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We begin and end this October with some special things happening in our worship and on Sunday mornings. On Saturday, October 5, our service at 5:00 p.m. will be outside in the columbarium, weather permitting, as we invite you to bring your pets for a Blessing of the Animals service (in case of rain, in the Assembly Room). The next day, Sunday, October 6, is World Communion Sunday, when Christians around the world and across denominational lines come together to celebrate our unity at the Lord's Table. On this day we'll also receive the Peace and Global Witness Offering, and then, following 10:00 a.m. worship, we'll gather in the Assembly Room to help put together Breakfast Bags for Feeding Westchester. (See information about this on page 5.)

October 13 is Columbus Day weekend, followed by another special weekend on October 20 – Halloween window painting in downtown Rye. We end the month with baptisms and special music in worship on October 27, Reformation Sunday, as the Jolly Beggars (who were with us for an evening presentation a couple of years ago) come to help lead in worship with their special form of Celtic music. It is also when we'll begin to reflect on our stewardship theme for this fall.

In 2020 we will be celebrating the sesquicentennial (150th anniversary) of our beautiful sanctuary. Our stewardship theme is drawn from Psalm 121:8, which reads: "The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore." We will be celebrating the fact that for 150 years our sanctuary doors have been open, drawing people in for

worship, but also many other significant life events, including weddings, baptisms, confirmation, memorial services, and funerals. It is within the walls of our sanctuary that we come during times of celebration and times of deep pain and sorrow to find a sense of God's keeping us, holding us, moving with us throughout life.

The doors also stand open to welcome not only our church family, but a large number of other groups and community organizations that have used our facilities over the years. This is all part of our stewardship of what God has entrusted to us for but a time. And the doors stand open so that we can go out into the world to share God's love with others by what we say and do with them and for them. The 2018 Confirmation Class' gift to the church was a new stained glass window over the door by the bell tower entrance (which for many is the main entrance and exit to the sanctuary). The window is small and simple. It depicts the world with rays of light shining out from behind it. It is there, over the open door, to remind us that as we leave the sanctuary, as our worship concludes, it is then that our service begins as we go out to be light in the world. Jesus says in Matthew 5:

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

Let us go out through those open doors, knowing that God keeps us in our "going out and coming in" so that we may shine forth!

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Peace & Global Witness Offering, Stephen Ministry, Prison Ministry



suffering and violence in all settings.

50% of this offering is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to advocate for peace and justice in cultures of violence through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness. Our giving offers a word of peace to those incarcerated here and those crushed by civil war in places like the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and other places around the world.

Each year during the "Season of Peace," which runs through September and ends on World Communion Sunday on October 6, Presbyterians around the world contribute to our "Peace and Global Witness" offering.

This offering exists to support our call to witness and work for peace, from our local communities, to the far reaches around the world. It seeks to alleviate and end 25% of this offering supports regional Presbyterian midcouncils, and 25% stays with our church to build up peace in our community in ways we deem fit. This year we will be sharing the offering with a local organization called Feeding Westchester. Driven by the belief that access to healthy food is a basic right for all people, Feeding Westchester leads hunger action programs and mobilizes the resources needed to eradicate hunger in Westchester County.

Of note, on Sunday October 6, following 10:00 a.m. Worship, we will gather in the Assembly Room to pack Breakfast Bags filled with cereal and healthy snacks. Working with Feeding Westchester, these bags will be shared with school children in Yonkers, Mount Vernon, New Rochelle, Peekskill, or Port Chester.

We hope that you will join us in our Peace and Global Witness offering to help promote our witness and work for peace, both here in our local community and throughout the world.

We will have offering envelopes in the Sanctuary pews throughout this offering, and we will gratefully accept offerings until Sunday, October 6.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

You are invited to visit the Peace & Global Witness website: (www.presbyterianmission.org/

<u>peace-global</u>)

to find out more information on how your support of this offering helps. May there be generosity in our hearts to join with Christians all over the country on World Communion Sunday,



When is enough, enough?! How challenging does it have to be for us to ask for help? In the face of adversity, many of us have been taught to keep a stiff upper lip. But what good is that? It just makes our smiles look funny. Dr. Brene Brown has been studying courage, vulnerability, shame, and empathy for over two decades. Dr. Brown suggests, "If you put shame in a Petri dish, it needs three things to grow exponentially: secrecy, silence, and judgment. If you put the same amount of shame in a Petri dish and douse it with empathy, it can't survive." Whether you've suffered an unexpected setback, recovery is dragging on too long, or enduring loss seems impossible, Stephen Ministers are empathetic and have been trained to listen when there are no quick fixes or easy answers to life's challenges.

If you would like more information about meeting with an RPC Stephen Minister, please contact Patti Adimari (914-844 -8974; <u>pattirys@optonline.net</u>) or RPC Clergy.



Coming Soon: A Special Evening of Music and Stories Sunday, November 17, 7:30 p.m., Assembly Room.

Ticket price \$10, payable at the door.

On Sunday, November 17, RPC is hosting an exciting and engaging evening for the congregation and the community at large. Beyond entertainment, the music and interspersed stories are both poignant and moving.

This program features Dave Coleman, a person who was formerly incarcerated in New York's prison system and whom many in RPC have known both before his release and since. Dave will present a concert: *Three Chords and the Truth, a Journey of Hope and Redemption Through Music*. Dave, a gifted guitarist and singer/songwriter, has written many of the songs he will sing at this concert, and the story he will narrate is his life, from childhood until now.

In addition to his musical talents, Dave is also an excellent painter and an accomplished horticulturist —all skills developed while incarcerated. And now he has become an avid photographer. He is one of many people, in and out of prison, with whom some members of RPC have connected, who refuse to be defined by their worst act, but rather have moved on to help others and add value to the world.

Save this date on your calendars now and be sure to attend this concert !

Fall Adult Education, Chancel Flowers

Sunday Mornings



9:00-9:45 a.m. Westminster Room Through December 22

Join us for coffee and conversation as we explore the scriptural texts that will be used in worship each Sunday using this lectionary-based study. Each session is a stand-alone session, so participants can join the study at any point. We will continue to use the *Feasting on the Word* curriculum.



(There will be **no** class on the following holiday weekends: 10/13, 11/10, 12/29.)

Special Event

SHOW UP & MAKE!

November 2 & 3 Following All Worship Services



Join us as we go from mind to hand and heart as we mix art media with ideas stirred by the message and music presented in worship. Thematic art and craft experiences will aim to extend worship beyond the pews and enhance faith beyond the workings of our intellect. Quarterly projects introduce new ways of relating to God for people of all ages during different seasons of the church year. Each session will be facilitated by church members, staff, or local artists who set the stage for participants to swing by, or sit down, relax, and play.

No art experience necessary!



Chancel Flowers

Each week beautiful flowers adorn our sanctuary and chapel, and provide an uplifting reminder of the goodness of God. Please consider honoring the memory of a

loved one or recognizing a special occasion by donating \$70 for the chancel flowers. Your donation will be noted in the church bulletin. To make arrangements, please contact Denise LeVan (<u>dlevan@ryepc.com</u>).

Evening Studies

Everything You Missed or Forgot from Confirmation See Dates and Topics below

7:30 p.m., in the Library

Perhaps each year you've read the descriptions about what our 9th graders are studying in Confirmation, or as a parent you've seen the readings they are doing . . . Maybe you are curious, or maybe it is just time for a refresher course! This fall Dan Love will be taking all those curious through the essential teachings that are at the heart of the Christian faith and our ongoing Confirmation curriculum. There will be a small amount of reading each time we meet to prime us for discussion. All are welcome to this time to see our faith refreshed and deepened. (Each session is a stand-alone subject, so you don't have to attend all 11 sessions to benefit from this exciting program.)

- Oct. 8: Sin and "the fall"
- Oct. 15: Getting back on track:
 - Covenants, Temple, and Prophets
- Oct. 22: Window to God I: Jesus' life and teaching
- Oct. 29: Connecting with God prayer
- Nov. 12: Window to God II: Jesus' final week
- Nov. 19: Holy Spirit gifts and calling
- Nov. 26: Worship/Sacraments
- Dec. 17: Why Presbyterian Evil, afterlife, other religions



Mondays, 7:30 p.m.. in the Westminster Room 10/7, 10/21, 11/4

John Miller will be facilitating this four-week study regarding race and religion. The contents of the study will

include: 1) Beginning your racial autobiography; 2) What is race?; 3) What is racism?; and 4) Where do we go from here?

Participants will be asked to read Debbie Irving's book, *Wake Up White and Finding Myself in the Story of Race* in advance, as well as The Confession of Belhar, which will be provided.

It is our hope that this will be Part 1 of a two-part series. Part 2 would be in the winter/spring semester when we would

partner with another congregation which is more racially diverse than our congregation, and continue the conversation regarding race and religion with one another.

Race and how to talk about it is a major subject of our social, political, and theological discourse. This is important and challenging work that the Church of Jesus is called to be engaged in.

Please plan to join us.



New Member Discussions, New Member Mixer Photos

New Member Welcome Discussions October 20 & 27

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, community, 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. The classes are Sundays, October 20 and 27, immediately following 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, for those choosing to join the church, there will be a **Part O** dessert meeting with the leadership of the church on Sunday evening, November 3, at 7:00 p.m. This is a time to meet the officers of the church and for the Session to meet briefly 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, November 17. Anyone wishing to find out more about joining the church

should contact Peggy Berretta in the church office pberretta@ryepc.com or 914-967-0842 x10.



Christian Education, Confirmation, Feeding Westchester



Our 2019-2020 Sunday School program got off to an amazing start this year! October will be our second month of using a new Sunday School curriculum called DWELL, which is centered on the belief that God's story is both exciting and ongoing! DWELL invites children to live into God's story of creation, fall, redemption, and restoration. And it encourages children to live out of God's story every day as they respond to God's call. Each Sunday morning we will actively engage our children in God's story using interactive games, reflective wondering, dramatic storytelling, and a whole lot of fun! We invite families to engage in these stories together at home! You can do this by following along at https://digital.dwellcurriculum.org/, which gives parents a glimpse into what we will focus on each week.

Sunday School "Helpers"

Once again, this year we are blessed with a well-attended Sunday School program! We are glad to see so many children excited to learn more about God's story! At the same time, such great attendance comes with its own challenges for our volunteer teachers, who sometimes are the only adults present in the classrooms. With this challenge and also the reality that not all people feel called to teach, we wish to invite members of our community to occasionally serve as "helpers" on Sundays.

A "helper" would assist our teachers with transitions throughout the lesson by passing out supplies and helping keep the children engaged. Such help would allow our teachers to focus on the overall flow of the lesson, which will also help the children get the most out of each morning. How often one serves as a "helper" is based solely on one's own schedule.

If interested in being a "helper," please contact:

Rev. JP (jmarshall@ryepc.com).

Community Events



Sunday, Oct 27: Pumpkin Carving See page 6 for information..



All ages are welcome to join us this fall as RPC's Mission & Outreach and Christian Ed committees partner with Feeding Westchester to help hungry children in our community! During the 10:00 a.m. worship, the children will reflect in Sunday School on the active role we have in bringing "daily bread" to the whole world. Following the service, we will gather in the Assembly Room to pack Breakfast Bags filled with cereal and healthy snacks. These bags will be shared with school children who receive free or reduced-price lunch in Yonkers, Mount Vernon, New Rochelle, Ossining, Peekskill, or Port Chester. This program provides food to children for weekends and holidays to help ensure they have food between school-provided meals. We'll have tables set up in the Assembly room during coffee hour and a pizza lunch will be provided. For further information, or if you want to help with the please contact event. Rev. IP (jmarshall@ryepc.com).

Middle School Connection

All 6th—8th graders are welcome at RPC's Connection Wednesdays, October 2 & 16, 5:30-6:45 p.m., Youth Rooms

October 2: We'll meet for a pizza dinner, games, learning, and fun! October 16: Jessica Lodato, the Rye Youth Council Educator, will lead our middle schoolers through a discussion and some activities on social and emotional learning skills.

-Let Rev. JP know if you'd like to be on the email list (jmarshall@ryepc.com).

-You can also sign up for updates through Remind: text@rpccon to 81010 or sign up at:

https.remind.com/join/rpccon.

High School Youth Group

All 9th—12th graders are welcome at RPC's High School Youth Group!

Put down **Sundays**, **October 6 & 20**, in your calendars! We will have decided what we are doing for these dates at our September gathering. Keep an eye out for more information soon.

Teaching Assistants: High school students are invited to join in on guiding and nurturing children on their journey of faith through our Sunday School program. Each assistant will assist one of our Teaching Volunteers in leading our Sunday morning classes. If you have a passion for working with children and/or teaching, this is a great opportunity to live into that passion within our community of faith. Also, we do offer community service hours for each morning you help teach. If interested in sharing your gifts with us this year, please contact Rev. JP.

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

Text @ryepr to 81010 or sign up at https://www.remind.com/join/ryepr.

Confirmation 2020

A new confirmation class of ninth graders is underway! The entire class met late last month to get to kick the year off and get to know each other a little better. We will jump right in with classes in the late afternoon on Sundays, October 6 and 20. Soon they will be wrestling with the deeper questions of the Christian faith: Who IS God? What is that Bible really all about? How can this world be both so beautiful and so broken? Where do I fit in the larger story of what God is up to? Please keep this year's class in your prayers throughout the coming months!

Classes:

October 6 and 20, 4:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.



Coming Home, Pumpkin Carving, Thrift Shop Sale, Vermont Christmas Wreaths



COMING HOME is Coming Back in 2020, beginning February 6

Our **COMING HOME** program seeks to empower those who are returning to the community from incarceration. This 18-week program pairs RPC congregants with the for-

merly incarcerated to help them transition back to their communities. Coming Home provides life skills, goalsetting, and sharing personal stories in a safe, supportive community.

A key component of this program is the relationships that develop between mentors (volunteers from our congregation) and program participants. We are in need of those who are willing to serve as mentors. If you are willing to do so, or simply want to know more about this ministry opportunity, please contact John Miller at <u>imiller@ryepc.com</u>, or at (914) 967-0842.

We will also need folks who are willing to serve as cooks and hosts as each evening includes a meal prepared and served by RPC congregants, who share table fellowship as well. Again, please contact John Miller if you could assist in this important role.



Thrift Shop Fall Saturday Sale is COMING!

Saturday, October 26, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Upstairs in the Assembly Room AND Downstairs in the Undercroft

What should you do?

--DONATE: We can accept larger objects beginning Friday, October 25.

- * Larger items we love for the Saturday sale—lamps, rugs, bookcases/storage, end tables/coffee tables, bikes.
- * Other items we love for the Saturday sale—HANDBAGS! Always popular. Jewelry of every type (costume, even children's). Knick-knacks, china, serving dishes, decorative items.

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* Come on Saturday from 9am-1pm, and bring ALL your friends. Mostly larger toys and furniture upstairs, and the downstairs will have more rooms open with merchandise galore. It will be your last chance for Halloween items and we will have some Christmas items for sale.

Have fun, shop 'til you drop, spend a little and get a LOT!

—ALL for a good cause. MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

For further information, contact Suzanne Davies (<u>Suzannebd1@aol.com</u>).

All ages welcome! RPC Family Fellowship



Sunday, October 27, 5:00-6:30pm, In the Assembly Room RSVP to Jean-Paul Marshall (<u>imarshall@ryepc.com</u>) or call 967.0842 x 17

Join us for our annual Pumpkin Carving event and enjoy a super fun night filled with delicious food, the carving of pumpkins, and great company!

Costumes welcome!

Please make sure to RSVP to <u>jmarshall@ryepc.com</u> so that we can be sure to have enough food and pumpkins!

For Newcomers: What is the Thrift Shop?

- Run as the 'service mission' arm of the RPC Women's Association.

- Grants from Thrift Shop proceeds continue to increase every year and last year exceeded \$80,000.

- Completely volunteer-run.

- Open Thursdays 10:00 am-1pm during the school year.

- ALL **proceeds** given out as grants each year to local nonprofits serving children, youth, the elderly, women, and under-served populations.

> For further information on all the Thrift Shop offerings, contact Susan Gim <u>susangim@gmail.com.</u>



VERMONT CHRISTMAS WREATHS Proceeds Benefit Rye Troop 2 Boy Scouts

As in previous years, Rye Troop 2 is selling Christmas Wreaths as its fundraiser for camping equipment and scholarships.

Order yours at Coffee Hour following 10:00 a.m. worship on October 27 and November 3.

- 16" with red bow and pine cone \$20
- 25" with plaid bow and pine cones \$25
- 25" with burgundy bow and pine cones \$25
- 30" with red bow and white-tipped pine cone \$30

You can pick your wreath(s) up Thanksgiving Sunday (December 1st) at RPC or at Mistletoe Magic on Purchase Street, 12:00-3:00 p.m.

Questions? Bob Zahm, bobzahm@gmail.com,

RPC Fall Festival













Music Notes, The Jolly Beggars, Chamber Music at RPC



From Jason Charneski

Chamber Music Concerts Begin October 6

The new season of Chamber Music concerts will begin on Sunday, October 6, at 3:00 p.m., with a program of music for flute and strings by Beethoven, Debussy, Dohnanyi, Mozart, and Piazzolla. More information is posted on the flyer printed below. Invite your friends and family members to join you --\$20 for RPC-affiliated persons and – new this year – **STUDENTS GET IN FOR FREE!** These concerts offer us great music performed by many of the most talented and wellknown musicians in the city and region. Come! You will be glad you did.

The Jolly Beggars Join Us in Worship on October 27

Be sure to be in attendance at the 10:00 a.m. service on October 27, as The Jolly Beggars, a Connecticut-based folk ensemble that focuses on music from the Celtic traditions, will lead us in song. Their music and words will tie into a theme that morning of the Reformation. Come, be a part of this celebration of the church!

Jason



Demarre McGill, flute; Nancy Wu, violin; Michael Roth, viola; and Jerry Grossman, cello









\$20 for RPC members—STUDENTS FREE To reserve your seats, please call Ronald Arron at 914-523-4646, or send him an email: <u>ronarron@optonline.net</u>

Sundays in October, Bible Study

Saturday, October 5

5:00 p.m. Blessing of the Anir	nals / Columbarium
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Sunday, October 6

8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion in the Chapel
8:40 a.m.	Prayer Gathering / Library
9:00 a.m.	Adult Education / Westminster Room
9:30 a.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal / Chapel
10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship & Communion in the Sanctuary
	Children's Choir sings
	Sunday School
	-Children attend worship through Children's Message
11:00 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal / Chapel
11:00 a.m.	Feeding Westchester Bag Assembling/ Assembly Room
11:15 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room
3:00 p.m.	Chamber Music at RPC Concert / Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	& 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class / Westminster Room
6:00 p.m.	High School Youth Group / Youth Room
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8:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study / Library

Saturday, October 12

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

Sunday, October 13

8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion in the Chapel
8:40 a.m.	Prayer Gathering / Library
10:00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Sanctuary
	Sunday School—Enrichment activities
11:00 a.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal / Chapel
11:15 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room

Saturday, October 19

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

Sunday, October 20

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
	Youth Choir sings
	Sunday School
	-Children attend worship through children's message.
11:00 a.m.	New Member Discussion / Library
11:15 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room
4:00 p.m.	& 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class / Westminster Room
6:00 p.m.	High School Youth Group /
8:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study / Library
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Saturday, October 26

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

Sunday, October 27

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
	The Jolly Beggars lead our music
	Sunday School
	-Children attend worship through children's message.
11:00 a.m.	New Member Discussion / Library
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room

5:00 p.m. Family Fellowship: "Pumpkin Carving" /Assembly Rm

BIBLE STUDIES

Men's Bible Study

Sundays, October 6 & 20, at 8:00 p.m. in the Library

All are welcome to join in as we continue our Sunday evening reading of the Gospel according to Luke. We are working through it (slowly), but new fellow readers are always welcome! This month we will meet on Sundays, October 6 and 20, at 8:00 p.m. in the church library.

If you would like to be on the email reminder list, please let Dan Love know: <u>dlove@ryepc.com</u>.

Monday Morning Bible Discussion

Mondays, October 7, 21, & 28, at 10:00 a.m. in the Library

This month, the morning Bible Discussion group (recently moved to Mondays) will continue work on our journey through the Old Testament. To help guide us on this tour, we will be using videos from *The Bible Project* (<u>thebibleproject.com</u>) to give us the big picture of the Old Testament, while pausing to dive deeper into the bible text along the way.

We will be aiming to meet at least twice a month on Mondays, though it will vary with holidays that cross our path. If you'd like to be on the email reminder list, let Dan Love (dlove@ryepc.com) know.

Women's Bible Study

Saturdays, October 5 & 26, at 10:00 a.m. in the Library A warm welcome and hot coffee await! For further information, contact Cynthia De Santis (desantiscw@aol.com).



Contemplative Saturday at 5 Service October 26 in the Chapel

In a break from our typical format, all are invited to a time of worship in a quiet space, with music, silent meditative prayer, and guided quiet reflection on scripture.

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

October Schedule of Meetings, Events, and Programs

CHURCH OFFICES AND BUILDINGS WILL BE CLOSED ON COLUMBUS DAY, MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

BOARD MEETINGS

Deacons: Wednesday, October 16, 7:30 p.m., Library **Trustees:** Wednesday, October 16, 7:30 p.m., Westminster Room **Session:** Wednesday, October 23, 7:30 p.m., Westminster Room

WORSHIP AND STUDY

Worship on Saturday evening: 5:00 p.m. Worship and Communion In the Chapel. Blessing of the Animals, October 5, Columbarium Worship on Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel 10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary Prayer Gatherings: Sundays in the Library at 8:40 a.m. **Adult Education:** "Coffee & Conversation": Sundays, 9:00-9:45 a.m., Westminster Room (no class on October 13) Evening Studies: Everything you Missed or Forgot from Confirmation: Tuesdays, October 8, 15, & 22, 7:30 p.m., Library Race & Religion: Mondays, October 7 & 21, 7:30 p.m., Westminster Room New Member Classes: Sundays, October 20 & 27, 11:00 a.m., Library Sunday School: Regular Sunday School on October 6, 20, 27; October 13 - Enrichment activities Confirmation: Sundays, October 6 & 20, 4:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m. Men's Sunday Bible Study: October 6 & 20, 8:00 p.m., Library Monday Morning Bible Discussion: October 7, 21, & 28, 10:00 a.m., Library Women's Bible Study: Saturdays, October 5 & 26, 10:00 a.m., Library Women's Discipleship: Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m., Library YOUTH Boy Scout Troop #2: Every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Assembly Room

Connection: Wednesdays, October 2 & 16, 5:30 p.m., Youth Room **High School Youth Group:** Sundays, October 6 & 20, times and locations TBD

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Chancel Choir Rehearsal: Sundays, 9:15 & 11:15 a.m.

Children's Choir Rehearsal: Thursdays, 3:30 p.m., Choir Room / No rehearsal on October 31 (Halloween) **Youth Choir Rehearsal:** Dates TBD based on youth schedules, Sundays following 10:00 a.m. worship, Chapel

OTHER CHURCH MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND PROGRAMS

3 Ts: Tuesday, October 15, 10:00 a.m., Library
Chamber Music at RPC Concert: Sunday, October 6, 3:00 p.m., Sanctuary
Family Fellowship: Pumpkin Carving, Sunday, October 27, 5:00 p.m., Assembly Room
Mission & Outreach: Wednesday, October 2, 7:30 p.m., Library
Stephen Ministry:
Stephen Leaders: Tuesday, October 1, 6:00 p.m., Library
Continuing Education and Supervision: Tuesday, October 1, 7:00 p.m., Library
Thrift Shop: Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Saturday Sale: Saturday, October 26, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Women's Association: Monthly Meeting, Tuesday, October 15, 9:00 a.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, October 17, 11:00 a.m., Kitchen & Assembly Room

Rye Presbyterian Nursery School

Greetings to the RPC Community from Kristin Bassett Kumar



We kicked off the 2019-2020 school year with our Age Level Play Gatherings. The week before the first day of school, our classes met on the playground to meet other children and families in their

age level and session. There was a fabulous bubble show for the children to enjoy and snacks were served.

On the first day of school, we had our annual welcome party for all of our families. The children enjoyed ice pops, cookies, and a live children's music concert from Songs for Seeds on the front lawn. The children also had the opportunity to ride a trackless train around the lawn! Fun was had by all!



If you are interested is joining Rye Presbyterian Nursery School for the 2020-2021 school year, registration will be held on Friday, November 1, Monday, November 4, and Tuesday, November 5, in the Choir Room. All current students, new siblings of returning families, and church members should register at this time to guarantee their placement. **All church members are part of our In -House registration**. If you are a new family please call 914-967-2073 or email Co-Director, Kristin Kumar, at <u>kkumar@rpnskids.org</u> to set up a tour.

Rye Presbyterian Nursery School offers morning and afternoon programs for two, three, four, and five year olds. Our morning and afternoon sessions have the same goals and activities at each of their respective age levels.

We look forward to hearing from you soon!





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