

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE FOR ORGAN

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Charles Tournemire (1870-1939)

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

Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am.

Be still and know that. Be still and know. Be still. Be.

(Pause)

Be. Be still. Be still and know. Be still and know that.

Be still and know that I am. Be still and know that I am God.

(Psalm 46:10)

CHORAL INTROIT

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Robert Jackson (1840-1914)

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

– Edwin Hatch (1835-1889)

✧ please stand as you are able

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Jesus said: I am the resurrection and the life.

People: Jesus points to life beyond the grave.

Pastor: The Lord makes a new covenant with us.

People: We are God's people; the Lord is our God.

Pastor: Keep pressing on toward the goal:

All: the heavenly call of God in Jesus Christ.

✦ HYMN 821

My Love Flows On *How Can I Keep from Singing*

✦ PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*from the Prayer of St. Patrick, these words provide an alternative way to approach the confession. We ask for God's help, guidance, and protection, while acknowledging our sins in the silence.*)

Arising to this new day, may the strength of God pilot me, the power of God uphold me, the wisdom of God guide me. May the eye of God look before me, the ear of God hear me, the word of God speak for me.

Silent prayers of confession are offered.

May the hand of God protect me, the way of God lie before me, the shield of God defend me, and the host of God save me. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON (*sung by the choir*)

J. Christopher Pardini, 2005; adapt.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

– 5th/6th century Greek; transl.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (*Prayer of St. Patrick, cont.*)

May Christ shield me today. Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit, Christ when I stand, Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me. Amen.

✦ **RESPONSE** (*sung by all, two times*)

Jacques Berthier, 1984

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

The musical score consists of two systems. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal lines.

– Taizé Community; based on Psalm 103:1

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR THEODORE WARNER FINAN

(Please refrain from taking photographs until after the service is complete.)

STATEMENT ON BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

QUESTIONS TO THE PARENTS

QUESTIONS TO THE GODPARENTS

QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION

Deacon: Do you, on behalf of the whole church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Teddy by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging him to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of his Church?

People: **We do.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH *(congregation standing)*

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: Blessed are you, almighty God, creator of the universe, ruler of heaven and earth. You are the source of light and life for all creation. In your goodness, you give us the sign of water.

People: **At the beginning, your Spirit was at work, brooding over the waters of creation's birth, bringing forth life in all its fullness. Through the gift of water, you nourish and sustain all living things.**

Pastor: In the time of Noah, you cleansed the earth through the waters of the flood. By the pillar of cloud and fire, you led Israel through the waters of the Red Sea out of slavery to freedom in the promised land.

People: **In the waters of the river Jordan, Jesus was baptized by John and anointed by the Holy Spirit. He is the never-failing spring who has promised that all who thirst can come to the living water.**

Pastor: By the baptism of his own death and resurrection he set us free from bondage to sin and death and opened to us the joy and freedom of everlasting life.

People: We thank you, O God, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. From it we are raised to share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Pastor: Send your Spirit to move over this water that it may be a fountain of deliverance and rebirth. Wash away the sin of all who are cleansed by it. Raise them to new life, and graft them to the body of Christ. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon Teddy, that he may have the power to do your will and continue forever in the risen life of Christ.

People: To you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, be all praise, honor, and glory, now and forever. Amen.

THE BAPTISM

GIVING OF THE LIGHT

Deacon: Receive the light of Christ; you have passed from darkness into light.

People: You have been enlightened with Christ; walk always as a child of the light.

RESPONSE (*sung by all*)

Baptized in Water

Bunessan

This setting is printed in the hymnal at no. 482, the third stanza.

Children ages 4 through 5th grade may go to Sunday School during the singing of this response.

**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,
marked with the sign of Christ our King;
Born of the Spirit, we are God's children;
joyfully now God's praises we sing.**

— Michael A. Saward, 1981

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Sally Adler, *lay reader*

GOSPEL READING, I

John 11:1-22

(Pew Bible, New Testament, p. 104)

At the conclusion of each reading:

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING, II

John 11:23-45

(Pew Bible, New Testament, p. 105)

SERMON

“Never Say Never”

Rev. Pattison

THE RESPONSE

✦ **HYMN 787**

God Weeps with Us Who Weep and Mourn

Moshier

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.

CHORAL RESPONSE

O Thou Who Hearest Prayer

Welsh melody; harm.

O thou who hearest prayer, give ear unto our cry;

O let thy children share thy blessing from on high.

We plead the promise of thy word, O grant us peace, almighty Lord!

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

ANTHEM FOR SOLO VOICE AND CHOIR

The Call

Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)

Nadia Briones, soprano

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: Such a Way, as gives us breath:

Such a Truth, as ends all strife: Such a Life, as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: Such a Light, as shows a feast:

Such a Feast, as mends in length: Such a Strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: Such a Joy, as none can move:

Such a Love, as none can part: Such a heart, as joys in love.

- George Herbert (1593-1633)

✦ **LENTEN HYMN OF PRESENTATION**

Rockingham

These words, with the music included, are printed in the hymnal at no. 652, stanza 1.

**A grateful heart is what I bring, a song of praise, my offering.
Among the saints I lift my voice: in you, O God, I will rejoice.**

- David Gambrell, 2009

✦ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

THE SENDING FORTH

✦ **HYMN 836**

Abide with Me

Eventide

st. 5 harm. Noel Rawsthorne (1929-2019); alt.

✦ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE FOR ORGAN (*All are invited into the chancel to listen to the postlude.*)

Fugue in C Minor [BWV 549/2]

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

COFFEE HOUR

Coffee Hour will be held in the Assembly Room following worship.
(The Assembly Room is found by exiting the front right doors.)

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

Gabby Kilroy, *crucifer*

Sally Adler, Edward Avery, Joe Montalto, and Sarah Snell, *ushers*

BAPTISM

*The sacrament of baptism is administered today to:
Theodore Warner Finan, son of Nicole and Peter Finan*

Welcome to Rye Presbyterian Church

GENERAL INFORMATION

If you are a guest today, we welcome you and hope you are enriched and inspired by this time of worship. To learn more about the ongoing life of the church, please go to ryepc.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 the sanctuary and live video in the church library.

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Age 4 – Grade 5)

Sunday School is held on Sunday mornings during worship in the Education Wing. If you have any questions or if you would like to register your child for Sunday School, please reach out to Anne A. Halloin at ahalloin@ryepc.com.

CHILDCARE (3 Months Old – 3 Years Old)

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

RAINBOW BAGS

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.

HEARING ASSISTANCE

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

GRACE NOTES NEWSLETTER

Pick up one of our full-color monthly church newsletters, available at every sanctuary entrance: includes photos, updates, articles, and devotions from pastors. It is also available digitally through email, along with our website’s resources page at ryepc.com/grace-notes-newsletter/.

THIS WEEK

Today, Sunday, March 22

- 11:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Chapel
- 11:45 a.m. Search Committee – Library
- 3:30 p.m. Listening Session: Volunteers & Interested Members – Library
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation – Westminster Room
- 5:30 p.m. Listening Session: Parents – Library
- 6:00 p.m. High School Youth Dinner – Westminster Room
- 6:30 p.m. Listening Session: Youth – Westminster Room
- 8:00 p.m. Men’s Bible Study – Library

Monday, March 23

- 9:00 a.m. Monday Morning Bible Discussion – Zoom
- 9:15 a.m. Listening Session: Parents – Library

Tuesday, March 24

- 1:00 p.m. Women’s Discipleship – Library/Zoom
- 7:00 p.m. Fellowship & Formation Committee – Conference Room
- 7:30 p.m. Trustees – Westminster Room

Wednesday, March 25

- 10:00 a.m. Chapel Yoga – Chapel
- 4:15 p.m. Winter Sing (Grades K-5) – Westminster Room
- 5:30 p.m. Thrift Shop Evening Sale – Assembly Room/Youth Rooms
- 7:30 p.m. Session – Westminster Room/Zoom

Thursday, March 26

- 10:00 a.m. Thrift Shop – Assembly Room
- 7:00 p.m. Coming Home Dinner – Westminster Room

Sunday, March 29 – Palm Sunday

- 8:45 a.m. Moms’ Bible Study – Conference Room
- 9:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Warm-Up – Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. Worship – beginning in the Assembly Room
- 11:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

UPCOMING EVENTS

To learn more, visit ryepc.com/about-rpc/events/



SHAPING THE FUTURE OF RPC'S CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES: WE WANT YOUR INPUT!

Today, March 22, and Tomorrow, March 23

As we begin our search for the person to lead our ministries for children and youth, you are invited to be a part of the process! Martha Whitesides, our search consultant, is here today (Sunday, March 22) and tomorrow (Monday, March 23). Her goal for that time is to hear from the congregation about your hopes and dreams for the future of RPC children, youth, and families.

Whether you are a youth, volunteer, parent, or interested member of RPC, please plan on attending one of the listening sessions! We encourage you to sign up by following either the link or the QR Code below.

[Listening Session Sign-Up](#)

Sunday, March 22, at 3:30 p.m., in the Library

Listening Group with Sunday School Volunteers and Interested Members

Sunday, March 22, at 5:30 p.m., in the Library

Listening Group with Parents

Sunday, March 22, at 6:30 p.m., in the Westminster Room

Listening Group with Youth

Monday, March 23, at 9:15 a.m., in the Library

Listening Group with Parents



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

PALM SUNDAY

March 29, 10:00 a.m.,
beginning in the Assembly Room

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 2, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

GOOD FRIDAY

Midday Worship

April 3, 12:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Family Service

April 3, 3:00 p.m.,
beginning in the Westminster Room

EASTER

Sunrise Service

April 5, 6:30 a.m., Rye Town Beach
please note the updated time

Family Service: Flowering of the Cross

April 5, 9:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Worship with Communion

April 5, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

EASTER EGG HUNT

Sunday, April 5, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m., Grape Arbor

Our rain date is on the following Sunday, April 12

Join us for a fun-filled Easter Egg Hunt! Bring your family and friends for an afternoon of joy and excitement as we search for colorful, candy-free eggs hidden around the church grounds. We'll also have additional crafts and outdoor games to celebrate the joy of the Easter season. There will be plenty of healthy snacks and treats to enjoy!



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: FOOD2GROWON

Today, March 22, at 4:00 p.m., at Congregation Kneses Tifereth Israel
575 King Street, Port Chester, NY 10 573



We're looking for student and adult volunteers! Food packing will take approximately one hour. RPC members are invited to purchase food items via Food2GrowOn's dedicated Amazon site. Visit <https://bit.ly/4cpPTAv>, or scan the QR Code.

Thank you to all who volunteer their time to help pack or contribute food to this cause. If you are planning to volunteer at this event, RSVP with Brad Parish at jbp_1997@yahoo.com.



GRASSROOTS GROCERY

Saturday, March 28, at 9:00 a.m., at Grassroots Grocery
1750 E Gun Hill Road, Bronx, NY 10469



With the support of the Christian Education committee, Rye Presbyterian Church is proud to partner with Grassroots Grocery, a non-profit organization that provides fresh produce to communities in the Bronx living in food emergencies. Volunteers like you make their work possible! Together, we'll work together to unload a truck filled with over 12,000 pounds of unsold produce, and redistribute it across the city. This event is a fun, intergenerational opportunity to help our neighbors in need.

If you would like to join us, please sign up using the link below. Spots are limited, with only 40 in total, so don't wait! If you're attending as a family, please make sure that each family member is signed up individually. If you have any questions, please reach out to Chelsea Singer at cah.ralston@gmail.com.

grassrootsgrocery.org/ryepc

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Through Easter, Sunday, April 5



Around the world, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The work done in support of the causes supported by One Great Hour of Sharing — disaster, hunger, poverty, climate change, and immigration/migration and refugees — serves individuals and communities in need. This work provides people with safety, sustenance, and hope. To donate online, please visit our [PayPal Link](#), or scan the QR Code.

Walking Through Grief Together Where Faith Meets Loss

Tuesday, March 31, at 7:30 P.M., in the Westminster Room

- What Grief Is (and Isn't)
- Common Myths About Grief
- What the Bible Shows Us About Grief
- How We Walk Through Grief Faithfully
- Finding Hope Without Rushing our Healing
- Closing: Transition to Sharing and Questions



Grief touches every life — sometimes loudly, sometimes quietly. Yet many of us carry unspoken assumptions about how we “should” grieve, or feel pressure to move forward before our hearts are ready.

Judi McCandless, a certified grief educator and spiritual director, will guide us as we explore what grief truly is — and what it is not — name some common myths that can weigh us down, and turn to Scripture to see how honestly and tenderly the Bible speaks about sorrow. Together we will consider how hope does not erase grief or hurry healing, but slowly takes root as we trust that God remains present with us in every season of loss.

You are welcome to join us — wherever you find yourself on the journey.

To RSVP, contact Rev. Cari Pattison at cpattison@ryepc.com.

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ONGOING EVENTS

To learn more, visit ryepc.com/about-rpc/ongoing-events/



MONDAY MORNING BIBLE DISCUSSION

Monday, March 23, at 9:00 a.m., via Zoom

WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

Tuesdays, from 1:00 – 2:25 p.m., in the Library

CHAPEL YOGA

Wednesdays, from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m., in the Chapel

WINTER SING 2026

Wednesdays, from 4:15 – 4:45 p.m., in the Westminster Room

Singing and learning for children in Kindergarten through Grade 5

Concluding on Wednesday, March 25

THRIFT SHOP

Thursdays, from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., in the Assembly Room

Email RyeThrift10580@gmail.com for donation information

COMING HOME 2026

Thursdays, at 7:00 p.m., in the Westminster Room

Dinner is open to church members by RSVP

Email Douglas Carey at poningoeearthcare@gmail.com

MOMS' BIBLE STUDY

Sunday, March 29, from 8:45 – 9:45 a.m., in the Conference Room

Childcare is available!

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP DINNER

Sunday, March 22, at 6:00 p.m., in the Westminster Room

MEN'S SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Sunday, March 22, at 8:00 p.m., in the Library and via Zoom



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STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

As of March 19, we have received 259 pledges for \$1,360,750.
Of those 259, 32 were new pledges, and 116 households increased their pledge!

We are 96% of the way to our goal – just \$50,000 to go!
Please help us get there by making your pledge today!

Thank you for your commitment to be a part of this new chapter in the
community, mission, and ministry of Rye Presbyterian Church!

If you haven't yet made your pledge,
you can do so at ryepc.com/stewardship-2026/.



CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Daniel Love, *Co-Pastor*
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*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.*



GIVING AT RPC

Online donation options are available on our giving page: ryepc.com/give/.

Contact Maida Robinson at mrobinson@ryepc.com with any questions.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the church.

