



Where we share what's happening in the Rose City Park Pres community...and beyond!



A BUSY SUNDAY

Just a head's up that things will be hopping this Sunday at RCPPC!

- In worship at 10am, Liz will help to lead along with **our guest preacher the Rev. Tim Winslea**.
- Immediately following worship, Rev. Winslea will moderate **a congregational meeting** to a) elect new officers and b) act on the recommendation of the session that the congregation call the Reverend Doctor Elizabeth Leavitt as our installed Pastor/Head of Staff. This meeting will be offered in a hybrid format- Here is the Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89847037580>

- After the meeting, folks gathering in person will be invited to move around and check out exits from the sanctuary in **preparation for our upcoming fire drill** on June 4 (see more below). For those who are new to the facility, some veteran members will be giving **building tours** which will end in the Fellowship Hall for Coffee Hour
- Also happening after worship: **Youth Theology Discussion** in Room 8 (with snacks!)
- At Noon on Zoom is **Music with Alejandra**.
- At 5pm, Youth will meet again for **NE Youth Collective** at Central Lutheran Church.

Phew! That's a lot! Hope to see you there.

THIS SUNDAY

May 21, 2023

8:30 am Gospel Bible Study

Use this link to attend <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86797227527>

To join by telephone, call 253-215-8782 and enter Meeting ID 867 9722 7527

10:00 am Worship: Hybrid (In-person and YouTube). It's Ascension Sunday and Rev. Tim Winslea will offer a sermon on Judges 6: 11-26 entitled "Whose Miracle Is It?".

Beginning at 9:55 am, use this [link](#) to watch the Worship Service live-streamed on YouTube. Directly after the service, we invite you to join us on Zoom for our Social Time (see link below).

The full Worship Bulletin can be found [HERE](#).

For those following along online, the liturgy & music are [HERE](#).

Church School today. Grades 1-5 will gather in the children's library after the Time with the Young Church. **Childcare** will be available for infants through age 5 in Kinder Space.

Congregational Meeting immediately following service (Hybrid)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89847037580>

(Note: This is the same link as the Social Time)

Please join us for Social Time after the Worship Service.

In Person: Fellowship Hall

Online: Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89847037580>.

11:30 am: Youth Gathering

12:00 pm: Music with Alejandra, Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84978968522>

CHURCH AND PRESBYTERY NEWS

SAFETY FIRST ON THE FOURTH

For the last few months a newly formed Safety Team has been working behind the scenes to develop our first-ever RCPPC safety plan which provides guidance for various kinds of emergencies that might happen at church. We thought we'd roll out our plan with a good old-fashioned fire drill which will happen on Sunday, Jun 4 immediately after worship. No need to be anxious: we'll give plenty of information and instruction leading up to the event and on that day. To that end, THIS SUNDAY, we're asking folks to stay a few minutes after worship and check out the exits leading out of the sanctuary. We'll have ushers standing at each door with whom you can discuss any questions you have. If you're relatively new to the church and have never had a chance to poke around our massive facility, there will also be three RCPPC veterans on hand to give some total building tours. Meet them in the parlor immediately after our congregational meeting. (Tours will end in the fellowship hall so you won't miss coffee!) So please, plan to spend a few minutes exploring after worship so you'll be ready (and excited) for our drill on the 4th.

MUSIC WITH ALEJANDRA- THIS SUNDAY AT NOON

Please join our Director of Music this Sunday on Zoom for her final *Music With Alejandra* session. The theme will be "The Rite of Spring" by Igor Stravinsky .Here is the Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84978968522>

As was recently announced, Alejandra will move on from her position at RCPPC in June. We have loved our time with Alejandra and look forward to celebrating all she has contributed to our community. If you would like to make a contribution toward a farewell gift for Alejandra, you can submit those to the office. We will hold a special celebration of her ministry on her last Sunday with us, June 11 immediately following worship.

SUMMER TABLE FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Join a Summer Table Fellowship Group beginning in June through the end of September. Gather with 6-8 adults for a time of good food and conversation. Questions and sign up go to rcptables@gmail.com. Deadline: Tuesday, May 30th.

THANK YOU TO MARETTE

We want to take a moment to thank Marette Whitney for the lovely floral corsages she provided on Sunday for Mother's Day. They were absolutely beautiful and made the day even more special. We know you put a lot of thought into choosing the perfect flowers. Thank you again for your thoughtfulness!

INTERNET OUTAGE

The Hollywood District experienced the loss of Internet last Sunday during service. We apologize to all who were watching online but the circumstances were out of RCPPC's control. Part of the Worship Service can be watched [here](#).

MONDAY EVENING COMPLINE CONTINUES!

Our group of RCPPC contemplatives is meeting again with a new exploration of J Philip Newell's *Sacred Earth, Sacred Soul: Celtic Wisdom for Reawakening to What Our Souls Know and Healing the World*. Here is the Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84275785844>

SOCIAL ACTION AND MISSION PARTNERS

SOCIAL ACTION SURVEY

A few weeks ago, we circulated a social action survey asking about your experiences serving outside of RCPPC. Unfortunately, we were later informed that the link to the survey did not work. Our apologies!

If you're willing to try again, just a few minutes of your time could help us figure out how we can celebrate and amplify all the good work you all are doing. Try this link:

<https://forms.gle/ueJB9p4niLjvciK7>

PORTLAND FOOD PROJECT (GREEN BAGS)

Filling green bags with food and returning them to church not only sustains the physical needs of those who are food insecure, but it also nourishes the spirits of both the givers and the receivers. For those who receive the bags of food, it can alleviate the stress and anxiety that comes with not having enough to eat, and knowing that their community cares for them. The act of giving and receiving also helps to build connections and foster a sense of belonging within the community. It is a reminder that we are all connected, and that by working together, we can create a more supportive and compassionate community. Click [here](#) to see the latest email and statistics. Please consider picking up a green bag in the lower Narthex and dropping it back off at the church office between now and Friday, June 9th.

YOUR DONATED RECYCLABLE CANS & BOTTLES MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon's Northeast Emergency Food Program (NEFP) meets the urgent food needs for over 8,000 people each month. Since the COVID pandemic began, NEFP has served over one million individuals and distributed 50 million pounds of food. And now, NEFP is seeing more than 10 times as many people as it did pre-pandemic. RCPPC has given a total of \$2100 to NEFP via the Bottle Drop funds since 2021, including \$150 this year. So, keep saving those RINSED recyclable bottles and cans. Blue collection bags are available in the narthex. Thank you!

COMMUNITY EVENTS & BUILDING PARTNERS

STAINED GLASS WINDOW RESTORATION CAMPAIGN

Continued thanks to everyone who has donated so far to the Stained-Glass Window Renovation/Restoration campaign! Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Every contribution makes a difference as we work to complete this meaningful project together. To view this week's progress on our way the goal, click [here](#).

STRINGS & PIPES CONCERT - MAY 21

Time: Sunday, May 21 at 2pm, **Location:** First Presbyterian Church

The 2022-2023 season finale will feature violinist Brenda Brenner and organist Christopher Young, both faculty members at the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, in a lively and engaging concert of music for violin and organ. Works by J.S. Bach, Bartok, Rachmaninoff, and Rheinberger, as well as newer pieces by William Bolcom, Chris DeBlasio, and Naji Hakim. Free concert. Free parking in FPC's garage. www.bit.ly/celebrationworks

CENTER FOR POSITIVE AGING - NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE

Location: 1820 NE 40th Ave. **Hours:** Mon - Fri, 8:30am - 4:30pm

Do you know about the many free events, classes, and resources available just around the corner at the Center for Positive Aging? From Food Pantries to Walking Groups, Health & Fitness Classes to Art & Social Activities, you're sure to find something fun, enlightening, or supportive. Copies of their monthly newsletter are now available in the RCPPC Library, or visit commfunityfpa.org for more information.

PRAYER REQUESTS

You are invited to be mindful of continuing personal needs and community concerns in your prayers this week: *we give thanks for the leadership of those church officers who will soon be rotating out of their positions and celebrate their service to our community including Elders Bobby Roberts, Sharon Cousineau, and Darcy Niemeyer and Deacon Rick Lanier; in this important month, we continue to pray in celebration of the goodness and wisdom of the peoples of Asia and the Pacific Islands; we pray in eager joy alongside those students anticipating graduations this month and next; we pray with those among us who are traveling; we pray for those who are recovering from injuries and illnesses.*

WHAT'S NEXT

Monday, May 22

10:30 am: Women's Coffee

8:00 pm: Compline (Zoom)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84275785844>

Wednesday, May 24

1:30 pm: Afternoon Book Club

Thursday, May 25

7:00 pm: Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 26

Wy'East Food Ministry

Saturday, May 27

9:00 am - 1 pm: Hollywood Farmers Market

COMMON ZOOM LINKS

Sunday Morning Gospel Bible Study: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86797227527>

Sunday Social Time: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89847037580>

Adult Discipleship Sunday Noon Classes: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84978968522>

Music with Alejandra: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84978968522>

Monday Evening Compline: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84275785844>

DID YOU MISS IT?

Catch a video of last week's worship on our [YouTube channel](#).

Read the most recent [Broadcaster Newsletter](#).

Check our [Events Calendar](#) for upcoming events.

If you have additional questions, please contact us: office@rosecityparkpres.org

The deadline for submissions for the E-Blast is 2:00 pm every Wednesday.

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