ROSEDALE GARDENS

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NOVEMBER 29, 2026
FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT



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:

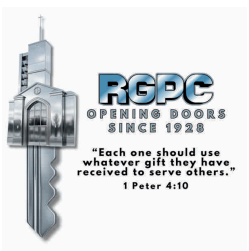
At Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, we strive to be a Christ-like, faithful and inclusive church family. We welcome the full participation of all people of any ability, age, gender, race, ethnicity or sexual orientation. We commit ourselves to following Jesus by cultivating mission, inclusion and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











RGPC: The Mission Station

November 29, 2026 ***1st Sunday in Advent – Worry to Wonder!*** **10:30 a.m.**

*** = 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

Today is the first Sunday of Advent!
Jesus is our Hope!
Today, the church begins preparing for Christmas.
Jesus is our Hope!
Today, we begin preparing our hearts for Jesus.
Because Jesus is our Hope!

GOD'S STORY: ISAIAH *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 attend Sunday School.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PRELUDE "Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying" *– arr. Gilbert M. Martin*
Hymn text #349
Bench Buddy: Landen Hughes

LIGHT ONE CANDLE

Light one candle for hope, one bright candle for hope.
He brings hope to every heart, he comes, he comes.
He brings hope to every heart, he comes, he comes.

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH *Denise, Rachel & Amanda Gerger*

Today is the first Sunday of Advent:
the Sunday in which we recall the hope
we have in Christ.
The prophets told of the coming of the Messiah.
The Old Testament prophets foretold of how he would
rule the world wisely and bless all nations.
On Christmas day the Christ of our hope was born.
On Good Friday the Christ of our hope died.
On Easter day the Christ of our hope
rose from the dead. He then ascended into heaven.
On the last day, the Christ of our hope will come again
to establish his rule over all things on earth.
As followers of Christ, we await his return.
We light this candle to remember that
as he came to us humbly in the manger at Bethlehem
and gave light to the world,
so he is coming again in power to deliver his people.
We light this candle to remind us to be alert
and to watch for his return.

***HYMN #133 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"**

***CALL TO CONFESSION** *Liturgist: Pam Johnson*

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of Promise and Light, as we enter this season of Advent, we confess that our hearts are often crowded—not with anticipation for your arrival, but with the clutter of our own anxieties. We rush through these days weighed down by to-do lists, strained relationships, and fears about what tomorrow might bring. In our hurry to control every outcome, we lose the stillness required to notice your quiet work among us.

Forgive us for letting worry drown out our wonder. Forgive us for doubting your presence when the world feels dark, and for holding tightly to our own

plans instead of resting in your grace. Make room in us once again for the peace of Christ, who comes to meet us right where we are. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Hear the good news: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. God does not wait for us to have quiet hearts or tidy lives before drawing near; Christ comes into the middle of our worry to bring us peace. Know that you are forgiven, loved, and held in God's grace.

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen!

***PRAYER RESPONSE "Carol of the Crib"**

Christ has come, our life to share;
Sorrows, and sins and griefs to bear.
See where above us the heav'ns are clear,
the angels are singing for Christ is here!

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 6:25-34

WORRY TO WONDER: MARY *by 231 Worship*

SCRIPTURE OF THE DAY Luke 1:30-33

"But the angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. He will be great and will be the Son of the Most High.'"

SERMON "Do the Possible – Trust God with the Rest"

Pastor Kate Mackie

CHOIR ANTHEM "What Sweeter Music" by John Rutter

What sweeter music can we bring than a carol,
for to sing the birth of this our heav'nly King?
Awake the voice! Awake the string!
Dark and dull night, fly hence away,
and give the honour to this day that sees December turn to May.
Why does the chilling winter's morning smile, like a field beset with corn?
Or smell like a meadow newly shorn? Thus on the sudden?
Come and see the cause why things thus fragrant be:
'Tis he is born, whose quick'ning birth give life and lustre,
public mirth to heaven and the underearth.

We see him come, and know him ours, who, with his sunshine and his show'rs,
Turns all the patient ground to flow'rs. The darling of the world is come,
And fit it is we find a room to welcome him.
The nobler part of all the house here is the heart,
Which we will give him and bequeath this holly and this ivy wreath,
To do him honour, who's our King, and Lord of all this revelling.

What sweeter music can we bring than a carol,
for to sing the birth of this our heav'nly King,
The birth of this our heavenly King.

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND GIFTS
AN INVITATION TO GENEROSITY
OFFERTORY "HANGING OF THE GREENS" *by RGPC Productions*

During the Invitation to Generosity, 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 #113) "Angels We Have Heard on High" (Chorus)**
Glo-ria in excelsis Deo!
Glo-ria in excelsis Deo!
(Translation: "Glory to God in the highest")

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN #82 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"**

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING RESPONSE (Hymn #136) "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"**
Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn.
Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

***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 "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen"** *– arr. Diane Bish*

Now to the Lord sing praises, all you within this place.
And with true love and brotherhood each other now embrace.
This holy tide of Christmas all other doth deface.
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy. O tidings of comfort and joy.





New Directories are HERE!

You will find new Directories in your church mailbox. Extra copies are also available on the counter in the office.

Please help us stay up to date - contact the Office in the future if you have further changes to make.





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

The Next 30 Days…

Dec. 5 **Stephen Minister Training** (9am, Library), **A Christmas Morning Out** (9:30am, Fellowship Hall)
Dec. 6 **Second Sunday in Advent, Baptism, Comfort & Joy Service** (7pm, Chapel)
Dec. 7 **Manic Monday** (6pm, Kate's House)
Dec. 11 **Fa La La La Lunch** (12pm, Fellowship Hall)
Dec. 12 **Stephen Minister Training** (9am, Library)
Dec. 13 **Third Sunday in Advent, Great Cookie Caper Mission Event** (12pm, Fellowship Hall)
Dec. 18 **Chapel Friday** (12pm, Library)
Dec. 20 **Fourth Sunday in Advent, Livonia Civic Chorus Concert** (3pm, Sanctuary)
Dec. 24 **OFFICE CLOSING EARLY** (12pm), **Family Christmas Eve Service** (4pm), **Candlelight & Communion Christmas Eve Service** (10pm)
Dec. 25 **OFFICE CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY**
Dec. 27 **Pajama Sunday Family Worship**
Dec. 31 **OFFICE CLOSING EARLY** (12pm)

SERVING TODAY

Sunday Secretary: Lois Keefer
Ushers: Rick Hannah & Denise Gerger
Welcome Desk: Kelly Bruce
Online Greeter: Janette Poe
Worship Arts: Sam Beney & Jack Brake
Sound System: John Mazeppa
Huddle: Ann Maier & Cheryl Mandeville
Coffee Hour: Nominating Committee
Rosie Drivers: Roy Sequin & Ryan Mott

2027
Per Capita:
$44.44

MEMBERS WHO ARE GRIEVING:

The family of Cathy White on her passing.

MEMBERS IN NEED OF PRAYER:

Megan Barker, Abby Bennett, Gene Bevak, Linda Blumel, Carol Briner, Jim Canham, Laurie Carse, Judy Coleman, Lois Cummings, Rose Eickhoff, Mary Ann Falardeau, Mike Falardeau, Sheila Folsom, Dave Garcia, Anne Hartsell, Ian Holtzman, Deirdre Hope, Joyce Jewell, Beverly Johnston, Mary Kennedy, Shirley Lande, Ann Maier, Charlene Mazeppa, Margot McCormack, Marlene McGee, Rachel Miller, Sadikifu Motiryo, Jan Myers, Stafford Nelson, Karen Perry, Al Prentice, Jan Prentice, Kayla Rougeau, William Sather, Mason Taylor, Judy Tomey, Diane Trupiano, Emma Weyer, Macaylah Whitlock, Jamie Williamson, Vicki Wonnacott.

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.)

- Ken Blank, brother of Marty Blank
- Sally C. & Tom K., family of Annette Kubeshesky
- Katie Dooley, neighbor of Marty & Veronica Blank
- Tracy Favaro, friend of Lisa Adams
- Gordon, cousin of Lorraine Paffenroth & nephew of Guy & Bettie Runyan
- Angela Grabowski, friend of Alyson Donker
- The family of Gene Kornegay, friends of Dyche & Kathy Anderson
- Ryan, Elaine, Zevan, David, Greta, Melissa, Jim, Dan & family, family of Tom, & family of Leo - family & friends of Shirley Lande
- Jeff Lund, family of Robin Roos
- Joe Mackie, nephew of Michelle Kinville & Pastor Kate Mackie
- Kevin McGee, son of Marlene McGee
- Beatrice Potter & baby Foggy, friends of Pastor Kate Mackie
- Lance Riendl, grandson of Marlene McGee
- Bill Robb, son of the late Donna Robb
- Diane Simmons, friend of John & Charlene Mazeppa
- Maggie Vettese, friend of Beth Carlson
- Rev. Chung, PC(USA) missionary to the people of Tajikistan
- Those Serving/Who Have Served Our Country in the Military and as First Responders
- Rosedale Military/First Responder/Serviceperson of the Month: Jake Hewitt

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 (Sam) Beney, (Art & Sue) Cole, Hartom, & Wonnacott families.*



RGPC FAMILIES!

RGPC KIDS!

Your teachers and friends can't wait to see you this week in Sunday school. We'll conclude this month by reviewing the stories about David and Goliath (FaithWorks) and Jonah and the Whale (Pathways to Worship). Come and learn why God chose these special men to be a part of his amazing story.



HELP US FILL THE MITTEN TREE!



This holiday season, we are working with Mittens for Detroit. This mission provides warm, durable mittens and gloves to Detroit area schools, shelters and Veteran organizations. Recently their warehouse had a flood and they lost most of their inventory. We want to help them! **Our goal is 200 pairs of mittens/gloves.** Will you help too? Our Mitten Tree is located near the Chapel. Mittens for Detroit asks for warm, durable mittens. (Please note: No Dollar Store Mittens. They are not warm enough or made to last throughout the winter.) Donations will be collected through January 3, 2027.

A Christmas Morning Out

Coming soon - Saturday, December 5th

Don't forget, wear your pjs, and bring a pair of mittens or gloves for our Mitten Tree. We can't wait to share A Christmas Morning Out with you!



RGPC FAMILIES!



Christmas Eve Family Worship

Christmas is more than just a beautiful story about a baby in a manger. It is the story of God's love coming down to us. Love came down, not just as an idea, but as a person. Jesus came so we could know just how much God loves us. Let's celebrate that love together this Christmas Eve. ❤️

RGPC Kids! Save the Date
Sunday, January 10, 2027

Ahoy Mateys! Have you heard? A very special treasure has been discovered. Come on a STAR SUNDAY treasure hunt with us as we follow the star to the greatest treasure of all!



ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

During the season of Advent it is meaningful to reflect, pray, and anticipate God's greatest gift, the birth of Jesus. You are invited to choose an Advent devotional to help prepare your heart for this Christmas season.

Advent devotional booklets are available in the Narthex and online.

Come Lord Jesus Come Advent Devotional

d365 Devotionals

Good News of Great Joy Advent Devotional for Families

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

STUDENTS!

GET READY FOR FALL!

SUNDAY SCHOOL!
December 6
10:30 a.m.
in Youth Hall!

SUPER SUNDAYS!
December 13
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!

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 $130.

So far we have blessed 6 homes of wildfire survivors in California!

Donate today!

Give Online

YOUNG ADULTS



RGPC MISSION STATION

FIND Your Mission **IGNITE** Your Passion **BUILD** Your Community

D.O It For Denny Christmas Toy Shop Volunteers Needed



D.O. Good
D.O. IT FOR DENNY



This one of a kind Christmas event will serve 500 local children in need this holiday season. Parents are invited from their children's schools and are able to choose 5 gifts and fill a stocking for each of their children!

Please join us at **Mt. Hope Congregational Church** at 30330 Schoolcraft Road in Livonia on **Thursday December 3rd**, **Friday December 4th**, or **Saturday December 5th**.

Volunteer Opportunities Include:

- Setting up decorations
- Loading, transporting, & unloading boxes from cars
- Setting up tables
- Sorting, displaying, & restocking toys
- Checking in shoppers
- Assisting shoppers
- Cleaning up

Scan the QR code to sign up to volunteer!

DONATIONS NEEDED for the Great Cookie Caper

150 Dozen Sugar or Gingerbread Cookies
75 Tubs of Vanilla Frosting (10 oz.)
Christmas Sprinkles

Please sign up in the church office for what you would like to donate!









The Great Cookie Caper Mission Event!



Help us pack 150 Cookie Decorating Kits to be shared with local disadvantaged youth through D.O. It For Denny.

Immediately following worship (12-2 PM) on Sunday, December 13th in the Fellowship Hall.

Lunch & Christmas music included!

Mental Health Matters

November is National Hospice & Palliative Care Month

National Hospice and Palliative Care Month was established in 1978 by then President Jimmy Carter and is observed every November to raise awareness about hospice and palliative care and to honor the professionals who provide compassionate support to patients and families facing serious illness. Originally, the number of patients in the United States was in the thousands. Today hospice programs in the United States provide care to more than 1.65 million people.

Hospice is a type of care for people with a serious illness that won't get better. It's not about finding a cure, but rather it helps with pain, symptoms, and stress so the person can feel as comfortable as possible. It focuses on supporting the patient and is about what matters most to the person — what they want, what they care about, and helping them live as well as possible, not just treating their illness but including emotional and spiritual counseling, education, practical personal care assistance as well as supporting the families.

Palliative care is specialized medical care that focuses on relieving symptoms, stress, and improving quality of life for people with serious illnesses — at any age or stage. It can be given at any time during a serious illness regardless of the prognosis, even if the person is still getting treatment to try to get better. A team of doctors, nurses, social workers, and others work together to care for the whole person—care that helps people feel more comfortable, and learn about their choices, and live as well as they can. This can include counseling, coping strategies, planning that reflects the patient's goals and values, as well as support, resources, and guidance for families.



Coffee Hour Guardians Needed!

Act as our last bastion and volunteer to be our emergency Coffee Hour guardians! (This is only in the event that extra assistance is needed with setting up coffee and snacks on a Sunday morning.)

Expected warning: one week

Number of expected requests: two annually

Sign up using the QR code!



Opening Doors Since 1928

2027 Stewardship

Scan here to submit
your pledge electroncially.

"Each one should use whatever gift they have received to serve others."
1 Peter 4:10

Ways to Participate

Pray for Our Stewardship Campaign
Keep our stewardship campaign in your daily prayers and see how God will inspire us all to greater generosity.

Visit the Door of Action
Take a tag from the Stewardship Door in the Narthex and commit to the action listed.

Visit the Door of Encouragement
Take a key of encouragment from the Stewardship Door in the Narthex and give it to someone else as a blessing.

Make a Pledge for 2027
Prayerfully consider making a financial commitment to God and the Kingdom.



2027 Stewardship Pledging Goal:

$500,000

To continue being a place of Radical Hospitality, Vibrant Worship, Intentional Faith Formation, Adventerous Service and Extravagant Generosity.

Make your pledge today!

Welcome Our New Financial Secretary!

Fernando Rivero-Hryzodub



Wife, Stephanie & Daughter, Alexandra

Family is an important part of Fernando's life. He is blessed with a loving wife and young daughter, who bring great joy and purpose to his life. He believes in leading by example and teaching the importance of love, respect, responsibility, and faith.

Fernando values his relationship with God and appreciates the importance of fellowship, kindness, and being part of a church community. He strives to live with gratitude, humility, and compassion while continuing to grow in his faith.

Fernando is a husband, father and proud United States Navy veteran. He is grateful for the opportunity to have served his country and values the discipline, dedication, and commitment that came with his military service.

Fernando holds a Bachelor's degree in Accounting and a Master of Business Administration (MBA). He values education, lifelong learning, and personal growth, with interests in business, finance, & entrepreneurship.





Dear RGPC Church Family,

Grace and peace to you! As I return from my six-month sabbatical, my heart is filled with gratitude, joy, and two very simple words: Thank you. Thank you for the extraordinary gift of time—time to rest, reflect, renew my spirit, and experience life at a different pace. I have been reminded of the importance of simply being rather than always doing, of slowing down, listening more closely to the voice of Jesus, and remembering that rest and renewal are sacred gifts. My family also expresses their gratitude to you for the additional time I was able to share with them. This gift has meant more to me than words can adequately express.

For 25 years, we have shared life's joys and sorrows, celebrated milestones, weathered storms, and witnessed God's faithfulness together. Our lives have become woven together in ways that extend far beyond Sunday mornings. More than pastors, staff, and congregation, Jesus has made us a church family. While I have deeply appreciated this time away, I am even more grateful for the joy of returning. There is something wonderful about coming home to people you love. I look forward to seeing all of you! **My first day back in the office will be Tuesday, December 1st. My first Sunday in worship will be December 13th.**

The Apostle Paul's words to the Philippians beautifully express what is in my heart: *"I thank my God every time I remember you."* Thank you for loving and caring for your pastor so generously. Thank you to Pastor Kate, the staff, and our church leaders for faithfully continuing the life and ministry of RGPC during my absence. We really do "Go Together." I return with a renewed spirit, a grateful heart, and joyful anticipation of all that Jesus has yet in store for us!

Your Partner in Ministry,
Pastor Kellie

My New Email Address: kelliergpc@gmail.com

Our New Home Address:
Kellie, Marc & Macaylah Whitlock
14196 Loveland St.
Livonia, MI 48154

"I thank my God every time I remember you.
In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy."
— Philippians 1:3–4





Christmas Prayer Tree

This year, we are continuing our tradition of a Christmas Prayer Tree with poinsettia ornaments dedicated to loved ones.

On Christmas Eve, there will be a special Poinsettia Dedication printed in the bulletin.

Please scan the QR code to submit your dedication no later than Wednesday, December 16th.

Join us on Friday, December 11th at 12 PM for the

Fa-la-la-la Lunch with Sandy

& Special Guest Tracey Conrad

A HOLIDAY LUNCH & CAROL SING



$10 per person

RSVP on the Events Bulletin Board

by Friday, December 4th



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR

Christmas Eve

FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE: 4:00 P.M.

CANDLELIGHT & COMMUNION WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:00 P.M.

Holiday Office Closures

Thursday, December 24th
office closed at noon
Friday, December 25th
office closed all day
Thursday, December 31st
office closed at noon
Friday, January 1st
office closed all day



Pajama Sunday FAMILY WORSHIP

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27TH

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO WEAR THEIR FAVORITE PAIR OF WORSHIP-FRIENDLY PAJAMAS & SLIPPERS!

STAR SUNDAY

Sunday, January 10th



HOW WILL YOUR STAR BRING YOU CLOSER TO JESUS THIS YEAR?

JOIN US IN HONORING OUR FIRST RESPONDER OF THE MONTH

We are recognizing Jake Hewitt
Assistant Driver, Livonia Fire Department

On March 21, 2026, Assistant Driver Jake Hewitt was assigned to Livonia Fire Station 4 when his crew responded to a residence for a report of a sick person. During the call, Jake became concerned about the patient's illness and significant weakness. He repeatedly encouraged her to be transported to the emergency department for further evaluation and treatment. Despite his efforts and recommendations, the patient declined transport. For most responders, that would have been the end of the call. For Jake, it was not.

Approximately 48 hours later, while off duty, Jake remained troubled by the patient's condition and her decision not to seek further medical care. Acting solely out of concern for her welfare, he returned to the residence to check on her. When he arrived at the home and approached the door, he heard faint moans and calls for help coming from inside. Fearing that the resident was in immediate danger, he made entry into the home and found the same patient he had treated two days earlier now critically ill and in need of immediate medical attention. He immediately contacted Livonia Fire Dispatch and requested that personnel from Fire Station 4 respond. The patient was treated and emergently transported to the hospital, where she remained for several weeks receiving care. She was ultimately released from the hospital and continues her recovery at home. Had Jake not remembered this resident, remained concerned for her welfare, and made the personal decision to check on her while off duty, the outcome could have been tragically different.

Following her hospitalization, the patient sent a card to the Livonia Fire Chief. She did not know the name of the firefighter who had returned to check on her, but she wanted the department to know what his actions meant to her. She wrote: "This man saved my life." Those words capture the significance of what occurred.

Jake's actions exemplify compassion, personal responsibility, and a commitment to others that extends beyond the walls of the fire station and beyond the hours of a scheduled shift. When the emergency call was over, his concern for the person he had served was not. Because of his extraordinary and selfless actions, and the life that was very likely saved as a result, Assistant Driver Jake Hewitt was recognized as the recipient of the American Legion 9-11 Firefighter of the Year Award.

We at Rosedale would like to recognize and honor Assistant Driver Jake Hewitt's contribution to the safety of the Livonia community. We thank him for his dedicated and honorable service. Well done, good and faithful servant.



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY, 11/29 FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
9:30 A.M. Chancel Choir Rehearsal – *Sanctuary*
10:30 Worship Service – *Sanctuary*
10:30 Sunday School – *Rooms 200, 201, & 304*
11:30 Carnegie Hall Info Meeting – *Chapel*
12:00 P.M. Chime Choir Rehearsal – *Sanctuary*

MONDAY, 11/30
6:00 P.M. Cub Scouts #270 Leadership Meeting – *Youth Hall*

TUESDAY, 12/1
8:00 A.M. AA – *Youth Hall*
10:00 Staff Meeting – *Library*
6:00 P.M. Faith & Fitness with Dave – *FB Live*
6:30 LCT Auditions – *Fellowship Hall*
6:30 ORGHA Meeting – *Room 202*
7:00 Take 5 – *Chapel*
7:00 Deacons Meeting – *Youth Hall*
7:00 CE Meeting – *Library*

WEDNESDAY, 12/2
10:00 A.M. Prayer Group – *Library*
2:00 P.M. Faith & Fitness with Dave – *Scout Room*
6:30 LCT Auditions – *Fellowship Hall*
7:00 Take 5 – *Chapel*
7:00 House Meeting – *Library*
7:00 C&S Meeting – *Library*
7:00 W&M Meeting – *Library*
7:00 Faith & Fitness with Dave – *Scout Room*

THURSDAY, 12/3
8:00 A.M. AA – *Youth Hall*
6:00 P.M. Cub Scouts #270 Meeting – *Scout Room*
6:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal – *Sanctuary*
7:30 Bell Choir Rehearsal – *Sanctuary*

FRIDAY, 12/4
No Church Activities Scheduled

SATURDAY, 12/5
9:00 A.M. Stephen Minister Training – *Library*
9:30 A Christmas Morning Out – *Fellowship Hall*
10:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal – *Sanctuary*

SUNDAY, 12/6 SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT
9:30 A.M. Chancel Choir Rehearsal – *Sanctuary*
10:30 Worship Service – *Sanctuary*
10:30 Sunday School – *Rooms 200, 201, & 304*
10:30 Youth Sunday School – *Youth Hall*
12:00 P.M. Stephen Ministry Supervision Meeting – *Library*
12:00 Chime Choir Rehearsal – *Sanctuary*
7:00 Comfort & Joy Service – *Chapel*

MONDAY, 12/7
6:00 P.M. Manic Monday – *Kate's House*

CHAPEL FRIDAY SCHEDULE

Friday, December 18th we will hold Chapel Friday in the Library from 12-1 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. Richard 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!



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

29 Rich Sitarski

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Ann Maier
2 Jack Brake, Jeff Jackson, Bentley Leeds, Samantha Roffi
4 Mark Meade
8 Maggie Fleming, Vikki Sitarski
9 Bruce Walrad, Emma Weyer
10 Quinn Burns, Camryn Sather
12 Mark Couts
13 Rachel Miller, Joe Roos, Susan Sather, Michelle Ward
15 Kristen Emerick
16 Virginia Parent, Lori Shelide
17 Austin Johnson, Chris Johnson
19 Sarajane Turney
20 Leslie Selden
21 Roy Birmingham, Patricia Martin, Tyler Turko
23 Ginna Williams
24 Valerie Culler, William McIntyre
25 Carol Johnson
26 Ian Kennedy, Joe Kosinski, Thomas Prentice
27 Dyche Anderson, Logan Sowerby
29 Cathy Karlson, James O'Connor
30 Jim Redick
31 Jan Afonso, Sandra Cruickshank, Nicole Kinville

** **BOLDED text** indicates 90+ birthdays*



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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.