# Rye Presbylerian Church

# Grace Notes

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On the evening of February 13, about 60 people from our congregation and across the Rye community gathered in the Assembly Room to view the film *Resilience*. The film is about understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). Such experiences include emotional, physical, and sexual abuse; emotional and physical neglect; a mother treated violently; substance abuse or mental illness in the household; parental separation or divorce; and an incarcerated household member. Frequent or prolonged exposure to ACEs can create toxic stress which can damage the developing brain of a child and affect overall health even into adulthood, increasing the risk of such health issues as depression, ischemic heart disease, liver disease, and drug or alcohol abuse to name a few.

Research shows that resilience, the ability to adjust (or bounce back) when bad things happen, helps to reduce the effects of ACEs. Protective factors are internal and external resources that help us to build our resilience. Those gathered that night learned that two of the protective factors that help to build resilience are creating safe places for children, and people in general, and also building communities where people feel accepted and included.

This whole concept of building resiliency so that the trauma of the effects of ACEs can be reduced is foundational to our Coming Home program. We seek to provide the formerly incarcerated a safe place where they can share their story without judgment. We seek to build a place, a community where these returning citizens can feel accepted and loved.

As Dan and I debriefed the February 13 experience and how resilience can be nurtured in the lives of not only children, but adults as well, those two themes came to the forefront – a safe place, a community. As we talked it dawned on us that on our best days and in our best ways, that is what we as Rye Presbyterian Church are - a safe place, a community where those who have been battered by the experiences of life can find support, acceptance, and love. It may be in such places as our Coming Home program, or Stephen Ministry, or in one of the AA groups that meets in our facility. It may be in our Cancer Support Group for women or in a small group bible study. It may come as a child or adult sings in the choir and lives into the old saying, "The one who sings prays twice." As your pastors, it is our prayer that Rye Presbyterian is that safe place, that community, which allows each of us to grow in resiliency, to grow in faith, to grow in love.

The words of Henri Nouwen in his book, *Out of Solitude:* Three Meditations on the Christian Life, speak to this safe place

where community is built and happens. "When we honestly ask ourselves which person in our lives means the most to us, we often find that it is those who, instead of giving advice, solutions, or cures, have chosen rather to share our pain and touch our wounds with a warm and tender hand. The friend who can be silent with us in a moment of despair or confusion, who can stay with us in an hour of grief and bereavement, who can tolerate not knowing, not curing, not healing and face with us the reality of our powerlessness, that is a friend who cares."

At Coming Home dinners everyone in the room checks in with a brief 2-3 word description of how they are feeling in the moment. My word for Rye Presbyterian, for you...

Thankful -





March 6 Services at 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m. in Crawford Chapel

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### Adult Education, Stephen Ministry, New Member Welcome

# SUNDAY MORNINGS TO JUNE 10 9:00-9:45 A.M., WESTMINSTER ROOM

(There will be no class on the following holiday weekends: April 21, 28, and May 26.)



This lectionary-based study engages adults in a deeper exploration of biblical texts. Join us as we explore the scriptural texts that are used in worship. Each session is a stand-alone session, so participants can join the study at any point.



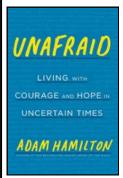
### Who benefits from Stephen Ministry?

**Everybody!** Those receiving care from Stephen Ministers benefit because they receive support throughout the challenge they face. Stephen Ministers benefit through meaningful connections and spiritual growth. Clergy benefit because pastoral care at RPC is expanded. You benefit from the knowledge that special care is available to you should you need it. Stephen Ministry makes RPC a more caring place!

For information, contact SM Referrals Coordinator Tav Rogers (914-400-3568 or <u>tav@rogers.fm</u>) or one of the RPC clergy.

Elevator in progress!





### Lenten Book Study Tuesdays, March 12, 19, 26; April 2, 9, 7:30 p.m. in the Library

Adam Hamilton's book, *UNAFRAID*, addresses nearly every fear imaginable—large and small, real or imagined, those within our power to overcome, and those we must accept. For each type of fear, Hamilton offers a disciplined approach of facing facts,

examining our assumptions, overcoming anxiety through action, and cultivating a life of faith. John Miller will facilitate this study. Participants are asked to obtain a copy of the book prior to the first meeting.

For further information, please contact Rev. Miller (imiller@ryepc.com).

### New Member Welcome Sundays, March 10 & 17, 11:00 a.m., Library

Perhaps you've been coming to RPC a long time, or perhaps you are brand new to the area or the church. Either way, if you've thought about taking a further step into the life and ministry of RPC, this is a great time to explore



it. All those who are interested in finding out more about what it means to be a member of the Rye Presbyterian Church are invited to take part in the New Member classes on Sundays, March 10 and 17, immediately following 10:00 a.m. worship in the church Library. Childcare will be available. In the classes, we will explore what it means to be a Presbyterian in general, and what it means to actively live out our faith together as a part of this particular church. In addition to the Sunday classes, there will be a dessert meeting with the leadership of the church on Sunday evening, March 31, at 7:00 p.m. This is a time to meet the officers of the church and for the Session to approve the new class for church membership. Public welcome and recognition of the new members will take place during 10:00 a.m. worship on Sunday, April 7.

Anyone wishing to find out more about joining the church should contact Peggy Berretta in the church office -email pberretta@ryepc.com, or call 914-967-0842 x10.

### Contemplative Saturday at 5 Service March 30 in the Chapel

Come, enter God's presence. Find your center.

### **Christian Education, Confirmation**



### **Sunday School**

This month we enter the season of Lent, a time that calls us to examine our hearts and re-center our lives in Christ. The stories of this season will explore themes of gratitude, trust, forgiveness, and compassion. While we will spend the first few weeks of Lent working on our PEEPs creations, we still invite families to engage in the weekly stories together at home. Below are the themes and texts for each week:

Mar. 3: Luke 9:28-36 (Living in Glory)

**Mar. 10:** Deuteronomy 26:1-11 (A Place of Justice & Grace)

Singing Our Faith

Mar. 17: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 (Journey toward Trust)

**Mar. 24:** Isaiah 55:1-9

(Fed by the Glory)

Mar. 31: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 (The Prodigal Son)

### The Christian Education Newsletter

It has been found that parents are the primary influence on their children's journey of faith. That means our children first begin to understand the love of God and the Christian faith through the love and care of their parents and through the faith practices observed at home.

We seek to help parents with faith development at home by providing a variety of ways for families to engage scripture, ask questions, and grow closer to God together. It is our hope that this weekly newsletter helps families experience God at work in their everyday lives. The newsletter will be sent out each Monday.

If interested in receiving this newsletter, please contact Jean-Paul Marshall (jmarshall@rvepc.com).

#### **Middle School Connection**

RPC's Middle School Youth Group is open to all 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders.

Saturday, Mar. 2, 4:00-6:00 p.m.: Up to 10 middleschoolers will meet to help the high school youth prepare for their Midnight Run to help the homeless in NYC. We'll gather at RPC at 3:45 p.m. and drive to the Larchmont Avenue Church. We will need a few parent drivers! If interested in participating, contact Mr. Love (dlove@ryepc.com).

**Ash Wednesday, Mar. 6:** We will meet for dinner at 6:15 p.m. and then go together to the 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday service.

**Wednesday, Mar. 20:** Regular meeting 5:30-6:45 p.m. in the Youth Rooms. All middle school youth are welcome!

### **High School Youth Group**

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

Saturday, Mar 2, 4:00 p.m. -1:00 a.m., Larchmont Avenue Church & NYC: A group of 10 high school youth and five adults who have been working all throughout February to collect clothes donations will join Larchmont Avenue Presbyterian Church in sorting and handing out clothes and food to people on the streets of NYC.

Sunday, Mar. 3, 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Assembly Room: NOLA Bingo Fundraiser during Coffee Hour!

Sunday, Mar. 17, 6:00-7:45 p.m., Kitchen & Westminster Room: We will meet in the kitchen to prepare a meal together for the Coming Home program that will be held the following Thursday. We will learn to cook a recipe together and discuss the importance of the Coming Home program held by our church.

Thursday, Mar. 21, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Kitchen & Westminster Room: We will help serve the meal of the evening and share table fellowship with the participants and mentors attending the Coming Home program that evening. This is a great way for the youth to participate in one of our community's ministries!

### **40acts Lent Gatherings**

All high school youth are invited to join us in participating in the 40acts challenge during the season of Lent. Each participant is invited to sign up for the daily challenges: <a href="https://40acts.org.uk/signup">https://40acts.org.uk/signup</a>, which provide practical ways to live generously each day. Also, everyone is invited to join us for our Sunday gatherings at 6:00 p.m. in the Youth Rooms on March 10, 24, and 31, during which we will explore the book of Acts and engage in discussion and prayer together.

We are on Instagram!
Username: ryepresyouth
Updates through GroupMe!
Please email your name and phone
number - <u>imarshall@ryepc.com</u>.

### **Confirmation 2019**

Class meets twice this month— Sundays, March 3 and 31, at 5:00 p.m. We won't meet that day, but draft Statements of Faith are due March 10.



Family Fellowship. Fun for all ages!

Youth Mission Trips Fundraiser

### **Mardi Gras BINGO**

Sunday, March 3, 11:15 a.m.- 12:30 p.m., in the RPC Assembly Room

Prizes will be given to winners and Snacks provided for all.

If you do not wish to play Bingo but would like to contribute, we will gratefully accept contributions.

All proceeds from the event go towards the Youth Mission Trips to New Orleans.



The Gospel According to Peeps Sunday, March 31, following 10:00 a.m. worship

Throughout the month of March, our church school classes will be hard at work creating dioramas of their favorite Bible stories. These marvelous creations are hand-crafted using the most venerable of artistic mediums: Peeps Easter candy. The one-of-a-kind projects will be on display during a special PEEPtacular coffee hour on March 31, where the congregation will vote. The "PEEPle's Choice Winner" and other awards will then be announced.

### Quiet Service Award, Peter Bishop Scholarship, Thrift Shop, Easter Flowers & Music, August NOLA Youth Mission Trip

### The Davidson T. Gordon Quiet Service Award



The recipient of this year's Davidson T. Gordon Quiet Service Award was Steve Loveless. Presenting the award was his niece and church elder, Emily Carriero (*left*). Also present to congratulate Steve were Jean Loveless, his mother, and his sister, Sue Carriero.

## THE PETER BISHOP SCHOLARSHIP

Since 1968, Rye Presbyterian Church has awarded grants to graduating high school seniors who are going on to college studies. The award is in memory of Peter Bishop, son of a former pastor of RPC.

The number of grants and the amounts awarded each year vary, but it is a one-time award given to students demonstrating academic promise and financial need, with priority consideration given to those seniors who have been active in the life of Rye Presbyterian Church.

If you are a Rye High School senior, application for this scholarship is done through the guidance office at RHS.

If you are not a student at Rye High School, but wish to apply for the scholarship, please contact Rev. Love (<u>dlove@ryepc.com</u>) for more information.

Save the Date . . .

### Spring cleaning and giving!



### THRIFT SHOP SPRING SATURDAY SALE

Saturday, April 27, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

All of the proceeds are given to local non-profits and do so much for our larger community. We need your special donations to be dropped off all day Friday, April 26. (Go to http://ryepc.com/ministries/thrift-shop/ for specific guidelines.)

Then come SHOP! Tell your friends and spread the word!!



# Easter Flowers & Music

What would Easter be without the beautiful flowers and glorious music to celebrate the Resurrection? Please help defray the cost of our Easter flowers and music.

Use the designated envelope in the pew rack, indicate "Easter Flowers & Music" on the check memo line. To donate online, go to the <a href="http://ryepc.com/article/easter-flowers-music/">http://ryepc.com/article/easter-flowers-music/</a>.

For your gift to be acknowledged in the Easter program, your donation *must* be received no later than **Monday**, **April 8**.



# AUGUST NOLA YOUTH MISSION TRIP

We still have openings for our August Youth Mission Trip to New Orleans. The trip is open to 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> graders! The dates are August 4-10 and the cost will be approx. \$700. Expect to be installing floors, laying tile, scraping, painting, etc. on the home of a veteran, a disabled person, or another person in need. You will sweat. (*A lot!*) We will also have fun exploring New Orleans in the evenings.

If interested, please contact Rev. Jean-Paul at <a href="mailto:jmarshall@ryepc.com">jmarshall@ryepc.com</a>.



### **Music Notes & Concerts**



### From Jason Charneski

#### A Music-Filled March!

#### March will be filled with special music!

- ◆ First, our annual "Jazz Sunday" will take place within the 10:00 a.m. service on March 3. Dr. Jeremy Fletcher and his band will lead our singing and accompany the Chancel Choir. Of note this year is a wonderful new anthem Jeremy has written for the choir, focusing on themes present in the day's readings about the Transfiguration of Jesus.
- ◆ Second, on March 17 at 2:30 p.m., the Chamber Music series will present its third concert of the season. Please see information posted below/to the side. It looks to be a great program, offered by members of the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra.

◆ Third, do join us on Sunday, March 31, at 3:00 p.m. for a special afternoon of community as our Chancel Choir and the choir of Christ's Church combine for a presentation of the Mozart *Requiem*. The singers (approaching 50 in number) will be accompanied by an orchestra of 22 players. In addition, a Haydn organ concerto will open the program. There will be a reception in the Assembly Room following the concert. Please see more information posted below/to the side.

Jason

jcharneski@ryep.com 914-967-0842, ext. 16

### Chamber Music at Rye Presbyterian Church

Ronald Arron, Artistic Director
Presents

### Quartet 212



David Chan, violin; Catherine Ro, violin; Dov Scheindlin, viola; Rafael Figueroa, cello

### Sunday, March 17, 2019, at 2:30 p.m.

Haydn: String Quartet in D Major "Frog," Op. 50, no. 6 Verdi: Selections from Luisa Miller (arr. Muzio) Rossini: "Allegro" from String Sonata No. 3 in C Major Puccini: Crisantemi Verdi: String Quartet in E Minor

Admission: \$20 for RPC members and friends, \$40 for the general public; to reserve your seats, please call Ronald Arron at 914-523-4646, or send him an email:

ronarron@optonline.net

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Mozart: Requiem
Haydn: Organ Concerto No. 5





The Adult Choirs of Rye Presbyterian Church and Christ's Church, Rye, accompanied by orchestra

Ruaraidh Sutherland, organ; Jason Charneski, conductor

Sunday, March 31, 2019 3:00 p.m. Admission: \$10 suggested donation

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### Recent Happenings at RPC



Show Up and Make! "All hands were on deck" for the second Show Up and Make event on February 9 and 10.

Many hands make God's love real!



A Night at the Archives

A sample of the many photos in the RPC photo archives. See any familiar faces?



















### RPC in the Community

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# The Rye Women's Interfaith Annual Conference & Reception



At Community Synagogue of Rye 299 Forest Ave., Rye, NY 10580

### **Facing the Crisis of Global Mass Incarceration**

Presented by Dr. Baz Dreisinger



Dr. Bax Dreisinger is founding Academic Director of John Jay College's Prison-to-Pipeline Program, which offers college courses and reentry planning to incarcerated men throughout New York State, and broadly works to increase access to higher education for incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals

Her book "Incarceration Nations: A Journey to Justice in Prisons Around the World" — a first-person odyssey through prisons in nine countries, beginning in Africa and concluding in Europe — offers a poignant window into a world most never see, and offers a radical rethinking of one of America's most devastating exports and national experiments: the modern prison system.

### Conference & Reception—\$15.00/pp (Not Refundable)

RSVP by mail to Esther Blumstein 720 Milton Road, Apt. #M-6, Rye, NY 10580

Please make your check payable to Rye Women's Interfaith Mail before Monday, March 25, 2019

Payment is also accepted at the door on the day of the conference.

For more information, please call Esther at 914-921-9121 or Jean at 914-939-8281

Save the Date 5-9-19



A Power Lunch to Support Quality Health Care For ALL

Thursday, May 9, 2019

11:15AM - 2:00PM

Willow Ridge Country Club, Harrison 123 North St, Harrison, NY 10528

Featuring:

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER** 

**SETH GODIN, Thought Leader, Author and Motivational Speaker** 

RECEIVING THE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AWARD

RYE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

and RYE PRESBYTERIAN NURSERY SCHOOL

RECEIVING THE CHANGEMAKER AWARD

**ALICIA WARD, Founding Manager of Open Door Volunteer Services** 

Thanks to Open Door, nearly 57,000 low-income people receive essential medical attention and support services that would otherwise be beyond their reach.

For more information, please contact Elisabeth Gilbert at 914-502-1417 or visit https://opendoormedical.org/index.php/powerup

### Weekends in March, Bible Study

### Saturday, March 2

10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study / Library

5:00 p.m. Evening Worship & Communion in the Chapel

### Sunday, March 3—Jazz Sunday

**8:30 a.m.** Holy Communion in the Chapel **8:40 a.m.** Prayer Gathering / Library

9:00 a.m. Adult Education / Westminster Room

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship & Communion in the Sanctuary
Sunday School
-Children attend worship through children's message.

11:00 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal / Chapel

11:15 a.m. Family Fellowship: NOLA Bingo / Assembly Room

11:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 5:00 p.m. Confirmation / Westminster Room

### Saturday, March 9

10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study / Library

5:00 p.m. Evening Worship & Communion in the Chapel

### Sunday, March 10—The First Sunday in Lent

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel

**8:40 a.m.** Prayer Gathering / Library

**9:00 a.m.** Adult Education / Westminster Room **9:15 a.m.** Children's Choir Rehearsal / Chapel

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship in the Sanctuary

Sunday School

Children's Choir sings

-Children attend worship through children's message.

11:00 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal / Chapel

11:15 a.m. New Member class / Library

11:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 6:00 p.m. High School Youth Group / Youth Rooms

8:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study / Library

### Saturday, March 16

5:00 p.m. Evening Worship & Communion in the Chapel

### Sunday, March 17—The Second Sunday in Lent

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel

**8:40 a.m.** Prayer Gathering / Library

9:00 a.m. Adult Education / Westminster Room

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship in the Sanctuary

-Children attend worship through children's message.

11:00 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room

11:15 a.m. New Member class / Library

11:15 a.m. Combined Choir Rehearsal / Chapel

2:30 p.m. Concert: Chamber Music @ RPC / Sanctuary

6:00 p.m. High School Youth Group / Kitchen & Westminster Rm

### Saturday, March 23

5:00 p.m. Evening Worship & Communion in the Chapel

### Sunday, March 24—The Third Sunday in Lent

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel

**8:40 a.m.** Prayer Gathering / Library

9:00 a.m. Adult Education / Westminster Room

**10:00 a.m.** Morning Worship in the Sanctuary

-Children attend worship through children's message.

11:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room

6:00 p.m. High School Youth Group / Youth Rooms

8:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study / Library

#### Saturday, March 30

5:00 p.m. Evening Contemplative worship in the Chapel

### Sunday, March 31—The Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel

8:40 a.m. Prayer Gathering / Library

9:00 a.m. Adult Education / Westminster Room

9:15 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal / Chapel

**10:00 a.m.** Morning Worship in the Sanctuary Sunday School

Youth Choir sings

-Children attend worship through children's message.

11:00 a.m. The Gospel According to Peeps / Assembly Room

**3:00 p.m.** Concert: Mozart "Requiem" / Sanctuary

**5:00 p.m.** Confirmation Class / Westminster Room

**6:00 p.m.** High School Youth Group / Youth Rooms

7:00 p.m. New Member Dessert with Session / Library

### BIBLE STUDIES

### **Men's Bible Study**

#### Sundays, March 10 and 24, at 8:00 p.m. in the Library

We have just begun work on the Gospel according to Luke—all are welcome to join in! If you'd like to be on the email reminder list for this gathering, please contact Rev. Love at dlove@rvepc.com.

#### **Wednesday Morning Bible Discussion**

## Wednesdays, March 13 and 27, at 10:00 a.m. in the Library

Our tour through the Old Testament continues with a little help from "The Bible Project" (<a href="https://thebibleproject.com">https://thebibleproject.com</a>). Even if you can't come—check out their videos! Contact Rev. Love (<a href="https://doi.org/dlove@ryepc.com">dlove@ryepc.com</a>) for more information.

#### **Women's Bible Study**

## Saturdays, March 2 and 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the Library

Please join the Women's Bible Study twice monthly on Saturday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the RPC Library. A warm welcome and hot coffee await!

For further information, contact Cynthia De Santis (desantiscw@aol.com).



### March Schedule of Meetings, Events, and Programs

#### **BOARD MEETINGS**

Deacons: Wednesday, March 20, 7:30 p.m., Library

**Trustees:** Wednesday, March 20, 7:30 p.m., Westminster Room **Session:** Wednesday, March 27, 7:30 p.m., Westminster Room

### **WORSHIP AND STUDY**

#### Worship on Saturday evening:

Saturdays, 5:00 p.m., March 2, 9, 15, 23, & 30

#### Worship on Sunday:

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel 10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Ash Wednesday Services: March 6, 12:00 & 7:00 p.m., in the Chapel

**Prayer Gatherings:** Sundays in the Library at 8:40 a.m.

**Adult Education:** 

### Sundays, 9:00-9:45 a.m., Westminster Room:

**Feasting on the Word:** Through June 10 (no classes on holiday weekends: April 21, 28, and May 26). **Lenten Book Study:** Unafraid by Adam Hamilton, Tuesdays, March 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, 7:30 p.m., Library

Sunday School: Regular Sunday School on March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Confirmation: Sunday, Westminster Room, March 3 & 31, 5:00 p.m., Westminster Room

Men's Sunday Bible Study: March 10 & 24, 8:00 p.m., Library

Wednesday Morning Bible Discussion: March 13 & 27, 10:00 a.m., Library

Women's Bible Study: Saturdays, 10:00 a.m., March 2 & 9, Library

Women's Discipleship: Tuesdays, 1:00-2:30 p.m., Library.

#### YOUTH

**Boy Scout Troop #2:** Every Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., Assembly Room

Connection: Midnight Run Prep, Saturday, March 2, 4:00 p.m., Larchmont Avenue Church (meet 3:45 p.m. at RPC);

Wednesday, March 6: Dinner, 6:15 p.m. and Ash Wednesday service, 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Regular meeting, Wednesday, March 20, 5:30 p.m., Youth Room

High School Youth Group: Midnight Run, Saturday, March 2, 4:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m., Larchmont Avenue Church & NYC

NOLA Bing Fundraiser: Sunday, March 3, 11:15 a.m., Assembly Room

Coming Home meal preparation, Sunday, March 17, 6:00 p.m., Kitchen & Westminster Room

Coming Home Dinner, Thursday, March 21, Kitchen & Westminster Room

40acts Lent Gatherings: Sundays, March 10, 24, & 31, 6:00 p.m., Youth Rooms

#### **MUSIC**

**Chancel Choir Rehearsal:** Sundays, 9:15 & 11:15 a.m.; Thursday, March 28, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary, with orchestra; Combined Choirs Rehearsal, Wednesday, March 13, 7:30 p.m., Christ's Church

Children's Choir Rehearsal: Thursdays, 3:45 p.m., Choir Room; Sunday, March 10, 9:15 a.m., Chapel

Youth Choir Rehearsal: Sundays, March 3, 10, 17, 11:00 a.m., Chapel; Sunday, March 31, 9:15 a.m., Chapel

#### OTHER CHURCH MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND PROGRAMS

3 Ts: Tuesday, March 19, 10:00 a.m., Library

Coming Home Dinner: Thursdays, 7:00 p.m., Westminster Room

Concert: Chamber Music at RPC, Sunday March 17, 2:30 p.m., Sanctuary

**Concert:** Mozart *Requiem,* combined choirs RPC & Christ's Church, Sunday, March 31, 3:00 p.m., Sanctuary **Family Fellowship:** NOLA Mardi Gras Bingo-NOLA Fundraiser, Sunday, March 3, 11:15 a.m., Assembly Room

The Gospel According to Peeps: Sunday, March 31, 11:00 a.m., Assembly Room

Mission & Outreach: Wednesday, March 6, 7:30 p.m., Library New Member Classes: Sundays, March 10 & 17, 11:15 a.m., Library

Dessert with Session: Sunday, March 31, 7:00 p.m., Library

### **Stephen Ministry:**

Stephen Leaders: Tuesday, March 5, 6:00 p.m., Library

Continuing Education and Supervision: Tuesday, March 5, 7:00 p.m., Westminster Room

Thrift Shop: Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Women's Association: Monthly Meeting, Monday, March 4, 9:00 a.m., Library

Worship & Music: Tuesday, March 12, 7:30 p.m., Conference Room

### **OUTREACH AND SUPPORT GROUPS**

AA Rye Harrison Group: Mondays, 7:30 p.m., Assembly Room

**AA Group:** Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., Westminster Room

Mr. Westchester/Al-Anon Group: Mondays, 7:30 p.m., Library

Helping Hands: Thursday, March 21, 10:00 a.m., Kitchen & Assembly Room

### Rye Presbyterian Nursery School

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

Learning about the Church Elevator



The engineers installing the new elevator in the church were so kind to give our students a special look at how elevators work. The children visited the elevator construction site in small groups. The engineers took the students into the Assembly Room where they had laid out all of the tools and manuals that they use to build the elevator. The children saw pages and pages of instructions that the builders use while they work. They learned that the workers think about safety, similarly to how the students think about safety when working with

tools in th classroom.

The workers wear hard hats on the site to protect their heads and safety glasses to protect their eyes. The children recognized that they



wear similar safety glasses when participating in wood-working.

The children also recognized the signs and buttons that will be installed inside the elevator. The students learned that Braille is used on the signs for people who cannot see. The children looked



at magnets that will help the elevator know what floor it is on and where to go.

They really enjoyed seeing a circuit and testing it out themselves. When the circuit is closed they heard a sound. This means everything is running.

At the end of the elevator tour, the children moved to the site where the elevator is being installed. They learned about the cables and pulleys that are used in elevators. They also learned about the many parts of the elevators.



There is a sling, rails, and the part people go in is called the cab. The children saw one of the engineers enter the elevator and saw the elevator move him up and down. It was so interesting to see an elevator in motion without the door! The children learned so much from their visit and they are excited to bring their newly acquired knowledge back into the classroom!



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