

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE FOR ORGAN

Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier [BWV 731]

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

*The tune upon which this setting is based is printed in the hymnal at no. 395, Blessed Jesus, at Your Word.
Note we will sing this hymn following the Affirmation of Faith.*

GREETING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: May the peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

PEALING OF THE BELL AND SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

*By your Holy Spirit, grant us, O God, a mind to meditate upon you;
eyes to behold you; ears to listen for your word;
a heart to love you; and a life to proclaim you,
Amen.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness.

People: God leads the humble in what is right and teaches them God's way.

Pastor: Let us worship God.

*HYMN 624

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

Toulon

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, even in the quieter days of summer we can lose our way. We get stuck in our routines and so busy with our daily lives that we fail to stop and breathe, to look up and to notice the creation you have made and the way it speaks of your love and majesty. We fail to listen for your words – in scripture, in music, in talking with others. We live anxious and distracted lives.

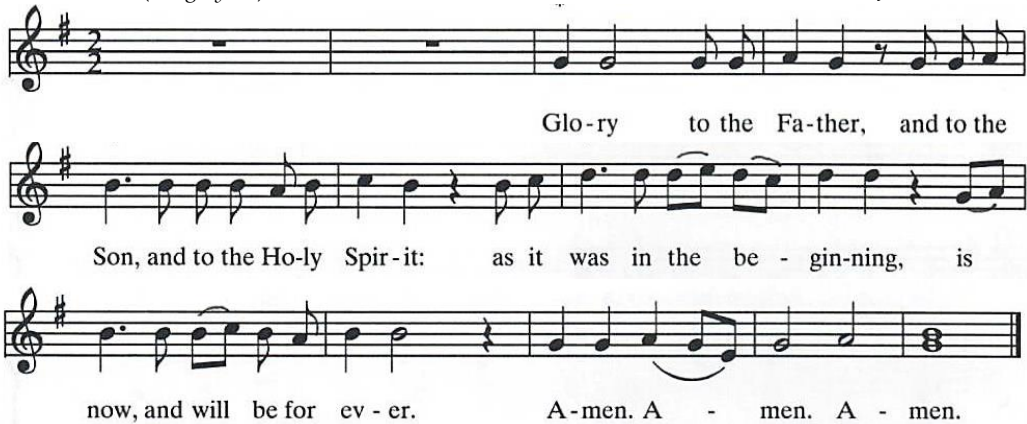
Silent prayers of confession are offered.

God who speaks to us now, help us. Forgive us when we fail to pause and sit and attend to you. In your mercy, heal our worries and quiet the other voices in our lives, so that listening to you we too can keep the best part. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*GLORIA PATRI (*sung by all*)

John Weaver, 1978



Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the
Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it: as it was in the be - gin-ning, is
now, and will be for ev - er. A - men. A - men. A - men.

-3rd/4th century Latin; transl.

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children age 4 through 5th grade are now dismissed to their Sunday School class in the Westminster Room.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM 25 (*read responsively*)

Kristin Jautz, *lay reader*

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame; let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

Gracious and upright are you, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.

You guide the humble in doing right and teach your way to the lowly.

All your paths, O LORD, are love and faithfulness to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

[Colossians 1:1-4, 9-14](#)

(Pew Bible, New Testament, page 199)

after each reading:

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

HYMN-ANTHEM FOR MIXED VOICES AND PIANO

There's a Spirit in the Air

The Volunteer Summer Choir
Medieval French melody; harm.

There's a spirit in the air, telling Christians everywhere:

"Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working in our world."

Lose your shyness, find your tongue; tell the world what God has done:

God in Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today.

Still the Spirit gives us light, seeing wrong and setting right:

God in Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today.

May the Spirit fill our praise, guide our thoughts and change our ways.

God in Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today.

-Brian Wren, 1969; rev. 1987

GOSPEL LESSON

[Luke 10:38-42](#)

(Pew Bible, New Testament, page 72)

SERMON

"A Life Worthy: First Things First"

Rev. Love

THE RESPONSE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from the *Confirmation Study Catechism*)

What is God's purpose for your life?

God wills that we should live by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, for the love of God, and in the communion of the Holy Spirit.

How do you live by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ?

We are not our own. We have been bought with a price. The Lord Jesus Christ loved us and gave himself for us. We entrust ourselves completely to his care, giving thanks each day for his wonderful goodness.

How do you live for the love of God?

We love because God first loved us. Amazed by grace, we live for the Lord who died and rose again, triumphant over death, for our sake. Therefore, we take those around us to heart, especially those in need, knowing that Christ died for them no less than for us.

How do you live in the communion of the Holy Spirit?

By the Holy Spirit, we are made one with the Lord Jesus Christ. We are baptized into Christ's body, the church. As members of this community, we trust in God's Word, share in the Lord's Supper, and turn to God in prayer. As we grow in grace and knowledge, we are led to do the good works that God intends for our lives.

*HYMN 395

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Liebster Jesu

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

MUSIC FOR ORGAN

Orientis partibus

Medieval French melody;
arr. Paul Bryan (b. 1950)

Herewith, a bright setting of the tune to which the Volunteer Summer Choir sang its hymn-anthem.

*DOXOLOGY (sung by all)

Old Hundredth

The music for this setting is printed in the hymnal at no. 606.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

—Thomas Ken, 1674; alt.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SENDING FORTH

*HYMN 816

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

Wer nur den lieben Gott

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE FOR ORGAN (all are invited into the chancel to listen to the postlude)

Sonata II [op. 65, no. 2]: iii. Allegro maestoso e vivace

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

**congregation standing*

Welcome to Rye Presbyterian Church

If you are a guest today, we welcome you and hope you are enriched and inspired by this time of worship. So that we may get to know you better, please fill out an information card found in the pew racks and put it in the offering plate. You may also go to: <https://ryepc.com/im-new/> and fill out the Welcome Form online.

If you, or a family member, needs to step out of the sanctuary during worship, please feel free to do so. There is live audio from the service in the narthex at the back of sanctuary and in the church library.

The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God.

The White Roses at the lectern are in honor of the births of

- Esmé Juniper Maiorana, on June 27, daughter of Julia De Santis and Matt Maiorana and granddaughter of Cynthia and CJ De Santis
- Jack Scott Gahagan on July 2, son of Katie and Dan Gahagan and grandson of Mary and David Versfelt
- Marion Belle Ramsell Kearney, July 3, daughter of Amanda and Brett Kearney

TODAY

Coffee is available outside in front of the sanctuary following worship.

High School Youth Group, 3:00 p.m., Jay Heritage Center



CHILDCARE & SUNDAY SCHOOL

Childcare for ages 3 months through 3-years-old and Sunday School for ages 4-5th grade are being offered this morning. Childcare can be found on the first floor of the Education Wing. Age 4-5th grade will meet as a combined class in the Westminster Room.

Please make sure to sign your children up for childcare and Sunday School each week using the form on our [website](#).

GENERAL NOTICES

8:30 AM SUNDAY WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION HAS RESUMED IN THE CHAPEL.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Summer Office Hours: From now through end of August the church office will be open 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

E-MAIL PRAYER GROUP

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 rpcprays@ryepc.com.

ONLINE GIVING

Online donation options are available on the RPC Website Giving page (ryepc.com/give/), or you may scan the QR Code to the right with your cell phone.

zelle We can also accept your donations with Zelle from your mobile banking app. Please contact the church office to register with us first.

Contact Maida Robinson at 914-967-0842 or email mrobinson@ryepc.com, if you have any questions. *Many thanks for your continued generosity and support of the church!*



Come join us for a
Midsummer Picnic

ON THE LAWN

Sunday, July 24, following 10:00 am worship.

Please join us after the service and baptismal celebration. The Walter's Hot Dog Truck, Italian ices, fried chicken, salads, cookies, brownies, and lemonade will be served.

The playground will be fully accessible.

Suggested donation: \$20 per family ([click here](#) to donate online)

We are looking forward to celebrating with all of you!

For further information contact Molly Boxford (mboxford@gmail.com).

CARING CONNECTIONS - Fall 2022 Course

"The first duty of love is to listen." – Paul Tillich

Learn the art of listening, maintaining healthy boundaries, and how to become a more skilled caregiver through Caring Connections, a 12-session course offered at RPC this fall. Based on the well-known Stephen Ministry training, the course will be offered on Tuesday evenings, bookended by two Saturday retreats on September 17th and November 19th. Classes are led by our clergy and RPC Stephen Leaders. The course can lead to participating in one of the many caring ministries within the church.

For more information, or to sign up, please contact Carol Love, cloveny@optonline.net.



THRIFT SHOP DONATIONS

The Thrift Shop is closed for the summer; will reopen on Thursday, September 15. We will be taking donations on a limited basis. For information on donations, please email the shop at RyeThrift10580@gmail.com. Thank you.



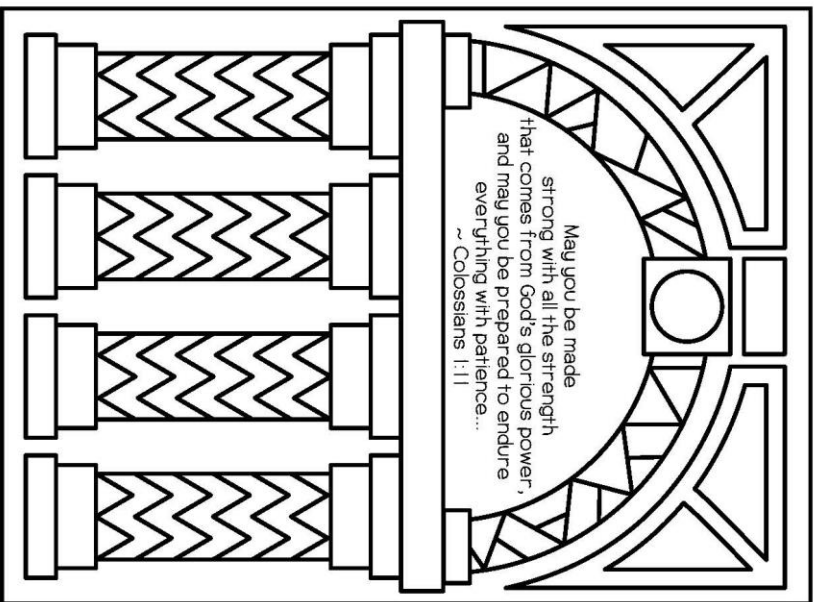
The Rev. Daniel Love, *Co-Pastor*
The Rev. Dr. John Miller, *Co-Pastor*
The Rev. Jean-Paul Marshall, *Associate Pastor for Christian Education*
Jason Charneski, *Director of Music and Organist*
Lisa Rawson, *Director of Choirs for Children and Youth*
Maida Robinson, *Chief Administrative Officer*
Peggy Berretta, *Administrative Assistant*
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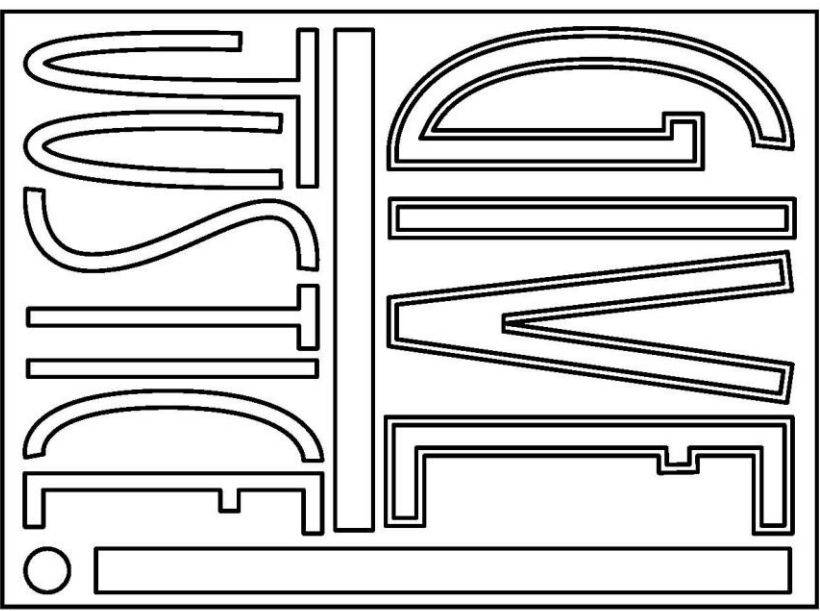
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CHILDREN'S WORSHIP • BULLETIN

Activities based on Amos 7:7-17, Psalm 82, Colossians 1:11-14, Luke 10:25-37.



DO YOU FEEL MORE LIKE

MARY

OR

MARTHA

