecting items for OCC. In January and February, we will be collecting hygiene items (i.e. brushes, combs, toothbrushes, soap, wash rags, small packs of tissue, etc.) Then, in March and April, we will be collecting different items. It will continue like this until November. If you have any questions, please see Susan

Jorett.

**LUNCHEON.** We will be having our potluck luncheon on Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> after our annual meeting. This is a time of fellowship and to share good food with our church family. If you can attend, please sign-up in the back of the Narthex. We ask you to contribute a new dish that will feed at least 6 people. We are continuing to build our RPC recipe book and hope to be able to add new recipes to our growing list and distribute the book later this year.

