

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
March 2, 2025 11:00 A.M.

“Life is God’s novel. Let him write it.”
~ Isaac Bashevis Singer

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord your God in your midst,
The Mighty One, will save;
He will rejoice over you with gladness,
He will quiet you with His love,
He will rejoice over you with singing.

Zephaniah 3:17

OPENING PRAYER

***HYMN:** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Hymn No. 648

***CONFESSION**

***Invitation**

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

Gracious God, like a faithful shepherd, you never stop searching for your people. Before we recognized our need for mercy, you sent your son Jesus, who gave His life for our salvation. We confess that we need your care, your guidance, your forgiveness. We to practice our own wisdom before seeking yours. We are sorry. You are the Shepherd, and we are your sheep. Have mercy upon us and forgive us. By your Holy Spirit, teach us to follow you more closely. Grant us the courage to surrender to your leading and to live in obedience to your will. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS:**

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”
1 John 1:9

***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

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 – 5TH 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:** “Jesus Loves Even Me”

Hymn No. 495

SCRIPTURE READING

John 11: 1-44, page 1668

SERMON

“Jesus Loves You”

Rev. Niel Bech

***HYMN:** “Jesus Loves Me”

Hymn No. 185

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE:**

“O how I love Jesus! O how I love Jesus!
O how I love Jesus,
Because He first loved me!”

Hymn No. 92

***POSTLUDE**

**Those who are able are asked to stand*

NEW PRAYER FOCUS

- Elizabeth Rakus, Mike Rakus's niece, in rehab, recovering from a groin infection.
- Nancy Ostroff, friend of Nancy Salemno, has stage 3 abdominal cancer; surgery was postponed due to her having COVID.



MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

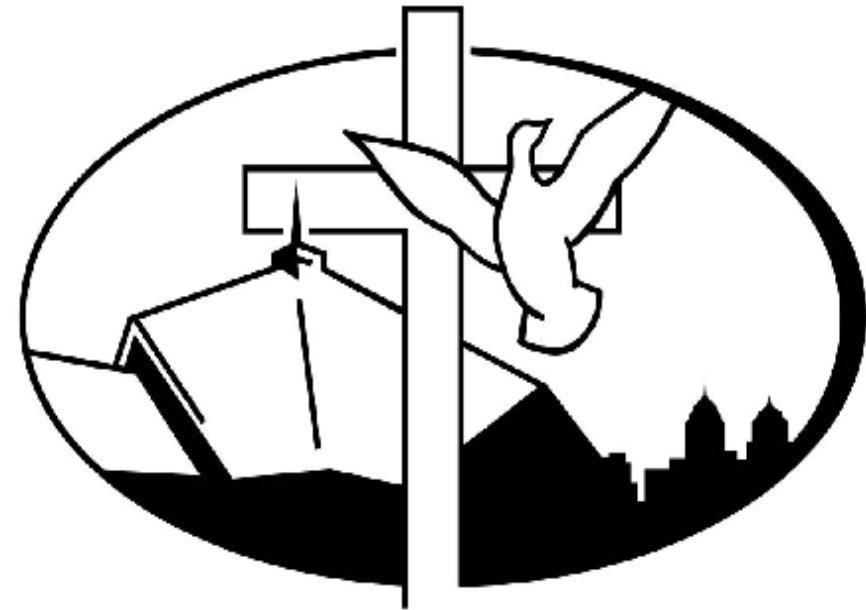
- * Bob Emberger – home from the hospital. Prayer for continued pain management and for sleep.
- Junior Hernandez – diagnosed with pancreatitis.
- Betsy Ulmer – in St. Joseph Manor
- Jane Vanderleeuw, had surgery on 2/28 after falling and breaking her shoulder.
- Lois Wanushek – health issues

+Just added this week

MINISTRY TEAM

Amy Ferretti, Administrative Assistant
Olena Haviuk-Sheremet, Organist
Amy Blau, Clerk of Session
Jesse Acosta, Joel Allen, Sexton

*“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

TODAY	Coffee Hour	
March 5 th	Ash Wednesday Service 6:00PM	
March 9 th	Communion	
March 16 th	Session Meeting	
March 23 rd	Potluck Luncheon	
March 30 th	Deacons Meeting	



ANNOUNCEMENT



TO THE PULPIT, REV. NIEL BECH. Niel Bech is a retired minister who keeps active supplying pulpits in the Philadelphia area and New Jersey. His ministry has included serving in a theological seminary, assistant pastor in two churches, stated supply and more. He and his wife, Karen, will soon celebrate their 52nd Anniversary. They have four children and 5 grandchildren.

IN SEARCH OF VOLUNTEERS. The Session of RPC is looking for congregational participants to be a part of some new committees being formed. The first, is a “**Visitation Committee**”; specifically for visiting churchgoers who are in the hospital, who are sick and shut-in, or just need a friendly visit. The second is a “**Congregational Life Committee**”; those involved will help to plan bible studies, potlucks, and any activities outside of Sunday worship. If you are interested in learning more about either of these opportunities, please contact an Elder or the church office at (rpc19111@gmail.com/(215) 342-2112).



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD. We are collecting items for our packing party in November for Operation Christmas Child. We will be a drop-off location again for OCC. A list of needed items for the packing party is on the table in the Narthex. If you can donate to this very important mission, please take a copy of the list from the table, purchase items on the list, and drop them in the OCC box located in the Narthex. Drop off week this year for filled shoeboxes is November 17th – 24th and our packing party will be on Saturday, November 15th. Contact Susan Jorett if you have any questions. Thank you!

POTLUCK. We will have a Potluck Luncheon after worship on Sunday, March 23rd. If you plan to attend, please RSVP using the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. We need to know who will be coming and what type of dish you are bringing so we do not have duplicates. We ask that you bring enough to feed at least 6 people.

