

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
May 4, 2025 11:00 A.M.

*“Perhaps the most obvious observation is that most unchurched people,
are not being pursued by anyone.”*
- George Barna

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

***HYMN:** “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty” Hymn No. 3

***CONFESSION**

***Invitation**

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

Heavenly Father, your word says there's no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus, but we often live like we're stuck in sin and fear. We've focused too much on worldly things and forgotten your peace. We've doubted your love for us as your children. Forgive us for following our own desires instead of your Spirit. Cleanse us and renew our minds as we embrace new life in Jesus. Give us the strength to live in the freedom and victory Christ has given us. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS:

“Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth! By the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.”
Isaiah 43: 1

***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 – 5TH 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:** “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” Hymn No. 575

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 15: 50-58, page 1791

SERMON “Why Is the Resurrection of Christ so Important?”
Rev. Robert Emberger

***HYMN:** “Crown Him with Many Crowns” Hymn No. 45

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 368

“He lives, He lives! Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
a-long life’s narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to im-part!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives with-in my heart!”

***POSTLUDE**

**Those who are able are asked to stand*

NEW PRAYER FOCUS

- Claire Green, friend of Rosemary Hargreaves, has heart problems, currently in rehab.
- Nancy Ostroff, friend of Nancy Salemno, has abdominal cancer, tumor is growing back.
- Cathy Kohler (friend from Glading) – prayers for healing.
- Henry Fetter, recovering from a fall and in a lot of pain.



MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Bob Emberger – Healing and strength after successful bypass surgery.
Junior Hernandez – home from the hospital.
Susan Jorett – recovering with therapy at home.
Betsy Ulmer – home from St. Joseph Manor.
Lois Wanushek – health issues

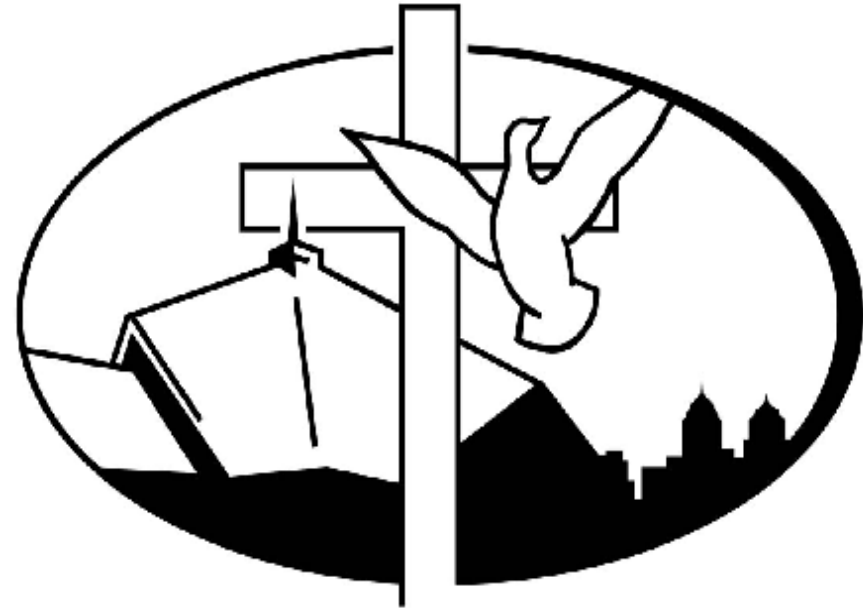
*Urgent prayers

+Just added this week

MINISTRY TEAM

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

*“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

MONDAY	10:00 AM	Office Hours until 3:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	10:00 AM	Office Hours until 3:00 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY	Coffee Hour
May 11 th	Mother’s Day
May 18 th	Weekly Bible Study Begins 9:30AM in the Parlor
May 20 th	Primary Election Day



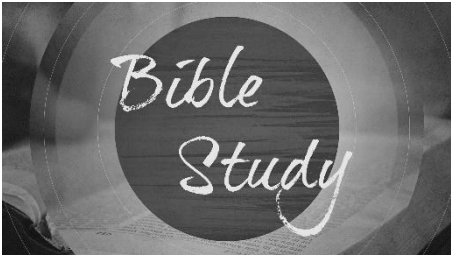
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TO THE PULPIT, DR ROBERT A. EMBERGER. Bob was born and raised in Philadelphia. He is a graduate of Cairn University, Biblical Theological Seminary, and holds a doctorate in pastoral counseling from Westminster Theological Seminary. Bob has

served as the Executive Director of the Whosoever Gospel Mission since 1989. The Whosoever Gospel Mission introduces homeless men to the loving grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, provides for their basic needs, and equips them with the skills and resources they need to achieve productive, independent living. He has been married for 46 years to Marcia, who works full-time as a registered nurse. Bob and Marcia have four adult children and nine grandchildren. He enjoys camping, reading, stamp collecting, gardening, traveling and pizza.

BIBLE STUDY. Beginning Sunday, May 18th at 9:30AM, we will begin our Bible Study, “9 Arts of Conversations”. We encourage all Deacons and Elders to attend as well as any interested congregational attenders. This Bible Study will focus on evangelism and the ability to forge discussions with others. This is a great opportunity for everyone in all aspects of life.



THANK YOU. Thank you all who donated food and cash to our Disciples Basket Pantry. Because of you, we had plenty of food to help feed 3 families at Easter. May God bless you for your kindness and generosity. In Christ’s Service, Nancy Rakus.

GENTLY USED OR NEW BABY ITEMS. We are collecting new and used baby items for a family in need. If you know of anyone giving away anything including but not limited to clothing, toys, furniture, bibs, necessities, etc.. We will have a donation box in the Narthex for anything you can contribute. It is for a baby girl, but anything given is very much appreciated. Thank you for your help!

