ROCKVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (RPC)

RPC Newsletter

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> June 2021 Greetings in the Name of the Lord



So it looks like this month might be the month that we finally start to really move past the pandemic and all that's come with it. As I've been suggesting, we don't really know what will come next, it will be a new world and it will be our jobs to listen and pay attention and allow the Holy Spirit to reveal Rockville Presbyterian church's path into what will come.

For the time being though, let us exhale a bit, let us allow ourselves to enjoy the moment with friends, to reflect on what we've learned about what is most important in our lives, what we want to cultivate and mourn what we have lost. Let us allow ourselves time to just be, to be present, to be aware, to drink up the good weather and cherish those around us we love.

I'll be excited to see all of you back in the sanctuary when we are ready to move into that space, and to begin the process of renewal and restoration God is leading us towards. Unexpected things will happen, our best laid plans will most likely fall apart, but God's love will always be at the center of things if we let it be. If we listen and let God in, we will end up where we need to be, no matter what.

In Peace,

Mike

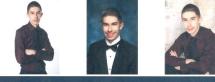




Skyler Sorini graduated with a Bachelor's of Science in Quantitative Sciences with an emphasis in Economics from Emory University









Kalilah Rose Blake (Harry & Beth Redd's great granddaughter) graduated from Damascus High School and will be going to Mount St. Mary's University in the fall to study Biochem.



Mark Macomber graduated from Rockville High School and will be going to Montgomery College in the fall to study Computer Science.

Graduation Sunday is Sunday, June 13th

Anna Dawson is being promoted from preschool and will be going to Barnsley Elementary School in the fall.

Alicia Yu is being promoted from 5th grade and will be going to Julius West Middle School in the fall.

Kai Hutchins is being promoted from 5th grade and will be going to Patrick Marsh Middle School in Wisconsin in the fall.

Schedule for Sunday Mornings

****** 9:30 am – Sunday morning outdoor service has resumed, weather permitting.

10:30 am – Live Stream Sunday Service, Live stream is accessible through the link below.

<u>https://www.christianworldmedia.com/livesite/RPCPraise</u> OR The church website <u>RockvillePres.org</u>

followed by ZOOM Coffee Hour

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83437874771?pwd=QnRLSW9DVk5pdTJNbHJ1Y0liT3JXQT09

Phone access at **301-715-8592.** Contact the office at 301-762-3363 or by email at <u>Rockvillepres1@verizon.net</u> to be added to the email blast.





Session Agenda Items Due: *Tuesday, June 1, 2021.*

Next Session Meeting: Tuesday, June 8, 2021 7PM





- 10 Kai Hutchins
- 16 Leah Herzfeld
- 19 Flora Beers
- 19 Walter Eull
- 23 Mary Ann Eull
- 30 Barbara Grewe
- 30 Justine Katanga

Friends at Coffee Hour



Have you been missing Fellowship? There's an oppourtunity for Fellowship every Sunday following our regular Live Stream service. Join the ZOOM **Coffee Hour** *following* the **10:30** am Live Stream service. ZOOM information is below: No ID or PSWD needed, simply click the link below; it will take you to the Zoom Coffee Hour. <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83437874771?</u> pwd=QnRLSW9DVk5pdTJNbHJ1Y0liT3JXQT09 OR *by phone* at *301-715-8592 or* **One tap mobile** +13017158592,,83996597218#,,,,*367871# US (Washington DC) +13126266799,,83996597218#,,,,*367871# US (Chicago)

Cents-Ability: Remember to collect your Coins!



Don't forget about Cents-Ability! Cents-Ability is part of the Presbyterian Hunger Program, where congregations collect coins at mealtimes to fight against hunger. Half of our collection will go to the Presbyterian Hunger Program and half of our collection will go to Manna Food Center. We will collect our coins when we are able to worship together again.



Consider sending cards to an RPC member who you have not talked to in a while.

Flora Beers 601 McIntyre Rd Rockville, MD 20851

Vicki Bowen 2963 Hunter Mill Road Oakton, VA 22124

Keith Cornelius, Jr. 13710 Esworthy Road

Germantown, MD 20874

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Jeannette Hoffmaster

The Village at Rockville 9701 Veirs Dr., #1350 Rockville, MD 20850 Maxine Morgan 110 Upton Street Rockville, MD 20850

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Phyllis Morrow

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Nancy Webert 11524 Brandy Hall Ln N. Potomac, MD 20878-2426

Community Outreach

Newsletters from our community partners can be found at the links below: Interfaith Works: https://www.iworksmc.org/stay-in-touch/ Community Reach: https://www.cmrocks.org/contact



Interfaith Works Caring Breakfast

On April 7, Interfaith Works hosted a Caring Breakfast to recognize volunteers who have contributed to Interfaith Works and the projects that Interfaith Works has led. Interested in learning more about the event, hearing client stories, and Interfaith Works? Find the videos presented here: https://www.iworksmc.org/event/2021-interfaith-works-caring-breakfast/

Save the Date: Interfaith Works Community Conversation

On *Thursday, June 24* at *7 pm*, Interfaith Works will host a community conversation. Previous topics of the community conversation include vaccine equity. More information and how to join will be shared when available.

Interfaith Works Letter in the Washington Post

Did you know that during April, the CEO of the Interfaith Works wrote a letter to the editor of the Washington Post addressing the misconceptions about people experiencing poverty. The letter was published in April 17. To read the article, go to: https://www.iworksmc.org/2021/04/19/courtney-halls-letter-to-the-editor-featured-in-the-washington-post/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eId=8ae3105a-050c-4faf-9c19-e4593ea8521c

Interfaith Works – Items Needed

Consider donating the following items to Interfaith Works to help support their programs. Items can be purchased and delivered to the Interfaith Works office at 114 West Montgomery Ave. Rockville, MD 20850 or purchase on Interfaith Work's Amazon Wishlist at: <u>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/genericItemsPage/1DF75MC0V88DH?</u> <u>fil-</u>

ter=&ref_=cm_sw_r_cp_ep_ws_6TrGyb7C1EVAV&sort=default&type=wishlist&_encoding=UTF8 Click "Discover Our Current Needs" on the left side of page for 'Ongoing Needs'



Community Reach Annual Gala: Thank You!

On Saturday, April 24, Community Reach held its second virtual Annual Gala. Over 100 people attended and over \$150,000 was raised. The event featured trivia and a live auction. Some of the trivia questions and answers were:

How many COIVD tests has the Kaseman Clinic provided between October and April 18? Answer: 6,030 tests

 How many hours of instruction were offered in the 2020 fiscal year by the Language Outreach Program in ESOL, citizenship, conversation, and childcare/tutoring? Answer: 1,426 hours of ESOL, 120 hours of citizenship classes, 288 hours of conversation classes, and 880 hours of childcare/tutoring. This totals 2714 hours.
What year was Community Reach founded? Answer: 1967

For information about the program or to view the videos shared during the program,

go to: https://www.cmrocks.org/events

Community Reach: Language Outreach Program Graduation

On *Friday, June 18* at 7 pm, Community Reach will be hosting a virtual graduation

ceremony for graduates from the Language Outreach Program. To attend or to learn more about the Language Outreach program, go to: https://www.cmrocks.org/lop

Community Reach Volunteer Opportunities

Want to help out at Community Reach? The following volunteer opportunities are available:

Join a Community Reach Committee Development, Finance, Faith Advisory, and

Governance

Writer/Editor/Investigator to develop a procedures manual

Client Intake Coordinator for the Rockville Emergency Assistance Program

Interpreters at the Mansfield Kaseman Health Clinic.

Donations at the Mansfield Kaseman Health Clinic: C-Fold Paper Towels, Paper Towel Rolls, Hand Sanitizer, Antibacterial Hand Soap, Trash Bags, Disinfecting Wipes, Scouring Powder, Window Cleaner, Facial Tissue, Bleach, Toilet Bowl Cleaner, Dishwashing Liquid, Toilet Paper

For more information, go to https://www.cmrocks.org/volunteer or contact Andrea Kempner-Wink at 301-637-0172.



Community Reach COVID Testing

Community Reach is continuing to offer drive up, no appointment needed COVID *testing* on **Saturdays** from **10 am - 2 pm** at *Rockville United Methodist Church* and **every 1st and 3rd Sunday** at *Rockville United Church*. Community Reach anticipates offering COVID tests through June.

Community Reach Faith Advisory Meeting – April Notes

In April, the following items were discussed at the Community Reach Faith Advisory Meeting.

Highlighted a need for volunteers at the Rockville Emergency Assistance Program (REAP)
– volunteers are needed for one 4 hour shift a week. Shifts are Monday to Friday from 9am-1pm or 1pm-5pm. Volunteers are needed to answer and return phone calls. Pre-COVID, REAP was receiving 20 calls a week asking for references or assistance, while they are currently receiving about 60 calls a week.

- Mansfield Kaseman Clinic has been offering about 50 vaccines a week, mostly on Thursday and by appointment
- Mansfield Kaseman Clinic is mostly offering vaccines to clinic patients, but is open to vaccinating non-clinic patients (please call)
- If you are looking for places to donate food, check out the Montgomery Country Food Council. It has a list of places that are distributing food.

Donate Food at the Rockville Senior Center





The Rockville Senior Center (1150 Carnation Drive Rockville, MD 20850) is holding food drives to collect shelf-stable food for seniors on Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 12 pm. The collection is "drive-up and drop-off", so those leaving donations do not need to leave their cars. Donations are also accepted at other times and can be left in the blue bin under the side parking lot awning.



Ways to support Rainbow Place Shelter:

Sponsor a Bed: Rainbow Place has launched a Sponsor-a-Bed Program. If you are interested, or know a group or company that may be interested in sponsoring a bed fornext season, more information can be found at: https://tinyurl.com/SponsoraBedatRainbow **Rockville Rewards Cards:** Rockville Rewards Cards gets you discounts at over 150 Rockville restaurants and businesses. 100% of the proceeds from the sale of the cards benefit Rockville nonprofits. When you buy a card online, it costs \$25 and you can select Rainbow Place as the recipient of that \$25 card purchase. Buy a card at https://rockvillerewards.com/.

Buy a Face Mask: For every facemask purchased, \$5 will be donated to Rainbow Place.

Get your mask at <u>https://rainbowplaceshelter.square.site/</u>. Follow Rainbow Place social media for more updates, needs, and events prior to our next season.

To learn more about Massanetta Springs programs and facilities at Massanetta Springs, near Harrisonburg, VA click the links below. In the past, RPC youth have attended their Middle School conferences, it has been a resource for pastoral study leave, and it was included in RPC's mission gifts. Additionally, there are pastor retreats, church music and bell choir workshops and conferences, and facilities for year-round use by individuals and churches. Please take a few minutes to click on the following links for updates on their



programs, for yourself, family and church groups, as well as for information on how you can support their operations.

https://massanettasprings.org/about https://www.facebook.com/MassanettaSprings

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