

Announcements and Church Information

For the week of Sunday, October 20, 2024

Welcome to this gathering of believers. We are pleased that you are visiting us today and pray that you may find renewed grace and peace through our time together. If there is anything we can do to enhance your time, we are here to help. Just ask one of our ushers or anyone in the congregation. We invite you to fill out a Visitor Card (yellow card in the pew racks) and put it in our collection plate, that we may follow up if you so indicate. Go to our website (www.rumsonpresbyterian.org) to find out more about us. We are happy you joined us and look forward to seeing you again.



“Come, Grow with Us!”

An overall theme for Fall 2024

“Come, Grow with Us: On Remembering What We Already Know”

The “Come, Grow with Us!” theme continues on this Stewardship Sunday. The mood is anchored in a theme text from Luke 2:52 – *“And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature - and in favor with God and his fellows.”* If it was good enough for Jesus, so may we commit to growing as well. RPC is active and ready to help interested others to – **“Come, Grow with Us!”**





Stewardship 2025

Stewardship Season is here! The annual Stewardship letter is in your hands. Please fill in and return the enclosed Pledge Card with your expected offering for the 2025 year. We are hoping to get all Pledge Cards back by Sunday, November 17th, just before Thanksgiving. Please prayerfully consider how you can support our congregation in the coming year.



Fall Festival Dinner ***Friday, November 1st at 6:30pm*** ***Save the Date!***

Congregational Life invites the congregation to a **Fall Festival Dinner** on **Friday, November 1st at 6:30pm** in **Wilson Hall**. Congregational Life's own Chef Jeff (Wrightson) will prepare a Creamy Chicken Bacon Pasta! Sounds like an excellent choice. Mary Kiningham asks that you let her know you will attend. RSVP to Mary at mkiningham@gmail.com. Contact her with any questions.



We Are a People in Mission!



We're participating in the **2024 CROP Hunger Walk** to support **Church World Service** and help families struggling with hunger. Join us - with your steps and your donations - to provide more meals for the people who need them, and greater food security around the world. Walk with our team **TODAY** (Sunday, October 20th, 1:00pm @ Red Bank Regional HS) or visit our website (<https://rumsonpresbyterian.org/crop-hunger-walk/>) to find the link to our CROP Hunger Walk team page and make a donation. Thank you!



PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

For those affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton, the mission work of rescue, recovery and rebuilding goes on now into the open future. Give your support TODAY! Visit their website (<https://www.pcusa.org/>) Immediate donations can be made online, calling (800) 728-7228, ext. 5885, or a check (made out to Rumson Presbyterian Church) which we will see gets forwarded to PC(USA).

Lunch Break's "Sponsor a Family for a Thanksgiving Meal" ***2024 Goal – 20+ Bags of Food!***

Our church is once again participating in **Lunch Break's "Sponsor A Family for A Thanksgiving Meal"** program. We provide all the side dishes. Lunch Break provides the turkey. Last year we collected over 20 bags for Thanksgiving. We plan to reach that goal again!

Easy steps to sponsor a family: Just fill a reusable tote bag(s) with non-perishable Thanksgiving meal items including canned green beans, stuffing, canned yams, instant mashed potatoes, gravy, canned corn, muffin mix, cake mix and prepared frosting. Please donate enough food to serve 4 or more people. *Pressed for time?* Purchase pre-packed bags at Super Foodtown on Broad St. in Red Bank.

No Sign-Up needed. Just bring the Thanksgiving bag of food to church, and place in marked bin in the narthex. Deadline is Sunday November 17th.

Matthew 25 Ministries' "Pill Bottle Drive"

We are collecting **Empty Plastic Prescription** and **Over-the-Counter Pill Bottles** to donate to Matthew 25 Ministries. Matthew 25 Ministries uses the empty plastic pill bottles for inclusion in shipments of medical supplies. This fulfills the dual needs of improving medical care in developing countries and caring for our environment.

Place your empty pill containers with tops in the basket on the counter in the Narthex. You may remove any personal information on the bottles. We will clean them and ship them to Matthew 25 Ministries.

"Project Unhoused" Winter Clothing Drive

Project Unhoused is an organization started by **Zac Levy**, one of our **2024 Peacemaking Award** recipients. Zac's organization is collecting new and gently used blankets, coats, pillows, hats and gloves. All donations will be given directly to the local homeless population. Donations can be dropped off in the marked bin in the narthex.