

THE GATHERING

Beginning in the Assembly Room

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.

CHORAL INTROIT

Hosanna

Christian Gregor (1723-1801);
arr. Ewald Nolte, 1965

Hosanna! Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

– Psalm 118:25 and Matthew 21:9; adapt.

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Humble and riding on a donkey,

People: we greet you.

Pastor: Acclaimed by crowds and caroled by children,

People: we cheer you.

Pastor: Moving from the peace of the countryside to the corridors of power,

People: we welcome you, Christ our Lord.

Pastor: You give beasts of burden a new dignity;
you give majesty a new face;

you give those who long for redemption a new song to sing.

People: With them, with heart and voice, we shout “Hosanna!”

✦ PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM (Matthew 21:1-11)

✦ PROCESSION TO THE SANCTUARY

✦ please stand as you are able

✦ **HYMN** (*back page*)

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Valet will ich dir geben

✦ **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in Jesus Christ, you entered Jerusalem and were hailed with joy as the long-awaited one – Messiah and King. We confess the times that we have not hailed you as our sovereign or gone before you in the world with praise.

Silent prayers of confession are offered.

For brief faith that withers, for intentions we parade but do not pursue, have mercy on us. Forgive us and help us to trust in your way, that in every city we may live for peace and tell of your loving-kindness; for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. 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

✦ **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.

– Taizé Community; based on Psalm 103:1

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS

Joining by Letter of Transfer

Paul Majeski

Joining by Reaffirmation of Faith

Alexandra and Blaise Driscoll

Abigail and Tom Greenfield

BJ and Darren Maloney

Jen and Vincent Mellet

Cairistin Mills

Children ages 4 through 5th grade may now go to their Sunday School classes.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jacqueline Manks, *lay reader*

PSALM 118:1-2, 19-29

O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

God's steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say, "God's steadfast love endures forever."

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, and has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

God's steadfast love endures forever.

SERMON

"What's Going On?"

Rev. Love

THE RESPONSE

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*Philippians 2:5–9*)

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name.

✦ HYMN 200 A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd *Christian Love*

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 CHOIR AND ORGAN

Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry;
O Savior meek, pursue thy road
with palms and scattered garments strewed.

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
The angel armies of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on! ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow thy meek head to mortal pain, then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

T. Frederick H. Candlyn, 1923

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die:
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.
Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
the Father on his sapphire throne
expects his own anointed Son.

- Henry H. Milman, 1827

✦ **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 197**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Ellacombe

✦ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

Fanfare

Antonio Soler (1729-1783);
arr. E. Power Biggs

One could construe the phrases of this piece to be reminiscent of the gait of a donkey!

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

Wisdom Ngalauka, *crucifer*
Sarah Barringer, Sue Carriero, Fallys Ngalauka, and Elizabeth Parks, *ushers*

DEDICATIONS

*The white rose at the lectern is in honor of the birth of
David Liam Kearney, born on March 25 to Amanda and Brett Kearney.*

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

Palm Sunday, March 29

11:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

Monday, March 30

9:00 a.m. Monay Morning Bible Discussion – Zoom

Tuesday, March 31

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

7:30 p.m. Walking Through Grief Together – Westminster Room

Wednesday, April 1

10:00 a.m. Chapel Yoga – Chapel

Maundy Thursday, April 2

6:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Warm-Up – Chancel

7:00 p.m. Coming Home Dinner – Westminster Room

7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship – Sanctuary

Good Friday, April 3

12:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship – Sanctuary

3:00 p.m. Good Friday Family Service – Westminster Room

Easter Sunday, April 5

6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service – Rye Town Beach

9:00 a.m. Easter Family Service – Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Warm-Up – Chancel & Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. Easter Communion Service – Sanctuary

2:00 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt – Grape Arbor

UPCOMING EVENTS

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



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 below.



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Music for Choir

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

GOOD FRIDAY

Midday Worship

Music for Solo Voice and Violin

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

Family Service

April 3, 3:00 p.m.

beginning in the Westminster Room

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunrise Service

April 5, 6:30 a.m., Rye Town Beach

Please note the updated time.

Family Service: Flowering of the Cross

Music for Brass Quartet

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

Worship, with Communion

Music for Choir and Brass Quartet

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

During 11:00 a.m. Easter Worship, childcare will be available for children aged 3 months old to 4 years old. Childcare can be found on the first floor of the Education Wing.

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! We encourage you to sign up beforehand so that we have an idea of how many adults and children to expect. Regardless, whether or not you sign up, all are welcome to the celebration!

[Easter Egg Hunt Sign-Up](#)

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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Rye Presbyterian Church



SPRING SING... AND MORE 2026

for Children in Kindergarten
through Grade 5



Wednesdays, April 8 through May 20

4:15 - 4:45 p.m., in the Westminster Room

(snack available at 4:00)



Children are invited to join Mr. C. to grow in faith through song and story. There also will be occasional explorations of different musical instruments, having the children hear, see, and learn about them from those who play them.

So that he might be able to prepare appropriately, please let Mr. C. know if your child plans to attend:

jcharneski@ryepc.com.



CHURCH & JUSTICE SUNDAY
Sunday, April 12, at 10:00 a.m., in the Sanctuary
Guest Preacher: Deborah Pretlow, MPS

On Sunday, April 12, we will celebrate our annual Church & Justice Service, with worship led by those who have been formerly incarcerated in New York's prison system and gone on to lead lives devoted to improving society in various and profound ways.

DINNER AT NOON
Saturday, April 25, from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., at the Carver Center
400 Westchester Ave, Port Chester, NY 10573

Calling volunteers for Dinner at Noon! Dinner at Noon is a community meal offered on Saturdays at the Carver Center in Port Chester to those in need. The next Dinner at Noon provided by RPC is scheduled for Saturday, April 25. We are looking for volunteers to contribute food items (such as juice or a dessert), set tables, plate food, serve meals to guests, and clean up. Please help us make this a special meal for our neighbors! Contact Madison Walsh at madisonlichliterwalsh@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering. Families with children ages 8 and up are welcome to volunteer together; having children help serve the meal is a rewarding experience for all!

PARENTING YOUNG ADULTS
Join us on April 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the Westminster Room
for a time of discussion, sharing, and support.
Guest Speaker: Rev. Andrea Raynor

What happens when the small child, who once needed you for everything, suddenly doesn't need you so much — at least not in the same way? Just when you think the most challenging parts of parenting are behind you, a young adult emerges from the chrysalis that once was your baby. Who is this person! No longer a child and not fully adult, their needs (and ours) have changed. How do we navigate, understand, and parent through the years that seem to offer few resources — spiritually, emotionally, and practically?

Rev. Andrea Raynor (Andie) will be our facilitator. Andie is the mother of two grown children (now in their thirties — phew!). Although most known for her work as a hospice chaplain and writer, she recently started a new chapter herself. She is currently working as a Campus Minister at Manhattan University in the Bronx, supporting and guiding young adults on their spiritual journeys.

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YOUTH EVENTS

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



MIDDLE SCHOOL CONNECTION: EMPTY BOWLS POTTERY SESSION

Sunday, April 12, from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., at the Clay Art Center
40 Beech Street, Port Chester, NY 10573

Middle schoolers are invited to the Clay Art Center in Port Chester to make clay pots for the upcoming Empty Bowls fundraiser. Come and use your artistic skills for a great cause!

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: BREAD OF LIFE VOLUNTEER SESSION

Sunday, April 12, from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., at Giving Tree Global
65 Orchard Avenue, Rye, NY 10580

High schoolers are invited to come and volunteer at Giving Tree Global's Bread of Life food pantry. RSVP with Anne A. Halloin at ahalloin@ryepc.com so that you can sign a waiver before we arrive!

YOUTH SUMMER SERVICE TRIP: BINGO FUNDRAISER

Sunday, April 26, from 11:15 – 12:15 p.m., in the Assembly Room

Following worship, we will be hosting our annual Bingo Fundraiser to help pay for this year's Youth Summer Service Trip. The suggested donation is \$5 per Bingo Card. This year, RPC is partnering with the Appalachia Service Project for our Youth Summer Service Trip. To learn more about ASP, visit asphome.org.

ONGOING EVENTS

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



MONDAY MORNING BIBLE DISCUSSION

Monday, March 30, 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

SPRING SING... AND MORE 2026

Wednesdays (beginning April 8), from 4:15 – 4:45 p.m., in the Westminster Room
Singing and learning for children in Kindergarten through Grade 5

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](mailto:Douglas.Carey@poningoeearthcare@gmail.com) at poningoeearthcare@gmail.com

MOMS' BIBLE STUDY

Sunday, April 12, from 8:45 – 9:45 a.m., in the Conference Room
Childcare is available!

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP DINNER

Sunday, April 19, at 6:00 p.m., in the Westminster Room

MEN'S SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Sunday, April 19, at 8:00 p.m., in the Library and via Zoom



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Kyrie eleison: Lord, Have Mercy upon Us

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STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

As of March 26, we have received 274 pledges for \$1,395,000 – our highest pledge total ever!
Of those 274, 35 were new pledges, and 122 households increased their pledge!

We are 99% of the way to our goal – just \$17,000 to go!
Help put RPC over the top by making your pledge today!

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

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



All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Valet will ich dir geben

Refrain

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to thee, Re-deem-er, King,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho-san-nas ring!

1 Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms be - fore thee went;
3 To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
4 Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and bless - ed One.
our praise and prayers and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra-cious King!

Text: Theodulph of Orleans, c. 820; transl. John M. Neale, 1851; alt.
Music: Melchior Teschner, 1614; arr. William H. Monk, 1861

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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

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

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

