

Announcements and Church Information

For the week of Sunday, March 30, 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) to find out more about us. We are happy you joined us and look forward to seeing you again.



THE SEASON OF LENT – 2025

Sundays, March 9 – Easter, April 20

The Beatitudes for Lent: A Worship/Sermon Series

The church season of Lent is here. This time of 40 Days plus Sundays commenced with Ash Wednesday, March 5. The name deriving from the Latin, ‘Lencten’ alludes to the increase in sunshine day to day and points us to Jesus’ sojourn in the wilderness to sort out his identity and direction. Just so, in these days, we are invited to do the same. This year, week by week, one of Jesus’ Be-attitudes will lead the way. You are encouraged to make time to mark the time and grow in Grace and Service.

This Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 30

Worship at 9:45 am

Sermon: “Manifest Mercy”

We’ll listen for the word Jesus offers in Be-attitude #4 – ‘Blessed are the Merciful– for they shall obtain Mercy.’ A common sense principle and promise that what goes around, comes around will be explored this week. Why is it so tricky to know that grace, forbearance, cutting each other some slack will always be the preferred way? Yet again we are invited to embrace the simple possibilities to which Jesus calls us!



Holy Week Worship

Palm Sunday Worship - Sunday, April 13 @ 9:45 AM

Palms provided.

Maundy Thursday Worship - Thursday, April 17 @ 7:30 PM

'Last Supper Communion' – Followed by A Candlelight Service of Tenebrae (Shadows) recalling in Scripture our Lord's final hours

Good Friday Meditation - Friday, April 18 from Noon to 1:00 PM

Our sanctuary will be open for Personal Prayer and Meditation.

Easter Sunday Worship - Sunday, April 20 @ 9:45 AM

The Lord is Risen, Indeed!



We Are a People in Mission!

RPC has set up two collection bins in the narthex for anyone wishing to contribute to these organizations:

Heartwarming Center

The **Heartwarming Center** on Maple Ave in Red Bank provides a warm place to sleep for up to 13 women each night when the temperatures are 32 degrees or colder. They offer a bed, clean pajamas, a washing machine, small kitchen, and programs for the guests including medical checkups, group sessions on finance and abuse, and fun classes. The Heartwarming Center is in need of Gain laundry detergent, Lysol laundry disinfectant, ladies' razors, body wash, and diabetic socks.



Lunch Break



Mission Commission also continues to accept food donations for **Lunch Break**.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

March 5 - April 20

For 75 years, One Great Hour of Sharing has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world. In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity.

The three programs supported by our church - One Great Hour of Sharing, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

To learn more, pick up a brochure from the literature shelf in the narthex (just outside the sanctuary) or visit <https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/offering/oghs/give>

To give, there is an envelope in your Stewardship booklet (March 30th), there are collection plate envelopes in the pews, you can pick up an envelope to mail directly to PCUSA from the literature shelf in the narthex, or you can visit <https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/make-a-gift/gift-info/oghs/>



A Weekend in Old Monmouth



The annual "A Weekend in Old Monmouth" event returns with historic sites throughout Monmouth County opening their doors to visitors interested in local history. Hours for most sites (including ours) are from 10 AM to 5 PM on SATURDAY, MAY 3rd and from NOON to 5 PM on SUNDAY, MAY 4th. Tour visitors can see the places in any order of their own selection. We are in need of volunteer docents for this event! To sign-up, contact Sue Bostic at 732-530-0543 or elaine830@aol.com.



***Rumson Presbyterian Scholarship Fund
College, Camp or Seminary Scholarship Application***

Any student who is interested in applying for the Rumson Presbyterian Scholarship can submit the application form, found on the literature shelf in the narthex, or downloadable from the Forms & Files page (under Resources) of our website (QR code link below). Please fill out, sign, and return the application to:

NURTURE COMMISSION

c/o Church Office
Rumson Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 399
Rumson NJ 07760

All applications are due back by May 1st

