

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
August 30, 2026 11:00 A.M.

*“We always hear: Life is short – make the most of it.’
What about this: Eternity is long – better get ready for it.”
— Josemar Bessa*

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

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

***CONFESSION**

***Invitation**

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

Gracious God, We confess that we often resist the difficult paths before us. We seek comfort instead of trust, answers instead of faith, and certainty instead of dependence on You. In times of sorrow or struggle, we lose sight of Your presence and Your goodness. Too often, we try to carry our burdens alone rather than bringing them to You. Forgive us, Lord, and remind us that nothing can separate us from Your love. Meet us in our weakness, strengthen us by Your grace, and teach us to trust You even when we cannot understand Your ways, through Jesus Christ our Savior. 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, 19

***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 5 YEARS – 5TH GRADE ARE DISMISSED TO JR. CHURCH

PRAYER OF 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:** “Blessed Assurance” Hymn No. 572

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 6:1-8, page 1068

SERMON “What do I do when I’m Discouraged?” Rev. Robert Emberger

***HYMN:** “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” Hymn No. 630

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE:** Hymn No. 56

*“Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the peo-ple re-joice!
O come to the Father thro’ Je-sus, the Son,
And give Him the glo-ry—great things He hath done!”*

***POSTLUDE**

**Those who are able are asked to stand*

NEW PRAYER FOCUS

- Diane Olesik, having MRI on 8/23/26.
- Carl, brother of Liz Rozarto, continues his battle with cancer and has now been diagnosed with pacemaker pocket cellulitis. Procedure will be on 8/24/26.
- Sharon Emery's brother was taken to ER with chest pains.
- John Wismer, uncle of Heather Rice, home from the hospital receiving series of treatments and on dialysis.
- Rev. Fred Klett, home from hospital continuing to battle infections. His chemotherapy treatments for aggressive esophageal cancer have been put on hold until infections are cleared up.



MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

- Rosemary Hargreaves – recovering from broken femur.
- Bob Emberger – home from the hospital & receiving in home therapy.
- Linda Hauptmann – Pancreas health issues and possible surgery needed to remove gallbladder.

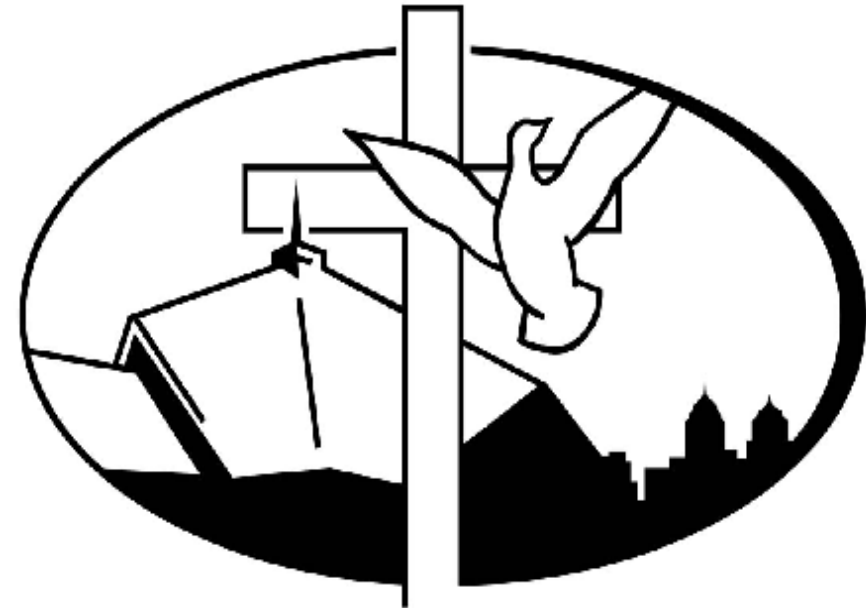
*** Urgent prayers**

+ Just added this week

MINISTRY TEAM

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

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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.

*“Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”
Matthew 11:28*

THIS WEEK AT RPC

MONDAY	10:00AM – 3:00PM	Office Hours
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UPCOMING EVENTS

	TODAY	Worship	
	September 6th	Coffee Hour 10:00AM Session Meeting	
	September 9th	St. Williams Bingo resumes <i>(every 2nd & 4th Wed. 11AM in Foster Hall)</i>	
	September 13 th	Visit from the Gideons	
	September 27 th	Deacons Meeting	

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TO THE PULPIT, DR ROBERT 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 served as the Executive Director of the Whosoever Gospel Mission from 1989-2022 and is now their Director of Advancement. 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 to achieve productive, independent living. Bob has been married for 48 years to Marcia, who works as a registered nurse. Bob and Marcia have 4 adult children and 9 grandchildren. He enjoys camping, reading, stamp collecting, gardening, traveling and pizza.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD. Don't forget! We are collecting items for our packing party in November for Operation Christmas Child. We will be a drop-off location again for OCC. A list of items needed for the packing party is on the table in the Narthex. If you can donate to this very important mission, please take a copy of the list from the table, purchase items on the list, and drop them in the OCC box located in the Narthex. Drop off week this year for filled shoeboxes is November 16th – 23rd and our packing party will be on Saturday, November 14th. Contact Susan Jorett if you have any questions. Thank you!

