

CHIMING OF THE HOUR AND WELCOME

SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

*Lord Jesus, let not our hearts be troubled.
Help us to believe with conviction
that you are with us, and we are in you,
and you are in God. Amen.*

PRELUDE FOR ORGAN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (Ein feste Burg) [op. 79b, no. 2]

Max Reger (1873-1916)

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 31)

Pastor: In you, O Lord, we seek refuge; do not let us ever be put to shame.

People: In your righteousness deliver us.

Pastor: You are indeed our rock and our fortress.

People: For your name's sake lead us and guide us.

Pastor: Take us out of the net that is hidden for us, for you are our refuge.

People: Let your face shine upon your servants; save us in your steadfast love.

All: Let us worship God.

HYMN (see page 6)

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE LESSON

[1 Peter 2:4-10](#)

after each reading:

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON

[John 14:1-14](#)

HYMN (see page 7)

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Houston

SERMON

"The Way Home"

Rev. Marshall

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF 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.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

1 The chur - ch's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord.
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,
 4 Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war,
 5 Yet she on earth has un - ion with God, the Three in One,

She is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
 by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more:
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won:

From heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride.
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we,

With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
 And soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 like them, the meek and low - ly, may live e - ter - nal - ly.

Text: Samuel John Stone, 1866; alt.

Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864; st. 5 harm. Noel Rawsthorne (1929-2019)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE FOR ORGAN

All Creatures of Our God and King (Lasst uns erfreuen)

David A. Schack, 1971

TIME FOR GREETING

All participant microphones will be unmuted for the opportunity to greet one another.

The chancel flowers are given
by Stephanie Lord, "With special gratitude to Dan, John, Jean-Paul, and Jason for uniting us
in mind and spirit on this rare Mother's Day filled with isolation."

In Memoriam
Janet Bouton Thurber, sister of Ed Bouton, on May 1

THIS WEEK

Monday, May 11

9:30 a.m. Monday Morning Bible Discussion via Zoom – contact [Dan Love](#)

7:30 p.m. Worship & Music Committee via Zoom

Tuesday, May 12

1:00 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon Discipleship via Zoom –
contact [Alicia Baldwin](#) or [Courtney Bennett](#) for the link.

Wednesday, May 13

10:00 a.m. High School Youth Group Instagram Devotional

3:30 p.m. High School Youth Group Check via Zoom - contact [Rev. JP](#)

5:30 p.m. Middle School Connection via Zoom - contact [Rev. JP](#)

Saturday, May 16

10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study via Zoom

GENERAL NOTICES

Our e-mail prayer group is going strong. Please join us in our ministry of prayer for others. Or if you have a prayer request, please do not hesitate to contact mailto:rpcprayers@gmail.com.

DURING THIS TIME

As this situation develops, if you end up needing assistance of any kind, please do not hesitate to email or call the church to contact one of your pastors. In addition, our Stephen Ministers and Friendly Visitors stand by ready to give support or just some human connection amid the quiet. Our deacons and others are ready to help as well with a run to the grocery store or pharmacy. Even if the church is closed, together we remain committed to being the church to all in need throughout this time.

ONLINE GIVING

Online donation options are available on the RPC Website Giving page. Click [here](#) to donate. Please contact Maida Robinson at mrobinson@ryepc.com, if you have any questions or need assistance. Many thanks for your continued generosity and support of the church!

RYE-BASED EFFORTS TO HELP OTHERS - UPDATE

If you're feeling healthy and safe, and are eager to find a way to HELP OTHERS during this unsettling time, we have three simple, Rye-based efforts that could really use your help!

- Sew Happy is making and delivering masks to medical personnel in the area. You need not know how to sew to lend a hand. Please click the link below for detailed instructions on how you can help (kids can get involved, too!). www.sewhappyusa.net

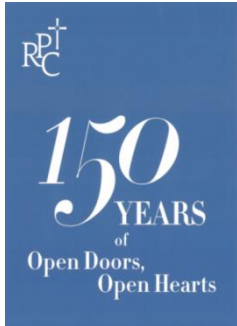
Update: 150 masks were donated to Lifting Up Westchester for their homeless shelter residents and staff. Keep sewing, please! 50 more masks are needed at the Youth Shelter for the young men and staff. Contact Dinah Howland at howland5jd@aol.com to contribute masks.

- As you know, medical personnel are working around the clock while local restaurants/eateries are suffering without business as usual. RPC member, Erika Lee, is coordinating a DOUBLY-BENEFICIAL effort and collecting donations to deliver meals FROM our local restaurants TO our local medical staff members. If you'd like to contribute, no amount is too small! Please Venmo Erika directly at erika-lee-37 and make a note in the comments that this is a "RPC food donation." Any questions, please email Erika directly at epandoesq@aol.com.
- RPC Church Member, Molly Howson, has started a campaign to raise funds for the purpose of providing much needed Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to frontline healthcare workers in New York City, Westchester County, NY and Greenwich, CT. Over the past few weeks Molly has raised over \$37,000 and purchased over 7,000 pieces of PPE, including masks, face shields, goggles, disposable hazmat suits, gowns, gloves and sanitizer. These supplies have gone to more than 15 hospitals and nursing homes as well as local EMS/FD/PD.

While this has been a great start, this is an ongoing issue that is not going away anytime soon and the needs are still significant. Any contribution helps. If you would like to donate, you can Venmo Molly Howson PPE for Frontline Workers @molly-howson or donate through Go Fund Me at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/fundthefrontppe>.

NEW RPC PRAYER WALL

As a way to connect to one another and to God throughout this time, you are invited to make prayer requests known on the RPC website Prayer Wall ([click here](#)). Together we continue to pray for all those in need throughout this ordeal. All can share anonymously, but please keep in mind that it is a public forum.



The Sesquicentennial Service Challenge

2020 marks the sesquicentennial of our sanctuary. 150 years of people coming in and going out through the doors of our beautiful sanctuary. People come in to find their faith strengthened and renewed as we worship together. People then go out in service to the world beyond our doors.

The Mission and Outreach Committee invites you to join your fellow disciples of Rye Presbyterian Church in the 2020 Sesquicentennial Service Challenge!

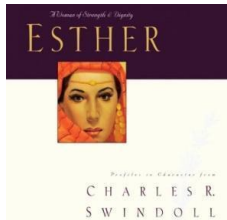
The goal: at least 150 minutes of service from every member for every month of 2020. With 1052 members, that would mean the total number of services minutes for 2020 would be 1,893,600!

Please know that ANY volunteer service you do either with the church or in the community COUNTS. If you are giving the gift of your time, it counts. When logging your minutes, you can group your minutes together. You don't need to log each activity separately. Simply total your

minutes and then list, as briefly as possible, what activities you did. The two things we are tracking are total number of minutes (not hours), and the variety of activities that people are involved in as they give the gift of their time by volunteering.

Minutes logged thus far: 141,574

TO LOG YOUR MINUTES, GO TO: <https://ryepc.com/150>



TUESDAY AFTERNOON WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

1:00 p.m., via Zoom

Esther: A Woman of Strength and Dignity by Charles R. Swindoll.

We will meet via Zoom –

please contact [Alicia Baldwin](#) or [Courtney Bennett](#) for the link.



BABY BUNDLE DRIVE

Welcoming New Babies – Helping New Parents with Open Door Family Medical Center

The risks and challenges of bringing a new baby into the world are amplified during this stressful time, especially for low-income families.

From Mother's Day to Father's Day, we invite you to help a new family and honor mothers, fathers and babies everywhere by donating to Baby Bundles (Formerly Baby Box; due to sanitary concerns the bassinet box is on hold now.)

Donating is easy – click on the [Open Door Amazon Wishlist link](#) and select from the baby items needed. You can order a single item, any amount or mix, or an entire bundle. Amazon ships directly to Open Door, where the staff will assemble bundles and deliver to the families. Please make sure to include your name and contact information so Open Door knows who to thank.

Shop, donate AND make an impactful difference for vulnerable new babies and parents in our community. Thank you.

To learn more about the Baby Bundle program, please contact Jane Levy, Manager of Volunteer Programs at jlevy@odfmc.org.

EASTER ASSISTANCE OFFERING UPDATE

Due to the overwhelming generosity of our congregation, \$38,000 was given to the Easter Assistance Offering. These funds were divided between four local agencies: Bread of Life received \$6,000, Lifting Up Westchester received \$8,000, The Port Chester Carver Center and the Open Door Medical Services each received \$12,000.

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Friendly Visitors, please call the church at
(914) 967-0842 and leave a voicemail with one of the pastors.
Voicemails go directly to our cell phones.
Dan Love is at ex. 15, John Miller at ex. 14, and JP Marshall at ex. 17.**

1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all
 2 What God's al-might - y power has made God's gra - cious mer -
 3 The Lord is nev - er far a - way, but, through all grief
 4 Thus all my toil - some way a - long I sing a - loud

cre - a - tion, the God of power, the God of love,
 cy keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade
 dis - tress - ing, an ev - er - pres - ent help and stay,
 thy prais - es, that all may hear the grate - ful song

the God of our sal - va - tion. With
 God's watch - ful eye ne'er sleep - eth. With -
 our peace and joy and bless - ing, as
 my voice un - wea - ried rais - es. Be

heal - ing balm my soul is filled, and ev - ery faith - less
 in the king - dom of God's might, lo! all is just and
 with a moth - er's ten - der hand God gent - ly leads the
 joy - ful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and bod - y,

mur - mur stilled:
 all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry!
 cho - sen band:
 take your part:

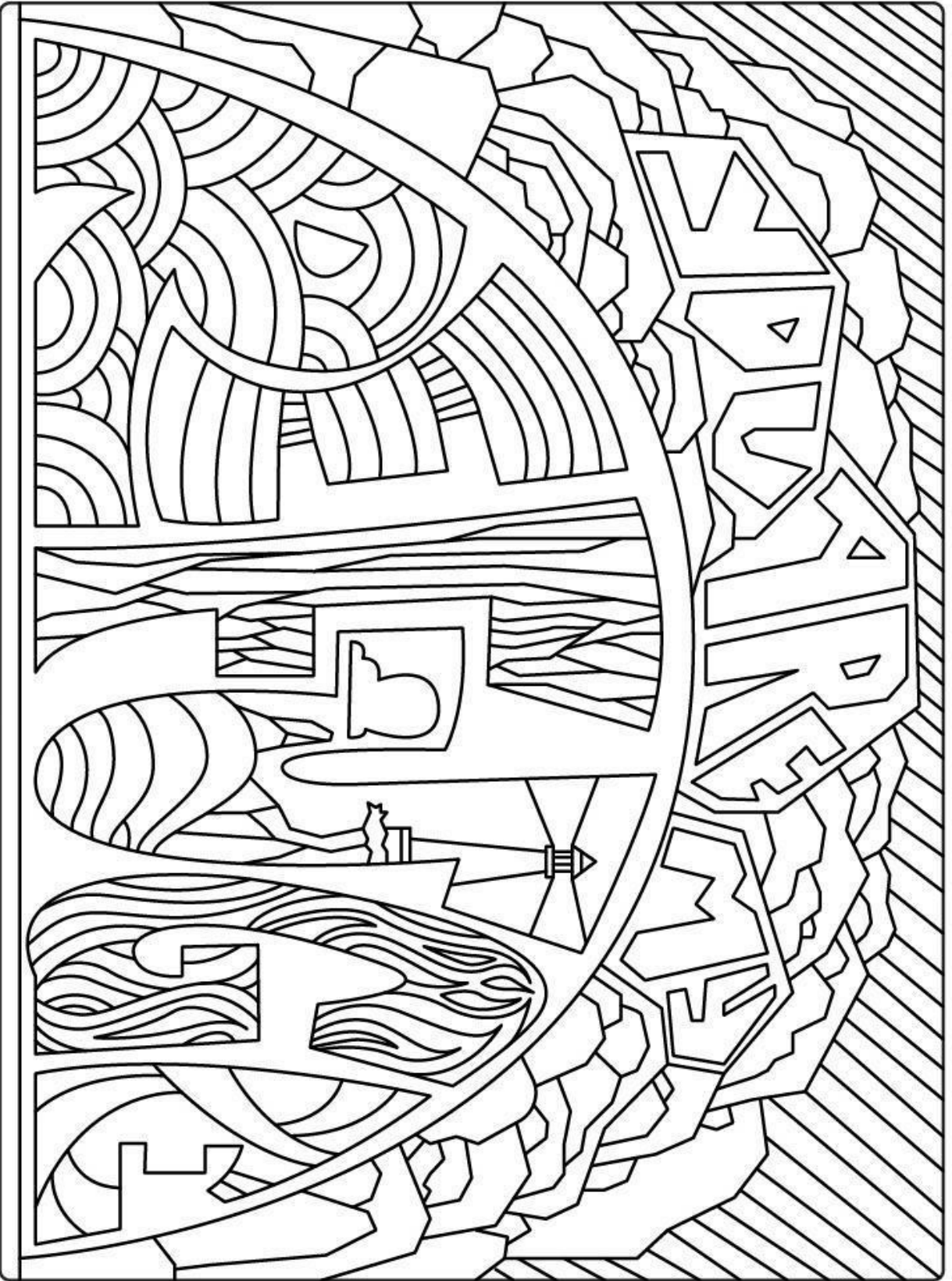
1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to fol - low
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God. I want to look at
 3 I'm look-ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to be with

Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ-teous-ness, shine on my path, and
 Je - sus. When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

Refrain

star of my life is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther. In him there is no dark-ness at
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.

all. The night and the day are both a - like. The Lamb is the
 light of the cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.



Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 · illustratedministry.com