

The Pulse November 2019



of Rocky River Presbyterian Church

"All Saints' Sunday"

Let your photographs honor loved ones in worship Sun., Nov. 3rd

Remember a deceased loved one by bringing their photograph to worship on Sun., Nov. 3rd. That's the Sunday when we will observe "All Saints' Day" (Nov. 1 each year). On All Saints' Sunday we embrace the truth expressed in Hebrews 12:1 that "we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses...."

When we lose a loved one, one of the remembrances we turn to most frequently are photographs: portraits, gatherings of family and friends, candid, holiday photos. Those familiar images comfort us in our grief.



You're are invited to bring to worship a photograph of a deceased relative, friend, neighbor, colleague—someone whose life you appreciated and whose death you grieve. A special display area will be set up in front of the communion table where you can place the selected photograph for that service. Photographs can be framed or unframed, any size, color or b&w, and can include other people (they don't have to be portraits).
—Worship Committee

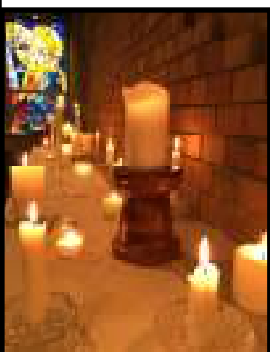


"Good Shepherd" apparel now available! See page 4

Sun., Nov. 24, 1:30—2:00 p.m.

"Healing Hearts for the Holidays"... a service offering comfort and strength

Holidays can be difficult—even dreaded—when you're grieving any sort of loss: death of a friend, relative or pet; deteriorating vitality or health; relocation of family; loss of employment.



In just 30 minutes "Healing Hearts for the Holidays" offers comfort and strength to face Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the New Year. Think of friends and neighbors who would benefit... then offer to come with them to the service in Walker Chapel on Sun., Nov. 24 from 1:30-2:00 p.m. No one has to say or do anything—just find rest, comfort, and encouragement to face the holidays.

—Evangelism & Membership and Worship Committees

There's an alternative to thoughtless spending **"Alternative Christmas" Charity Bazaar offers meaningful gift-giving**

On Nov. 24—the Sunday BEFORE Thanksgiving—RRPC presents our 11th annual "Alternative Christmas" Charity Bazaar. From 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. come to Fellowship Hall to visit over a dozen of your favorite charities and Fair Trade businesses in one place.



"Gifts" available at the "Alternative Christmas" Charity Bazaar are financial contributions to non-profit missions and charities of your choosing, given as "Christmas presents" in honor of family and friends. Doesn't that sound like a constructive "alternative" to excessive spending on meaningless Christmas presents?

How does it work?

- At the bazaar, visit charity representatives at booths describing their services.
- Select one or more charities to donate to (in any amount).
- Write just one check to RRPC (you don't end up on extra mailing lists!).
- The church will forward every dollar to the charities you select (gifts *could* be tax-deductible for you).
- You'll receive custom-designed cards you can give to your gift recipients.

Your thoughtful, impactful Christmas gifts become "God's hands and heart" as you honor loved ones in more meaningful ways this Christmas. The "Alternative Christmas" Charity Bazaar is open to the public, so invite friends and neighbors to join you!

P.S.—Volunteer now to help with easy day-of-event tasks: call Anne Busher at 440-333-4901.

Sun., Dec. 29th

Your Christmas story told here

Do you have a family Christmas story or tradition you'd be willing to share with the church? Always wanted to write a fictional Christmas-based short story? Is there a Christmas that was particularly memorable for a certain reason?

Please speak with our pastor—you may be just the person to share that story at our informal "Family Room Worship" service in Fellowship Hall on the Sunday after Christmas this year. Don't be shy. Don't wait for someone else. Contact Jon right away.

—Annette Oberst, Chair
Worship Committee

**Please return your 2020 Stewardship Pledge soon.
Need another form? Just contact the Church Office.**

From Your Pastor

When a little girl's locks revealed genuine compassion

A recent issue of *Christian Century* magazine featured editor Peter W. Marty sharing the sobering account of Langdon Gilkey, a 20th-century American Protestant theologian. Gilkey, who as a young man lived in China teaching English, was among 2,000 Americans and Europeans rounded up by the Japanese army shortly after Pearl Harbor. They spent 2½ years as prisoners in a Japanese army internment camp in what was formerly a compound for a Presbyterian mission presence in China.

In his 1966 book *Shantung Compound* Gilkey recalls that although they were not tortured by the Japanese, the prisoners suffered from ever-present stress caused by overcrowding, lack of sanitation, starvation, inadequate medical care, and boredom. Because the need for the basics of daily life was so overwhelming, Gilkey “watched fellow prisoners prioritize personal comfort and security over the protection of weaker members in the camp. ‘Self-interest seemed almost omnipotent,’ he writes.” [Peter W. Marty, “Self-interest seemed almost omnipotent: Langdon Gilkey’s account of his imprisonment during WWII is a study in how humans act under pressure.” *Christian Century*, October 11, 2019]

The power of selfishness was never clearer



than one day in January 1944 when a surprise shipment of food and clothing arrived in the internment camp from the American Red Cross. It was an enormous shipment—it worked out to more than a packet per person. But this community conditioned to selfishness fought one against another to get their share *and more*.

What can we learn from Gilkey’s experience? As writer and editor Peter W. Marty comments,

“Persistent selfishness erodes our moral ability and willingness to share with others. Regardless of how creative, bright, or courageous we may be, our penchant for loving ourselves and favoring our own group or tribe threatens to overpower our capacity for benevolence. Only as we locate our personal security and meaning in the power and love of God, notes Gilkey from his Christian standpoint, can we overcome the sin of self-idolatry, which so often is clothed in religious garb” [*ibid.*].

How often we unwittingly garb ourselves in the sin of self-idolatry:

- When we presume that we are right and others are wrong;
- When we know we deserve what we have and more, while begrudging others however much or little they have;
- When we strut our importance before others;
- When we don’t question our own motives, but don’t hesitate to question the motives of others.

We are not good because we are *inherently* good; viewing that experience in the Japanese internment camp as a social-science laboratory, we can see what we would devolve to under pressure. No, a spirit of compassion and a willingness to share and even sacrifice for the sake of others are qualities we can exercise because:

- A) they are God’s gifts to us, and
- B) we are taught compassion and sacrifice by those who model it for us.

First, Jesus is our model. He models compassion in caring for those who can’t possibly benefit him in return. And Jesus models sacrifice in taking upon himself burdens that humanity has created and deserves.

With Jesus as our guide, we are able, in turn, to model compassion and sacrifice for our children, for our co-workers, for our neighbors, for total strangers.

Perhaps you saw this story in last week’s newspaper. Paul Hoynes reported on

Cleveland Indians pitcher Carlos Carrasco being named the winner of Major League Baseball’s 2019 Roberto Clemente Award. The esteemed prize recognizes a player “for the humanitarian work he’s done off the field and the player and teammate he is on it.” [*Cleveland Plain Dealer*, October 26, 2019, p.B1]

Hoynes notes that most professional baseball players have aspirations for success. But then, Hoynes notes,

“Somewhere along the line, most [professional baseball] players realize they have a good thing going and want to share it with others. [Carlos] Carrasco said his moment came in 2014 when he was visiting children at a Cleveland hospital. He had his daughter, Camila, with him.

“‘Everything started from there,’ Carrasco said Friday on a conference call. ‘We saw some kids with cancer (who were losing their hair). When I went back home, I saw my daughter with scissors and she cut her hair and she told me, ‘Just give it to the kids’ that she saw in the hospital. My wife was looking at me and we almost started crying in front of my daughter.’”

Little Camila knew compassion and sacrifice because she had seen it modeled in her life by the culture she lived in, most especially by her parents.

It’s just happy coincidence that our national observance of a Day of Thanksgiving occurs just weeks before our faith tradition’s observance of God’s Incarnation in the birth of Jesus of Nazareth. The two holidays are not related... but they could be.

We could see that “thanksgiving” is at the heart of what God has done for us in the Nativity of Jesus Christ: God was born among us to model how to live lives characterized by compassion and sacrifice.

Compassion and sacrifice.

That’s what we strive to learn for ourselves. That’s what we strive to model for others.

See you in church.

Jon



November Birthdays

November 1	Marion Good Bonnie Erickson Mike Shaver Kevin Watts Grace Ward Henry Ward Lee Sabolich
November 5	Lynn Stohr
November 6	Lisa Mach
November 8	Heidi Shaver
November 9	Jim Myers Chase Prudhoe
November 13	Joe Clark
November 14	Karen Jones
November 16	Marion McBride Austin Norris
November 20	Hannah Heierding
November 22	Sue Hustek
November 23	Jaimie Yezbak
November 24	Janice Brochhagen Chuck Hoffner Jonathan Sakai
November 26	Phil Schickel
November 27	Dick Frier Megan Thellman Josephine Sweet
November 28	Ruth Thurber
November 29	Audra Costello Matthew Esdon Michael Esdon
November 30	Mary Schulz Kamryn Wilson

Birthday Cards...

Since May we have been sending E-Birthday cards thru AmericanGreetings.com to those who have provided the Church with their email address. The subject line identifies the card as coming from RRPC...so please open and....

HAPPY BIRTHDAY 



We would like to thank our congregation for the prayers, cards, gifts, support and love you have shown to us during Nancy's time in the hospital and rehabilitation. We feel so blessed to have a church family like you.

In Christian love,
Nancy & Dave Clash

Artist Concert Series Presents Sunday, Nov. 3 at 3:00 p.m.

A&R Duo, piano duo

“Two Pianos, Two Young Artists, and One Must-See Collaboration in Concert”—that’s the description of Steinway Pianists



Arianna Korting and Robin Giesbrecht. They met at the Juilliard School as prodigious individual artists, but soon found themselves performing together to rousing ovations wherever two pianos were on stage, from concert halls in Europe to East Asia and throughout the U.S. Their combined brilliance and marvelous technique makes Arianna and Robin increasingly in demand worldwide.

Easier for you & RRPC

Can “ACH” make life a little simpler?

How many monthly payments do you make electronically?

Did you know you can add your monthly church offering to the list—you can save the time and trouble of writing your offering check every week or month, and you won’t have to wonder, “Did I remember to make that gift?”

Our Financial Secretary Dave Wolfe can assist you with setting up a monthly Electronic Fund Transfer (“EFT,” sometimes called an “ACH” for “automated clearing house”). An EFT gives the church’s bank permission to draw your pre-authorized amount from your account on a specific day each month.

It’s secure, easy and free:

- ⇒ Only one simple form to fill out at the church
- ⇒ No fees to pay
- ⇒ You can adjust or stop the EFT at any time just by calling the church.

Questions? Want to get started? Email or call our Financial Secretary Dave Wolfe at (440) 333-4888 or dwolfe@riverpres.org.

—Stewardship Committee

Pick one program, or all of them!

Usher at an Artist Concert Series program this year

The 2019-2020 season has been announced, plan now to volunteer as an usher at one of this year’s programs. All you need to do is arrive 30 minutes beforehand. Your duties include welcoming guests, handing them programs, directing them to restrooms or drinking fountains, and passing an offering plate at intermission.

To volunteer, contact ACS Artistic Director Nancy McGillicuddy at nmack@hotmail.com, or the Church Office.

“Outside the Box”

High School retreat just days away...

Our High School fellowship group will be going on retreat November 8-10 at Camp Aldersgate. We will be taking time to think about new and different ways to be with God and each other in the beauty of God’s creation. We’ll look at how important it is to set aside that time through study, games and a variety of activities. There will also be some time to enjoy the camp facilities. Transportation will be provided by our advisors. Cost is \$50 per person. Scholarships are available based on need. For more information and registration forms, see Lisa Watts. Forms are also available on the church website.

Looking ahead: our children’s Christmas Eve program

It has been a longstanding tradition at RRPC to have our children present their interpretation of the Christmas story during a Sunday morning during Advent. Last year, we decided to try something new, in an effort to be inclusive of all ages and those who have family and friends visiting from out of town. It was very well-received, so we are going to do it again! This year, at the 5:00 pm service on Christmas Eve, we will be presenting an intergenerational and interactive program. There is no practice for this program—just come to worship at 5:00 and help us tell the story! This is a family friendly service and all ages are welcome. If you have any questions, see Lisa Watts or any member of the Christian Education committee. More information to come in the December Pulse!



Sunday morning adult education class

For the month of November, our Sunday morning class will be led by Sara Gresh. Sara will be using the DVD curriculum “Saving Jesus,” put out by “Living the Questions. It is a small group exploration of a credible Jesus for the third millennium. Contributors to the series include Brian McLaren, Diana Butler Bass, John Dominic Crossan, and a host of others for conversation around the relevance of Jesus for today. Please consider joining us for spirited conversation! We meet in the West Room every Sunday from 9:00-10:00 am. Coffee and goodies provided!

Stay tuned for information about our December class, which will be led by Lee Lohr.

Wear your RRPC pride!

Purchase Rocky River Presbyterian “SPIRIT” apparel

Love supporting your favorite team by wearing a Cleveland Indians T-shirt, a Buckeye fleece jacket, or a hat with your local high school logo? Now you can show your pride in our “RRPC team” by purchasing “Spirit” apparel with our church’s name and logo. This is not a fundraiser—just a fun way to show the community your pride in our church.

We’re working with Hometown Threads and their representative, Jim Mayer (remember “Mayer Sporting Goods”?) to offer several



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custom embroidered apparel pieces in time for Christmas. You will be able to order fleece vests and jackets (youth and adult), oxford button-down shirts (mens and ladies), knit stocking hats, and zippered tote bags.

Orders will be taken before and after worship on **Nov. 10, 17 and Dec. 1**. You’ll see samples of the items, and info on prices, colors, sizes, etc. Payment is due at time of order (only cash, or checks to “RRPC”).

—Nancy Buettner, for the Evangelism & Membership Committee

for boys and girls finishing 6th thru 12th grades

Youth mission trip heads to Wisconsin June 2020

Kids: can you saw a board? Paint a ceiling? Repair a fence? Install a handrail? Cut down a tree? Hammer a nail?

You never know what kind of skills you’ll learn on our summer youth mission trip. Led by our pastor and another church chap-erone, you’ll travel to Sheboygan, Wisconsin (“the Bratwurst Capital of the World!”) from **Sun., June 21 until Sat., June 27**. You’ll stay in an air-conditioned facility (probably a public school or church). You’ll have hot showers and sleep on cool floors. You’ll enjoy yummy meals served cafeteria-style. Daily devotions. Recreation and free time. Make friends with kids from many kinds of churches from all over the USA.



Each day you’ll work with other kids to help elderly residents still living in their homes who are unable (physically or financially) to perform repairs and maintenance. You’ll do exterior painting, build porches and wheelchair ramps, and general work on the property. Group Mission Trips does a great job organizing these work camps; that’s why we’re working with them again.

Sign up your child now. The “list price” is \$475 but fundraising activities will bring that cost way down. A \$50 deposit holds a spot for your child.

—Christian Education & Mission Committees



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Semi-Circle

Semi-Circle will meet on **Monday, November 11th at 12:00 p.m.** at the Church. If you have questions you may contact Carolyn Watilo 440-799-4779 or Nancy McGillicuddy 440-724-1738. Newcomers are always welcome!

Priscilla Circle

Priscilla Circle will meet on **Thursday, November 17th at 7:00 p.m.** in the West Room. All are welcome! If you have any questions you may contact Gretchen Koch or Sara Gresh.

Expressions of Faith

Our group will meet **Tuesdays, November 12th and 26th** at 9:30 a.m. in Room D-3,4. We welcome anyone who knits or just enjoys a cup of coffee with friends. For more information contact Mary Murphy (440-785-8614).

Women of Grace

Are you looking for a chance to get together with other women for Bible study, fellowship, and mission? Then please join us, we will meet on **Tuesday, November 26th** at 7:00 p.m. in D-3,4. We will be deciding on a Bible study for this coming year. If you have any questions you may contact Lisa Watts.

An Invitation to Women of RRPC and Friends to read the book

“Strange Gods: Unmasking the Idols in Everyday Life” by Elizabeth Scalia

**Book Discussion will take place on
Saturday, November 16, 2019
at 10:00 a.m. in the West Room**

Coffee and Pastry will be provided.

The book can be purchased in retail stores and through Amazon or Better World Books. The Clevenet library site lists copies available. Participants are responsible for obtaining their own copy.

All are welcome to help **“Hugme Doll” offers more hands-on mission**



Join us for a time of fellowship at the Hugme Doll Workshop. The dolls that we make will be offered locally to organizations where children are assisted after suffering a traumatic event. Organizations we are considering are Laura’s House, The Gathering Place, Rocky River EMS and Police.

The Hugme Doll Workshop participants will be tracing & cutting the pattern pieces. Two basic sewing machines and thread will be available & experienced sewers will sew the doll pattern pieces as well as assist people who want to learn how to sew. Helpful item to bring: good condition fabric cutting scissors.

You and your friends are welcomed at any or all of these upcoming dates:

Saturday, November 23, 2019 from 9am - 12pm
Saturday, December 14, 2019 from 9am - 12pm
Sunday, December 15, 2019 from 12pm - 2pm

Questions? Contact Ellen Schickel
Email - peschickel@hotmail.com
Phone - 440-724-7056

How does the church know someone’s hospitalized? YOU tell us.

Due to privacy laws regarding medical information, the church is not notified when someone is having surgery, is hospitalized or faces some other crisis. Please share joys, concerns and sorrows by telling the pastor or by calling or messaging the church office.



**Daylight Saving Time
ends on Sunday Nov. 3**

Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 3, at 2:00 A.M. At this time, we “fall back” in the fall by setting clocks back one hour. So enjoy that extra hour of sleep!



NOVEMBER 2019 LIBRARY LINGO

Mary Schulz, Librarian

DISPLAYS:

Thanksgiving books

New books



NEW ITEMS FOR CHILDREN:

Board Book:

God Made the World

A touch, feel, and see board book

BOARD BIC

Because I Like You: a Little Angels Board Book

Little ones will love the adorable angels in this charming board book with a little lesson.

BOARD PAR

Picture Book Fiction:

Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge

This is the story of a little boy who lives next door to an "old people's home." He is friends with all of the residents, but his favorite is Miss Nancy Alison Delacourt Cooper. One day he hears his parents talking about how Miss Nancy has lost her memory, and he wants to help her find it.

E FOX

I Can Be Happy because God Blesses Me (featuring the Beatitudes)

Introduce your child to some of the best-loved passages in the Bible, featuring the NLT version. This book gently presents the message of the Beatitudes using familiar childhood experiences.

E MAC

Flavia and the Dream Maker

This is the true story of the author's childhood and her awakening to the beauty of living. It is the story of her real-life Dream Maker, her Uncle Jack, and how through his belief in her, she came to believe in herself.

E WEE

Chapter Book Fiction:

Eagle Song

After he moves to Brooklyn from a reservation and has trouble fitting in at school, Danny, a fourth grader, learns about the importance of peace.

jFIC BRU

Young Elementary Nonfiction (yellow dot):

My First Prayers

Prayers, (some well-known, and others not as familiar) are presented with beautiful old-fashioned style illustrations

j242.82

The words of this timeless verse, drawn from the wisdom of Ecclesiastes and made famous in popular song, remind us that there is a time for everything....

To Everything

...with exuberant paper collage illustrations and an afterword to inspire ideas and activities for readers of all ages

j223.8 TOE

To Everything There Is a Season

...with beautiful illustrations by internationally acclaimed artists Leo and Diane Dillon

j223.8 TOE

HAPPY READING AND VIEWING!!

(All descriptions have been taken from book jacket, title page verso, or review article)

Healthy Happenings

... Notes from the Parish Nurse

Dear Friends and Family,

For many people, winter is full of family, friends and food. However, winter weather may make it more complicated to get out of the house, especially when you're the one driving. Snow, ice, sleet and cold temperatures create new challenges for senior drivers. Seniors who rely on their own vehicle for transportation should be aware that driving in winter weather requires additional safety measures and extra care. Because driving abilities change with age, senior drivers should be prepared to take some extra precautions to help them to drive safely in harsh weather conditions.

1. Winterize your vehicle

Give your vehicle a little extra care during the winter months. Make sure that your brakes, headlights and windshield wipers are working properly. Also, check on the antifreeze levels, oil levels and tires. It is important, especially for seniors, that the heater and defroster are fully functioning as seniors are more susceptible to the frigid winter temperatures.

2. Always have a full tank of gas

There is nothing worse than running out of gas when it's freezing and snowing outside. Keep your gas tank full during the winter months to avoid harmful condensation forming inside your gas tank and freezing in the fuel line. It may be pricey to keep your tank full, but it is less expensive than towing and repairs to frozen fuel lines.

3. Avoid rush hour and back roads

During heavy traffic periods, there are more people on the road and higher chances for traffic accidents. If you must go out during rush hour, be aware of black ice and traffic jams. If the roads are bad, avoid using back roads and shortcuts. Because there are fewer cars on the road, they are less likely to be plowed or salted and may be more dangerous than well-traveled roads.

4. Travel with a companion

Travel companions can be great during the winter months. Not only do they keep you awake and aware, but they can also help you to navigate the slippery roads and get through heavy traffic. If you don't have someone to travel with in bad winter weather, make sure that someone knows where you're going and that you have a cell phone with you in case of an emergency.

5. Prepare for an emergency

If you're traveling during the winter months, especially for an extended period, it is helpful to be over-prepared. Put together an emergency kit to store in the trunk of your car, including but not limited to:

- A blanket
- Food and water
- A flashlight with extra batteries
- A first-aid kit
- Jumper cables
- An ice scraper
- Sand, salt or non-clumping kitty litter to provide extra tire traction

Extra clothing, boots and gloves

This winter take your time driving when the roads are snowy and slick. If you don't feel comfortable driving in the winter weather don't hesitate to ask for help. Winter weather can be challenging for senior drivers, but if you plan accordingly and are aware of the dangerous conditions, you can arrive safely at your destination.

Catherine A. Patton RN, BSN
440-333-4888 ext: 105
Parishnurse@riverpres.org

Source: First Light Home Care



RRPC Member Spotlight

Each month our church randomly puts the spotlight on two members whose birthdays occur during that month. You can see the two of them in the box-frames on the church lobby wall.. Please make a point of greeting these people and wishing them a happy birthday!



Lisa Mach



1. Profession
Veterinarian, Attorney

2. Hobbies / Interests
Animals, nature, Indigenous and Traditional Cultures, Civil Rights, photographs, religious studies, family travel/tent camping (and obviously, medicine/science and law)

3. Favorite trip you've taken, or where you'd like to go?

Wyoming! I love almost everything about it (Western South Dakota squeaks in for the plains just west of the Missouri River, the Badlands, and its portion of the Black Hills). Upper Michigan is also great - we tend to go out to Wyoming via Michigan, so we get it all!

4. Why do you worship here at RRPC?

I ended up at RRPC when I was 16 and never left! I was raised Presbyterian (my dad is a retired Presbyterian minister, I was baptized by my maternal Granpa who was a Pres. minister, and some of my uncles are/were Pres. ministers), and always liked this denomination's open-mindedness and inclusive nature and humility (God may choose to speak through us, but we can't speak for God). I stay with this church because of the people - very genuine and caring, a true "church family."



Jon Sakai

1. Profession
Engineer, working on medical devices

2. Hobbies / Interests
Being with my family, playing guitar, rock climbing, travel (like a recent trip with Helen and Ben to Poston, AZ, where my family was imprisoned during WWII).



3. Favorite trip you've taken, or where you'd like to go?

Spain with Allie for our honeymoon

4. Why do you worship here at RRPC?

It is a really positive community for our kids to grow up in.



Christmas Gifts to Your Church: Flowers... In His Name... Endowment

At Christmas time, we like to make a special gift in honor or memory of loved ones. Rocky River Presbyterian Church (RRPC) offers three ways to remember someone special. We print these remembrances in the Christmas Sunday bulletin.

The deadline for Christmas contributions is Dec. 17, 2019.

1) *Holiday Flower Fund* - Contributions to the *Holiday Flower* Fund provide plants for our sanctuary (suggested minimum donation \$10 for a plant). The RRPC Deacons' sanctuary decorating group purchases adequate plants for a tasteful display. Following the last

Christmas Eve service we encourage donors to pick out a plant (there will be plants of varying sizes and styles) suitable for giving to someone who is sick, shut-in or needing a lift in spirit! (Added bonus: *Flower Fund* money remaining, after buying Christmas flowers, is used for sanctuary flowers on Sundays without flower donations!)

2) *In His Name (IHN) Fund* - This is a discretionary fund used by the pastor to address appeals for emergency assistance, special mission support and other unmet needs within or outside of our congregation. Donations to the *IHN* Fund may be in any amount.

3) *RRPC General Endowment Fund* - This fund is an *abiding endowment* which is never decreased. All contributions add to the fund and generate increased interest income for the church. Donations to the *RRPC General Endowment* Fund may be in any amount.

Holiday Flower Fund, In His Name and RRPC General Endowment Funds

(Contributors to the RRPC *Holiday Flower* Fund may select a plant after the last Christmas Eve service.)

Name _____ Phone _____

Include payment with form. Designate: *Holiday Flower*, *In His Name* or *RRPC General Endowment* Fund in your check's memo area.

Fund	\$ Amount	Exact wording for bulletin (In honor/memory/celebration of...etc)
<i>Flower Fund</i>		
<i>In His Name</i>		
<i>RRPC General Endowment</i>		

FREE DINNER
for **EVERYONE**




Thur. Nov. 21 5-6 p.m.



Menu: *Homemade Beef Barley Soup, Salad, Rolls & Butter, Dessert*

Fellowship Hall

November 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						
3 Communion / Food Sunday 10:30 a.m. Worship /Nursery 11:30 a.m. Time of Fellowship 11:35 a.m. Youth/Childrens Choir 11:35 a.m. Mission Committee 3:00 p.m. ACS Presents in concert "A&R Piano Duo" 7:00 p.m. High School/Middle School Fellowship	4 5:45 p.m. Election Set-up 7:00 p.m. CE Committee 7:00 p.m. Women's AA Mtg.	5 Election Day  6:30 a.m. ~ 7:30 p.m. Polls Open 8:30 a.m. Three Arts Club of Lakewood Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee	6 9:15 a.m. Mommy & Me 10:00 a.m. Church Staff 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 7:30 p.m. Men's AA Mtg.	7 8:30 a.m. Senior Men's Bible Study & Breakfast	8 7:00 a.m. Friday morning Men's Group (RR Starbuck's) 5:00 p.m. Senior High Fellowship Retreat departs	9 7:00 p.m. Altered Attitudes AA
10 10:30 a.m. Worship /Nursery 11:30 a.m. Time of Fellowship 11:35 a.m. Youth/Childrens Choir 11:35 a.m. E & M Committee 12:00 p.m. Senior Retreat returns	11 12:00 p.m. PW Semi-Circle 6:00 p.m. Girl Scout Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Deacons Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Women's AA Mtg.	12 9:30 a.m. Expressions of Faith 9:30 a.m. RRP Committee Mtg. 4:30 p.m. HR Committee Mtg. 5:30 p.m. Preschool Open House 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee 7:30 p.m. Alanon/Alateen Mtg.	13 9:15 a.m. Mommy & Me 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 7:30 p.m. Men's AA Mtg.	14 8:30 a.m. Senior Men's Bible Study & Breakfast	15 7:00 a.m. Friday morning Men's Group (RR Starbuck's)	16 10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Women Book Discussion 7:00 p.m. Altered Attitudes AA
17 10:30 a.m. Worship /Nursery 11:35 a.m. Time of Fellowship / RRP Butter Braids Sale 11:35 a.m. Youth/Childrens Choir 7:00 p.m. High School / Middle School Fellowship	18 7:00 p.m. Women's AA Mtg. 7:30 p.m. Session Mtg.	19 7:30 p.m. Alanon/Alateen Mtg.	20 9:15 a.m. Mommy & Me 10:00 a.m. Church Staff 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 7:30 p.m. Men's AA Mtg.	21 11:30 a.m. RRP Staff Mtg. 5:00 p.m. Community Meal 7:00 p.m. Priscilla Circle	22 7:00 a.m. Friday morning Men's Group (RR Starbuck's)	23 9:00 a.m. PW "Hug Me" Doll Project 7:00 p.m. Altered Attitudes AA
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