

**JULY
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!**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Come sail away on a SHIPWRECKED VBS ADVENTURE
and TOGETHER we will learn that JESUS RESCUES
July 30 – August 2, 2018
Children Age 3 (potty trained) – (entering) 5th Grade

Register Now - Forms in the Church Office and Online at
<https://www.rosedalegardens.org>
Registration Fee: \$10.00/child (Includes a Sing and Play Music CD)

Wednesday August 1 is our annual **VBS Family Night** - Dinner, Games, Crafts, Bouncy House, Singing and Dancing are planned for this exciting family event.

9:00 A.M. BIBLE STUDY

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

*This summer we will be exploring the Gospel of John
and how it speaks to us today!*

- July 8: The Farewell Discourse in John's Gospel - Bob Seymour
- July 15: The Gospel of John & Eternal Life - Pastor Kellie Whitlock
- July 22: Sharing Our Faith Stories - Kerri Eby, friend of Lisa Adams
- July 29: Symbols of the Church - Pastor Kate Mackie
- August 5: Sharing Our Faith Stories - Dave Kulisz, Laura Ulaszek's father
- August 12: Symbols of the Church - Pastor Kellie Whitlock
- August 19: No 9:00 a.m. - Outside Worship in the Park at 10:00 a.m.
- August 26: Stressed Out! - Pastor Kellie Whitlock

GEORGE VALRANCE/JOHN HIRTZEL MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

Fellows Creek Golf Club, Sunday, August 26th, \$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.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Joan Patterson
 2 Lisa Adams, Monica Conrad
 3 Amanda Olson
 4 Michael Deming
 5 Evelyn Sowerby, Dennis Witte
 6 Paul Lumley, McKenna Shelide
 7 Melissa Butkovich, Kelsey Futrell,
 John Webb
 8 Lois Cummings, Christian Martin
 9 Amber Killingbeck, Jarrett Kinville,
 Sophia Olson, Amy Smith, Ed Weber
 11 Rachele Goodbred, Melissa Kaminski,
 Dylan Pierson
 12 Bud Huysken, Vicky Smith
 13 Maggie Benton, Micki Huysken,
 Nicole Marzolf, Elden Plue
 14 Dax Roos, Larry White
 15 Judy Tomey
 16 Sharon Kruppa, Noah Shaver
 17 Stephanie Cleland
 19 Beverly Forsyth, Jim Sears
 20 Kim Kosinski
 21 Julie Beadle, David Pierson
 23 Sean Olson
 24 Kara Herrick
 25 Elaine Davis, Margot McCormack,
 Donna McIntyre
 26 Jack Backus, Robert Brown, Kimberly
 Chryczyk-Burkitt
 27 Barry Blumel, Bob Campbell, Doug Cole,
 Myra Ebard, Bernie Malburg
 28 David Conrad, Lillian Forest, Harper
 Wilson
 29 Kathy Bell, David DiBiase, Brian Dye,
 Sarah Roffi
 30 Curt Beadle
 31 Audrey Krull



MEMBERS IN NEED OF PRAYERS:

Sylvia Banks, Megan Barker, David DiBiase, Joan Patterson, Tony and Minnie Ramirez, Doris Sands, Debbie Sanderson, Jim Sears, Nancy Swindell, Judy Tomey, Carol Uller

UPCOMING CALENDAR

JULY

- 11 Wednesday Worship in the Park
 20 Comedy Night Out
 30 Vacation Bible School Begins

AUGUST

- 1 VBS Family Night
 13 Blood Drive
 19 Outdoor Worship




JULY 2018 PRAYER FAMILIES

- 1 Avis, Hewson, McGee, Barie/Shaver
 8 Braun, Deming, Jacobs, Opie
 15 Futrell, Hiveley, Trisch, Vannerson
 22 Ciotta, Fishback, Giannotta, Kolinski
 29 Afonso, (Gordon/Carol) Johnson, Prentice,
 Vasko

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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!

JULY ENDOWMENT FAMILIES

- 1 Marie Plester
- 8 Leslie Selden
- 15 Marty and Veronica Blank
- 22 Mark and Nancy Bowlby
- 29 Emma Weyer

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, June de Lorme, 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 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 – 6th 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!

I would like to thank everyone for the kind thoughts and prayers I received during my recent surgery and ongoing recovery. I am surely blessed to belong to the caring and encouraging Rosedale family.

Blessings, Judy Tomey

Kudos and appreciation for the cheerful, helpful, competent drivers who make it possible for us to get to Rosedale each Sunday, via Rosie. We are extremely grateful for their volunteer service and want to thank EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM.

Betty Evenden, Alice McCloskey, Cary Ormond

BIRTHS

Mila Serbina Ochoa, born June 26, 2018
Parents Vera Sears and Cesar Ochoa
Grandparents are Jim and Michele Sears

DEATHS

Roxanna Weller-Kenyon
June 15, 2018

WEDDINGS

Dan Williams and Meaghan Brownlee
June 16, 2018

COMEDY NIGHT OUT!

Family friendly Christian comedian, Tim Hawkins, will be at Zion Church in Troy on Friday, July 20 at 7:30 p.m. Let's spend some time together laughing and sharing fellowship! We currently have 2 tickets at \$25 available to the first 2 people to reserve them. Rosie will leave RGPC at 4:30 p.m. for dinner before the show. You can always purchase your own tickets and meet at the show! You can find out more information at timhawkins.net. Please contact Pastor Kate for more information or to reserve your tickets!

NEWS FROM CHURCH AND SOCIETY

Thank you to all that supported the Summer Cereal Program with their generous donations. We delivered over 100 boxes to Detroit Presbytery to help feed children this summer. Our Deacons used what we kept for our local delivery as part of their Summer Food Delivery earlier in June. Both the Deacons' and the Presbytery programs are critical summer programs to help children who normally receive food at school throughout the school year. Thank you again for your continued support.

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

JUNE SESSION SUMMARY

Here's a brief summary of items Session addressed at their June 20th meeting:

We began and ended the meeting with prayer.

APPROVED Minutes from May 16, 2018 Session Meeting.

APPROVED ratifying the e-mail approval to call a Congregational Meeting on June 17, 2018 for the purpose of electing officers.

JUNE SESSION SUMMARY CON'T

APPROVED Administration & Finance's 2 action items:

1. Approve amended Weather Cancellation and Church Closing Procedure. The purpose of the change is to clarify/codify the procedure now in effect when Livonia Public Schools action is inadequate, such as on weekends.
2. Approve amended Facilities Use Policy for parking lot usage.

APPROVED to establish a relationship with member Christina Walrad in a year of mission on behalf of Cru, formerly Campus Crusade for Christ, at Central Michigan and Saginaw Valley Universities before she enters seminary.

As always, if you have questions or concerns about these matters, or any others, please contact any member of session, or one of the pastors. And please PRAY FOR THE SESSION AND PASTORS on a regular basis, that they will faithfully lead us as God directs.

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

PUB THEOLOGY

**Please note that Pub Theology does not meet during the months of July and August.
See you in the Fall!**

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.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

Rosedale is a participant in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. If you shop at Kroger and use a Kroger Plus Card you can designate RGPC to earn and receive rewards every time you use your Kroger Plus Card. Designating RGPC **does not affect** your own points, it just helps RGPC, too. To add RGPC to your Kroger Plus account, visit: www.krogercommunityrewards.com. Click on "Sign in" or "Create an Account to Enroll". Once signed in you can Enroll, Re-Enroll or Update your Community Rewards designation under your Account. You can either search for Rosedale or enter our NPO # 97669. If you don't yet have a Kroger Plus card you can get one at the Customer Service desk at any Kroger. **The Community Rewards program requires that you re-enroll each year.**

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

DID YOU KNOW?

Recently, 30 members of RGPC spent three days at (Presbyterian) Camp Henry in Newaygo, Michigan on the 14th Adult Work Weekend. The theme of the weekend was "Let My Love Open the Door" with the scripture passage from Revelation 3:20 - *Jesus says, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock, if you hear my voice open the door, I'll come in and we will eat together."* Some of the many work projects included: window washing, grounds clean up, tree planting, cleaning out a barn of years of accumulated junk, floor installation, bunk bed assembly, trim work on cabins, building stalls at the horse barn - all while enjoying a beautiful lakeside setting. But that was just half the fun - inspiring worship services around a bonfire, night time programming, much laughter and comradery. Next year's trip is already in the planning stage - please consider joining us! There is a job for every skill level or ability. We recently received the following letter from camp:

Dear Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church:

Thanks so much for sharing your members and their many talents with Camp Henry! It is such an honor to have so many folks that enthusiastically support Camp Henry and our mission. It has been such a pleasure for our staff members to build a relationship with your group over the years. Seeing the stables you have built, the new flooring in cabins, and the fantastic landscaping you all have done will remind us of those relationships every day. Thanks to your service, campers, guests, staff members, and even our horses will be able to enjoy more of this beautiful property for years to come! We also thank you for your financial contribution to the camp. Your generosity will assist Camp Henry to continue to provide intentional programs that seek to provide a life changing and transformational experience. We truly appreciate your continued commitment to camp's ministry and mission!

Sincerely, Camp Henry Staff

So..... did you know? Now you do!

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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