

**AUGUST  
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!**

**WORSHIP IN THE PARK!**

On Sunday, August 19th, we will be worshipping and celebrating the Lord's Day with our friends from St. Paul's, St. Timothy's and Hope Presbyterian Churches. Worship will be held across the street of West Chicago in Mies Park and will begin promptly at 10:30 a.m. Following worship we invite you to stay for a picnic as well as games for all ages. Food and drinks have been lovingly planned for, and will be provided by, the fellowship committees of all four churches. Please bring your own lawn chair for worship!

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

Monday, August 13 from 1:00 - 7:00 p.m. Sign up outside the Chapel or contact Melanie DeBeaudry at (313) 408-2484. Walk ins welcome!

**GEORGE VALRANCE/JOHN HIRTZEL  
MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING**

Fellows Creek Golf Club, Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, \$50.00 entry fee, 9 holes of golf with cart (shot gun start), buffet dinner, prizes. Fee includes \$5.00 contribution to Memorial Fund, dine only option \$25.00 (includes \$2.50 contribution to Memorial Fund). Open to ALL—men, women, teenagers. Sign up NOW!! The sign-up sheet is on bulletin board near church office.

**9:00 A.M. BIBLE STUDY**

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

- Aug 5:           Sharing Our Faith Stories - Dave Kulisz, Laura Ulaszek's father
- Aug 12:          Stressed Out! - Pastor Kellie Whitlock
- Aug 19:          No 9:00 a.m. - Outside Worship in the Park at 10:00 a.m.
- Aug 26:          Symbols of the Church - Pastor Kellie Whitlock
- Sept 2           No 9:00 a.m. - Labor Day

**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Eleanora Avis  
 3 Liam Avis, John Mazeppa, Ella Vasko  
 5 Meta Bateson, Janine Uhelski  
 6 Andrea Meade  
 7 Cody Uller  
 8 Alex McIntyre, Brad Squire  
 10 Lee Ann Dye, Tom Patterson  
 11 Chris Flaherty, Sawyer Roos  
 12 Harper Belsky  
 13 Cory Beadle, Syndey Fitch, Susannah Kennedy, Corrine Supplee  
 14 Cary Ormond, John Sedestrom  
 15 Kathy Clark, Paula Joyner-Clinard  
 18 Joseph Brake, Melanie DeBeaudry, Chris Harrison  
 19 Brian Walrad  
 20 David Clark, Amy LeFevre  
 21 Bethe Warrick, Drew Warrick  
 22 Dean Lande  
 23 Sheila Beney, James Casey  
 24 Don Calhoun, Paula Clark, Dale Frey, Bobbi Savino  
 25 Becky Benton  
 26 Josh Sowerby  
 27 Zachary Bennett, Jason King, Marlene McGee  
 28 Tim Baden  
 29 Jason Bowes, Jackie Heppner, Fran Kesler, Cole Witte  
 30 Logan Belsky, Scott Benton, Katherine Brake, Ken Stempien  
 31 Diane Frey

**MEMBERS IN NEED OF PRAYERS:**

Megan Barker, Abby Bennett, Linda Blumel, Tony and Minnie Ramirez, Donna Robb, Doris Sands, Debbie Sanderson, Jim Sears, Nancy Swindell

**PUB THEOLOGY**

Pub Theology will resume meeting on September 18th at 7:00 p.m. See next month's Epistle for more information!

**UPCOMING CALENDAR****AUGUST**

- 1 VBS Family Night  
 5 VBS Sunday  
 13 Blood Drive  
 19 Outdoor Worship

**SEPTEMBER**

- 2 Family Worship - No 9:00 A.M.  
 3 Office Closed  
 9 Rally Day/Church Brunch/New Members  
 19 Session  
 23 New Members Lunch with Session  
 30 Baptism/New Members Received

**AUGUST 2018 PRAYER FAMILIES**

- 5 Allen, Backus, Jones, Polancih, Trupiano  
 12 Banks, Dunphy, Lumley, Yopek  
 19 Folsom, Hertenstein, Olson, Ward  
 26 Ebarb, Major, Pearson, Uhelski

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**Pastor Kellie is now on Twitter! Follow her @RevKellieRgpC**

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Have you downloaded the RGPC **APP**? You can find it in your app store by searching Rosedale Gardens Church. Audio sermons, calendar, prayer requests and more! Free to download.

**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.

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!

### AUGUST ENDOWMENT FAMILIES

5 Lori Oke  
12 Brad and Marnie Squire  
19 C and Kathy Benton  
26 Beverly Hertenstein

**OUR STEPHEN MINISTERS** are ready to provide focused, confidential, one-to-one Christian care. We can help those who are hurting experience the healing power of Christ's love. If you or someone you know is going thru a difficult time, please contact one of our Stephen Leaders – Pastor Kellie, Pastor Kate, or Bob Seymour – to discuss how a Stephen Minister might be able to help.

### 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.

### RGPC KID'S PRAYER CLUB!

Children ages 3 – 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join the RGPC KID'S PRAYER CLUB! Our club will meet Sunday mornings in Room 200 (upstairs). Beginning June 17th, after the Lord's Prayer, children will leave the sanctuary for an opportunity through fun, hands-on activities to discover the many aspects of prayer.

*Thank You!*

With your continuing support of the Military Coupon Project, we have sent 5 stuffed packages overseas since the end of April! Again, thank you so much - keep up the good work.

*Sue Trisch*

To My Church Family,

Thank you for the flowers, cards, calls and many prayers during my recent illness. I am sure they were instrumental in my recovery. Our Church Family can always be counted on to respond when needed most.

*Joan Patterson*

THANK YOU!!! Robin and Joe Roos, Robert Plue, Jim Kuykendall, Joan Tryon and Beth Carlson! Our Sunday school classrooms look amazing! Thank you for sharing your time to help paint. Your kindness is a wonderful blessing.

*Lisa Adams*

Thank you to all who donated items for our Shipwrecked – Jesus Rescues VBS program! Your support is greatly appreciated! You have been a "Lifesaver!"

### BIRTHS

Toryn Scott Weber, born July 6  
9 lbs. 2 oz., and is 21 1/2" long  
Parents are Jeff and Liz Weber  
Grandfather is Ed Weber

Kinsley Jade, born July 26, 2018  
parents are Jim and Laura Grenan  
grandparents are Joyce and Don Gunderson

### DEATHS

David DiBiase  
July 20, 2018

## NEWS FROM CHURCH AND SOCIETY

Join us this Fall for a wonderful local based mission opportunity. Rosedale will be participating in the "Life Remodeled 2018 Six-Day Project" this year. To see what it is all about please visit <http://liferemodeled.com> and watch the video. Please plan on joining us for a 1/2 day, whole day, a few days or all week. The project runs October 1 - 6, 2018. We will have a RGPC online sign up later this summer. If you have ever been a part of a Youth Group Mission Trip, Young Adult Mission Trip, RGPC Work Weekend, Disaster Assistance Trip or any of the other RGPC mission opportunities please consider serving those in need again. Never had the pleasure of one of these? Please prayerfully consider this as a new opportunity to serve with your friends from RGPC. Questions? Contact Joe Roos - [jroos@twmi.rr.com](mailto:jroos@twmi.rr.com)

## EXERCISE CLASSES

Exercise classes are held at Rosedale on Wednesdays at both 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. and Saturday mornings at 10:00 a.m. If you have an exercise mat, dumbbells or bands bring them, along with water. Classes are \$5 per person. Questions? contact Dave Laycock at 734-765-5595 or email at [delaycock@yahoo.com](mailto:delaycock@yahoo.com)

## DID YOU KNOW?

It seems so long ago (a cold snowy morning in March) that Church & Society had the pleasure to introduce our congregation to Sr. Magdalena during March into Missions. Sister is one of the directors at St. Christine's Christian Services in the Brightmoor neighborhood of Detroit. Her presentation about St. Christine's Mission and the people they serve was a humble reminder to us all that very poor people whose need is great, live just a few short miles from our comfy homes in the RGPC area.

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St. Christine's serves the people of Brightmoor in a variety of ways, especially through their Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry. Here's a brief description:

Food Pantry - 22303 5 Mile St. Detroit MI 48223  
- (313-543-1527)

St. Christine's Food Pantry supplies weekly supplemental grocery bags on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Annually, about 6000 supplemental bags of groceries are distributed.

Soup Kitchen-22261 5 Mile St. Detroit MI 48223  
- (313-255-0312)

St. Christine's Soup Kitchen provides hot, nutritious meals on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Annually, an average of 22,000 meals for children, women and men from the surrounding neighborhood are served.

Did you know the Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry operate entirely from donations? Now that the summer weather is here and our backyard gardens are overflowing with abundance, here is a gentle reminder that you can donate any produce you grow to St. Christine's. St. Christine's will accept fresh and unexpired food that you donate and use it to supply their grocery bag program and for meals at the soup kitchen.

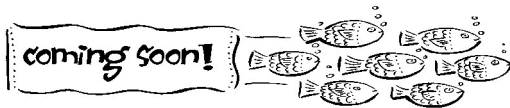
Here is the contact information for St. Christine's:  
St. Christine's Office (313) 535-7272  
Soup Kitchen (313) 255-0312  
Food Pantry (313) 543-1527

You are welcome to drop off food directly at St. Christine's (any day but Tuesday or Saturday). You can also call them and arrange a drop off time. In addition, they are always looking for a helping hand to make or serve food or pack grocery bags. Call if you are interested in helping with that as well.

Did you know that you can donate the extra food from your backyard garden to St. Christine's Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen? Now you do! God Bless You!

## ATTENTION KIDS AND KIDS AT HEART

Have you heard of Flat Stanley? Well at RGPC, we have Vacation Jesus! Vacation Jesus is a way for your family to bring your faith to life this summer as you vacation places near and far. We want our RGPC kids to remember that Jesus is always with us! Print out your very own Vacation Jesus from our website under the children and youth tab on the children's Sunday school page. There are also copies available in the office. Color and cut Him out to take with you on your travels. Snap a picture and include Vacation Jesus! Send your pictures to Laura (LULaszek@rosedalegardens.org) and she'll post on RGPC's Facebook and Instagram pages.



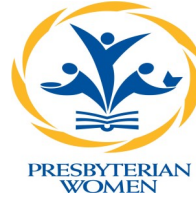
**NEW**

### MEMBERS' CLASS

Our next New Members' Class will be held Sunday, September 9 from 11:45 - 2:45 in Room 203 (Library). Lunch is included but child care is not. New members will have lunch with the members of Session on Sunday, September 23 and be presented to the congregation on Sunday, September 30 at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Sign up in the church office or call the office at 422-0494.

### MILITARY COUPON PROJECT

Please continue to save the coupons from the P&G, Smart Source and Red Plum flyers for our Military Coupon Project. These coupons are sent to our overseas military families with a three month extension on the expiration date. The coupon box is out on the table between the mail boxes in the hall across from the church office. Thank you for your continued support. Sue Trisch



## NEWS FROM PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Two Verna Brown Scholarships were given to daughters of this congregation. Jaclyn Culler graduated from Wayne State with a Juris Doctor Degree and is taking a class through Barbri to prepare for her bar exam. Christina Walrad is a graduate student who will continue to enroll in seminary courses through her work with CRU. We are pleased we could assist Jaclyn and Christina in achieving their professional goals.

The Presbyterian Women received a letter from Church World Service for our donation to the Blankets program, which reads in part

*We are deeply grateful for your support. Because of your compassion,*

*Families who have lost their homes to ornadoes, floods, earthquakes and other disasters are getting help with blankets, emergency food and shelter - and with rebuilding their lives and livelihoods.*

*People struggling against crushing poverty and harsh climates are learning sustainable farming practices that will help them keep food on the table - and take to market.*

*Vulnerable children have access to clean, safe water and the nutritional food essential to growth, development, and life itself.*

*On behalf of all the people who feel more hopeful and less alone because of your generosity, we thank you."*

### ATTENTION COLLEGE STUDENTS!

Elizabeth Circle would like to stay in touch with you throughout the school year - please email your college address to office@rosedalegardens.org. If you're a student living at home to attend college locally, we'd love your address too!

## 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.

### 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 - Commissioned Pastor and Director of Youth Ministries  
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 Chancel Choir  
Laura Ulaszek - Director of Communication and Technology  
Kim Lubig and Babs Pearson - Office Staff  
Jarrett Kinville - Weekend Asst. Janitorial Custodian  
Sandy Powers - Church Caretaker  
Dan Samland - Building Maintenance  
Shaniah Siller - Nursery Coordinator  
Andrea Saksa - Summer Nursery  
Katy Davis - Director of Children and Youth Bells  
Gretchen Hocking - Kitchen Coordinator  
Leslie Selden - Wedding Coordinator

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