

# **Announcements and Church Information**

## **For the week of Sunday, January 19th, 2025**

**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 onto our collection plate, that we may follow up if you so indicate. Go to our website ([www.rumsonpresbyterian.org](http://www.rumsonpresbyterian.org)) to find out more about us. We are happy you joined us and look forward to seeing you again.



***“Realizing the Dream! – 6 Decades On”***

***A Theme for Worship this Martin Luther King Sunday***

Although not an official designation, our PCUSA leaders nudge us to think of this coming sabbath as a Social Ministries Sunday. I think it is because of our National Day of Acknowledgment and memorial for one who over 60 years ago ‘Had a Dream’ about new possibilities for the country that has galvanized many ever since. I wonder how many are interested in how the incoming political administration’s priorities will jibe with our celebration of Dr. MLK whose day ironically is also the Inauguration?

For our part, we will be led as Dr. King was, by the inspiration of the Prophet Isaiah and Jesus our Christ to reflect upon the work past and the need ongoing to further Realize the Dream which has been latent since our nation’s founding. We who are disciples of the Lord, can resonate with then President Johnson who picked up the vision and once intone – “And We Shall Overcome!”



***Annual Meeting of the Congregation***

***Sunday, January 26, 2025***

***Immediately following the service***

The Annual Meeting of the congregation is called for January 26, 2025 following the worship service, for the purpose of receiving the 2024 Annual Report and the 2025 Budget approved by Session, as well as voting to elect the 2025 Nominating Committee.



***We Are a People in Mission!***

***Rise Against Hunger Meal Packaging Event***  
***Save the Date – January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025***



Mark your calendars! We will once again be hosting the Rise Against Hunger meal packaging event in Wilson Hall this year on February 2nd, 2025! We will be packing 10,216 meals to be shipped overseas for at-risk populations including school children and those in remote villages. The Rise Against Hunger team will bring the materials, music, stylish hairnets, and stories of real impact to energize our volunteers for approximately two hours of fun and community building.

We would love to have you join us after church on February 2nd, 2025, from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM as we work together to achieve this goal. A light lunch will be offered. Come one, come all!

Please sign up using this link: <http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/Rumson2025>



***Presbyterian Disaster Assistance's***  
***Response to the Fires in California***

Our hearts are with all our siblings who have been affected by the devastating wildfires that have affected thousands of people and multiple communities across California. The PC(USA) affirms our commitment to accompany those affected by this disaster.



As people of God, once again we are called to stand with our neighbors. Please give generously to the Church's recovery efforts, both short- and long-term.

This designated account supplements the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) offering to enable a significant response for U.S. wildfires. Your faithful giving is deeply appreciated.

To give by phone, call 800-728-7228, ext. 5885. To send a check, please designate where you want your gift to go on the memo line and mail to:

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