

**MARCH  
2018**

**ROSEDALE GARDENS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
*“By the loving grace of Jesus Christ working in us, we are a people who practice welcoming relationships and caring service, to the glory of God.”*



# The Epistle

**Here's what's  
happening!**

## **TAIZÉ WORSHIP SERVICE**

March 18th is Taizé Worship Service in the Chapel at 7:00 p.m. with Sandy Main-Neimisto as the accompanist to the pastors. A Taizé Service is a quiet, meditative candlelight service that features simple hymns sung repeatedly, scripture reading, a period of silent meditation, prayers of intercession and communion. The Taizé style of service is a wonderful way to become more peaceful and connected to God. Please join us on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel!

## **ADULT WORK WEEKEND**

Have you ever roofed a house, built a deck or staircase, done plumbing, installed doors or windows, or painted a house? If not, that's OK. Have you ever cleaned a fire pit, washed windows, swept walkways, planted flowers, spread mulch or painted trim. You haven't? That's alright too. You do not need to have any of these skills in order to join others from Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church on the Adult Work Weekend. Do you enjoy laughing and working with others, learning more about yourself and your capabilities, strengthening your faith and doing God's work in helping others? Do you like to make new friends and renew old friendships? You are who we are looking for. Some assume that you have to be highly skilled to go on the Adult Work Weekend. Not so! There is something for everyone to do. If your wish is to become more skilled, we can teach you. If your answer to any of the questions above was "Yes", "What are you waiting for?" Please consider joining us May 17 - 20 at Camp Henry in Newaygo, Michigan for the 14th RGPC Adult Work Weekend. Cost of the trip is \$125 and scholarships are available. **An informational meeting will be held on March 18 at 11:45 in the chapel.**

## **2018 WOMEN'S RETREAT**

Ladies! Please consider joining your fellow Sisters in Christ for a relaxing, restful and rejuvenating weekend at Camp Howell April 20- 22. This will be a wonderful opportunity to spend some time with God while also spending time in fellowship with one another. We will be staying at Knoll Lodge on the lake - and every room has its own bathroom! The price for the whole weekend is \$85 and partial scholarships are available. If you care to come up for just the day on Saturday, the cost will be \$10. Space is limited so please register soon! Registration forms can be found on the counter in the church office or you may contact Kate Mackie at 734-422-0949 ext. 112 or [kmackie@rosedalegardens.org](mailto:kmackie@rosedalegardens.org) with questions or Non-Rosedale members WELCOME, as well!

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS!**

- 1 Carolyn Bieganski, Rachel Bohlman, Ingrid Kord-Kroeger, Barbara Manning
- 3 Kim Lubig, Kristen Meade, Riley Squire
- 4 Barbara Major, Chuck Will
- 5 Dorothy Burke, Kristi Kruppa, Erin Uhelski, Sue Witte
- 9 Ken Kenyon, Becky Rowan, Jamie Williamson
- 10 Pinky Folsom, Brooke Killingbeck, Julie Seiter
- 11 Millie Everson, Jessica Rosati, Adam Stage
- 12 Cherie Lessig, Sally Roach
- 13 Linda Beney, Catherine White
- 14 Amy Bennett, Matt Bohlman
- 15 Nancy Bowlby
- 16 Mike Olson
- 17 Alison Sather
- 18 Scott Thompson
- 20 Sofia Flamenco, Olivia Kooienga
- 21 Alec Olson, Andrew Pearson
- 22 Rosie Eickhoff, June Wilson
- 23 Andrea Hirtzel, Mel Kolinski
- 24 Oliver Hewson
- 27 Madison Hewson, Bill Jacobs
- 28 Joel Smith
- 29 Jim Canham
- 30 Nancy Swindell, Cathy White
- 31 Roman Hughes, James Kinville, Brendan Oke, Dan Williams

**CHAPEL FRIDAYS**

Every Friday the Chapel is open from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Join Pastor Kellie and Joyce Backus for a 15 minute prayer and communion service in the Chapel from 12:15-12:30 p.m. in the front pews. Before or after this service feel free to sit and pray, read your own devotional or select one from a table of others provided for you. Feel a sense of Christ's peace, enjoy music recorded by Sandy Main-Niemisto, and if you desire Pastor Kellie and Joyce are also available to pray with you.

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**MARCH CALENDAR**

- 3 Volunteer Village Group Arrives
- 4 New Members' Class
- 10 Blood Drive
- 11 All Church Brunch/New Members Brunch with Session
- 18 Communion/New Members Received/Adult Work Weekend Mtg/Senior High Mission Trip Meeting/Taizé
- 20 All 3 Pub Theologies Meet
- 21 Session
- 24 Deacon Food Delivery
- 25 Palm Sunday/One Great Hour of Sharing
- 29 Maundy Thursday Service at St. Paul's Presbyterian
- 30 Good Friday Service at St. Timothy's Presbyterian

**MARCH 2018 PRAYER FAMILIES**

- 4 Blank, Casey, Maier, Shelide
- 11 Butkovich, Eickhoff, McLain/Schultz, Trisch
- 18 Bingham, Chryczyk/Burkitt, Comben, Turner
- 25 Bowes, Carse, Parent, (Vicky) Smith

**MEMBERS IN NEED OF PRAYERS:**

Marty Blank, Veronica Blank, Megan Barker, Judy Culler, Nancy Fife, Beverly Forsyth, Nicole Keppler, Andrea Meade, Helen Thomas, Chuck Stefanson

**CHRIS TOMLIN IN CONCERT!**

Christian Music Artist Chris Tomlin will be performing at DTE Music Theater on Thursday, May 10th. If you are interested in a night of worshiping with others from RGPC, please purchase your own tickets and let Kate or Kellie know you are going. See you on the Lawn!

Are you celebrating a birthday this month? Please prayerfully consider supporting our Endowment Fund by giving one dollar for each year of your age as a celebration of your life and "giving back" for the blessing of life. Happy Birthday from your Endowment Committee!

## MARCH ENDOWMENT FAMILIES

- 4 Barry and Linda Blumel  
 11 Laurie Carse  
 18 April Falardean  
 25 Ron and Betsy Hughes

## LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU .....

Loving and caring for one another is not just the pastor's job – it is something Jesus calls us all to do! Our *Stephen Ministers* are ready to provide focused, confidential, one-to-one Christian care. If you or someone you know is going through a difficult time, please contact one of our Stephen Leaders – Pastor Kellie, Kate Mackie, or June de Lorme to discuss how a Stephen Minister might be able to help.

## 9:00 A.M. BIBLE STUDY

Join us in Youth Hall for study, prayer, fellowship and refreshments.

- Mar. 4: Sharing Our Faith Stories – Barry Blumel  
 Mar. 11: RGPC #BibleIn1year: This Week's Scripture – Kellie  
 Mar. 18: Bill Dunphy - New Drama from His Second Book  
 Mar. 25: Laying Out the Palm Sunday Red Carpet for Jesus – Kellie

## ELECTRONIC GIVING TO RGPC

Simply text rgpc to 77977 and you'll be sent a message to access our Pushpay page where you can use your bank account, debit card or credit card to securely give to Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church. You can make a one-time gift or set up recurring gifts. If you prefer to use your computer, visit [www.pushpay.com/pay/rosedalegardens](http://www.pushpay.com/pay/rosedalegardens) where you can use the same options to give to RGPC. The Pushpay app is also available free from the Apple and Google stores.

## PUB THEOLOGY

We would love to have you join us! Contact the group leader if you plan on attending our next Pub Theology night." Come to Ashley's on the **3rd** Tuesday of the month **from 7-8:30pm and join Jason Elstone** for Pub Theology! The address is 525 North Wayne Road, Westland. Come to Cowley's & Sons on the **4th** Tuesday of the month **from 7-8:30 p.m. and join Kate Mackie** for Pub Theology! The address is 33338 Grand River Avenue, Farmington. Come to Black Label Tavern on the **4th** Tuesday of the month **from 7-8:30pm and join Pastor Kellie Whitlock** for Pub Theology! The address is 34110 Plymouth Rd. Livonia. **PLEASE NOTE: IN MARCH ALL THREE GROUPS WILL MEET ON MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>.**

## BLOOD DRIVE

The Red Cross will be holding a blood drive at RGPC on Saturday, March 10, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Currently, the need is great as supplies are low. All donations will be used for patients in the Metro Detroit area. Every unit collected has the potential to save 3 lives. Please consider making a life-saving donation at the March blood drive. Sign-up on the table outside of the Chapel or call Melanie DeBeaudry. Thank you for your consideration of this important mission.

## REGULAR SCHEDULE

### Worship

There are many opportunities for worship!  
On Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. please join us for worship in the Sanctuary with Sunday School running concurrently for pre K-12. On Fridays the Chapel is open from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. with a 15 minute prayer and communion service from 12:15-12:30. Our Taize service is at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

### Bible Study

Join us Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in Youth Hall for study, prayer, fellowship and refreshments.

### Boy Scouts

Meetings held every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. downstairs in Youth Hall.

### Alcoholic Anonymous

Meetings held every Tuesday and Thursday at 8:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

## OUR STAFF

Kellie A. Whitlock - Pastor

Bob Seymour - Director of Congregational Care

Kate Mackie - Youth Ministries/Ministerial Assist.

Lisa Adams - Director of Children's and Family Ministries

Pam Gunderson - Director of Adult Bells

Sandra Main-Niemisto - Organist/Accompanist

Steven H. Olsen - Director of Music

Laura Ulaszek - Director of Communication and Technology

Kim Lubig and Babs Pearson - Office Staff

Dakaria Duncan - Custodian

Dan Samland - Building Maintenance

Tyler Pacific and Shaniah Stiller - Nursery

Katy Davis - Director of Children and Youth Bells

Gretchen Hocking - Kitchen Coordinator

Leslie Selden - Wedding Coordinator

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