



In my office at the church, above my books, and above the outdated pictures of my children, is a sculpture by church member Bob Clyatt. If you've not seen Bob's work, take a look on the internet, or come by my office – I'd be happy to show this one smaller piece to you. As Bob's work so often does, he takes something familiar, and through his touch and careful shaping it becomes transformed, evocative, and transformative. The Jesus piece that is in my office is a great example. On the one hand it is familiar to us all – Jesus on the cross, hands spread wide, head turned to the side as life slips away. The familiar figure from all our Sunday School days - teacher, healer, and friend - breathing his last breath on Good Friday. And yet in reality there is no cross in the sculpture. His body is cruciform – reminding us of that part of the story – but suffering and death are not the loudest or most definitive words.

To my mind (and my heart), Bob captures the essence of the story of Jesus – the story of Holy Week – and the story of God. Jesus, in his clear humanity, reveals a God come near – God right here with us and right here in this broken world. Even in the face of mistreatment, he looks down upon the world with great kindness. His arms embrace the fullness of the world in all its beauty and its terror. He is the picture of love. The absence

of the cross behind him is a reminder that into this world, Easter comes. Suffering and death are not the final word. Hope arrives. Love wins.

This April, for several weeks we continue the journey of Lent toward a very late Holy Week and Easter. Even as spring arrives with warmth and light, I invite you to faithfully continue the preparation begun with ashes a few weeks ago. And of course we invite you to be a part of one of the three Easter services this year. There is nothing like Easter at RPC!

But like Bob's sculpture, I invite you to take in the full picture of Holy Week. Some of you will be traveling, and many have simply not considered coming to church on a Thursday or Friday! If you are traveling, find a church to attend. And if you are here in the area, come! Immerse in the full story – from Palm Sunday's ironic celebration, through Maundy Thursday's haunting beauty and intimate meal, to the stark reality of Good Friday. Children are always welcome at any service, but the Good Friday 3:00 p.m. service is particularly appropriate and engaging for the younger set.

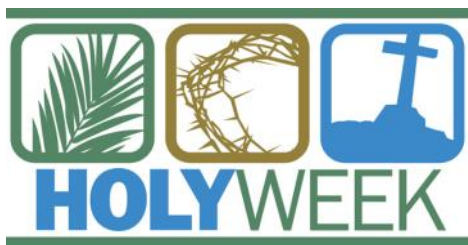
So, no matter your age, come! In Holy Week we see and know that all of life – from our great joys to our deep sorrows – is gathered up in the extended arms of Christ and made new. The raw clay and broken pieces of our lives can be transformed and shaped to be a part of God's ongoing sculpting of this world. As John Bell wrote in his lovely hymn *Christ is Risen*:

*Christ has risen while earth slumbers,  
Christ has risen where hope died,  
as he said and as he promised,  
as we doubted and denied.  
Let the moon embrace the blessing;  
let the sun sustain the cheer;  
let the world confirm the rumor.  
Christ is risen, God is here!*

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!



## Holy Week and Easter, Church & Justice Sunday



### Palm Sunday April 14

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion, in the Chapel

10:00 a.m. Worship beginning in the Assembly Room and proceeding to the Sanctuary.

### Maundy Thursday April 18

7:30 p.m. Holy Communion, in the Sanctuary

### Good Friday April 19

*Traditional Service:* 12:00 p.m., in the Sanctuary

*Family Service:* 3:00 p.m., beginning in the Westminster Room



### April 21

6:00 a.m. Sunrise Service,  
Oakland Beach

9:00 a.m. Family Service,  
with Flowering of the Cross and  
Brass Quintet, in the Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. Holy Communion,  
with Brass Quintet  
and the Chancel Choir, in the Sanctuary

*Please note there is no 8:30 a.m. service.*



### CHURCH AND JUSTICE SUNDAY APRIL 28

On April 28, Rye Presbyterian Church will celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Church and

Justice worship service. This service is led by graduates of the New York Theological Seminary's Masters in Ministry program at Sing Sing Correctional Facility—a program RPC has supported for more than 24 years, through monthly meetings with students in each year's class, as well as with graduates who remain incarcerated either at Sing Sing or Fishkill prison.

When those men and women are ultimately released—and virtually everyone who goes to prison, no matter what the sentence, is ultimately released—they return to society to lead positive, productive lives. Each year, the guest preacher is a graduate of that program, many of whom have spent well over 20 years incarcerated in prisons all over New York.

The value of education in prison is proven every day by graduates' dramatically reduced recidivism rate and by the constructive value they add to their communities and the people who live there, especially young people. To help restore those communities is a primary goal for these graduates upon release.

Many of them will take part in the service; many others, with their families, will join with our congregation in worship. We will also be joined by participants in RPC's "Coming Home" program—which reaches out to people returning to freedom from incarceration. Hopefully, many of you have met them in our weekly Thursday evening dinners that are open to all. This service is vivid testimony to the redemptive power of God's grace, as men of many faiths who have served long years in prison join in worship with RPC's congregation.

Coffee hour after the service will also provide you an opportunity to meet many of these men and their families and learn more about their work to help society since their release. Church and Justice Sunday is always a service of unique passion and energy, so we urge you to join us at either the 8:30 or the 10:00 a.m. service on April 28.

## Stephen Ministry, Peter Bishop Scholarship, Easter Flowers & Music, One Great Hour of Sharing, Adult Education



Sometimes, we hear people in crisis say “You know, I’ll be fine. I don’t really need a Stephen Minister. There are so many people who are worse off than me.” Many of us are embarrassed to admit that we could use help. But the truth is, at one point or another in our lives, all of us probably could have used a Stephen Minister. Who of us has never grieved for a loved one, felt lonely after a move, worried about a parent/child/job, been anxious about a medical issue, or simply felt overwhelmed by life’s responsibilities? Stephen Ministers have been called to help people cope. They are good listeners, not problem solvers. They are nonjudgmental men and women who serve others by walking alongside them when the going gets tough. It is true that most of you don’t absolutely need a Stephen Minister to work through your problems. But, you deserve one. For more information or a confidential conversation, please contact RPC clergy Dan Love or John Miller at 967-0842, or Stephen Leader Tav Rogers ([tav@rogers.fm](mailto:tav@rogers.fm), 914-400-3568).

### THE PETER BISHOP SCHOLARSHIP

Since 1968, Rye Presbyterian Church has awarded grants to graduating high school seniors who are going on to college studies. The award is in memory of Peter Bishop, son of a former pastor of RPC.

The number of grants and the amounts awarded each year vary, but it is a one-time award given to students demonstrating academic promise and financial need, with priority consideration given to those seniors who have been active in the life of Rye Presbyterian Church.

**If you are a Rye High School senior,  
application for this scholarship is done through  
the guidance office at RHS.**

**If you are not a student at Rye High School,  
but wish to apply for the scholarship,  
please contact Rev. Love ([dlove@ryepc.com](mailto:dlove@ryepc.com))  
for more information.**



### Easter Flowers & Music

What would Easter be without the beautiful flowers and glorious music to celebrate the Resurrection? Please help defray the cost of our Easter flowers and music.

Use the designated envelope in the pew rack, indicate “Easter Flowers & Music” on the check memo line. To donate online, go to the <http://ryepc.com/article/easter-flowers-music/>.

For your gift to be acknowledged in the Easter program, your donation *must* be received no later than **Monday, April 8.**



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

Each year at Easter, we receive the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. This offering supports three different programs of the Presbyterian Church (USA): Self-Development of People, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. Please consider how much your support can accomplish as we take this opportunity to live out the generosity of God. The One Great Hour of Sharing envelopes are available in the pews. The Mission and Outreach Committee thanks you for your generous spirit and giving. Donations may also be made online at <http://ryepc.com/article/one-great-hour-of-sharing/>.

SUNDAY MORNINGS ADULT EDUCATION  
THROUGH JUNE 10  
9:00-9:45 A.M., WESTMINSTER ROOM

(THERE WILL BE NO CLASS ON THE FOLLOWING  
WEEKENDS: APRIL 21, 28, AND MAY 26.)

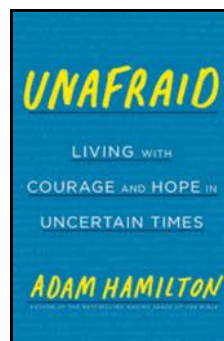


FEASTING  
on the WORD™

This lectionary-based study engages adults in a deeper exploration of biblical texts. Join us as we explore the scriptural texts that are used in worship. Each session is a stand-alone session, so participants can join the study at any point.

### Lenten Book Study

Tuesdays, April 2 & 9,  
7:30 p.m. in the Library



Adam Hamilton’s book, *UNAFRAID*, addresses nearly every fear imaginable—large and small, real or imagined, those within our power to overcome, and those we must accept. For each type of fear, Hamilton offers a disciplined approach of facing facts, examining our assumptions, overcoming anxiety through action, and cultivating a life of faith. John Miller will facilitate this study. Participants are asked to obtain a copy of the book prior to the first meeting.

For further information, please contact Rev. Miller ([jmiller@ryepc.com](mailto:jmiller@ryepc.com)).



## Christian Education, Confirmation, Ward Summer Camp



### Sunday School

For the beginning of April, we will continue to observe the season of Lent by examining our hearts and re-centering our lives in Christ. We then move into a time of celebration on April 21, Easter Sunday! From there, we turn to the book of Acts to learn what it means to live out the grace experienced through Jesus Christ. We invite families to join us in engaging in these weekly stories together at home. Below are the themes and texts for each week:

- April 7:** John 12:1-8  
(Mary Anoints Jesus)  
Singing Our Faith
- April 14:** Luke 19:28-40  
(Palm Sunday)
- April 21:** John 20:1-18 (Easter Sunday)  
No Sunday School
- April 28:** Acts 5:27-32  
(Love's Disruptive Witness)

### One Great Hour of Sharing

#### April 21, 9:00 a.m., Family Service

During March, we introduced the One Great Hour of Sharing offering and handed out "fish" coin boxes for our children to take home and fill with spare change. We encourage families to come celebrate Easter morning with us at the Family Service, during which we will flower the cross and collect the boxes to include in the church's overall offering for the One Great Hour of Sharing.

### The Christian Education Newsletter

It has been found that parents are the primary influence on their children's journey of faith. That means our children first begin to understand the love of God and the Christian faith through the love and care of their parents and through the faith practices observed at home.

We seek to help parents with faith development at home by providing a variety of ways for families to engage scripture, ask questions, and grow closer to God together. It is our hope that this weekly newsletter helps families experi-

ence God at work in their everyday lives. The newsletter will be sent out each Monday.

If interested in receiving this newsletter, please contact Jean-Paul Marshall ([jmarshall@ryepc.com](mailto:jmarshall@ryepc.com)).

### Middle School Connection

RPC's Middle School Youth Group is open to all 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders.

#### Wednesday, April 3, 5:30 p.m.,

**Youth Rooms:** Regular meeting 5:30-6:45 p.m. in the Youth Rooms.

**Sunday, April 28, 10:00 a.m.:** Middle School youth head to the Balcony! Join us as we worship together from the balcony on the amazing "Church and Justice" Sunday when the service is led by graduates of our prison ministry program. We'll have our own "coffee hour" in the balcony to talk about RPC's prison ministry.

All middle school youth are welcome!

### YOUTH High School Youth GROUP Group

All 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome at RPC's High School Youth Group!

#### Sunday, April 7, 6:00-7:30 p.m.,

**Westminster Room:** We will share dinner and conversation with the young men from the Youth Shelter of Westchester.

#### Saturday, April 27, 11:00 a.m.,

**Rye Nature Center:** In recognition of Earth Day, we will gather with the high school youth from Community Synagogue for a service project and lunch at the Rye Nature Center.

#### Sunday, April 28, 6:00-7:00 p.m.,

**Westminster Room:** Mandatory meeting for NOLA 2019 participants! We will gather to talk about our reasons for going to NOLA and other trip details. If you are unable to make it to this meeting, please let me know beforehand.

#### We are on Instagram!

Username: ryepresyouth

#### Updates through GroupMe!

Please email your name and phone number - [jmarshall@ryepc.com](mailto:jmarshall@ryepc.com).

### Confirmation 2019

The confirmation class is nearing the end of its year of study, and the beginning of their life of faith as adults and adult

members of Rye Presbyterian Church! Last month the class began work on their statements of faith – always an intriguing and an inspiration to read as they put words to their thoughts about their relationships with God, and how their faith informs their lives.

As they continue fine-tuning their statements of faith, the class will meet several times this month. On April 7, we'll meet for our final discussion about the life of faith. During the month, each confirmand will meet with an elder to talk about their year and their readiness to confirm their faith. On Wednesday, April 24, at 8:00 p.m., the class will meet with the entire Session, and, if prepared to do so, be voted in as the newest members of Rye Presbyterian Church. On April 28, the class will meet for the last time to wrap up final details and plan worship for Confirmation Sunday.

Finally, on Saturday, May 4, at 10 a.m. there will be a rehearsal for the confirmation class in the sanctuary.

Confirmation will be celebrated at 10 o'clock worship on Sunday, May 5, with a breakfast at 8:45 a.m. in the Assembly Room for parents and families of the confirmation class.

Confirmation

### Ward Summer Camp back at RPC for this summer!

The Ward School Summer Camp, which for years was housed at Rye Presbyterian, and in more recent years has been at Christ's Church, is returning to our facility for this summer from July 8-August 2 as Christ's Church is undergoing renovations to its fire alarm system. To ensure that all goes well with the camp, the Mission and Outreach Committee has created a temporary position for someone to serve as the Liaison between the Ward School and RPC. This person would be on site during the times that the camp is meeting. This person has to be familiar with our facility and be able to engage with the leadership of the Ward School. This temporary position does include a small stipend. If you are interested, or know someone who may be, please contact John Miller at the church office:

914-967-0842, or via email,  
[jmiller@ryepc.com](mailto:jmiller@ryepc.com).

## Music News

Chamber Music at Rye Presbyterian Church  
Ronald Arron, artistic director

An Afternoon with  
Edward Arron and Jeewon Park



music for cello and piano by  
Brahms, De Falla, Mendelssohn, and Schumann

Sunday, April 7, 2019, at 2:30 p.m.

Admission: \$20 for RPC members and friends, \$40 for the general public;  
to reserve your seats, please call Ronald Arron at 914-523-4646,  
or send him an email: [ronarron@optonline.net](mailto:ronarron@optonline.net)

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*Jazz Sunday, March 3, 2019*

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## Thrift Shop Sale, RPC in the Community

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**Spring cleaning and giving!**

**THRIFT SHOP  
SPRING SATURDAY SALE**

**Saturday, April 27, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

All of the proceeds are given to local non-profits and do so much for our larger community. We need your special donations to be dropped off all day Friday, April 26.

(Go to <http://ryepc.com/ministries/thrift-shop/> for specific guidelines.)

Then come SHOP! Tell your friends and spread the word!!

**Save the  
Date  
5-9-19**



**A Power Lunch to Support Quality Health Care For ALL**

**Thursday, May 9, 2019**

**11:15AM – 2:00PM**

**Willow Ridge Country Club, Harrison  
123 North St, Harrison, NY 10528**

**Featuring:**

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

**SETH GODIN, Thought Leader, Author and Motivational Speaker**

**RECEIVING THE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AWARD**

**RYE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**and RYE PRESBYTERIAN NURSERY SCHOOL**

**RECEIVING THE CHANGEMAKER AWARD**

**ALICIA WARD, Founding Manager of Open Door Volunteer Services**

Thanks to Open Door, nearly 57,000 low-income people receive essential medical attention and support services that would otherwise be beyond their reach.

For more information, please contact Elisabeth Gilbert at 914-502-1417 or visit

<https://opendoormedical.org/index.php/powerup>

## Weekends in April, Bible Study

### Saturday, April 6

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study / Library  
5:00 p.m. Evening Worship & Communion in the Chapel  
Show Up and Make! / Chapel

### Sunday, April 7

- 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel  
Show Up & Make / Chapel  
8:40 a.m. Prayer Gathering / Library  
9:00 a.m. Adult Education / Westminster Room  
9:15 a.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal / Westminster Room  
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship & Communion in the Sanctuary  
New Members received  
Children's Choir sings  
Sunday School  
-Children attend worship through children's message.  
11:00 a.m. Show Up & Make / Assembly Room  
11:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room  
2:30 p.m. Concert: Chamber Music @ RPC / Sanctuary  
5:00 p.m. Confirmation / Westminster Room  
6:00 p.m. High School Youth Group / Westminster Room  
8:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study / Library

### Saturday, April 13

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study / Library  
5:00 p.m. Evening Worship & Communion in the Chapel

### Sunday, April 14—Palm Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel  
8:40 a.m. Prayer Gathering / Library  
9:00 a.m. Adult Education / Westminster Room  
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship in the Sanctuary  
Sunday School  
-Children attend worship through children's message.  
11:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Sanctuary

### Saturday, April 20—No 5:00 p.m. Worship

### Sunday, April 21—Easter Sunday

- 6:00 a.m. Sunrise Service / Oakland Beach  
9:00 a.m. Family Service / Sanctuary  
Flowering of the Cross and Brass Quintet  
11:00 a.m. Worship and Communion in the Sanctuary  
Brass Quintet and Chancel Choir  
No Sunday School

### Saturday, April 27

- 11:00 a.m. High School Youth Group / Rye Nature Center  
5:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship in the Chapel

### Sunday, April 28—Church & Justice Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel  
8:40 a.m. Prayer Gathering / Library  
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship in the Sanctuary  
-Children attend worship through children's message.  
11:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room  
5:00 p.m. Confirmation / Westminster Room  
6:00 p.m. NOLA Meeting / Westminster Room  
8:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study / Library

## BIBLE STUDIES

### Men's Bible Study

Sundays, April 7 and 28, at 8:00 p.m. in the Library

Join the journey through the Gospel according to Luke! If you'd like to be on the email reminder list for this gathering, please contact Rev. Love at [dlove@ryepc.com](mailto:dlove@ryepc.com).

### Wednesday Morning Bible Discussion

Wednesdays, April 10 and 24,  
at 10:00 a.m. in the Library

All are welcome to our ongoing overview of the Old Testament. Contact Rev. Love ([dlove@ryepc.com](mailto:dlove@ryepc.com)) for more information.

### Women's Bible Study

Saturdays, April 6 and 13,  
at 10:00 a.m. in the Library

Please join the Women's Bible Study twice monthly on Saturday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the RPC Library. A warm welcome and hot coffee await!

For further information, contact Cynthia De Santis  
([desantiscw@aol.com](mailto:desantiscw@aol.com)).

### Contemplative Saturday at 5 Worship April 27 in the Chapel

*Come, enter God's presence.  
Find your center.*



### SHOW UP & MAKE!

April 6-7

### Following All Worship Services

Go from mind to hand and heart as we mix art media with ideas stirred by the message and music of worship. Thematic art and craft experiences will aim to extend worship beyond the pews and enhance faith beyond the workings of our intellect. Quarterly projects introduce new ways of relating to God for people of all ages during different seasons of the church year (Epiphany and Lent). Each session will be facilitated by church members, staff, or local artists who set the stage for participants to swing by, or sit down, relax, and play. No art experience necessary!



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## April Schedule of Meetings, Events, and Programs

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### CHURCH OFFICES AND BUILDINGS CLOSED ON EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 22

#### BOARD MEETINGS

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**Deacons:** Wednesday, April 10, 7:30 p.m., Library

**Trustees:** Wednesday, April 24, 7:30 p.m., Westminster Room

**Session:** Wednesday, April 24, 7:30 p.m., Westminster Room

#### WORSHIP AND STUDY

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##### Worship on Saturday evening:

Saturdays, 5:00 p.m., April 6, 13, & 27 (contemplative worship on April 27)

##### Worship on Sunday (April 7, 14, & 28):

8:30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel

10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

**Maundy Thursday:** April 18, 7:30 p.m., Holy Communion, Sanctuary

**Good Friday:** April 19

*Traditional Service:* 12:00 p.m., Sanctuary

*Family Service:* 3:00 p.m., beginning in the Westminster Room

**Easter Sunday:** April 21, 6:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., & 11:00 a.m.

**Prayer Gatherings:** Sundays in the Library at 8:40 a.m. (*No gathering on Easter.*)

##### Adult Education:

**Sundays, 9:00-9:45 a.m., Westminster Room:**

**Feasting on the Word:** Through June 10 (*no classes on holiday weekends: April 21, 28, and May 26.*)

##### Special Event:

*Show Up & Make!* Following all Worship Services, April 6-7, Chapel & Assembly Room

**Lenten Book Study:** *Unafraid* by Adam Hamilton, Tuesdays, April 2 & 9, 7:30 p.m., Library

**Sunday School:** Regular Sunday School on April 7, 14, & 28; no Sunday School on April 21 (Easter)

**Confirmation:** Sundays, April 7 & 28, 5:00 p.m., Westminster Room;

Wednesday, April 24, meet with Session, 8:00 p.m., Library

**Men's Sunday Bible Study:** April 7 & 28, 8:00 p.m., Library

**Wednesday Morning Bible Discussion:** April 10 & 24, 10:00 a.m., Library

**Women's Bible Study:** Saturdays, 10:00 a.m., April 6 & 13, Library

**Women's Discipleship:** Tuesdays, 1:00-2:30 p.m., Library. (*No meeting on April 16.*)

#### YOUTH

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**Boy Scout Troop #2:** Every Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., Assembly Room (*No meeting on April 16.*)

**Connection:** Wednesday, Wednesday, April 3, 5:30 p.m., Youth Room

Sunday, April 28, 10:00 a.m., meet in Balcony for Church & Justice worship service,

**High School Youth Group:** Sundays, April 7 & 28, 6:00 p.m., Westminster Room

Saturday, April 27, 11:00 a.m., Rye Nature Center

#### MUSIC

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**Chancel Choir Rehearsal:** Sundays, April 7, 14, & 28, 9:15 & 11:15 a.m.; April 21, 10:00 a.m.

**Children's Choir Rehearsal:** Thursdays, 3:45 p.m., Choir Room; Sunday, April 7, 9:15 a.m., Westminster Room

**Youth Choir Rehearsal:** Thursdays/Sundays TBD

#### OTHER CHURCH MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND PROGRAMS

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**3 Ts:** Tuesday, April 16, 10:00 a.m., Library

**Coming Home Dinner:** Thursdays, 7:00 p.m., Westminster Room

**Concert:** Chamber Music at RPC, Sunday April 7, 2:30 p.m., Sanctuary

**Mission & Outreach:** Wednesday, April 3, 7:30 p.m., Library

##### Stephen Ministry:

Stephen Leaders: Tuesday, April 2, 6:00 p.m., Library

Continuing Education and Supervision: Tuesday, April 2, 7:00 p.m., Westminster Room

**Thrift Shop:** Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.. (*Note: closed Thursday, April 18.*)

**Thrift Shop Spring Sale:** Saturday, April 27, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Assembly Room & Undercroft

**Women's Association:** Monthly Meeting, Monday, April 1, 9:00 a.m., Library

**Worship & Music:** Monday, April 8, 7:30 p.m., Conference Room

#### OUTREACH AND SUPPORT GROUPS

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**AA Rye Harrison Group:** Mondays, 7:30 p.m., Assembly Room

**AA Group:** Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., Youth Room

**Mr. Westchester/Al-Anon Group:** Mondays, 7:30 p.m., Library

**Helping Hands:** Thursday, April 18, 10:00 a.m., Kitchen & Assembly Room



## Rye Presbyterian Nursery School

### Greetings to the RPC Community from Kristin Bassett Kumar

On Saturday, March 2, Rye Presbyterian Nursery School held its 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Pancake Breakfast. This event brings the RPNS community together, with a special emphasis on welcoming new families to RPNS. Families gathered in the



Assembly Room to enjoy a breakfast of pancakes, sausages, bagels, and fruit served by RPNS parent and teacher volunteers. The children also had their photo taken with Pete the Cat on the stage during breakfast.

Entertainment at the event included a performance by the Robert Rogers Puppet Company. The puppet show entitled "Bugtown Follies" was a fun and imaginative look at the wonders of the insect world. In the upstairs fives classroom children decorated wood photo frames with large buttons and colored shoe laces to go along with the Pete the Cat theme. The books *Pete the Cat and his Four Groovy Buttons* and *Pete the Cat I Love My White Shoes* are very popular among preschool-age children. Participants at the Pancake Breakfast also purchased books at the Scholastic Book Fair set up in the Westminster Room.



The week leading up to the Pancake Breakfast, our twos and threes classrooms enjoyed Grandparents' Day. Grandparents were invited to visit the classrooms and have a special snack with their grandchildren. The students were dismissed to their grandparents, and they visited the Book Fair together. There were also special Book Fair shopping days for our four and five year old students to shop independently at the Book Fair during school. It was a great way for the children to practice their math skills as they had to figure out the prices of the books they were purchasing and the amount of money they had to spend.



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