

NEWS YOU CAN USE

AUGUST 28, 2025

This week's sermon "God's Prescription for an Achan Heart" Joshua 5:7-12

Pastor Rich shows us the lesson that a decision made in secret nearly 14 centuries before Christ can teach the church today.

Sermon outline notes <u>HERE</u> or with the order of worship on Sunday morning.

VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY, AUG. 31

Nursery

Katie Singleton

Ushers

David Dill and Kathy Quinn

Coffee Service & Cleanup

Chris and Lindsey Hall Jeff and Ellen Harp

Pastor Search Updates

Search Team The Pastor has begun interviewing candidates for our Senior Pastor position. These initial interviews help the team and the candidates to get to know one another and begin discerning whether there is a fit between them and our church. We debrief the interview immediately after, and we'll be meeting after our final initial interview to determine which candidates we may want to continue the discussion with. Please be in prayer for our team and for the candidates as we move ahead in this process.

The office will be closed on Monday for



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Nominations to Council

If you would like to nominate someone as a candidate for Council, please contact Amy Cline, Clerk of Council, at rcrccouncilclerk@gmail.com by no later than September 15. If you would like to know the qualifications to serve on Council, see the Guidelines for Congregational Meetings at www.rochestercrc.org/members.



Have you thought about ushering on Sundays?

- Serve for a month at a time (or 2 consecutive weeks in the summer.)
- Arrive 15-20 minutes early.
- Greet people.
- Help them find a seat when needed.
- Take a headcount for the sexton.

email office@rochestercrc.org with questions or to volunteer.

Watch for the 2025-2026 Sign-Up Sheets on Sunday morning.

It's a great option for couples or families!



Pasta Making Class Led by Evelyn Loerop



Saturday, September 20, 3:00 pm in the Rochester CRC Fellowship Hall.

Space limited.

Sign up on Sunday in the Narthex or email the church at office@rochestercrc.org



Come see what it's all about at 6:30 on September 10.

2025 Reformed Theology Conference

Saturday, October 18!

This year we welcome <u>Dr. Jessica</u> <u>Joustra</u>, Associate Professor of Religion and Theology at <u>Redeemer College</u>, as our speaker. She will lead a general session, "The Imitation of Christ" on Saturday morning and an academic session, "Calvinism and the Future" on Saturday afternoon. Please plan now to attend, and expect to be engaged and enlightened as we learn together. Watch for details!

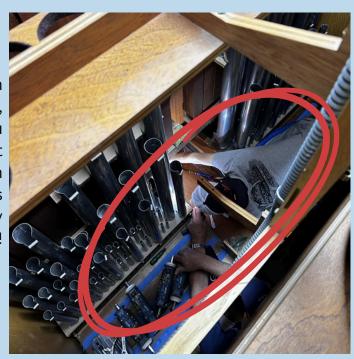


ORGAN REPAIRS

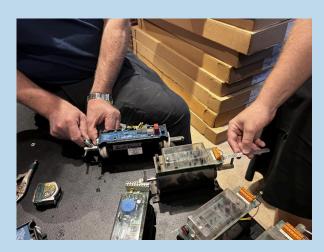
Behind the scenes
Thank you Derek Bommelje for
the amazing photos.



As an organ technician, sometimes you have to get "comfortable" in cramped spaces and do things by braille!



The roof of the organ had to come off to reach everything.



Preparing the new motors for installation.



Pulling out the old swell motors.



Six of the sixteen great motors are clearly visible. The area circled is where two more motors are hiding.

