

NEWS YOU CAN USE

JUNE 4, 2026



FROM THE OFFICE

The office will be closed on Tuesday and open at 2:00 on Wednesday next week.

THIS IS YOUTH SUNDAY!

The service on Sunday, June 7, will look different than usual.

On this Sunday we are recognizing our high school graduates after the service. Our Sr. High youth group helped design the service itself. They chose music that was meaningful to them, helped write the liturgy, and are participating in a Youth Worship Band (led by Steven Rodriguez) and a Liturgical Dance Team (the dance was choreographed by Joanna Rodriguez). Steven even composed a setting of Psalm 16 that is being sung for the first time in this service.

Please plan to arrive at least 5 minutes before 10 am, as the prelude ("All Hail King Jesus") is a worship song that the youth will be singing with several youth also playing instruments. The Youth Bell Choir will play and Ryan is leading the Adult Choir in singing "May the Road Rise to Meet You" as a special postlude. Our prayer is that everything in this service will glorify Christ and point to our risen Savior.

SERVING ON SUNDAY

Nursery:	Peg Chambery
Ushers:	James Leakey Tim Hughes
Coffee:	David Dill and Heidi Zinkand Kathy Larsson and John or Katie Singleton

Thank you

NEXT WEEK!

THE RCRC ANNUAL PICNIC

Right after church on the terrace

Sunday, June 14

Sign Up in the Narthex!

FROM THE FINANCE OFFICE

RCRC's donations to the operating fund for May were lower than expenses, so that our expenses are about \$10K more than receipts so far in 2026.

Please continue your generosity over the next few months so that we do not fall too far behind over the summer.

Operating Account: May 2026

Budget: \$39,210.47

Receipts: \$25,893.60

Expenses: \$36,319.12

Year to date, through May 2026:

Budget: \$196,052.35

Receipts: \$134,511.71

Expenses: \$144,017.89

While we are without a full-time pastor, our expenses are expected to be lower than budgeted. If you have any questions about RCRC finances, ask David Cok.

PASTOR JACK'S OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Jack will be in the pastors study at church each Wednesday from 1pm-5pm. Feel free to just stop by or call for an appointment: phone - 641-512-5366 (if he doesn't respond, text him)

email - jackvh@outlook.com

DONATE BASIC HOUSEHOLD GOODS TO WORLD RELIEF

Your donations of laundry detergent, dish soap, toilet paper and paper towels are needed for World Relief clients. If you are able, please donate these items in the marked bin in the coatroom. Ann Michele Bouwmeester will be collecting these items through the end of July. Thank you!



**Happy 90th Birthday
to Tina Jennings**

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

Please join in welcoming new members, **Yvonne Dobenga** and **Donna Coene**, who are both well-known to our congregation. Yvonne has transferred her membership from California and Donna has attended RCRC for many years and joins us virtually. It was fun waving to her on Sunday!

COUNCIL CANDIDATE CONSIDERATION

Council is beginning to pray as the first step in discerning gifts of our members for leadership. You may remember that last year we were unable to fill all of the needed Deacon slots, so we are starting early.

We often think that being elected to Council is about going to meetings and Robert's Rules of Drudgery. No doubt, there are duties and tasks involved, but there is also joy in working with fellow believers in addressing issues, praying together for, guiding, and serving this part of Christ's body.

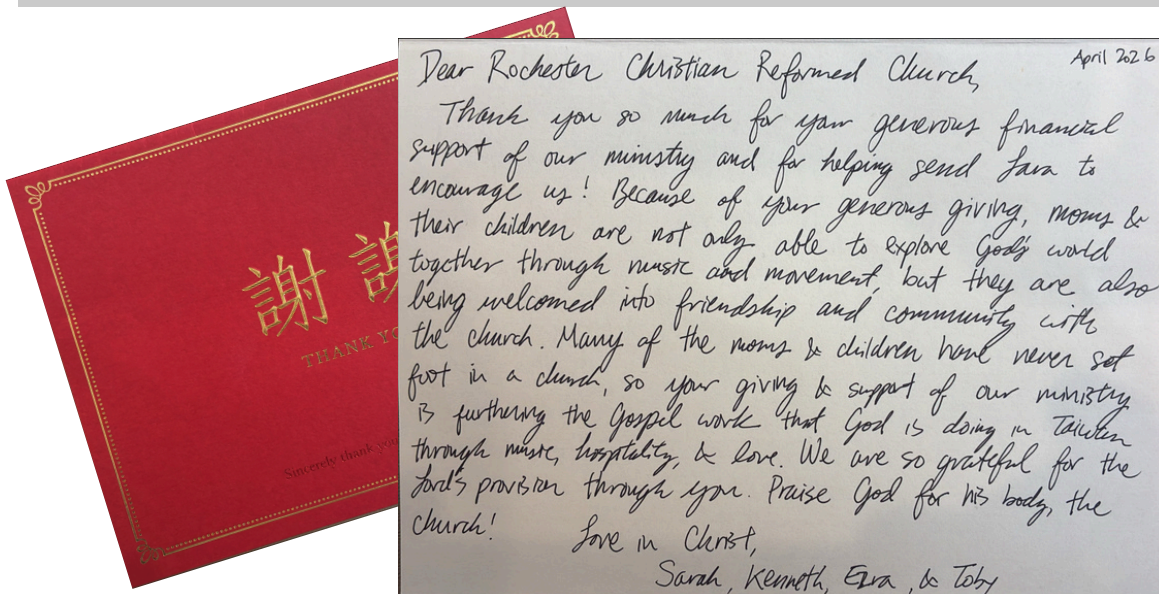
We understand that recent Synodical decisions have raised questions about doctrinal standards for leadership. This usually is less of an issue than is sometimes imagined, and we are putting together some materials to help clarify those issues. If you do have questions about this please ask a pastor or a current Council member.

In closing, we ask that all members of the congregation join with us in prayer to identify those with the necessary gifts to lead God's church. Who knows? Maybe the one that God is calling might be you!

NEWS FROM ROCHESTER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

1. Pray for the school as we end our year together!
2. We would love to invite anyone to come join us as we march in the Penfield Independence Day parade on June 27th! You can sign up [HERE](#) or if you want to donate candy for us to throw we will gladly take donations!
3. We are having a few community days this summer to help paint, weed the grounds and take care of some maintenance around the building, we would love anyone to help support us on these community days. Please sign up [HERE](#)

As a special note - This week's special cause offering is for the Christian Education Society which provides funds which helps children attend RCS.



This special note from the Lo family in Taiwan is on the table in the narthex alcove.



Congratulations to our High School Graduates



Abigail Binda is the daughter of Henrietta and Earl Binda. She will be graduating from Charles Finney. She was homeschooled through eighth grade and attended her first two years of High school at Penfield High School before transferring to Finney to finish the rest of her schooling. She earned almost 10 college credits during her senior year. She will be attending Houghton University in the fall to study Psychology to eventually get her Masters in order to be a Family and Marriage Counselor.

Noah Carney is graduating from Fairport High School! He will be attending SUNY Oswego in the fall to pursue a degree in Technology Education. He is a captain this year for Fairport Rugby, and he plans to continue to play rugby at Oswego.

Liam Clifford, son of Carl and Rachel Clifford, will graduate from high school this June. Known for his intelligence, creativity and maturity, Liam has always approached life with curiosity and imagination. An artist and natural engineer, he enjoys designing, building and inventing new ways to ride and explore – whether on or off the road. His passion for physics and learning new things fuels his innovative mindset and love of problem solving. Beyond his many talents, Liam is a leader and mentor to others. He has been actively involved in Sr. High youth as well as Trail Life. He enjoys leading and encouraging others. His positive attitude and ability to connect with people makes him a joy to be around. Looking ahead, Liam hopes to pursue a career where he can be creative, independent and his own boss. With his drive, character and intelligence his future is full of exciting possibilities.

Matthias Cooper, son of Benjamin and Rebekah Cooper, will graduate from high school this June. He is a lifelong homeschooler. Matthias especially enjoyed biology, including the memorable experience of watching an amoeba move under a microscope for the first time. Following graduation, Matthias plans to spend time working and volunteering as he continues to explore and narrow down his career interests. He is grateful for his family—especially the four-legged fluffy ones.

Jacob Falvo, son of Jay and Lisa Falvo, will graduate from Penfield High School in June. Jacob has joined the U.S. Army and will be leaving in August for Fort Benning in Georgia. Jacob will train as a Signal Operations Support Specialist, where he will operate and maintain various communication systems.

Anna Rose Vande Brake, daughter of Tim and Julie Vande Brake, graduated from Gloria Deo Homeschool Cooperative this spring. During high school, she also took dual enrollment classes at GCC. Anna Rose participated in Bible Quizzing all four years of high school. In June 2024, Anna Rose's New Hope Free Methodist team won the Alpha Omega award. Anna Rose was one of 4 individuals on this team. We thank all of Anna Rose's coaches, teachers and friends for all they have taught her over the years. She is especially thankful for the love and support from her church family at RCRC and for all her friendships and fun times in youth group. She will be attending Houghton University in the fall. She plans to major in Bible and Theology. She hopes to serve in youth ministry in the future!