

# ROSEDALE GARDENS

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

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**APRIL 20, 2025  
RESURRECTION SUNDAY!**



*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)**  
**Today, our service is Family Worship – Children will remain with**  
**their families during the service.**

*Worship boards, books, and children's Bibles are available for children to use during the service. These are in the Children's Welcome Center.*

HELLO – AN EASTER WELCOME *by Freebridge Media*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

## **PRELUDE**      “An Easter Carillon” – by Margaret E. Tucker

## *Campanelle Bell Choir and Chime Choir under the direction of Pam Gunderson*

## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Alec Olson, Liturgist*

The tomb is dark, but empty.

**The one you are looking for has overcome the darkness.**

The stone has been rolled away.

**The one you are looking for has overcome death.**

The burial clothes are put aside.

**The one you are looking for is alive!**

# Christ is Risen!

# Christ is Risen Indeed!

# Let us worship our Risen Savior!

## **\*HYMN #232 “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”**

## **\*THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

## **\*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Loving God, we confess that at times we do not share in the joy of the resurrection but are caught in the worries of the world. We confess that we do not always live in the spirit of new life but remain discontent, grumbling and anxious. Forgive us for not sharing in the Good News. Forgive us when

we find it more comfortable to worry and complain than to risk the joy and encouragement of new life in Christ. Call us back to Your ways, O God, to seek hope and reconciliation, restoration and peace. In the name of the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

### \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The tomb is empty. The stone is rolled away. We are called to this new life, a life of forgiveness and reconciliation. You are forgiven; accept your forgiveness and know that God loves you and desires great joy for your life. Walk forward on this journey of faith, knowing your brothers and sisters are with you.

**We are forgiven, loved and restored,  
receiving the gift and promise of new life and resurrection now.  
Thanks be to God! Amen!**

### \*PRAYER RESPONSE     “Shine, Jesus, Shine”

*Lord the light of your love is shining,  
in the midst of the darkness, shining;  
Jesus, Light of the World shine upon us;  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.*

*Shine on me. Shine on me.*

*Shine, Jesus, shine! Fill this land with the Father's glory.  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze. Set our hearts on fire.  
Flow, river, flow; flood the nations with grace and mercy.  
Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.*

### GOD IS WITH US *by Saddleback Kids*

### CHILDREN'S CHAT *with Miss Pam*

### THE LORD'S PRAYER ...*Our children will lead us*

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 return to sit with their families.)*

### SCRIPTURE READING

### Mark 16:1-7

*(NT pg. 54)*

### GOSPEL ACCORDING TO PETER: EASTER SUNDAY *by The Skit Guys*

### SCRIPTURE READING

### John 20:3-9

*(NT pg. 114)*

**CHOIR ANTHEM “Jesus Rose” – by Rollo A. Dilworth**

*Early one Sunday mornin' Jesus rose up from the grave.*

*Early one Sunday mornin' Jesus rose.*

*If my Jesus had come down from the cross then my soul would still be lost.*

*'So glad that early one Sunday mornin' Jesus rose, Jesus rose.*

*Oh, Mary and Martha shouted, 'cause the stone had been rolled away.*

*Mary and Martha shouted "Hal-le-lu."*

*If my Jesus had come down from the cross then my soul would still be lost.*

*'So glad that early one Sunday mornin' Jesus rose, Jesus rose.*

*Oh, Jesus went up to Glory where he sits upon the throne.*

*Jesus went up to Glory where reigns.*

*If my Jesus had come down from the cross then my soul would still be lost.*

*'So glad that early one Sunday mornin' Jesus rose, Jesus rose.*

*Jesus rose, Jesus rose. Jesus rose, Jesus rose.*

*Early one Sunday mornin' Jesus rose up from the grave.*

*Early one Sunday mornin' Jesus rose.*

*If my Jesus had come down from the cross then my soul would still be lost.*

*'So glad that early one Sunday mornin' Jesus rose!*

*Mary and Martha shouted, Jesus rose!*

*Jesus went up to Glory, Jesus rose!*

*Early one Sunday mornin' Jesus rose, my Jesus rose!*

**OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND GIFTS  
AN INVITATION TO GENEROSITY**

*During the Invitation to Generosity, if you wish to make an offering to the church, you may give electronically with PushPay 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 hosts;*

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

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION****\*HYMN #248 “Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!”****REFLECTIONS OF LENT: EASTER by The Skit Guys**

## \*BENEDICTION

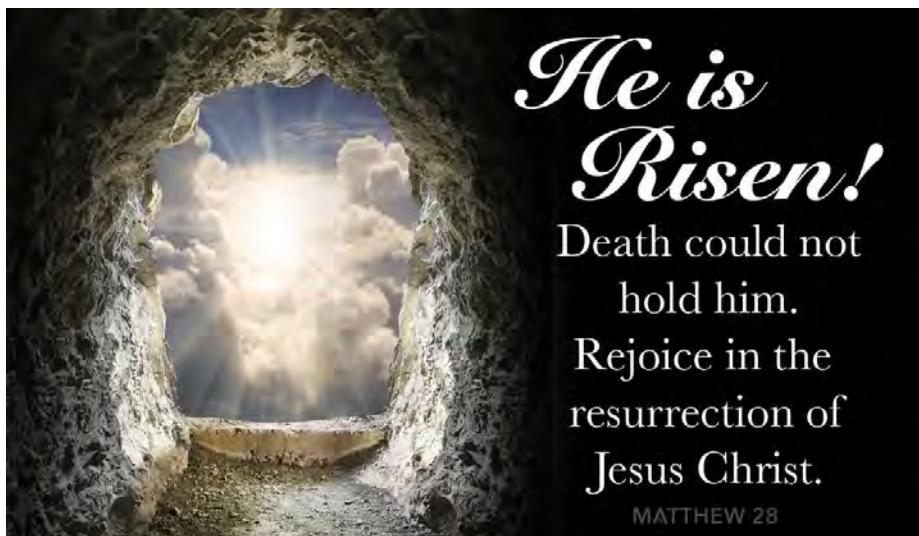
## \*CHORAL RESPONSE

**“Hallelujah Chorus” – by George Frederick Handel**  
(Lyrics on pg. 6)

## \*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.*



### PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR A BRIEF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

**THE SESSION HAS CALLED A BRIEF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**  
on Sunday, May 11, 2025 at the close of Worship to present and  
elect the 2025-2028 class of Elders and Deacons.

**WE ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS PLAN TO ATTEND THIS MEETING.**

Dear Church Family, I appreciate the many ways that you have taken such good care of me while I have been caring for myself, my husband, my parents, and my daughter. Every card, text, email, treat, and meal has been appreciated. Thank you for modeling what it means to love your neighbor to your pastor. While this has been a year of adversities, the presence of Christ and your faithful prayers continue to sustain our family.

Blessings, Pastor Kellie



## “HALLELUJAH CHORUS”

by George Frederick Handel

*Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.*

*For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.  
For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.  
Hallelujah!*

*The kingdom of this world  
Is become the kingdom of our Lord  
And of His Christ, and of His Christ.*

*And He shall reign forever and ever.  
And He shall reign forever and ever.  
And He shall reign forever and ever.  
And He shall reign forever and ever.*

*King of kings and Lord of lords,  
King of kings and Lord of lords,  
King of kings and Lord of lords,  
And He shall reign forever and ever!*

*King of Kings, forever and ever,  
And Lord of lords, hallelujah, hallelujah.  
And He shall reign forever and ever  
Forever and ever and ever and ever  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.  
Hallelujah!*



**WELCOME  
back  
ROSIE, THE BUS!**



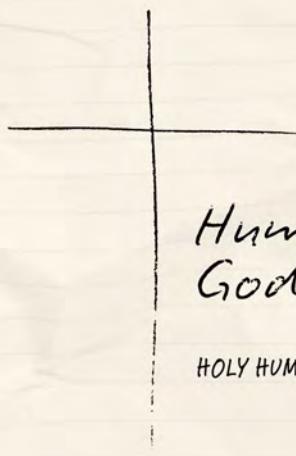
**ROSIE IS NOW RUNNING ON SUNDAYS!**  
Please call Susan in the Office at (734) 422-0494  
if you need a ride!

Call each week by the end of the day on Thursday to add your name to the list for the Sunday pick up!

RGPC WILL BE  
**CLOSED**

April 21-27

On-Line Worship on April 27th, ONLY



Humans Make Plans:  
God Laughs

HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY 2025

Watch the  
“Holy Humor”  
service online  
on Sunday,  
April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Watch for an Email  
Blast on Sunday  
morning with the link  
for the service.

# 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

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### APRIL — JUNE

**TODAY!** Easter Sunday Service / Family Worship

**April 21-27** Church Offices will be CLOSED

**April 21** Spring Bible Study #2 starts (7:00pm, Youth Hall, see pg. 13 for details)

**April 27** Holy Humor Sunday—ONLINE Worship ONLY

**May 3** PTSD Seminar (Noon-2pm, Chapel)

**May 4** Confirmation Sunday / Baptism Sunday

**May 11** Mother's Day / Family Worship / Commissioning of Adult Mission Trip Congregational Meeting to present Nomination Committee's Report

**May 14** Y'All Come Dinner (Stefan's Banquets @ St. Michael's Cultural Center)

**May 15-18** Adult Work Weekend (Camp Skyline)

**May 19** Deacons' Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall)

**May 18** Communion

Caravan Mission Trip Team Building (10:30am-3:30pm)

**May 25** Memorial Day Worship Service

**June 1** Music Sunday

**June 8** Baccalaureate Sunday / Commissioning of Youth Mission Trip

**June 14-21** Youth Mission Trip

**June 15** Father's Day

## SERVING TODAY

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**Sunday Secretary:** Alyson Donker

**Welcome Desk:** Gretchen Hocking

**Online Greeter:** Janette Poe

**Worship Arts:** Sean Olson & Jonathan Roos

**Sound System:** John Mazeppa

**Huddle:** Gretchen Hocking & Rick Hannah

**Coffee Hour:** Men's Club

**Rosie Drivers:** Brad Beney & Dennis Witte

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:** Megan Barker, Abby Bennett, Marilyn Bingham, Linda Blumel, Laurie Carse, Susan Cohl, Judy Coleman, Glenn Cruickshank, Lois Cummings, Rose Eickhoff, Mary Ann Falardeau, Dave Garcia, Jerry Gibbons, Anne Hartsell, Deirdre Hope, Joyce Jewell, Beverly Johnston, Judy Johnston, Mary Kennedy, Ingrid Kord-Kroeger, Jim Kuykendall, Dean Lande, Barb Malburg, Bernie Malburg, Charlene Mazeppa, Margot McCormack, Donald McLean, Sadikifu Motiryo, Stafford Nelson, Karen Perry, Jan Prentice, Jenny Root, William Sather, Alice Steffe, Mason Taylor, Ella Warrick, Nick Warrick, Kellie Whitlock, Macaylah Whitlock, Marc Whitlock, Vicki Wonnacott, Barb Yamazaki, Scott 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.*)

- Mike Andridge, son of Martha & Doug Andridge
- Jack Baucus, father of Katie Walrad/grandfather of Mary Kennedy
- Colton Baucus, nephew of Katie Walrad
- Barbara Beale, friend of Bill & Judy Tomey
- Matt Bilpo, stepfather of Tim Hartom
- Michael Bingham, husband of Marilyn Bingham
- Sarah Hughes Helmick
- Ken Janis, friends of Diane & Guy Trupiano
- Matt Collins, cousin of Marty Blank
- Richard Dunn, brother of Kelly Bruce / uncle of Dakota Roos
- Jack Gambotto, cousin and Christine Smades, daughter of Diane Frey
- Lauren Kaiser, cousin of Kathy Marzolf
- Edward and Virginia Koster, and David Koster, parents and brother of Adrienne Floyd
- Bill Kushner, partner of Carol Briner
- Bill Kuykendall, brother of Jim Kuykendall
- Friends and family of Shirley Lande: Ryan, Zaven, Elaine, and Carolyn
- Kevin McGee, son of Marlene McGee
- Larry & Karin McGivern, parents of Pastor Kellie Whitlock
- Patti Noll, neighbor of John & Linda Lovasz
- Janice Ritter, friend of Vicki Szaal
- Bruce Sanders, former RGPC member
- Sharon Schulte, friend of Vicki Szaal
- Robin Shomo, aunt of Matt Strzalkowski
- Justin Sholtz and Linda Waller, friends of Mary Kennedy
- Jeffrey Thompson, nephew of Barb Malburg
- Drew Wildenhous, nephew of Katie Walrad/cousin of Mary Kennedy
- Gordon Yamazaki, son of Barb & Scott Yamazaki
- 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: Amanda Hall

**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:

*Sunday, 4/20: the (Kathy) Clark, (Phil) Johnson, McLean, and Novak families*

*Sunday, 4/27: the (Tracey) Conrad, Karlson, Rosati, and Stevenson families.*

# RGPC FAMILIES!

## It's Easter Sunday!

**Today is Family Worship!** Our boys and girls will sit with their families in the sanctuary for our family-friendly, Jesus-filled Easter service. There are special Easter activities, books and Bibles for children. These will be available at the Children's Welcome Center. We look forward to sharing this special worship service with you!



## RGPC FAMILIES! EARLY REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN! VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2025

**ROAR!**  
JULY 22, 23, & 24, 2025  
9:30-NOON

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN** for RGPC families for children ages 3 - Grade 5 (Fall 2025).

General registration begins on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

## VBS VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! (Grade 6 - Adult)

If you are wondering what it is like to share your love for Jesus with children while also helping to provide an exciting, faith-filled experience for them, then **WE NEED TO TALK!**

**CREW LEADERS & VBS HELPERS are needed for this summer's Vacation Bible School Program!**

**WHAT'S A CREW LEADER?** Find out more about how you can be a part of our amazing **VBS TEAM!** Please contact Lisa Adams at 734-422-0494 or [ladams@rosedalegardens.org](mailto:ladams@rosedalegardens.org) for more information about how you can help!

**WHAT'S A VBS HELPER?** VBS Helpers are students 6<sup>th</sup> grade and above. We have a lot of jobs for you! Community service hours are available for honors requirements, school programs, and/or scouts.

**To register to help with VBS, scan the QR code at right.**

Questions? Contact Lisa Adams at [ladams@rosedalegardens.org](mailto:ladams@rosedalegardens.org)



# YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

A graphic for the Summer Youth Caravan Mission Trip. It features a watercolor background with a central black cloud shape containing the word "TEAM" and the text "BUILDING...". Below the cloud is the date "SUNDAY, MAY 18<sup>TH</sup> - 10:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.".

A graphic for Baccalaureate Sunday. It features a pink background with a black graduation cap and a rolled-up diploma. Text in blue reads "Baccalaureate Sunday!" and "June 8, 2025". Below this, in white, is the text "Join us for a special worship service as we give God thanks for the Class of 2025!" and "All members graduating this year are asked to submit your information to Pastor Kate by June 1. kmackie@rosedalegardens.org".



# Mark Your Calendars...

*Mark Your Calendars!*

## UPCOMING SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES:

Holy Humor - Online ONLY  
APRIL 27

Confirmation Sunday & Baptism  
MAY 4

Memorial Day Worship  
MAY 25

Music Sunday  
JUNE 1

Baccalaureate Sunday  
JUNE 8



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

SCAN HERE TO LISTEN!

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A PODCAST WITH PASTORS RAY & KELLIE



# 2025 Easter Flower Dedication



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*In case you have forgotten which type of flower you ordered,  
please check the list at the Welcome Center in the Narthex.*

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*The flowers this morning celebrate the joy of Easter  
and are presented to the glory of God, and...*



## ***IN HONOR OF:***

**Karen Delany, given by Justin & Amy, Abby, and Zack Bennett and Lori & Mike, Kenna, and Tyler Shelide**

**Our kids, given by Cathy & Ken Elstone and Carol & Charles Stefanson**

**My dear friend, Sandy Main-Niemisto, for all the helpful things she does for others, given by Micki Huysken**

**Our grandchildren: Audrey, Vinh, Alia, Sadie, Beckham, and Easton,  
given by the Johnson, Witte, and Cole families**

**The 2025 Confirmation Class, given by Pastor Kate & Jason Elstone**

**My parents, Mike & Carolyn Bieganski, and my daughters, Shannon & Kristen, given by Kim Lubig**

**Our mom & grandmother, Mary Beal, given by Kathy & Jeff Marzolf, Fred & Bonnie Beal, Ryan & Shannon Bardoni, and Jacob & Nicole Wrigau**

**Brian, Bettie & Nick, Nicholas, Drew, Peter, and Ella, given by Doug & Kay Propst**

**Paul & Mary Williams, given by Paula Skiba**

**Our parents, Larry & Karin McGivern, and Julie Goldcamp, given by Marc & Kellie Whitlock**

**Our children, Rachel & Rob, Matt, and Macaylah, and our grandchildren, Katelynn, Wyatt, and Emmylou, given by Marc & Kellie Whitlock (Pop/Papa and Mama/Grandma)**

**Our RGPC Church Family for your loving care, meals, and cards during Marc's and my father's recovery, given by Pastor Kellie Whitlock**

## ***IN LOVING MEMORY OF:***

**Our daughter, Lora J. Bingham, given by Michael & Marilyn Bingham**

**Our daughter, Mary E. Walker, given by Roy & Barbara Birmingham**  
**Dave Culler, husband, dad, and grandpa, from your loving family: Judy, Kurt,**  
**Kevin, Valerie, and Jaclyn. We miss you every day!**

**Tom Delany—Happy Heavenly Birthday, given by Karen Delany; Justin &**  
**Amy, Abby, and Zack Bennett; Lori & Mike, Kenna, and Tyler Shelide**  
**Charlie & Bernice Donker, given by Alyson Donker**

**Our parents, John & Diane Orendach and Kathleen Dye, given by Larry &**  
**Lee Ann Dye**

**Our parents, given by Cathy & Ken Elstone and Carol & Charles Stefanson**

**Bud Huysken, given by Micki Huysken**

**Arthur & Bertie Cole (Trygstad), Arndt Trygstad, Delmar & Gloria Johnson,**  
**Jan Witte, Sam & Sheila Beney, and Stefan Witte, given by**  
**the Johnson, Witte, and Cole Families**

**My grandfather, Jack Walrad, and our aunt, Diney Jones, given by the**  
**Kennedy family**

**My husband, Trueman, given by Carolyn Lamphere**

**Our parents & grandparents, Fred Beal and Charlie & Ruth Marzolf, given by**  
**Kathy & Jeff Marzolf, Fred & Bonnie Beal, Ryan & Shannon Bardoni,**  
**and Jacob & Nicole Wirgau**

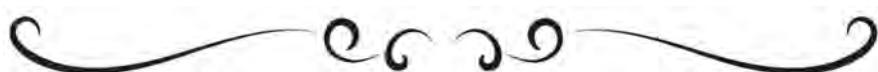
**Dale & Mary Propst, Al & Ginny Fizer, Rick and Al Fizer, given by Doug**  
**& Kay Propst**

**Henrietta & Charles Bridges, Bill & Virginia Seiter, and Rob Seiter, given by**  
**the Seiter family**

**Donna Wiggins, my mom, and Ronald Michalski, my dad, given by**  
**Vikki SitarSKI**

**Joan Sellers and Rick Sellers, who passed very recently, given by daughter and**  
**sister (René Welch)**

**Paul & Mary Williams, given by Paula Skiba**



## LOOKING AHEAD FOR FALL NURSERY STAFF...



Would you like to join our team? As the school year comes to an end, we will be searching for a new caregiver to help lead our nursery ministry. This is a perfect opportunity for a high school student (junior or senior), or anyone who loves to share time with

infants and toddlers. This paid position requires a 2-hour Sunday morning commitment. It's a perfect opportunity to develop important job skills and responsibility.

If you know someone or are interested in joining our team, please contact Lisa Adams at [ladams@rosedalegardens.org](mailto:ladams@rosedalegardens.org)



## 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



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Yoga Classes will resume on **WEDNESDAY, MAY 7<sup>TH</sup>** at 5:30pm in the Scout Room!



## JOIN OUR EXERCISE CLASSES!

Tuesdays: 6pm on FB Live

Wednesdays at RGPC:

2pm - Exercise for Seniors

7pm - Exercise for Everyone



# Spring Bible Studies

## NEW SPRING CLASS OFFERING!

*Sign Up for either class on the Activities Bulletin Board  
in the Office Hallway*



### Spring Bible Study

# Christian hope

What: A 4-week Monday Night Bible Study

When: April 14 - May 5

Where: Library

Time: 7:00pm

A sign up sheet is on the Activities  
bulletin board in the Office Hallway

Join us for a  
4-week study

on:

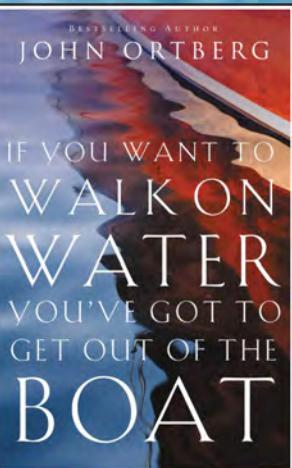
**“Christian  
Hope”**

primarily  
focusing on the  
last section of  
Shirley Guthrie's  
book “Christian  
Doctrine”

Join us for a  
5-week study  
on:

**“If You Want  
to Walk on  
Water,  
You've Got to  
Get Out of  
the Boat”**

By John Ortberg



### Spring Bible Study

What: A 5-week Monday Night Bible Study  
When: April 21 - May 19  
Where: Youth Hall  
Time: 7:00pm

A sign up sheet is on the Activities  
bulletin board in the Office Hallway

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE

# Y'all Come Dinner!

HOSTED BY THE RGPC MEN'S CLUB

Join us for **Dinner with Entertainment** by MG Dueling Pianos

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 @ 6:00pm

Stefan's Banquets at St. Michael's Cultural Center

26355 W Chicago, Redford

TICKETS: \$35/PERSON

(SEE KEN ELSTONE, KEN STEMPIEN OR MARK LESSIG)

**TICKETS FOR THIS ANNUAL MEN'S CLUB EVENT  
ARE NOW AVAILABLE!**

See Ken Elstone, Ken Stempien or Mark Lessig  
to get your tickets each Sunday.

REJOICE! HE IS RISEN

May the promise of the  
Easter season bring you  
great joy and abundant  
peace in the love and  
promise of the Lord.

*Happy  
Easter*

# Music Opportunities At RGPC!

## Chancel Choir

*Thursdays at 6pm*

*Sundays at 9:30am*

## Campanelle Handbells

*Thursdays at 7:30pm*

## Chime Choir

*Sundays at noon*

## Bench Buddy

Children and adults are invited to sit with Sandy before morning worship and learn about the organ and the piano!

Reach out to Sandy to sign up for your Sunday Bench Buddy Seat!

*For more information about Rosedale's music programs or to sign up to participate in the Bench Buddy program, contact Sandy Main-Niemisto at [sandramain21@gmail.com](mailto:sandramain21@gmail.com)*

## **WHAT'S YOUR STORY?**

*Are you taking the Malachi 3:10 Challenge in 2025?*

*If so, please share your story with Pastors Kellie or Kate!*

## **WHAT IS THE CHALLENGE?**

*To consider titling (10% of your income) for 3 months in 2025.*

## **STORIES ALREADY SHARED:**

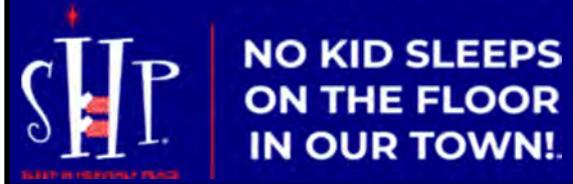
→ *Pastor Kellie is giving up fountain Diet Coke and giving the money saved to RGPC.*

→ *A member tithe their income for 3 months in 2024 and gave the money to the Boiler Fund.*

→ *Another member is giving up Starbucks for 3-4 months and donating the extra income as part of their 2025 pledge.*



*"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much."*  
~ Malachi 3:10



## Sleep in Heavenly Peace

April 26: Bed Build Day



For more information & to sign up, use this QR Code:

*RGPC's Meal Ministry*

**DO YOU ENJOY COOKING?**

We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to cook a meal here and there when a need arises within the congregation. A home-cooked meal goes a long way for those who may be recovering from an illness or those going through an unusually difficult time.

If you are interested in being "on the list" please contact the Church Office or Pastor Kate.

**ROSEDALE ROCKERS**  
A MINISTRY OF THE RGPC YOUTH MISSION TEAM

The RGPC Youth Mission Team is on a mission to raise enough funds to supply 2 new rocking chairs to every tiny home built and dedicated by the Tiny Pine Foundation of Oroville, California.

Each chair costs approximately \$150.

So far we have blessed 4 homes of wildfire survivors in California!

Donate today!

**Give Online**



See the sample rocker  
in the Narthex

## JOIN US IN HONORING OUR FIRST RESPONDER OF THE MONTH

We are recognizing Amanda Hall, Supervisor, Livonia Police Department, as our First Responder of the Month for April.

Amanda Hall started dispatching with the Dearborn Heights Police Department at nineteen years old and celebrated her twenty-fourth anniversary with the Livonia Police Department in February. After spending eighteen years on the midnight shift, she moved to the day shift in 2018 and has accepted more "senior" responsibilities like helping to update the Dispatch Center, modernize the dispatch training materials, and participate in department scenario-based training exercises.

Amanda is certified through the International Academy of Medical Dispatching, is a Dispatch Training Officer, has attended supervisory level training for the National Incident Management System/Incident Command System, and was elected to the Executive Board of the Livonia Police Officers Association as their secretary; the first Dispatcher to hold the office.

Amanda has assisted with the birth of at least three babies over her career and when asked about her record of "CPR saves" Amanda stated that she's never kept count, but recalls specifically providing CPR instructions for the neighbor of a retired LPD Sergeant and is happy to say that the two are still able to "share a pop over the fence" today.

Although Livonia Dispatchers are tasked with handling all emergency calls and deploying both LFD and LPD, Amanda's favorite part of the job is the adrenaline rush that comes from being a part of the team during crimes in progress. She loves using advanced technology programs within the Dispatch Center to provide "real-time" incident updates, locating suspect information in criminal data bases, alerting officers to potential weapons or safety hazards, and maybe even using cell-phone GPS to help locate the bad guys.

Amanda lives in Livonia with her husband, Livonia Police Officer Anthony Hall, daughters Chloe and Ava, and her Labrador Roxy. Amanda embodies a life of service to God and country. We at Rosedale Gardens would like to recognize and honor Amanda's contribution to the safety and security of this community and, on behalf of a grateful city, thank Amanda for her dedicated and honorable service. Well done, good and faithful servant.



**FIRST RESPONDER OF THE MONTH**

AMANDA HALL  
DISPATCHER, LIVONIA POLICE DEPT.

 RGPC Supports all Military & First Responders

MAY 3RD  
NOON-2PM  
ROSEDALE GARDENS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
LOCATED AT 9601 HUBBARD, LIVONIA, MICHIGAN

**A LAYMAN'S DISCUSSION OF  
THE CAUSE, AFFECT, TREATMENT AND  
RECOVERY:  
POST TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER (PTSD)**

Our speaker is a retired Sergeant Major from the US Army who served for 23.5 years on active duty. He had a myriad of assignments throughout the United States and various tours overseas from Vietnam, Thailand, and three tours in Europe. He retired in October 1973 and did not receive treatment for PTSD until 40 years post-retirement, in 1993.

He has been there seen it and done it, his journey is not unique many soldiers suffered the of the same problems he faced in varying degrees.

A DONATION OF \$5.00 TO SUPPORT HIS MILITARY AND FIRST RESPONDER MINISTRY.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, 04/20 EASTER SUNDAY/FAMILY WORSHIP

8:30 A.M. Bell /Chime Choir Rehearsal – *Sanctuary*  
9:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal – *Sanctuary*  
10:30 Family Worship Service (NO Sunday School)

### MONDAY, 04/21—27 CHURCH IS CLOSED

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6:9:00 P.M. LCT Rehearsal – *Fellowship Hall*  
7:00 ‘Christian Hope’ Bible Study – *Library*  
7:00 ‘Get Out of the Boat’ Bible Study – *Youth Hall*

### TUESDAY, 04/22 CHURCH IS CLOSED

8:00 A.M. AA – *Youth Hall*  
6:00 P.M. Faith & Fitness with Dave – *FB Live*  
6:00-9:00 LCT Rehearsal – *Fellowship Hall*  
7:00 Boy Scouts #270 – *Scout Room*

### WEDNESDAY, 04/23 CHURCH IS CLOSED

6:00 Men’s Club Meeting – *Senate Coney Island*  
6:00-9:00 LCT Rehearsal – *Fellowship Hall*

### THURSDAY, 04/24 CHURCH IS CLOSED

8:00 A.M. AA – *Youth Hall*  
6:00 Cub Scouts #270 – *Scout Room*  
6:00-9:00 LCT Rehearsal – *Fellowship Hall*

### FRIDAY, 04/25 CHURCH IS CLOSED

### SATURDAY, 04/26 CHURCH IS CLOSED

### SUNDAY, 04/27 HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY (ONLINE WORSHIP ONLY)

### MONDAY, 04/28

9:30 A.M. Spiritual Gifts Class #3 – *Library*  
6:9:00 P.M. LCT Rehearsal – *Fellowship Hall*  
7:00 ‘Christian Hope’ Bible Study – *Library*  
7:00 ‘Get Out of the Boat’ Bible Study – *Youth Hall*

## CHAPEL FRIDAY IN THE LIBRARY

Every Friday, we 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.*

*Congratulations to Doug & Kay Propst as they celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>!*



## 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 **Lori Oke**, 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!



## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Kay Propst
- 2 Ryan Rzepka
- 4 Andrew Futrell,  
Ron Hartsell,  
**Alexander Prentice**,  
Daniel Williams
- 5 Laura Jackson
- 7 Ron Hiveley
- 8 Brittany Belsky
- 10 Lorraine Paffenroth, Chris Taylor
- 11 Donald McLean Jr
- 12 Peter Martin, Bill Tomey
- 13 Ken Elstone, Mike Falardeau
- 14 Kristen Lubig
- 15 Nancy Jacobs, Kathy Peterson
- 16 Catherine Dye, Braden Fitch
- 17 Brenda Sowerby
- 19 Bryan Herrick, Brett Hiveley, Lois Keefer
- 20 Easton Simor
- 23 Nancy Stempien
- 24 James Bowlby
- 25 Rob Angevine
- 26 Emma Barker, Jerry Gibbons,  
Liam Rougeau, Marilyn Sloan
- 27 Brad Bevak, Ryan Davis, Mary McLain
- 28 Barbara Arnold, Natalie Funk, Kelly Herrick
- 29 Ellen Cook, Rachel Gerger



### JOIN OUR MANY FACEBOOK GROUPS!

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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(please note that it is a zero  
and not the letter "O")**



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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