

ROSEDALE GARDENS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

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SEPTEMBER 14, 2025



By the loving grace of Jesus Christ working in us, we are a people who practice welcoming relationships and caring service to the glory of God.

INCLUSIVITY STATEMENT:

At Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, we strive to be a Christ-like, faithful and inclusive church family. We welcome the full participation of all people of any ability, age, gender, race, ethnicity or sexual orientation. We commit ourselves to following Jesus by cultivating mission, inclusion and community.



RGPC: The Mission Station

*** = CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO STAND, as able**

Large print bulletins and hearing assist devices are available – please see an usher.

Please sign the Friendship Pad as it is passed to you, noting the names of those who are worshipping around you so you may greet them when the Service has ended.

PLEASE TURN OFF all cell phones and use this time to quietly prepare for Worship.

NURSERY (infants and toddlers) – Room 201 (Main Level)
PATHWAYS TO WORSHIP (Ages 3 - Grade 1) – Room 200 (Main Level)
FAITHWORKS (Grades 2 - 5) – Rainbow Room: Room 304 (Upper Level)
(Children can be picked up after worship from these locations)

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP TIME

Good morning, everyone!

Wake up to this new day Jesus has made!

Jesus is the light of the World!

May the brightness of his love shine through us.

JESUS LOVES EVERYONE *by Crossroads Kids’ Club*

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever, Amen.

(At this time, children are invited to go to Sunday School.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Kellie Whitlock

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PRELUDE“Jubilate Deo” (Shout for Joy to God) *by Anthony Giamanco*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Liturgist: Kenzie Hughes

With friends and strangers, with family and neighbors, we gather:

Come among us, Healing God, with that love which never ends.

With faith reaching out to touch, with hearts straining to trust, we hope:

Come among us, Friend of the broken, with your compassion which makes us whole.

With word and wonder, with silence and song, we wait:
**Come among us, Dryer of our tears,
to lift us to our feet to follow you.**

***HYMN #754 “Help Us Accept Each Other”**

***THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

God of all creation, open our hearts and eyes so that we might see the face of our adversary, and recognize, as you do, that they are our sister, our brother. God of Justice, you call us to live in truth. Give us the strength to admit our past transgressions, and to build new partnerships with old enemies.

God of Peace, you call us to love our enemies. Give us the wisdom to translate that love into a choice for dialogue over demonization, diplomacy over military confrontation. We ask this in the name of the One whose peace we seek, Jesus the Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**Friends, hear this great good news:
God continually shows us another way.
God’s mercy is as wide as the ocean.
God’s desire to forgive is as strong as the mighty wind.
So let our hearts receive the outpouring of God’s love
through the Holy Spirit. We are forgiven. Amen!**

***RESPONSE**

**“For the Beauty of the Earth”
*Lord of all, to you we raise,
Lord of all, to you we raise,
Lord of all, to you we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise,
This our hymn of grateful praise.***

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 8

LIFE IS SACRED *by The Skit Guys*

SCRIPTURE OF THE DAY **Matthew 6:25-30**

SERMON

“Searching for Our Better Angels”

Pastor Kate Mackie

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND GIFTS

AN INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

OFFERTORY “God of Wonders with Fairest Lord Jesus”

arr. Bethany K. Smith and Mary McDonald

Lord of all creation, of water, earth and sky

The heavens are Your tabernacle; glory to the Lord on high

Early in the morning I will celebrate the light

When I stumble in the darkness, I will call Your name by night

CHORUS: *God of wonders beyond our galaxy, You are holy, holy*

The universe declares Your majesty. You are holy, holy

Lord of heaven and earth, Lord of heaven and earth

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O Thou of God and man the Son

Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou my soul's glory, joy and crown

During the playing of our Offertory, if you wish to make an offering to the church, you may give electronically by texting "rgpc" to 833-245-5153 or using the QR Code on the back page of the bulletin, or by placing your offering in the black Offering Box located in the Narthex or outside the Chapel.

***DOXOLOGY (Hymn #606)**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above ye heavenly host;

Praise God, and Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

A COMMON TABLE *by The Skit Guys*

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *Communion Liturgist: Karli Chandler*

THE GIFTS OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD

When an usher directs you, please come down the center aisle to the Chancel.

Return to your pew by the side aisle. An usher is also available to bring

Communion to you. The bread is gluten and dairy free.

COMMUNION MUSIC “For the Bread Which You Have Broken”

by Anthony Giamanco

Hymn text #516

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (Unison)

**O Lord our God,
we rise from this table
knowing a love beyond our deserving.
Thank you for giving us a place at your table;
for serving us the bread of life;
for offering to us
the cup of salvation.
In humility and hope,
we go now from this place
into the day you have made,
going as people you have forgiven
and blessed and renewed.
We go as the people of Christ,
To follow in his ways, Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN #769 “For Everyone Born”**

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING RESPONSE**

*Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment
In peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me!*

***PASSING THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**
*The congregation is now invited to share
signs of Christ’s peace as worship concludes.*

***POSTLUDE** **“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”** by Anthony Giamanco
Hymn text #817



SERVING AND GROWING TOGETHER

WELCOME – PLEASE FEEL AT HOME HERE! We're glad you've chosen to set aside this hour to praise God in worship, and are delighted to have you at **Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church!** It is our hope that you will be uplifted spiritually by our worship and that you will join us often. Please stop by the Welcome Center located in the foyer to receive a Welcome Gift. Ushers and greeters are available for information, large print bulletins or assistance. If you need a hearing assistance device, please go to the Welcome Center. If you are a member of another congregation, please offer our greetings to our brothers and sisters in Christ when you return. If you are not currently part of another church congregation, we hope you will consider making **Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church** your church home, simply speak with our pastoral staff.

UPCOMING DATES OF SPECIAL INTEREST

SEPTEMBER — NOVEMBER

- Sept. 21 **Baptism / Ordination & Installation of Officers**
Relay for Hope (noon-3pm, Mies Park)
- Sept. 24 **Men's Club Meeting** (6-8pm, Senate Coney Island)
- Sept. 28 **Super Sunday**
Presbyterian Women Honorary Members Ceremony
- Oct. 5 **New Member Class**
World Communion Sunday
- Oct. 12 **Session New Member Luncheon**
- Oct. 19 **Super Sunday**
New Members Received
- Oct. 22 **Men's Club Meeting** (6-8pm, Senate Coney Island)
- Oct. 26 **Reformation Sunday**
- Nov. 2 **All Saints Sunday**
- Nov. 9 **Veteran's Day Sunday**
- Nov. 16 **Family Worship**
- Nov. 23 **Thanksgiving Sunday**
- Nov. 30 **First Sunday in Advent**

SERVING TODAY

Sunday Secretary: Cheryl Kasparek
Ushers: Jennifer Turko & Bill Fife
Welcome Desk: Kelly Bruce
Online Greeter: Janette Poe
Worship Arts: Daniel Bowes & Jack Brake
Sound System: John Mazeppa
Huddle: April Fitch & Adrienne Floyd
Coffee Hour: House Committee
Rosie Drivers: Angelo & Barb Ciotta

**We're Looking for Volunteers to
be Sunday Morning Greeters!**

Please sign up to join the
team with this QR Code:



MEMBERS IN NEED OF PRAYER: Dyche Anderson, Megan Barker, Abby Bennett, Linda Blumel, Laurie Carse, Susan Cohl, Judy Coleman, Lois Cummings, Larry Dye, Katherine Dyer, Rose Eickhoff, Mary Ann Falardeau, Debbie Fawkes, Dave Garcia, Jerry Gibbons, Anne Hartsell, Deirdre Hope, Joyce Jewell, Beverly Johnston, Judy Johnston, Mary Kennedy, Karen Killingbeck, Dave Lumley, Charlene Mazeppa, Margot McCormack, Donald McLean, Sadikifu Motiry, Stafford Nelson, Karen Perry, Jan Prentice, Jenny Root, William Sather, Julie Seiter, Alice Steffe, Mason Taylor, Diane Trupiano, Ella Warrick, Kellie Whitlock, Macaylah Whitlock, Marc Whitlock, Vicki Wonnacott, Barb Yamazaki, Ed Yopek.




OUR EXTENDED CIRCLE OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS: *(This listing will be cleared and renewed on the first Sunday of each month. Names can be added at any time, but if you wish to have someone continued into the following month, please contact the Church Office.)*


- Michael Bingham, husband of Marilyn Bingham
- Rev. Dr. Darcy Crain, former member & friend of Rosedale
- Rick Korene, friend of the Whitlock family
- Tracy Rutter, friend of Robin Roos
- Rev. Chang, PC(USA) missionary to the people of the Philippines
- Those Serving/Who Have Served Our Country in the Military and as First Responders
- Rosedale Military/First Responder/Serviceperson of the Month: Mark Douglass

EACH WEEK WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER church member families, thanking God for them, and asking God to bless and guide them. We invite you to keep in your prayers: *the (Janene) Johnson, Runyan, (Alec) Olson, & Anderson families.*


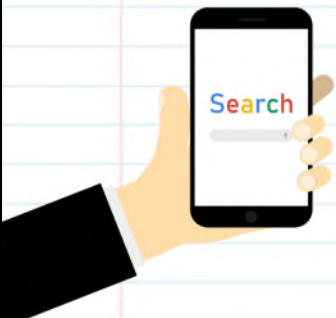





Like Rosedale?



Then please go to "Google Reviews" and share your thoughts! The more reviews we have, the more likely people are to find us and come check us out! Scan this QR code to take you to our "Google Review" page!



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NOTES FROM A&F

Financial Snapshot as of July 31, 2025

This is a financial snapshot of how our operating budget is trending as of 7/31/25. We seem to be on track for right now. However, we are anticipating some higher expenses later in the year (insurance, utilities, snow removal, etc.). Please check to see if your financial giving is up to date!

Thank you for your continued support!

Income:

Regular Income expected through	7/31/2025	\$	341,279
Regular Income received through	7/31/2025		<u>345,056</u>
		\$	<u><u>3,777</u></u>

Expenses:

Exp / Accruals expected through	7/31/2025	\$	349,154
Exp / Accruals incurred through	7/31/2025		<u>337,059</u>
		\$	<u><u>12,095</u></u>

Boiler Fund as of July 31, 2025

Boiler Project Receipts:

Receipts through 7/31/2025	\$	316,816.46
Other expected receipts—2025		<u>28,761.68</u>
Total Commitment	\$	<u><u>345,578.14</u></u>

Boiler Project Costs:

Engineering	\$	35,552.50
Contract Cost		446,769.09
Other Costs		<u>9,323.51</u>
Total Project Costs	\$	<u><u>491,645.10</u></u>

<u>Amount still needed to fund project</u>	\$	<u><u>146,066.96</u></u>
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RGPC FAMILIES!

RGPC KIDS

Be sure to join us today as we start the new school year discovering a very important leader and how God chose him for a very important job. Come and learn with us! We are always so excited to see you!



Sunday School Registration

A friendly reminder to register your child(ren) for the 2025-2026 Sunday school year.

You can grab a registration form from the table in the Narthex or scan the QR code to register!

F^AI^TH^WORKS



Scan me



What is Parenting? According to the Encyclopedia Britannica, parenting is defined as “the process of raising children and providing them with protection and care in order to ensure their healthy development into adulthood.” Other words for parenting include: fostering, nourishing, nursing, raising, rearing, fathering, mothering, attending, caring (for), cradling, cultivating, minding, nurturing, watching, feeding, providing (for), and supplying. Parenting requires significant amounts of time, energy, and emotional strength.

Understandably, parenting is not easy.

Multiple factors influence parenting, including parent characteristics (parent personality), child characteristics (child temperament), and contextual and sociocultural characteristics (economic difficulties, religion, politics, etc...). Then there's feeling judged, sleep deprivation, a challenging child, discipline issues, etc... **It's a lot! I get it!**

If you are struggling and/or have a parenting concern, I can help! As a certified parent coach, I will listen and work with you to help develop strategies that can improve your child's behavior and your relationship with your child. We will discuss the connections between your child's brain, their behavior, and their heart. There is no judgement, only compassion. I truly believe when you know better you can be better.

To reach me: ladams@rosedalegardens.org



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



HIS CALL. YOUR VOICE. THEIR INVITATION.

RGPC Youth Group Fam 2025-26

STUDENTS!



FOR FALL!

SUNDAY SCHOOL!



October 5
November 2
December 7
10:30 a.m. in Youth Hall!

RELAY FOR HOPE!

Sunday, September 21st
After worship in Mies Park

SUPER SUNDAYS!



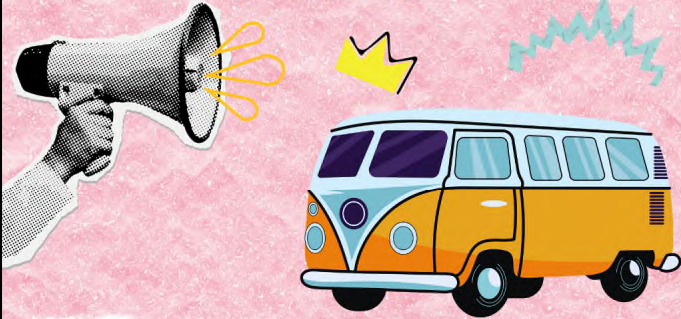
September 28
October 19
November 9
December TBD
10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

*All student activities are open for 6th - 12th graders.
See Pastor Kate or Brad Avis for more information!*

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

MISSION TRIP

2026



INFORMATIONAL MEETING

19 OCTOBER | 11:30 A.M.

YOUTH HALL

Trip is open for all students 14 years old or rising 9th graders in the summer of 2026

ATTENTION: ALL CHILDREN & YOUTH TEACHERS AND LEADERS!

A new background check is needed for all volunteers working with our children and youth.

Please check your email for an invitation from “Universal Background” to complete this process. An email was sent with detailed information on how to complete the screening. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Adams or Adam Hughes.

Lunch Providers Requested!

Would you be willing to provide the Youth Group lunch once a month?

Looking for willing people to provide lunch for approximately 12-15 teens and their adult leaders.

Please see Pastor Kate! Upcoming Dates:

September 28

October 19

November 9

CANCER

HAS TOUCHED US ALL

AND BECAUSE OF THIS,
WE ARE ENCOURAGING
EVERYONE TO INVITE A
FRIEND TO OUR SUNDAY
WORSHIP SERVICE ON
SEPTEMBER 21ST, THEN JOIN IN
OUR "RELAY FOR HOPE" IN
MIES PARK IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE SERVICE.

LET US BE ABOUT
THE BUSINESS OF
LOVING AND
ENCOURAGING
ONE ANOTHER IN
THE NAME OF JESUS
DURING TIMES OF
TRIAL.



REGISTER TODAY!



RGPC'S RELAY FOR HOPE

A CHURCH FAMILY ENSURING NO ONE
FIGHTS CANCER ALONE

September 21st ~ Noon - 3:00pm

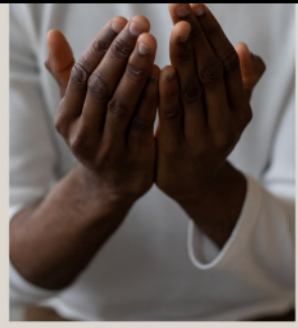
Sign up today in the Narthex or through the QR Code & donate via PushPay

Mark Your Calendars!

UPCOMING SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES

Ordination & Installation of Officers
SEPTEMBER 21

World Communion Sunday
OCTOBER 5



Old and New Members are Welcome!



MEN'S CLUB

SEPTEMBER MEETING

September 24th @ 6 PM
Senate Coney Island at Plymouth & Stark

All men of the church are welcome to join us as we meet for the first Men's Club get together of 2056-2026. We hope to see you there!

Presbyterian Women Honorary Members



The Presbyterian Women are pleased to announce that this year's recipients of Honorary Membership in the National Presbyterian Women Association are **Kelly Bruce** (*left*), Co-Director of Social Media Ministry, and **Beth Sequin** (*right*), Elder of the Membership Committee. Please join us in offering congratulations and appreciation to Kelly and Beth for the many ways they contribute to the life and ministry of our church. The official presentation will be held during service on **Sunday, September 28th**. We hope to see you there!



Deacons Food Ministry

PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE & SELECT THE DEACONS FUND WITH MEMO LINE "FOOD MINISTRY" TO DONATE DIRECTLY TO THE DEACON FOOD DRIVE. WE ARE IN IMMEDIATE NEED OF FUNDS TO PROVIDE GROCERIES FOR FAMILIES IN NEED!



Our Deacons worked hard packing & handing out groceries to families in need at their first food drive of the season yesterday! Please consider donating to the Deacons Fund to help support this great cause!

Another Day Resource Center
Invites You To a Sock Hop Fundraising Dinner



**Shake
Rattle & Roll**

**5TH ANNUAL
SOCK HOP**

**DOORS
OPEN AT
7:00PM**

SEPTEMBER 26, 2025

LOCATION:
MILE CITY
13100 HAGGERTY RD.
PLYMOUTH, MI 48170

DRESS TO IMPRESS IN YOUR 50'S BEST!

DINNER • SILENT AUCTION

The poster features a retro 1950s aesthetic with vinyl records, a guitar, and a couple dancing. A pink classic car is shown at the bottom.

An opportunity to make a financial gift will be extended.
Please RSVP before
September 22nd by enclosure or call/text 248.469.6607.

AnotherDayResource.org



**GET
ROOTED**

Get Rooted with RGPC

Scan the QR code below to join this awesome Facebook group that focuses on taking what we learn in Sunday Worship & using it in our daily lives!

SCAN ME!



Tutors Needed!

Church & Society provides a "Mission Math" program at Grant Elementary. They are in need of a couple more tutors to work with 4th Grade students once a week for an hour.

Please contact Sue Cole if interested!



Welcome to Church

Join our next New Member Class!

New Member Class: Sunday, October 5th at 11:45 A.M. in the Library

Session New Member Luncheon: Sunday, October 12th at 11:45 A.M. in Youth Hall

New Members Welcomed During Worship: Sunday, October 19th at 10:30 A.M. in the Sanctuary

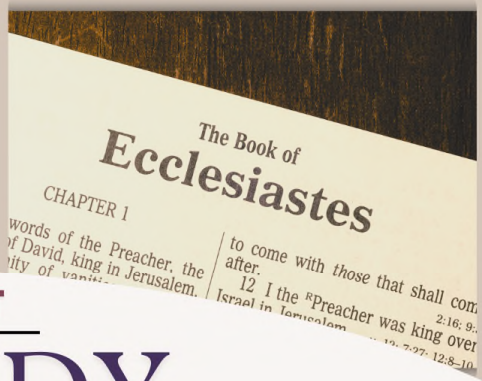
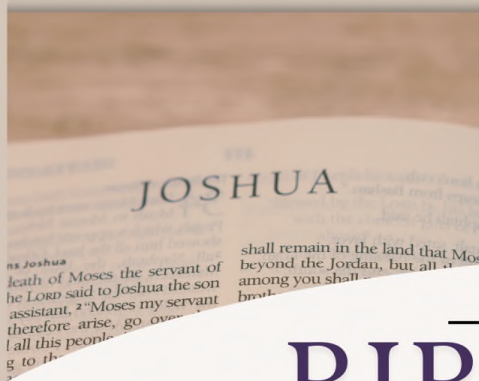
Sign up in the church office or with the QR code!



YOUTH HALL
BOOK OF JOSHUA
(ZOOM OPTION AVAILABLE)
OCTOBER 6 - NOVEMBER 24



CHURCH LIBRARY
BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES
OCTOBER 6 - NOVEMBER 10



MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Beginning October 6

For more information contact the following:

Youth Hall Group - Dave Lumley: davidwlumley@gmail.com or Carol Bowes: cab0218@gmail.com

Library Group - Dyche Anderson: dyche@comcast.net or Nancy Bowlby: dolnancy@aol.com

FILL YOUR CUP SUNDAY!

OCTOBER 12

1

SEND PASTOR KATE A DIGITAL PHOTO OF SOMEONE OR SOMETHING THAT FILLS YOUR CUP! (PLEASE SUBMIT BY 10/6)



2

INVITE YOUR CUP-FILLER TO WORSHIP THAT MORNING!

3

ENJOY A VARIETY OF COFFEE AND DRINK OFFERINGS FROM THE "CAPPUCCINO MAN" COFFEE CART



COFFEE CART
AVAILABLE
10A.M. - NOON

EMAIL PICS TO:
KMACKIE@ROSEDALEGARDENS.ORG

ALL COFFEE FROM
THE CART IS
FREE

RGPC... Where Have You Been Lately?

Heading out on an awesome adventure? Don't forget to pack your RGPC shirts in your bags! We'd love to see where you've been!

Whether you're exploring near or far, capture the moment and share it with us by sending it to Kelly Bruce (kelly2726@sbcglobal.net) and/or Morgan Tressler (officergpc@yahoo.com). #rgpcadventures



REPRESENTING RGPC IN THE COMMUNITY!

RGPC members Gretchen Hocking, Heather Hammerstrom, Beverly Hertenstein, Jan Myers & Sheila Folsom (*bottom left*) showed up to represent RGPC as they greeted members of the Livonia community & shared information about RGPC & its programs at the 8th Annual Good Old-Fashioned Neighborhood Corn Roast.

Dave & Janice Lumley (*bottom right*) stopped by the RGPC booth to reflect on the difference that they made by helping to raise money for Breaking Barriers for Kids & Families.

Pastor Kellie Whitlock (*not pictured*) was on sight to pass out T-shirts at the 4th Annual Tour de Livonia (*bottom center*), which took place before the Corn Roast.





Detroit, Ypsilanti, Pinckney, South Lyon—A Local Musician

This Sunday, 14 September, prelude, communion, and postlude music are the works of composer Anthony Giamanco, born in 1958 in Detroit.

Like me and so many children in the 1950s, Anthony began piano lessons at age 8. Unlike me, Anthony started composing a few years later. He attended Eastern Michigan University where he studied voice, piano, organ, and composition. After Eastern, he did several things to support himself, typical of most musicians who have a job that pays the bills so one can do what one really loves: make music.

In 2000 Anthony took his first full-time music position at Shalom Lutheran Church in Pinckney where he developed a vibrant music ministry, including adult and children's choirs, a handbell choir, brass ensemble, and a contemporary band. At this time, he also sang in and became assistant director of the Livingston County Chorale, which performed several of his choral pieces.

Although he continued composing organ music, his desire to write for the piano grew. He began creating supplementary pieces for his students as well as composing hymn settings and original sacred pieces for piano, many of which have been published. For years I subscribed to **The Organ Portfolio**, **The Sacred Organ Journal**, and **The Church Pianist**, bi-monthly collections published by the Lorenz Corporation until mid-2020 when COVID decimated the demand for church music. Lorenz now offers the work of composers and arrangers in monthly collections, available online, as digital downloads. Lorenz introduced me to Anthony's work. I enjoy his versatile style thoroughly and appreciate that some of his work is easily adaptable between instruments.

His compositions, performed throughout the U.S., Europe, and Asia, have won him recognition and awards. In researching Anthony this week, I discovered ***Organ Music for the Christmas Season***, a collection of six compositions from around the world, published by Tim Knight Music (UK). Anthony's ***Masters in This Hall*** was chosen for inclusion in this anthology. I am looking forward to learning his clever rendition as a gift to all of you during this year's Advent season. Anthony currently lives in South Lyon, where he continues composing and arranging. I am grateful for Anthony and all who continue to compose and inspire me.

Sources: <https://shawmusic.org/anthony-giamanco>;
<https://www.easychoirmusic.com/pages/anthony-giamanco>

ATTENTION 2025-26 Elders & Deacons!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

LEADERSHIP RETREAT

Saturday, October 18th

9 am - 1 pm

Youth Hall



Chapel Friday

We will now hold Chapel Friday on the 3rd Friday of each month.

We hope you will join us!

WELCOME
back **ROSIE, THE BUS!**



ROSIE IS NOW RUNNING ON SUNDAYS!
Please call Morgan in the Office at (734) 422-0494 if you need a ride!

OFF THE RAILS PODCAST
CHASING FAITH IN A POST-CHRISTIAN CULTURE




SCAN HERE TO LISTEN!






YOGA CLASSES AT RGPC

*Wednesday Evenings
5:30 - 6:30 - Room 109
(the Scout Room)*

OUR FOCUS WILL BE ON CHAIR YOGA, BUT YOU MAY BRING BLOCKS AND MATS IF DESIRED. SESSIONS ARE DESIGNED FOR ALL ABILITIES







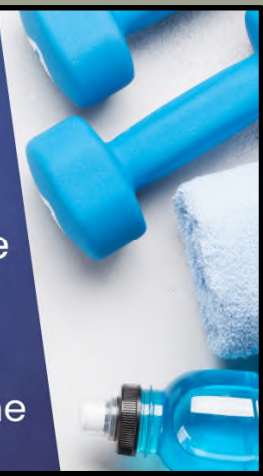
JOIN OUR EXERCISE CLASSES!

Tuesdays: 6pm on FB Live

Wednesdays at RGPC:

2pm - Exercise for Seniors

7pm - Exercise for Everyone



JOIN US IN HONORING OUR VETERAN OF THE MONTH

We are recognizing Mark Douglass,
Aviation Maintenance Administration Man /
Petty Officer 2nd Class, US Navy, Viet Nam



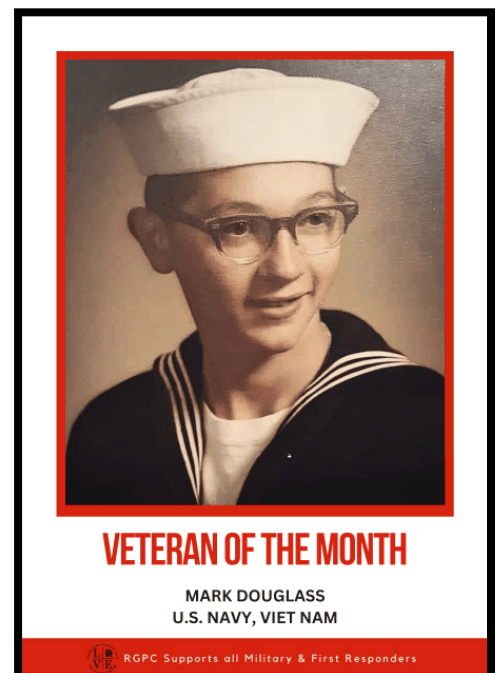
Mark Douglass was born November 24, 1947. He was the first of 4 boys for Edwin and Berice. Mark was very mechanically-minded and grew up working on lawnmowers, cars, and engines with his dad. After graduating from Taylor Center High School, he followed in his dad's footsteps by joining the US Navy in 1965. Mark was given the rank of Petty Officer 3rd class during boot camp at the Great Lakes Training Base in Illinois. After graduation, he was stationed at Naval Air Station (NAS) Memphis for Aviation (AZ "A") School.

Mark's next assignments included Log and Records with Fighter Squadron VF-174 at NAS Cecil Field in Jacksonville; Maintenance Control aircraft deployments to Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Yuma and NAS San Juan; working on the flight deck and in the office on Attack Squadron VA-82 on the USS America (CVA-66); Global Logistics Support VR-62 in Pensacola where he flew Lockheed Hercules C-130, earned Aircrew wings, and worked as a Load Master loading personnel, starting up, weighing, and balancing the aircraft. Mark flew into Saigon, Viet Nam to fairy personnel to Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines in 1968. Soon after, he left the Navy in November 1968.

Mark's next step in his career took him to Ford Motor Company in Dearborn where he held the following positions: Clerk for the Sheet Metal Shop in Research and Engineering; Crib Attendant in the Electrical Maintenance Shop; and the Hazardous Storage Yard.

Mark rejoined the Navy in 1982 at Selfridge Air National Guard Base in Mount Clemens, working in the Maintenance Control Area. Mark's next assignments included the 0472 Naval Air Facility (NAF) Diego Garcia for 2 years; the USS Independence (CV62) during the Persian Gulf War in 1990; the NAF Lajes 0473 in Azores, Portugal; and HazMat Coordinator for the base on his active-duty weeks and on the USS America in 1994. He earned his title as an Enlisted Warfare Specialist and retired from the Navy in 1999 with 20 years of experience. In 2007, he retired from Ford after 40 years with the company.

Mark enjoys bowling, traveling, working on his 1965 AMC American Convertible, and helping his friends with construction and other projects. He was in three movies as an extra – *Top Gun*, *Navy Seals*, and *Message in a Bottle*. Mark participates in reunions for his Navy Unit at Cecil Field - VA-174 and is also a member of the Livonia Veteran's Connection. He is very proud of his family's military service to this great country. Here is a small list of some of those family members: QM3 Edwin Douglass, USN; AZ2 Mark Douglass, USN; EM Robert Douglass, USN; ABH3 Carl Douglass, USN; PSCS Carla Douglass, USN; MM3 Matthew Douglass, USN; DT1 Julie Douglass, USN; MA Nicholas Douglass; SSGT Tiffany Douglass, USAF; CPL James Douglass, USMC. We at Rosedale Gardens would like to recognize and honor Mark's contribution to the safety and security of this great country. Well done, good and faithful servant.



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 09/14 COMMUNION

- 9:30 A.M. Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
10:30 Worship Service – Sanctuary
10:30 Sunday School – Room 200 & Room 304
10:30 Stephen Ministry Super. Meeting – Library

MONDAY, 09/15

- 6:30 P.M. Spiritual Gifts Class – Youth Hall

TUESDAY, 09/16

- 8:00 A.M. AA – Youth Hall
10:00 Staff Meeting – Library
6:00 P.M. Faith & Fitness with Dave – FB Live
7:00 Boy Scouts #270 – Scout Room

WEDNESDAY, 09/17

- 10:00 AM Prayer Group – Library
2:00 P.M. Faith & Fitness with Dave – Scout Room
5:30 Yoga Class – Scout Room
7:00 Session Meeting – Youth Hall
7:00 Faith & Fitness with Dave – Scout Room

THURSDAY, 09/18

- 8:00 A.M. AA – Youth Hall
6:00 P.M. Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

FRIDAY, 09/19

- 12:00 P.M. Chapel Friday – Library

SATURDAY, 09/20

- 9:30 A.M. Thee Sowing Circle – Room 202

SUNDAY, 09/21 BAPTISM / INSTALLATION & ORDINATION OF OFFICERS

- 9:30 A.M. Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
10:30 Worship Service/Baptism/Ordination & Installation of Officers – Sanctuary
10:30 Sunday School – Room 200 & Room 304
12:00 P.M. Marzolf Luncheon – Youth Hall
12:00 Relay for Hope – Mies Park

MONDAY, 09/22

- 6:30 P.M. Spiritual Gifts Class – Youth Hall



CHAPEL FRIDAY SCHEDULE

Friday September 19th we will hold Chapel Friday in the LIBRARY from 12-1:00 p.m. Join us for a service of prayer, scripture, communion, and reflection. All are welcome!



CELEBRATING A MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR?

Please let the office know! We would like to acknowledge those who have been married 50 years or longer.



ARE YOU CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS MONTH?

Please prayerfully consider supporting our Endowment Fund by giving one dollar for each year of your age as a celebration of your life and “giving back” for the blessing of life. This week, we would like to acknowledge **Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Johnson**, whose love for this congregation was expressed through a gift to The RGPC Endowment Fund. The generosity of these individuals has left a permanent gift to us that will continue to grow and bear the fruit of their faith not only now, but forevermore!



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Carol Briner, David Fitch, Joan Johnson
- 2 Linda Blumel, Paul Johnson
- 3 Megan Barker, John Lovasz
- 4 Bill Fife, Jennifer Young
- 5 Judy Culler, Bill Irvine
- 6 Sue Cole, **Janis Prentice**
- 7 Mark Adams
- 8 Chelsey Yoder
- 9 Walter Kosinski
- 10 Barbara Mikulski
- 12 Nolan Conrad, Sharon Fischer, Marnie Kolinski
- 13 Jeff Marzolf
- 15 Michael Bieganski, Richard Porteous
- 16 Sheila Folsom, Ian Holtzman
- 17 Beckham Bessolo
- 18 Kelly Bruce, Lonni Schultz, Everette Timmerman
- 22 C Benton, Jamie Vasko
- 23 Sharon Garcia
- 24 Gary Fawkes, Alexander Harrison, Roy Sequin
- 25 Janel Kooienga, Alison Taylor
- 26 Ashlyn Johnson, Jan Myers, Zack Shaver
- 27 Bennett Squire
- 30 Gretchen Hocking, **Joyce Jewell**

* **BOLDED** text indicates 90+ birthdays



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Go to the Rosedale Facebook page, under "more," click on "groups" and request to join!

"FAITH & FITNESS WITH DAVE"

"BETTER TOGETHER"

"PRAYERS FOR POSSIBLE"

"MILITARY, FIRST RESPONDERS AND FAMILIES"

"SELF LOVE, SELF CARE"

"GET ROOTED WITH RGPC"

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INCLUSIVITY STATEMENT:

At Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, we strive to be a Christ-like, faithful and inclusive church family. We welcome the full participation of all people of any ability, age, gender, race, ethnicity or sexual orientation. We commit ourselves to following Jesus by cultivating mission, inclusion and community