

FEBRUARY 9, 2025 THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY & JAZZ SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE FOR JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Lead Me. Guide Me

Doris Akers (1923-1995)

A good portion of the music offered in worship services this February serves to celebrate Black History Month. This Gospel tune is printed in the hymnal at no. 740.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

GREETING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: May the peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

PEALING OF THE BELL AND SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Great and good God,
give us pure hearts that we may see you,
humble hearts that we may hear you,
hearts of love that we may serve you,
hearts of faith that we may live in you,
reverent hearts that we may worship you,
here and in the world out there,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

–Dag Hammarskjöld

CHORAL INTROIT

Let the Heaven Light Shine on Me

arr. Roland M. Carter (b. 1942)

Let the heaven light shine on me, for low is the way to the upper bright world. Amen.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: In the sanctuary, the One whose glory fills the whole earth, calls us.

People: Along ordinary paths, in our daily work, God calls us.

Pastor: With whole hearts, let us sing God's praise and give thanks. **People: In steadfast love, God fulfills the divine purpose for our lives.**

All: Let us worship God.

Please sing the melodies of the hymns this morning, as Dr. Fletcher has crafted harmonizations that differ from those printed in the hymnal.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God with us, though we walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve and deliver us. Though our lips are unclean and our hearts are not pure, you come to us and call us. Forgive us, we pray, when we wander from you. Forgive us when our lives fail to reflect your glory and the purposes you intend.

Silent prayers of confession are offered.

God of love, touch us with your grace and dispel our fear, so that we may arise with renewed spirits to serve you and you alone. Help us to hear your voice and to follow where you lead us through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

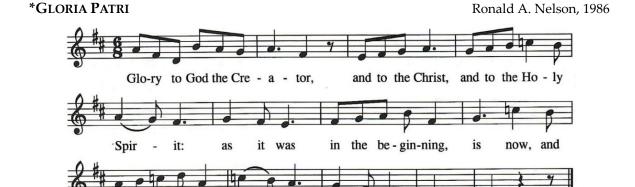
KYRIE ELEISON (sung by the choir)

Leon C. Roberts (1950-1999)

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy on us.

-Greek, 5th/6th century; transl.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS



-3rd/4th century Latin; transl.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

will be for ev-er.

Children age 4 through 5th grade may now leave to go to their Sunday School Classes. Parents may pick up their children in the Westminster Room after the Annual Meeting.

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THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gary Gibson, lay reader

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 6:1-8

(Pew Bible, Old Testament, page 635)

after each reading:

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 5:1-11

(Pew Bible, New Testament, page 62)

SERMON

"Something Fishy"

Rev. Love

THE RESPONSE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

*HYMN 432

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

Repton

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 (sung by the choir)

Jeremy Fletcher, 2017

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

(Please visit <u>ryepc.com/give/</u> or scan the QR Code in our announcements to give online.)

ANTHEM FOR CHOIR AND JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Drop Your Net in the Water

Jeremy Fletcher, 2024

Drop your net in the water! Drop your net in the deep, blue sea.

Throw your net to the other side, Jesus called to me.

Do not be afraid! He called to his friend.

For you have become a fisher of men.

Do not be afraid! He called out to me.

Just drop your net down, down into the deep, blue sea.

Have you caught any fish? He called from the shore.

Then throw your net out, and you will find many, many more.

Now bring me the fish you caught in the sea.

Come eat with your friend. Come eat and then follow me!

-based on Luke 5:1-11 and John 21:1-14

We thank Dr. Fletcher for composing, again, a new piece that piques our ears, warms our hearts, and compels us to turn faith into action.

*DOXOLOGY Old Hundredth

The melody for this setting is printed in the hymnal at no. 606.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. —Thomas Ken, 1674; alt.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SENDING FORTH

*HYMN 170 You Walk along Our Shoreline Wie lieblich ist der Maien

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE FOR JAZZ ENSEMBLE

Soon and Very Soon

Andráe Crouch (1942-2015)

Please be seated for the postlude, and please remain for the Annual Congregational Meeting.

ANNUAL MEETING

Welcome to Rye Presbyterian Church

If you are a guest today, we welcome you and hope you are enriched and inspired by this time of worship. You may go to repc.com/im-new/ and fill out the welcome form online.

If you or a family member need to step out of the sanctuary during worship, please feel free to do so. There is live audio from the service in the narthex at the back of sanctuary and live video in the church library.

To help children feel welcomed and engaged during worship, Rainbow Bags – filled with crayons, books, and coloring pages – are located in boxes at each sanctuary entrance door.

Please return Rainbow Bags following worship.

The sanctuary is equipped with an induction loop assistive listening system. To access the system, please switch your hearing aid setting to "T" (telephone).

Participating in worship:

Elly Holtman, crucifer

Edward Avery, Nancy Kennedy, Susan Morison, and Christopher Winston, ushers

Jazz Ensemble

Dr. Jeremy Fletcher, saxophone; Josh Paris, bass; Jesse Stacken, piano; Rohin Khemani, drums

In memoriam

Dr. Harry Houghton Love, father of Daniel Love, January 28.

TODAY

Coffee Hour will take place in the Assembly Room. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, following the Annual Meeting, Chapel Confirmation Class, 4:00 p.m., Westminster Room

THIS WEEK

Monday, February 10

9:00 a.m. Monday Morning Bible Study – Zoom

Tuesday, February 11

1:00 p.m. Women's Discipleship – Library / Zoom

7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision – Westminster Room and Conference Room

Wednesday, February 12

3:45 p.m. Stories and Songs for Children – Westminster Room

5:30 p.m. Middle School Connection - Youth Rooms

7:30 p.m. Deacons' Meeting – Library

Thursday, February 13

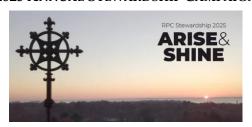
10:00 a.m. Thrift Shop

5:30 p.m. Coming Home – Library & Westminster Room

6:00 p.m. West Coast Swing Dance Class - Assembly Room

GENERAL NOTICES

2025 ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN





As of February 5, here's how our light shines: 202 pledges for \$986,000. Of those 202, 19 are new pledges, and 76 households increased their pledge!

All pledges received by February 27 will be gratefully acknowledged in the March 2 bulletin.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of your gifts to the mission and ministry of your church - and how together we will Arise and Shine in 2025!

If you haven't yet made your pledge, you can do so here: reper.com/stewardship-2025/.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

TODAY, following the 10:00 a.m. worship service, in person & via Zoom.

The 2025 Annual Meeting of the congregation and corporation of Rye Presbyterian Church is called for Sunday, February 9, following 10:00 a.m. worship, in the Sanctuary and via Zoom. We will receive the 2024 annual report, hear a brief presentation of the 2025 budget, act on the terms of call for the pastors, and vote on the sale of the All Souls property in Port Chester.

-John Shuck, Clerk of Session



COMING HOME IS BACK

The 2025 program began this past Thursday. Coming Home seeks to empower those who are returning to the community from incarceration. The 18-week program offers several volunteer opportunities, including serving as mentors who are paired with participants, as well as cooks who prepare and serve the evening meal. If you are interested in serving contact Program Coordinator, Kevin Bunch, at 914-473-2221 or by email at savedmedic2001@yahoo.com; or Mission and Outreach Committee Liaison, Douglas Carey, at 914-565-6748 or by email at poningoearthcare@gmail.com.



CHILDCARE

Our team of dedicated staff and volunteers is available to care for children 3 months to 3 years old while parents attend worship services. Childcare can be found on the first floor of the Education Wing. If you have any questions, please reach out to Anne Halloin at <u>ahalloin@ryepc.com</u>.



WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP Tuesdays, 1:00-2:30 p.m., in the Library

Please join us for our study of 40 Days Through the Bible by Lisa Terkeurst on Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the library. All are welcome!

For more information, please contact Alicia Baldwin at <u>alicia.baldwin@verizon.net</u> or Courtney Bennett at <u>courtneybennett910@gmail.com</u>.



THRIFT SHOP

The Thrift Shop is open on Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
For more information on donations, please check the church website.
You can also email the shop at RyeThrift10580@gmail.com.
Regular Drop-Off Times: Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m.



WEST COAST SWING DANCE CLASSES

Every Thursday from 6-7 p.m. in the RPC Assembly Room Taught by Dance Instructor Christopher Bledsoe \$20/person/session – all levels welcome! www.westie-night-out.com/

Brought to RPC by the Fellowship and Formation Committee. Contact Carol Love at cloveny5@gmail.com for more information.



GIVING AT RPC

Online donation options are available through our website at ryepc.com/give/ Scan the attached QR code to access our giving page. Contact Maida Robinson at 914-967-0842 x12, or mrobinson@ryepc.com with any questions. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the church.

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Daniel Love, Co-Pastor

Anne Halloin, Director of Children and Youth Ministries
Jason Charneski, Director of Music and Organist

Maida Robinson, Chief Administrative Officer
Peggy Berretta, Administrative Assistant

Max Crawley, Administrative Assistant for Communications
Aileen Lynch, Office Assistant

Juan Velasquez, Head Sexton/Building Manager
Alonso Osorio, Sunday Sexton

We are a Stephen Ministry church that offers a one-on-one caring ministry to those in need. If you need assistance from your pastors, deacons, or a Stephen Minister, please call at (914) 967-0842.

If you are experiencing an acute crisis, you can call or text 988 and you'll connect with a mental health professional through the National Suicide & Crisis Lifeline.



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