



Have you ever purchased something and then asked the clerk, “What if I need to return it?” Often we’re told that we simply need to return it in its original factory carton or packing. Yeah, right! Who can ever get what we bought back into the box the same way in which it originally came? What we buy seems to expand exponentially so that it will never fit back into the box.

In May we celebrate two significant days in the Christian liturgical year. On Thursday, May 13, is the Ascension of our Lord. It is the day that we remember Jesus, forty days after his resurrection, returning to his Father in heaven (see Luke 24:44-53). The disciples had spent forty days with their Risen Lord. It became their new normal. But now, with his ascension, everything is about to change again – nothing will be the same. All of us now have some sense of what this is like as we’ve lived into a “new normal” during this pandemic year. It is as if everything spilled out of the box and we cannot put it back in the way that it used to be.

The second important celebration that comes in May this year is Pentecost, which arrives fifty days after Easter. Often referred to as the birthday of the Church, the biblical text from Acts 2 recounts the story of how the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples as they were behind closed doors in an upper room. Once again, everything changed. The church was born. The Spirit was on the loose. Again, the disciples learned to live into a “new normal” as God’s Spirit filled people.

Jesus himself, when being questioned about the behavior of his disciples versus the behavior of the Pharisees or John the Baptist’s disciples, said, in part: “Neither is new wine put into old wineskins; otherwise, the skins burst, and the wine is spilled, and the skins are destroyed; but new wine is put into fresh wineskins, and so both are preserved.” As the Kingdom of God comes into being, God uses new people and new ways to bring it about. That, in part, is what Pentecost is about – the Holy Spirit being unboxed, unleashed, to do a new thing!

One of the watchwords of our denomination is, “*Ecclesia reformata, semper reformanda*” which is commonly mistranslated as “reformed and always reforming.” The Latin verb is passive, and it is much better translated as “always being reformed” or “always to be reformed.” Theologian Harold Nebelsick put it well: “We are the recipients of the activity of the Holy Spirit which reforms the church in accordance with the Word of God.” The church is God’s church, a creation of God’s Word and Spirit. As we say in our *Brief Statement of Faith*, “we belong to God.”

As things in our world begin to open up as more people are vaccinated, we will once again be invited to live into a “new normal.” We don’t quite yet know what that is going to look like. In the spirit of both the Day of Ascension and the Day of Pentecost (Sunday, May 23) I invite us to embrace the idea that not everything is going to fit back into the box. Let us remember that we belong to God and are “always being reformed” – being called to live into a “new normal.”

That being said, as things do begin to open up, let us pause to give thanks for the “normal” things of life. I draw your attention to a poem that I shared with you one year ago in the May 2020 issue of Grace Notes. It was written by religious author Laura Kelly Fanucci. (It appears below.) May the final words in some way capture what I hope and pray our “new normal” may look and feel like. She writes: “When this ends, may we find that we have become more like the people we wanted to be, we were called to be, we hoped to be, and may we stay that way – better for each other because of the worst.”

Yours in the Spirit,

*When this is over,  
may we never again take for granted  
A handshake with a stranger  
Full shelves at the store  
Conversations with neighbors  
A crowded theatre  
Friday night out  
The taste of communion  
A routine checkup  
The school rush each morning  
Coffee with a friend  
The stadium roaring  
Each deep breath  
A boring Tuesday  
Life itself.*

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may we find  
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## Pentecost Offering

### Pentecost Offering—Spring 2021



Each year on Pentecost Sunday (May 23), we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the church. The Holy Spirit remains with us still, connecting us with the church of the past, continuing to inspire the church of today, and pointing us to the church of the future. Each year, this celebration is marked by receiving the Pentecost Offering which nurtures the faith of our children, youth, and young adults.

The Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people

and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. It helps our youth begin life with a strong start, a solid foundation of faith formed in the first third of life, from childhood through young adulthood.

A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people around the world and address the needs of at-risk children in our own community.

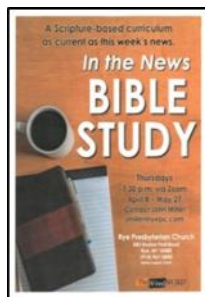
- 40% of the Pentecost offering will be used to make an impact in our neighborhood by supporting Open Door Medical Clinic's Baby Bundle program.
- 60% will be used to support children-at-risk, youth, and young adults through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency.
  - ◊ 25% goes to Young Adult Volunteer experiences to train and equip volunteers to engage in mission at more than 20 sites in the U.S. and around the world.
  - ◊ 25% goes to Guiding Youth, which supports ministries with youth, ages 12–18, and those called to accompany them.
  - ◊ 10% supports Child Advocacy which works with the "Educate a Child, Transform the World" national initiative, which was affirmed at the 221st General Assembly in 2014.

Since the Pentecost Offering started in 1998, Presbyterians have raised more than \$15 million for ministries that benefit younger members of God's family. Psalm 71 testifies that a foundation of faith established during childhood helps ensure lifelong faith and service. The patterns and lessons established during these formative years continue to bear fruit throughout a person's life. By giving to the Pentecost Offering, you are helping our children, youth, and young adults grow up to proclaim with the Psalmist, "O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds."



*William Eric Waters, guest preacher, Church & Justice Sunday*

## Adult Education, Stephen Ministry, F.A.C.T.



### Adult Education

#### Thursday Night Discussion

7:30 p.m. via Zoom  
through May 27

We will be using **The Wired Word** adult Bible study curriculum as our final course of study this spring. This new and unique curriculum takes current events from today's news and relates them to Scripture, as we seek to apply God's word to everyday life. Each week participants will be emailed a news article and related scriptures along with discussion questions in advance of our Thursday evening gathering. To participate and to receive the emails along with the Zoom link, please contact John Miller at: [jmiller@ryepc.com](mailto:jmiller@ryepc.com).



Sometimes we hear people in crisis say "You know, I'll be fine. I don't really need a Stephen Minister. There are so many people who are worse off than me." Many of us are embarrassed to admit that we could use help. But the truth is, at one point or another in our lives, all of us probably could have used a Stephen Minister. Who of us has never grieved for a loved one, felt lonely, worried about a child/parent/job, been anxious about a medical issue, experienced burnout, or simply felt overwhelmed by life's responsibilities? Stephen Ministers have been trained to be good listeners, not problem solvers. They serve others by walking alongside them when the going gets tough. It is true that most of you don't absolutely need a Stephen Minister to work through your challenges. However, you deserve one. For more information or a confidential conversation, please contact our clergy at 967-0842, or anyone on RPC's Stephen Leader Team: Patti Adimari, Bridget Davis, Jan Kelsey, Carol Love, or Elizabeth Lukes.

SOUL RYEDERS

wjcs  
Westchester Jewish  
Community Services

# F.A.C.T.

Facing Advanced  
Care Together:

*All You Want to Know  
but Were Afraid to Ask*

TUESDAY,  
JUNE 8TH

12:30 - 2:00pm  
Online Workshop

RSVP by Sunday, June 6th

A link to the virtual session  
and all related materials  
will be sent out via email  
prior to the workshop.

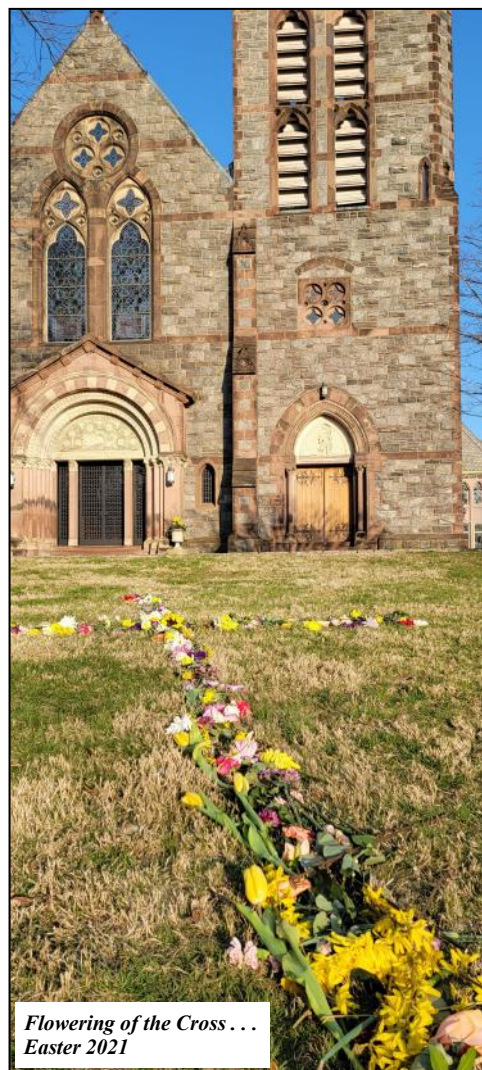
F.A.C.T. is an educational program presented by **Westchester Jewish Community Services** in partnership with and made possible through a generous grant from **SOUL RYEDERS**. The program aims to promote conversations about advanced care planning. It consists of short videos, materials and conversation tools that are used to assist families in improving the experience of illness.

We will discuss understanding and communicating personal values, enhancing communication among family members regarding wishes, medical treatments and interventions, and the use of appropriate legal healthcare documents.

Log in and learn the F.A.C.T.'s about Health Care Proxy, Advanced Directives documents and important conversations on Tuesday, June 8th.

Click here for further information and for link to register:

[https://soulryeders.salsalabs.org/factworkshopjune2021\\_invite](https://soulryeders.salsalabs.org/factworkshopjune2021_invite)



*Flowering of the Cross...  
Easter 2021*

## Christian Education, Confirmation



For the month of May, we will continue using Illustrated Ministry's **An Illustrated Earth: Celebrating God's Creation**. By engaging Bible stories that celebrate water, plants, food, and animals, we will reflect together on the wonderful diversity and beauty of God's creation. Each week we will focus on a different theme:

- May 2:** Calming of the Storm (Mark 4:35-41)
- May 9:** Manna & Quail (Exodus 16)
- May 16:** Feeding of the 5,000 (Mark 6:31-44)
- May 23:** Rest for the Land (Leviticus 25:1-7)
- May 30:** No Sunday School (Memorial Day Weekend)

Each Sunday we will start off our Zoom class together at 9:00 a.m. to introduce the theme. Then we will split into two breakout rooms based on age (PreK-2nd and 3rd-5th) for discussion and activities.

If you would like your child(ren) to participate via Zoom, please fill out the registration form on our website:

<https://ryepc.com/ministries/children/>.

Families are also invited to join us in reflecting on God's creation at home! This curriculum comes with its own Family Devotions, consisting of wondering questions, coloring sheets and story cards, a family activity, and a prayer. If you would like to receive these materials and are not already signed up for our weekly Christian Ed newsletter, please contact **Rev. JP:**

[jmarshall@ryepc.com](mailto:jmarshall@ryepc.com).

### Paint and Plant

**Sunday, May 16,**

**2:00-3:00 p.m., Grape Arbor**

Join us outside for a nice spring afternoon as we paint flower pots and plant some seeds! Each family will gather at a table that will have all the supplies needed. Then, everyone is invited to take their plants home and watch them grow!

**Registration is required—no walk-ins will be allowed. Registration for**

**the event will be found on our website until Monday, May 10. Space and supplies are limited, so please register early!**

**Please make sure to wear a mask for the event. Also, please know that a health check via a sign-in sheet will be required upon arrival.**

### Middle School Connection

**All 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome at RPC's Connection!**

- **Wednesday, May 5, 5:30 p.m., Assembly Room & Great Lawn:** Join us as we spend time catching up, playing games, and praying together.
- **Wednesday, May 19, 5:30 p.m., Assembly Room & Great Lawn:** Join us as we spend time catching up, playing games, and praying together.

Let Rev. JP ([jmarshall@ryepc.com](mailto:jmarshall@ryepc.com)) know if you'd like to be on the parent email list.

**GroupMe** – If your youth would like to be a part of our group chat, please send Rev. JP either your youth's cell-phone number or email - [jmarshall@ryepc.com](mailto:jmarshall@ryepc.com).

### YOUTH High School Youth GROUP Group

**All 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome at RPC's High School Youth Group**

- **Sunday, May 2, 6:00 p.m., Assembly Room.** Join us as we continue our conversation on youth mental health in our community! We will discuss next steps for these ideas so we can start them soon!

• **Sunday, May 16, 6:00 p.m., Assembly Room & Great Lawn:** Join us for an evening of outdoor fun with food and lawn games. Current 8th graders are invited to come hang out with the high school youth group!

• **Sunday, May 23, 6:00 p.m., Love home (900 Boston Post Road):** Join us for Vespers, where we invite our high school youth to slow down in the midst of all the busyness for a time of intentional connection and prayer. In recognition of Pentecost, we will gather outside around a fire and end our time together with some pizza, s'mores, and lawn games! Please let Rev. JP

([jmarshall@ryepc.com](mailto:jmarshall@ryepc.com)) know beforehand if you plan on joining us for Vespers. Also, if you have a specific concern you would like us to pray for, please feel free to reach out, even if you are unable to attend!

**We are on Instagram!**

Username: ryepresyouth

([www.instagram.com/ryepresyouth/](http://www.instagram.com/ryepresyouth/)).

**Updates through GroupMe!**

Join our group chat for updates and keeping in touch with one another!

Please send **Rev. JP**

([jmarshall@ryepc.com](mailto:jmarshall@ryepc.com)) either your cell-phone number or email.

### Bible Sundays

Join us during the 10:00 a.m. services on May 9 and 16 as we give out bibles to our first graders and high school seniors! As an alternative way to receive your bible those days, we will also be stationed outside the main entrance to the Sanctuary from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

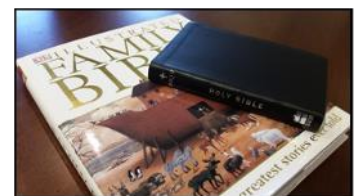
If interested in receiving an inscribed bible, please contact Rev. JP ([jmarshall@ryepc.com](mailto:jmarshall@ryepc.com)) with the following info:

*For parents of 1st graders:*

- How would you like your child's name to be inscribed?
- Are you planning to attend worship on May 9?
- Or are you picking up the bible that afternoon?

*For seniors:*

- How would you like your name inscribed?
- Are you planning to attend worship on May 16?
- Or are you picking up your bible that afternoon?



Music Notes, Confirmation, Peeps



**From Jason Charneski**

**Former Knock Intern in**

**Sacred Music to Offer Organ Recital Post-Worship**

Richard Gress, our 2019-2020 Knock Intern in Sacred Music, will offer a 40-minute recital following worship on Sunday, May 16. The program will begin at 11:15 a.m. All are invited to remain following the service. We're glad to be able to have Rich come back, as his time with us was cut short last spring due to the pandemic. So, please come in order to support and affirm Rich as he concludes his studies at Yale and moves on to begin doctoral studies at the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind.

**A More Formal Concert Using the New Organ in the Chapel**

Please mark your calendars for another post-worship concert: Sunday, June 13 (beginning at approximately 11:00 a.m.), in the

chapel. This 30-minute program will include works that demonstrate the new organ's individual stops and its overall ensemble. In addition, Ryan Capozzo (one of the Chancel Choir's section leaders) will sing a piece or two, this to highlight the accompanying aspect of the new organ.

As we head toward the 2021-2022 program year, we look to dedicate the new organ in the fall. And, mark your calendars for March 6, 2022, when David von Behren (one of the last Knock Scholarship recipients), presently the associate organist and choirmaster of The Memorial Church at Harvard University, will be with us to offer a concert as an organist and a violinist – at the same time.

*Jason*

**Confirmation 2021**

The confirmation class has been hard at work over the last eight months learning the basics of the faith, reflecting on their own beliefs, and thinking about how their faith in God is to be lived amid all the details and concerns of everyday life – let alone through the challenges of our current days! Last month they finished crafting their Statements of Faith – their personal thoughts about where they are in their journey of faith. Each confirmand met individually with an elder of the church to talk about their statements and their plans for beginning their adult life as a follower of Christ and as a member of this church. Following that, the class had a meeting with the full Session to be approved for full adult membership.

While they continue to sort out what it all means, Confirmation is a public affirmation of their faith, and a public commitment to continue the growth, learning and service that is a part of journey of faith lived together in the context of the life of the church. Rather than “graduation,” confirmation truly is a beginning and not an end.

On May 2, we will celebrate this new beginning as we worship together and welcome these new members to the table of fellowship. Worship with Confirmation and Communion will be at 10:00 a.m. There, with the confirmands, we can all reconfirm our commitment to grow in faith and to be a part of God's Easter work in the world!



*Among this year's PEEP's creations!*

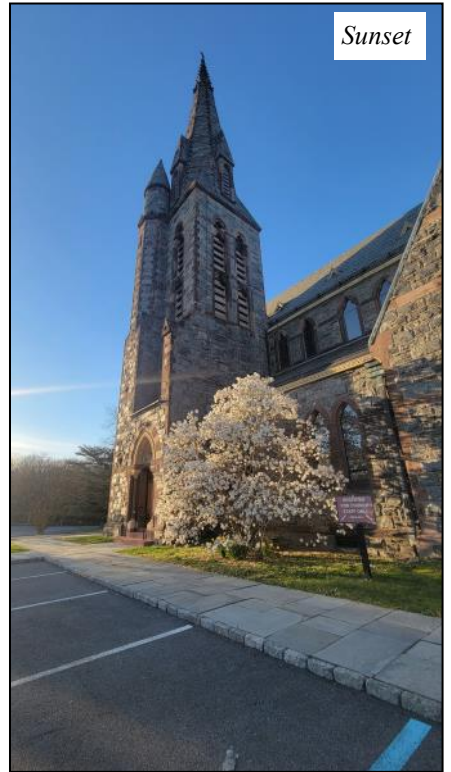


Easter 2021

*Sunrise Service on the Beach*



*Sunset*



## Thrift Shop, Mobile Shredder



### THE RPC THRIFT SHOP HAS REOPENED *(weather permitting)*

We will finish our year with outdoor sales in the parking lot on Parsons Street side of the church. The shop will be open in good weather, Thursdays, through June 10, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We will be open to take donations on Wednesdays (10:00-11:30 am) and Thursdays (10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.). Our list of acceptable donations has changed and we ask that you be very patient with us as we have storage limitations at this time.

We will take the following:

*Household goods, china and dinnerware in sets of at least four (we can no longer take single plates and glasses),  
fine china, all flatware, jewelry, artwork, silver*

**We currently cannot take any of the following:**

*Toys, single glasses, plates, etc., clothes, draperies, electronics, small picture frames, furniture (except very small items.)*

If you are uncertain about a donation, please email [rvethrift10580@gmail.com](mailto:rvethrift10580@gmail.com) and we will be happy to answer your questions. As our list of acceptable donations changes, we will be updating on our website.



*Columbarium in Spring bloom*

### WESTCHESTER COUNTY MOBILE SHREDDER

**On-site at RPC,  
Tuesday, June 22, 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**



- Bring your confidential personal papers for shredding.
- Remove all large binder clips and covers.
- Paper clips and staples are ok.

### Can't come Tuesday?

**A locked bin will be available in Assembly Room  
for drop-off of materials beginning Friday, June 18.**

Shredding personal documents serves a double purpose-- to recycle paper as well as protect sensitive information against identity theft -- the fastest growing crime in the nation.

Remove all metal clips, fasteners, binders, folders and hard covers – like those on ledger books and marble composition notebooks, and place the papers/pages loosely in a box. (The covers should be discarded in regular household trash).

Up to four file-sized (10"x12"x15") boxes per household are allowed for shredding.

Please wait on line in the parking lot and stay in your car at all times, the Staff will remove the boxes from the trunk of your car. For the safety of everyone, you must wear a mask when speaking with anyone outside of your vehicle.

# Baby Bundle

## Mission and Outreach Invites you to Make an Impactful Difference in Local Families' Lives

Please join **Mission and Outreach** between Mother's Day and Father's Day to honor mothers, fathers, and babies everywhere by donating to our **Fifth Annual Baby Bundle In-kind Campaign with Open Door**.

Open Door makes donating easy – just click on the Open Door Amazon Wishlist link and select from the baby items needed– and please make sure to include your name and contact information so they know who to thank.

<https://rebrand.ly/Baby-Bundle-Wishes>

Or, leave your items in one of the Donation boxes located in the hallway of the Church by the main office.

### Why We Partner with Open Door

Health inequities in our communities have never been more evident than this past year. Throughout the COVID-19 health crisis, we have witnessed the disproportionate impact of the pandemic on those most vulnerable in our communities.

Open Door has been at the forefront of COVID-19 testing and treatment, and as a Federally Qualified Health Center, they are making sure vaccinations are accessible to those most in need.

At the height of the pandemic, Open Door quickly transitioned to providing telehealth and virtual visits and altered their programs to make sure that their patients still were provided with comprehensive health and wellness care. Health Centers were reconfigured to maintain safety. Fresh Food Markets pivoted into an Emergency Food Delivery program enabling 4,000 bags of fresh food to be delivered to those isolated at home. Santa Day became a toy distribution ensuring that every child would have a special gift during the holiday season.

Despite the challenges presented by the pandemic, Open Door remained committed to addressing the needs of prenatal patients, by modifying its signature Baby Box prenatal program. Now called the Open Door "Baby Bundle" Program, patients continue to have access to essential newborn and educational resources while social distancing and keeping everyone safe.

To learn more about the Baby Bundle program, please contact Jane Levy, Senior Manager of Volunteer Programs at [jlevy@odfmc.org](mailto:jlevy@odfmc.org).

## Open Door Baby Bundle

The Baby Bundle provides Open Door prenatal patients with newborn necessities and information about resources available at Open Door and in the community. Each Bundle is packed with essential baby items. Please help us fill the bundles and ensure that our mothers can give their babies a healthy and safe start in life.

### What's in the Baby Bundle?



### The Entire Baby Bundle Costs \$200 Per Patient.

The support of the community helps ensure that Open Door can provide this essential program for our prenatal patients.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact Jane Levy, Senior Manager of Volunteer Programs, at 914-502-1468, [jlevy@odfmc.org](mailto:jlevy@odfmc.org).



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## Ways You Can HELP and GET INVOLVED

- ★ **HOST A DRIVE**  
Start a collection of Baby Bundle items with your family, friends, coworkers, social groups, and community-based organizations.
- ★ **HELP ASSEMBLE**  
Come to Open Door and assemble Baby Bundles. Organize the essential items, personalize a Bundle, and help to ready the Bundles for delivery.
- ★ **LEND YOUR SUPPORT**  
The cost of the Baby Bundle program is \$200 per patient. The financial support of the community helps ensure that Open Door can provide these essential items.
- ★ **SHOP ON AMAZON**  
Select from a number of Open Door Baby Bundle items on our Amazon registry: <https://rebrand.ly/Baby-Bundle-Wishes>

## Open Door Baby Bundle Wish List Essentials

- Sleep Sacks**  
Wearable blanket, non-swaddle type; sizes newborn or small; microfleece for colder weather and cotton for warmer weather.
- Infant Rapid-Read Rectal Thermometers**
- Sleep & Play Pajamas**  
(3 - 6 months)
- Diaper Rash Cream**
- Baby Body Wash**
- Burp Cloths**
- Onesie or Bodysuits**  
(3 - 6 months)
- Small Infant Toys**
- Baby Wipes**
- Newborn Hats, Mittens, and Socks**
- Baby Washcloths and Towels**
- Bilingual English-Spanish Board Books**
- Newborn & Size One Diapers**
- Seasonal Newborn Outfits**

We need 40 of each items every month. The more we items collect, the more we can put inside the bundle.

### ABOUT OPEN DOOR

Open Door provides health care and wellness programs to individuals and families in need throughout Westchester, Putnam and Ulster Counties. A pioneer Federally Qualified Health Center, Open Door provides more than 300,000 patient visits annually and serves nearly 60,000 individual patients who might not otherwise have access. Open Door offers integrated services and a holistic approach to building healthier communities. Primary medical care,

dental care, integrated behavioral health care, clinical nutrition, wellness programs, and chronic disease management are the foundation of its clinical programs. Founded as a free clinic in 1972, Open Door's mission of building healthier communities through accessible, equitable, culturally competent health care has led to site and service expansions. Today, Open Door operates centers in Brewster, Mamaroneck, Mount Kisco, Ossining, Port Chester,

and Sleepy Hollow, in addition to seven School-Based Health Centers in the Port Chester and Ossining School Districts, a mobile dental van in Mount Kisco, and a dental practice in Saugerties, NY. Open Door achieves clinical results that consistently surpass national benchmarks for patient outcomes, and is recognized as the number one New York State Health Disparity Reducer and a leading Access Enhancer by the Health Resources Service Administration (HRSA).



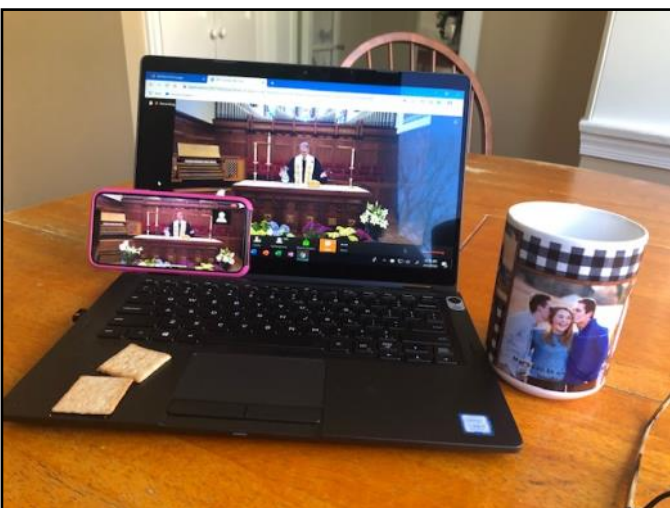
## Worship, *In Memoriam*

### Weekend Worship

As we move into May, we will continue with a single service at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. As we have done since the summer, that service will have limited in-person attendance and we ask that you sign up online to reserve a space each week. In addition, the online option through Zoom and YouTube will continue. As we keep an eye on demand and safety, we will add services as needed – bringing back the Saturday 5:00 p.m. service or an early Sunday service. Please watch your weekly emails for updates!

### Online Worship

As mentioned above, live-streamed worship will continue this spring and will become a permanent feature of RPC. This month the installation of a permanent system in the sanctuary with multiple cameras, more microphones, and an upgraded sound system has been completed. The live feed will be available for now in Zoom and YouTube. But, if you don't have computer capability you can also dial in to hear the service on your phone. That information is in the box below. A special thank-you to the virtual worship crew, the Worship & Music committee, and the in-person usher corps for working so hard to make worship in the Covid-19 era go so smoothly!



#### DIAL IN TO SUNDAY WORSHIP!

*To attend worship by using your phone, call  
1-646-558-8656  
then enter this Meeting ID: 560 770 303*

#### SATURDAY AT 5 WORSHIP



**ON HOLD  
STAY TUNED FOR UPDATES**

### Worship in the Sanctuary In Person

*(Reservation required—go to [ryepc.com/worship/worship-at-rpc/](http://ryepc.com/worship/worship-at-rpc/) to reserve a pew.)*

*Please read our updated worship safety guidelines which can be found online: [ryepc.com/article/worship-reopening-plan-and-guidelines/](http://ryepc.com/article/worship-reopening-plan-and-guidelines/)*

### Sunday Services also Online via Live Stream!

*Bulletin and instructions  
on joining via Zoom or YouTube  
are on the church website:  
[ryepc.com/worship/worship-at-rpc/](http://ryepc.com/worship/worship-at-rpc/)*

*Instructions on joining by Zoom  
and other platforms  
are on the church website:  
[ryepc.com/worship/worship-at-rpc/](http://ryepc.com/worship/worship-at-rpc/)*



### *In Memoriam* Recent Passings in our Church Community

*Allan E. English, on April 15  
Rita Knizewski, on April 3,  
mother of Julianne Laverty  
Roy Prescott, on April 28,  
father of Cindy Kuster*



### Birth Announcement

*Stella Mae Rutigliano, January 21,  
daughter of Melissa and Rich Rutigliano*

## Bible Studies, May Meetings, Giving

### BIBLE STUDIES

#### Men's Bible Study

**Sundays, May 2 & 16**  
at 8:00 p.m. via Zoom

Join in the ongoing journey through the Gospel according to Luke! Please contact Dan Love, [dlove@ryepc.com](mailto:dlove@ryepc.com), to be on the email list.

#### Monday Morning Bible Discussion

**Mondays, May 3, 10, 17, & 24,**  
(not meeting May 31, Memorial Day)  
at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom

Join in as we continue our enlightening (and sometimes puzzling) work on the parables of Jesus. Please contact Dan Love ([dlove@ryepc.com](mailto:dlove@ryepc.com)) for more information and to join the email reminder list.

#### Women's Bible Study

**Saturdays, May 8 & 22,**  
at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom.

For further information, contact Cynthia De Santis

### MAY MEETINGS

**Church Office Closed on Monday, May 31,**  
in observance of Memorial Day

#### Board Meetings

**Deacons:** Wednesday, May 19, 7:30 p.m., via Zoom

**Session:** Wednesday, May 26, 7:30 p.m., via Zoom

**Trustees:** Wednesday, May 19, 7:30 p.m., via Zoom

#### Bible Studies

**Men's Bible Study:** Sundays, May 2 & 16, 8:00 p.m.,  
via Zoom

**Monday Morning Bible Discussion:** Mondays, May 3, 10, 17,  
& 24, 9:30 a.m., via Zoom

**Women's Bible Study:** Saturdays, May 8 & 22, 10:00 a.m.,  
via Zoom

#### Youth

**Connection:** Wednesdays, May 5 & 19, 5:30 p.m.,  
Assembly Room & Great Lawn

**High School Youth Group:** Sundays, May 2, Assembly Room;  
May 16, Assembly Room & Great Lawn; May 23 - Vespers,  
6:00 p.m., The Love residence (900 Boston Post Rd.)

#### Other Church Meetings

**Adult Education Discussion Group:** Thursdays, through  
May 27, 7:30 p.m., via Zoom

**Christian Education Paint & Plant Event:** Sunday, May 16,  
2:00-3:00 p.m., Grape Arbor

**Mission & Outreach:** Wednesday, May 5, 7:30 p.m., via Zoom

**New Member Recognition:** Sunday, May 9, during Worship

**RPC Women's Association:** Monday, May 3, via Zoom

#### Stephen Ministry meetings via Zoom:

**Prime Ministers:** Thursdays, 6:30 p.m., via Zoom

**Even Stephens:** Monday, May 3, 5:00 p.m.

**Stephen Leaders:** Tuesday, May 4, 6:00 p.m., via Zoom

**True Blues:** Wednesday, April 7, 7:00 p.m., via Zoom

**3 Ts:** Tuesday, May 18, 10:00 a.m.; via Zoom.

Contact Jane Mickatavage ([Swingramm@aol.com](mailto:Swingramm@aol.com)) or  
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**Thrift Shop:** Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. –1:00 p.m., outdoors  
weather permitting. See page 7 for info.

**Women's Discipleship Group:** Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m.,  
via Zoom

**Worship & Music:** Monday, May 10, 7:30 p.m., via Zoom



**Wednesday Mornings**  
**Women's Discipleship**  
**Group**  
8:30-10:00 a.m.,  
via Zoom

We are currently exploring: *In All Things*, a study of  
Paul's letter

to the Philippians. Please join us at any time!

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## Rye Presbyterian Nursery School

### Greetings to the RPC Community from Kristin Bassett Kumar

Even though we could not host our annual Pancake Breakfast this school year, that did not stop us from having a successful Book Fair! The children were thrilled that the Scholastic Book Fair came to RPNS, and that they had the opportunity to shop during the school day! Each class visited the Westminster Room with their teachers and classmates and looked through the wonderful book selections. The children were given a specific amount of money to spend and shopping at the book fair was a great way for them to practice their math skills. They had to calculate if they had enough money to purchase their book selections. All the proceeds from the Book Fair support the Flood Family Scholarship Fund.



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