

## THE GATHERING

### PRELUDE FOR ORGAN

Prelude on *Dundee* [op. 44, no. 2]

Collin Miller, Knock Intern in Sacred Music

John Gardner (1917-2011)

*The tune upon which this setting is based is printed in the hymnal at no. 30, O God, in a Mysterious Way.*

*The composer of this piece also composed the anthem the choir will offer this morning.*

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

### GREETING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

**People: And also with you.**

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

### PEALING OF THE BELL AND SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

*With you, O God, to guide me, I journey on my way.*

*I know you are beside me all through the night and day.*

*Within your hand you hold me; what do I have to fear?*

*Your loving arms enfold me, your grace is always near. Amen.*

### INTROIT *(sung by the choir)*

How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place

J. L. M. Bain (1840-1925);

harm. Gordon Jacob (1895-1984)

How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of hosts, to me!

My thirsty soul desires and longs within thy courts to be;

My very heart and flesh cry out, O living God, for thee.

*-Psalm 84:1-2; para. Scottish Psalter, 1650*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 146)

Pastor: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

**People: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;**

Pastor: I will sing praises to my God all my life long, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever; who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.

**People: The Lord sets the prisoners free. The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.**

Pastor: The Lord watches over the strangers; God upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked God brings to ruin.

**People: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!**

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, giver of all that is good, we recognize that you are the source of all that is. The breath of life is a gift from your generous hand. The food we eat is grown in the world you sustain. The community that supports us is called into being by your saving activity. Everything we have is a gift from you. So why do we treat life as though you are parsimonious with us? Why do we believe we must hoard our blessings while grasping for more? It is our sin that makes us live as though we don't trust your goodness.

*Silent prayers of confession are offered.*

By your mercy, forgive us. Teach us again what it is to rely upon you. Remind us that we are always in your loving care. Fill our hearts with your grace and goodwill, that your love may overflow from our lives into the lives of our neighbors. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON *(sung by the choir)*

plainsong; arr. Janet Hall (1923-2004)

Kyrie eleison.  
Christe eleison.  
Kyrie eleison.

*Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.*

*-5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> century Greek*

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.

*-3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> century Latin; transl.*

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR  
LANE NELSON HARRINGTON**  
*(Please refrain from taking photographs.)*

**STATEMENT ON BAPTISM**

**PRESENTATION**

**QUESTIONS TO THE PARENTS AND GODPARENTS**

**QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION**

**Deacon:** Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Lane by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of his Church?

**We do.**

**PROFESSION OF FAITH** *(congregation standing)*

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Pastor:** Blessed are you, almighty God, creator of the universe, ruler of heaven and earth. You are the source of light and life for all creation. In your goodness you give us the sign of water.

**People:** **At the beginning, your Spirit was at work, brooding over the waters of creation's birth, bringing forth life in all its fullness. Through the gift of water you nourish and sustain all living things.**

**Pastor:** In the time of Noah, you cleansed the earth through the waters of the flood. By the pillar of cloud and fire you led Israel through the waters of the Red Sea out of slavery to freedom in the promised land.

**People:** **In the waters of the river Jordan, Jesus was baptized by John and anointed by the Holy Spirit. He is the never-failing spring who has promised that all who thirst can come to the living water.**

Pastor: By the baptism of his own death and resurrection he set us free from bondage to sin and death and opened to us the joy and freedom of everlasting life.

People: **We thank you, O God, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. From it we are raised to share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

Pastor: Send your Spirit to move over this water that it may be a fountain of deliverance and rebirth. Wash away the sin of all who are cleansed by it. Raise them to new life, and graft them to the body of Christ. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon Lane, that she may have the power to do your will and continue forever in the risen life of Christ.

People: **To you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, be all praise, honor, and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

## THE BAPTISM

### GIVING OF THE LIGHT

Deacon: Receive the light of Christ; you have passed from darkness into light.

People: **You have been enlightened with Christ; walk always as a child of the light.**

RESPONSE (*sung by all*)

Baptized in Water

*Bunessan*

*This setting is printed in the hymnal at no. 482, the third stanza.*

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our King;  
Born of the Spirit, we are God's children; joyfully now God's praises we sing.**

*—Michael A. Seward, 1981*

## THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

[1 Timothy 6:6-19](#)

*Ty Bibas, lay reader*

(Pew Bible, New Testament, page 210)

*after each reading:*

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

### GOSPEL LESSON

[Luke 16:19-31](#)

(Pew Bible, New Testament, page 79)

### SERMON

"Mind the Gap"

*Rev. Marshall*

## THE RESPONSE

### \*HYMN 345

In an Age of Twisted Values  
*Stanza 1: Choir only; Stanzas 2-4: All*

*Church United*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 (*sung by the choir*)

*John Stainer (1840-1901)*

## CALL FOR THE OFFERING

### ANTHEM FOR CHOIR AND ORGAN

Fight the Good Fight

John Gardner, 1963

Fight the good fight with all thy might,  
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right;  
lay hold on life, and it shall be  
thy joy and crown eternally.

Cast care aside, lean on thy guide:  
his boundless mercy will provide;  
trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove  
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

Run the straight race through God's good grace,  
lift up thine eyes and seek his face;  
life with its way before us lies,  
Christ is the path and Christ the prize.

Faint not, nor fear, his arms are near;  
he changeth not, and thou art dear;  
only believe, and thou shalt see  
that Christ is all in all to thee. Amen.

-J. S. B. Monsell, 1863

### \*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 766

The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

McKee

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

Collin Miller

Fugue in C Major [op. 36, no. 3/ii]

Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

*\*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 need 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.*

*Crucifer*

Frank Zingg

*This morning the Sacrament of Baptism is being administered to:*

Lane Nelson Harrington,  
child of Allison and Ford Harrington

## TODAY

*Following worship, coffee will be available outside the sanctuary, near the walkway to the Columbarium.*

*Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 11:15 a.m., Chapel  
High School Youth Group, 12:00 p.m., Jay Heritage Center  
Confirmation Class, 5:00 p.m., Assembly Room  
Men's Bible Study, 8:00 p.m., Library and Zoom option*

## CHILDCARE & SUNDAY SCHOOL



Childcare for ages 3 months through 3-year-olds and Sunday School for ages 4-8<sup>th</sup> grade are being offered this morning! Registration for infants to 8<sup>th</sup> grade attending our 2022-2023 Sunday

School program is now up on our [website](#). Please register soon to help us effectively plan for the program year!

Childcare can be found on the first floor of the Education Wing. Sunday School classes for age 4-3<sup>rd</sup> grade are on the second floor of the Education Wing, and 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade are in the Westminster Room. Middle School meets in the Youth Rooms downstairs in the basement.

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

## THIS WEEK

### Monday, September 26

9:30 a.m. Bible Discussion, via Zoom

7:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee, Westminster Room and Zoom

### Tuesday, September 27

1:00 p.m. Women's Discipleship, Library

7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Caring Connections, Westminster Room

### Wednesday, September 28

5:30 p.m. Connection, Youth Rooms

7:30 p.m. Session, Westminster Room and Zoom

### Thursday, September 29

10:00 a.m. Thrift Shop, Assembly Room

## 8:30 A.M. WORSHIP UPDATE

Please note that the Worship and Music Committee has decided that 8:30 am worship will be paused for now based upon attendance patterns. The committee will re-evaluate reinstating this service at the beginning of the new year.

## GENERAL NOTICES

### ONLINE GIVING

Online donation options are available on the RPC Website Giving page ([ryepc.com/give/](https://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](mailto:mrobinson@ryepc.com), if you have any questions. *Many thanks for your continued generosity and support of the church!*



## 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](mailto:rpcprays@ryepc.com).

## JOIN THE CHANCEL CHOIR



RPC's music ministry thrives because many volunteers contribute their time and talent. Might you have interest in singing in the Chancel Choir? If so, please read on!

**COVID-19 SAFETY NOTE: Masks and distancing will be implemented as needed. Rehearsals will take place in spaces with fresh air induction and good air circulation. Singers are expected to stay current with booster vaccine recommendations from the CDC.**

· The Chancel Choir, open to anyone who is a high school junior or older, sings each Sunday of the program year (mid-September through mid-June) and in services on Christmas Eve and Maundy Thursday.

- The usual Sunday schedule begins with warm-up at 9:15 a.m., continues with singing in the 10:00 a.m. service, and concludes with a rehearsal following that service (11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.).
- Ability to read music makes for ease of progress; but, those who do not yet know the “language” of music, yet are able to match and maintain pitch, are most welcome to join.
- Section leaders (professional musicians) assist and help to inspire all singers.

If interested, please speak with Jason Charneski, call him at 914-967-0842, ext. 16, or send him an email: [jcharneski@ryepc.com](mailto:jcharneski@ryepc.com).

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS

**Here at Rye Presbyterian Church we seek to guide and nurture our children on their journey of faith, engaging their natural sense of wonder and curiosity to help them know and understand God's love!**

We invite you to join in on that journey of wonder and curiosity as a Sunday School leader. It is a wonderful way to connect and engage with the children of our community. Lesson plans are prepared ahead of time, and all materials are provided for you. You are invited to lead based on your own schedule, either on a regular basis, seasonally, or as a substitute. Trainings and mid-year check-ins are offered, and you will be supported by the Sunday School Supervisor and the Associate Pastor all year long.

Please think about it, pray about it, and let Rev. JP ([jmarshall@ryepc.com](mailto:jmarshall@ryepc.com)) know if you are interested.

## CONNECTION & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

With the start of the school year, both our middle school Connection and High School Youth Group are meeting regularly again! Please visit the “**Youth Ministry**” page of the [website](#) to get a glimpse of what our youth are up to this fall.

Our youth are also invited to fill out the **get-to-know-you form** on the website. This form will help us stay connected as much as possible throughout the year, so please encourage your youth to fill it out soon!

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



## On the Great Lawn

*(weather permitting)*

**Sunday, October 16, at 2:00 p.m.**

**Special offering to benefit  
Pet Rescue, Larchmont.**



## SUNDAY CHANCEL FLOWERS

Each week beautiful flowers adorn our sanctuary and provide an uplifting reminder of the goodness of God. Please consider honoring the memory of a loved one or recognizing a special occasion for a \$70 donation.

The flowers are a blessing to worshippers attending the service live in the sanctuary as well as those attending via ZOOM.

Your donation will be noted in the church bulletin and the weekly email.

To make arrangements, contact Denise LeVan ([dlevan@ryepc.com](mailto:dlevan@ryepc.com)).

To Donate online go to <https://ryepc.com/article/peace-global-witness-offering-donate-online/>

**Thank you, God  
for connecting us.**

Thank you  
for neighbors,  
each with needs  
and gifts  
to share,  
and for  
our church,  
the Whole Church,  
together, and  
for Jesus Christ,  
Amen.



PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION



# Peace

is doing, not waiting.  
Peace begins  
with each of us.

Through the Peace & Global Witness Offering, we connect with each other to confront systems of injustice and promote reconciliation in places around the world — and right here at home.

25%

of this Offering stays with our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community.

25%

of this Offering goes to our mid council to join with other congregation gifts to support peacemaking work in our region.

50%

of this Offering supports the work for peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians across the globe.



Please give what you can.

**IF WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT.**

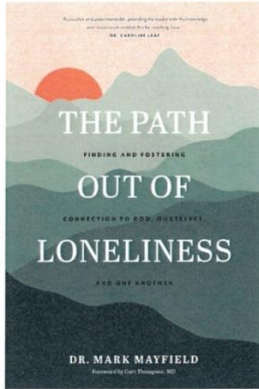
*Thank you!*

RPC's 25% of the offering is going to ReSET Westchester, Inc., created to welcome and assure that new refugees have a safe home, and are prepared to lead productive and independent lives in the New York area. <http://www.resetwestchester.org>





## BOOK STUDY



# ***THE PATH OUT OF LONELINESS***

**FINDING AND FOSTERING CONNECTION TO  
GOD, OURSELVES,  
AND ONE ANOTHER**

Monday evenings, Oct. 10, 17, 24, 31  
7:30pm, Church Library


We have lost the art of connection, especially over the past several years. This study will encourage you to develop healthy habits that will move you from isolation to connection; learning the importance of attachment, the power of relationships, the gift of vulnerability, and the vision of a God who knew from the beginning that we are created to be in community. John Miller will facilitate this book study. Please contact him at [jmiller@ryepc.com](mailto:jmiller@ryepc.com) to let him know you plan to attend. Please purchase and read the book *in advance*.

Rye Presbyterian Church Adult Education

**Soul Shop for Congregations**  
 Ministering to those impacted by suicidal  
 desperation.

Rye Presbyterian Church  
 Sunday, Oct. 23  
 11:15 am – 12:45 pm  
 OR  
 Tuesday, Oct. 25  
 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

This 90 minute workshop will be lead  
 by John Miller and Jean-Paul Marshall.



**SOUL SHOP**  
 THE RYE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

In recent years our congregation and community has experienced several suicides. We have offered a variety of programming in response to these heartbreaking events. We encourage you to attend the 1½ hour *Soul Shop for Congregations* workshop this fall. The workshop will be offered twice, on Sunday, Oct. 23, and on Tuesday evening, Oct. 25, but you only attend one of the sessions. This workshop will be led by John Miller and Jean-Paul Marshall.

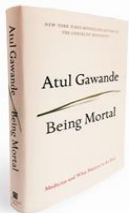
*Soul Shop for Congregations* has three objectives:

1) Familiarize participants with the incidence and impact of suicidal desperation on the adults and youth in their faith communities; 2) Train participants in a simple, conversational method for saving the life of someone considering suicide or companionship those impacted by suicidal desperation; and 3) Provide participants with an experience that models good relational skills and fosters confidence in their ability to make a difference.

Advance registration is highly encouraged. There is no cost.

Please contact either John Miller at [jmiller@ryepc.com](mailto:jmiller@ryepc.com) or Jean-Paul Marshall at [jmarshall@ryepc.com](mailto:jmarshall@ryepc.com) to register.

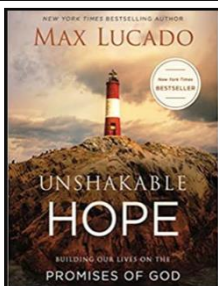
*(Note that while this workshop is designed to be done in person, a hybrid session may be offered for Sunday only, if requested.)*



**Coming Later This Fall . . .**

**A Book Study led by Dan Love**

***Being Mortal,***  
**by Atul Gawande**



**Women's Discipleship Group**

**Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m.,  
 in the RPC Library and via Zoom**

Please e-mail questions to:

Alicia Baldwin ([alicia.baldwin@verizon.net](mailto:alicia.baldwin@verizon.net)) or  
 Courtney Bennett ([Courtneybennett910@gmail.com](mailto:Courtneybennett910@gmail.com))

## THRIFT SHOP



The Thrift Shop is open on Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., in the Assembly Room.

*Donations:* For information on donations, please check the church website (<https://ryepc.com/ministries/thrift-shop/>). You can also email the shop at [RyeThrift10580@gmail.com](mailto:RyeThrift10580@gmail.com).

*Drop-Off Times:* Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

We could use a few more volunteers to help with both our Thursday sale and three evening programs throughout the year. No experience necessary! Join us in fellowship and help us to help others. Last year, shop proceeds of \$51,500 were donated to local non-profits. For more information, please contact Suzanne Davies at [Suzannebd1@aol.com](mailto:Suzannebd1@aol.com). Thank you.



The Rev. Daniel Love, *Co-Pastor*

The Rev. Dr. John Miller, *Co-Pastor*

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Fugue in C Major [op. 36, no. 3/ii]

Music: Marcel Dupré

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