

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**February 25, 2024 11:00 A.M.**

“A prayerful church is a powerful church.”  
~ Charles Spurgeon

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Lord reigns; Let the peoples tremble! He dwells *between* the cherubim;  
Let the earth be moved! The Lord *is* great in Zion, And He *is* high above all  
the peoples. Let them praise Your great and awesome name - He *is holy*.

Psalm 99: 1-3  
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**OPENING PRAYER**

**\*HYMN:** “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Hymn No. 210

**\*CONFESSION**

**\*Invitation**

**\*Prayer of Confession:** *in unison*

Eternal God of grace and mercy, we confess we have often elevated the things  
of this world above you. We have made idols of ideas, possessions, and people.  
We have used your name for our causes. We have permitted our schedules to  
come first. We have not worshiped you with our whole heart. We have not  
fought the good fight. Forgive us, O God, for the many ways we fall short of  
your will. Empower us, O God, to run the races set before us to your glory. We  
pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS:**

*“He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to  
the dominion of his beloved Son in whom we have redemption and the  
forgiveness of sin”*

*Colossians 1: 13-14*  
*Page 1832*

**\*RESPONSE:**

Hymn No. 813

“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
World without end.” Amen, Amen.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**\*Doxology:** “Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.” Amen.

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**CHILDREN 4 YEARS – 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ARE DISMISSED TO JR. CHURCH**

**THE PEOPLE & 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.

**\*HYMN:** “Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

Hymn No. 710

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Mark 1: 1-15  
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**SERMON**

“Now and Near!”

Rev. Niel Bech  
Mark 1:15, Page 1552

**\*HYMN:** “’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

Hymn No. 581

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RESPONSE:**

“Standing, standing,  
Standing on the promises of God,  
My Savior; Standing, standing,  
I’m standing on the promises of God.”

Hymn No. 410

**\*POSTLUDE**

\*Those who are able are asked to stand.

## NEW PRAYER FOCUS

- Nancy Salemno, found to have an infection in surgically repaired knee, underwent surgery on 02/22. Will have a picc line in for 6 weeks.
- Hal, Linda Hauptmann's neighbor, had surgery on his liver.
- Gary Stevens, possible stroke and undergoing testing.
- Brenden McLaughlin, diagnosed with cancer.
- Brian DiFeo, friend of Ann Mulholland, had a stroke.
- Clara, upcoming knee surgery.
- Gail Klein is now in St. Joe's for rehabilitation.
- Bob Emberger – awaiting follow up appt to heart catheterization.
- Peace in Israel.

## MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Susan Jorett – recovering from surgery  
Ann Mulholland  
Millie O'Neal  
Bill Ray  
Pat Salemno – recovery from flap surgery  
Bob Toner

**\* Urgent Prayer needs this week**

**+ Just added this week**



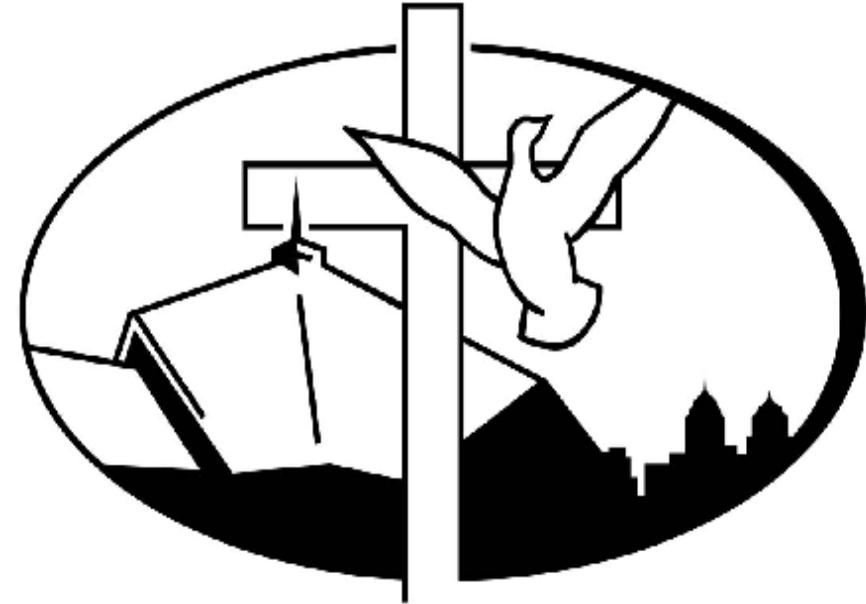
## MINISTRY TEAM

Amy Ferretti, Administrative Assistant  
Olena Haviuk-Sheremet, Organist  
Amy Blau, Clerk of Session  
Jesse Acosta, Joel Allen, Sexton

## PARTNERS IN MINISTRY

The Congregation of the Church

*"We are a church that strives to teach the Bible,  
encourage a relationship with Christ,  
minister to all people, promote fellowship,  
serve our community,  
and invite them to know Jesus."*



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## WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. We pray by the hearing of His Word, you find your burdens lighter, your heart encouraged, and your soul refreshed.  
“Be exalted, O Lord, in your strength; we will sing and praise Your might.”  
Psalm 21:13

### THIS WEEK AT RPC

TODAY	11:00 AM	WORSHIP
MONDAY	10:00 AM	Office Hours until 3:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	10:00 AM	Office Hours until 3:00 PM

### UPCOMING EVENTS

March 10 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee Hour Session Meeting	
March 24 <sup>th</sup>	Palm Sunday Deacons' Meeting	
March 28 <sup>th</sup>	Maundy Thursday Service @ 7pm Communion	
March 31 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Sunday	



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Anniversary. They have four children and 5 grandchildren.

**TO THE PULPIT, REV. NIEL BECH.** Niel Bech is a retired minister who keeps active supplying pulpits in the Philadelphia area and New Jersey. His ministry has included serving in a theological seminary, assistant pastor in two churches, stated supply and more. He and his wife, Karen, will soon celebrate their 52nd

**IN REMEMBRANCE.** We are sad to announce the death of Kathie Stanton who passed away on February 17, 2024. Her service will be held on Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 7pm-9pm at Burns Funeral Home, 9708 Frankford Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19114. Burial Service will be at Fernwood Cemetery, 6501 E. Baltimore Ave., Lansdowne, PA 19050 on Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm.



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD.** This year, we are doing things differently for collecting items for OCC. In January and February, we will be collecting hygiene items (i.e., brushes, combs, toothbrushes, soap, wash rags, small packs of tissue, etc.) Then, in March and April, we will be collecting different items. It will continue like this until November. If you have any questions, please see Susan Jorett.

**ONLINE NEWSLETTER.** Do you have an email address that we are not aware of? Would you like to be included in our weekly newsletter? This newsletter is sent every Monday with a link to each week's sermon on our website. Our website also has the week's announcements and upcoming events in case you miss church the past Sunday. If you would be interested in receiving this newsletter, please put your email address on the sign-in sheet in the back of the Narthex.

