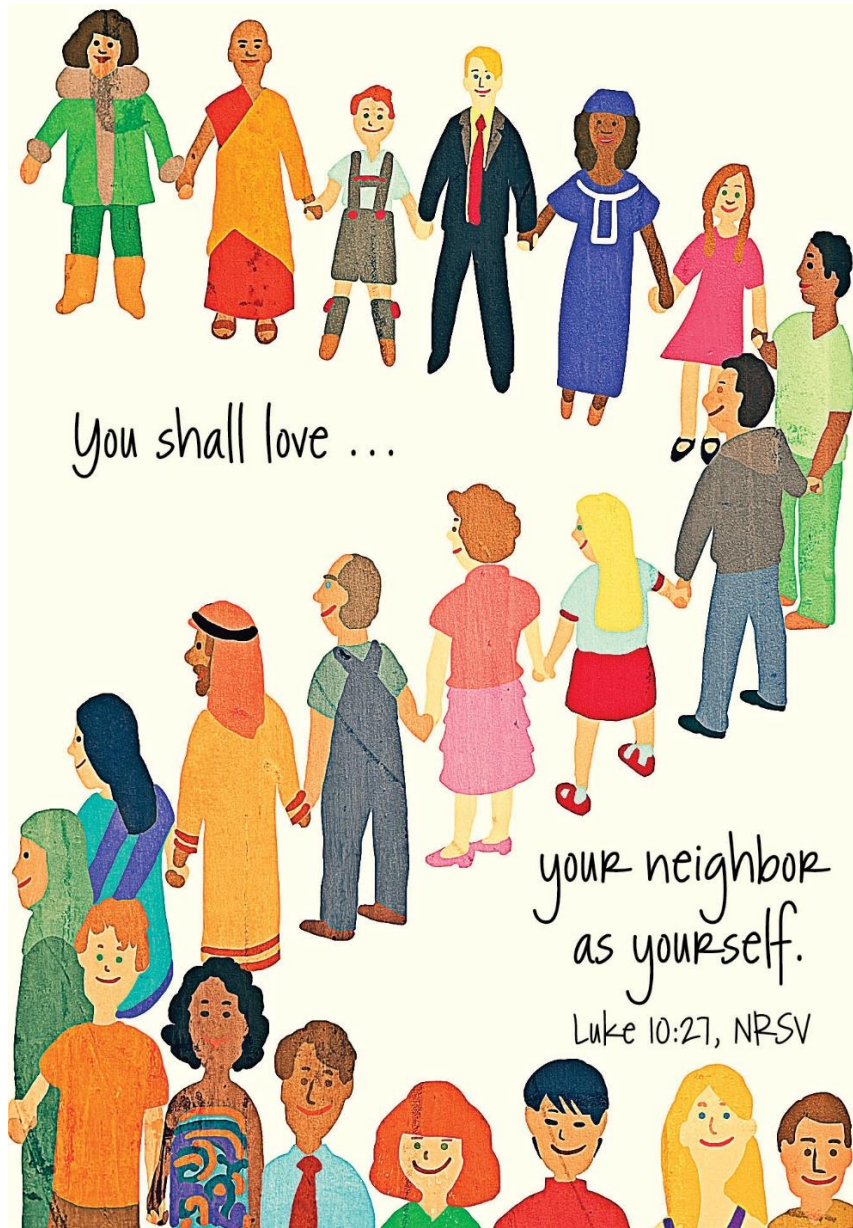


Rock Lake Presbyterian Church  
Celebrating 75 years of "Shining Christ's Light"



**Welcome to Rock Lake Presbyterian Church**

Here are a few tips to help you participate:

**\*** Invites all who are able to stand.

**Large print** invites reading or singing by the congregation.

*Italic type* invites silent reading by the congregation.

Large print hymnals are available from the usher.

Please return hymnals after the service.

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# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 28, 2024

## Gathering

THE CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Arr. David Lasky

WELCOME AND THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

O give thanks to the Lord our God,

**who will keep his covenant with us.**

Sing unto the Lord, sing praises!

**And remember the wonderful works he has done.**

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice in him,

**and give glory and honor to this holy name.**

Let us worship God.

\*HYMN #250

"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

...through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

OPENING OURSELVES TO GOD #466

"Come and Fill Our Hearts"

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.**

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia!**

## Listening to the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, as we receive your Word through your Holy Spirit, open our eyes to your justice, open our ears to your judgment, and open our hearts to your love. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

Luke 10:25-37

<sup>25</sup> An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>26</sup> He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" <sup>27</sup> He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." <sup>28</sup> And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." <sup>29</sup> But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" <sup>30</sup> Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup> Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup> So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup> But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was

moved with compassion. <sup>34</sup> He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup> The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend." <sup>36</sup> Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" <sup>37</sup> He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"So What are You Trying to Say?"

The Rev. Dr. Ravi Isaiah

## ***Responding to God***

\*HYMN #343

"Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

Verses 1, 2, 3, 4

### RECOGNITION OF BRIDGEVIEW FOOD MINISTRY

Holy God, we come before you giving thanks for all who participate in the backpack food ministry. For those who administer the program, keep the pantry stocked, deliver the bags, and oversee the funding,

**we give thanks for their leadership.**

For those who donate food and money to support the program,

**we give thanks for their offerings.**

For those who pack the bags every month,

**we give thanks for their time and energy.**

For the children who receive the food,

**we pray that they will be nourished, that some of their anxieties will be calmed,  
and that they will grow strong in body and spirit.**

For all who serve you by serving their neighbors,

**we give you thanks and praise. Amen.**

### JOYS & CONCERNS

### PASTORAL PRAYER and LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## ***Going Forth to Serve***

\*HYMN #62

"Love the Lord Your God"

**\*BENEDICTION**

Be people who bear the fruit of eternal life:  
loving God with all your heart,  
and with all your strength  
and with all your mind,  
and loving your neighbor as yourselves.

**\*DEPARTING SONG #243**

“Be Not Afraid”

**Be not afraid; sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!**  
**Be not afraid; sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!**

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*Greet one another in peace as you depart.*

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## ***Church Notes***

### **WORSHIP LEADERS**

Liturgist: Mary Wagner  
Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Ravi Isaiah  
Music Director: Marilyn Padon  
Organist: Pam Ferrell

**POSTCARDS TO OTHER CHURCHES** On the table in the narthex are postcards to be sent to other West Virginia Presbyterian churches this week. Please take time to add your signature to let them know that we are thinking of them and have them in our prayers.

**THE BRIDGEVIEW FOOD MINISTRY** will be packing lunches today, after worship service.

### **JOYS AND CONCERNS FROM THE CONGREGATION**

If you would like to share a Joy or Concern, we would like to hear it. In order to hear it, please raise your hand, and a microphone will be brought to you.

**DO YOU NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?** If you need a ride to church, please call Ken Schmidt at 304-768-8565 (home), or 304-881-2408 (cell). Both numbers can record a message.

# Prayer List

To add/remove/correct names on the prayer list,  
please call the church office (768-4141) or email [rocklakepreschurch@gmail.com](mailto:rocklakepreschurch@gmail.com)

## Prayers of Joy

### Prayers for Concerns – Our friends and neighbors and their families

Dr. Clark Adkins	Tre' Hardin	Reid family
Gene Bishop	Walter Hardin	Jackson Rice
Jennifer Fisher Braden	Brad Harkins	Ritchie Rutledge
Nancy Braenovich	Teresa Hart	Wanda Rybolt
Keyleigh Caruthers	Dr. Richard Hayes	Kevin Shaffer
Erin "Nikki" Childers	Willie Haynes	Daris Shamblin
Connie Dent	Amy Jo Hickey	Ryan Slaughter
Jeff Dent	Rev. Dr. Ravi Isaiah	Bradley Smith
John Dlugog	K C Lovin	Michelle Smith
Tory Fenniger	Diane Lynn McClure	Steve Smith
Liz Given	Carl McCormick	Ike Taylor
Larry Graham	Mike McDougle	Lauren Thomas
Jennifer Haynes Greene	Bob Miller	Vernell Williams
Margie Gumowski's unnamed friend	Paula Miller	Johnny Witt
Adilynn Hardin	Marcia Obukowicz	
Judy Hardin	Joy Ratcliff Parsons	
	Joyce Perry	

-We pray for peace including the Gaza strip conflict and the hostages and their families.

- We pray for peace in the Ukraine/Russia conflict and the hostages and their families.

-Climate change as evidenced by more severe and deadly storms, fires, floods, and prolonged heat waves locally, nationally, and globally. These events are causing large numbers of injuries and deaths of people, disruptions of food supplies, and many animal & plant species to greatly diminish and even go extinct

### Prayers for our Military

Brett Baker	Brent Bishop
Jeff Barker	Evan Chaney

All who are serving, who have been injured and the families who have lost someone in combat; those who live and serve on the Korean Peninsula and other nations in that region of the world; our troops facing terrorist attacks.

**Prayers for those in Senior Residential Centers** - Betty Berry, Edgewood Summit; Jackie Pauley, Valley Center

**Prayers for those at home** –Donie Argento, Day & Gene Bishop, Bonnie Cheely, Barbara Clark, Willie Haynes, Betty Oakes, Anita Wehrmann

**Prayer List for Churches: Prayer List for Churches:** Clear Creek Presbyterian Church; First Presbyterian Church, Logan; Thageini Church (Thah-GAY'ee-nay); Gura Parish (GOO'rah)

\*Added to Prayer List this week

# SPRING GETAWAY RETREAT

**MAY 3 - 5 @Bluestone**

**Adults \$85**  
(ages 12 & older)

**Youth \$50**  
(ages 4 - 11)

**Children FREE**  
(ages 3 & under)

Registration deadline is May 1.

**There'll be plenty of good food  
and fellowship... plus**

- † trail hike or craft you can do at your leisure †
- † study track w/weekend chaplain TBA †
- † games, campfires, devotions †
- † plenty of time and space to just simply be †

**Join us for a fun and relaxing  
low key weekend!**

Get Registration and Medical Release Forms  
online at

[bluestonecamp.com/spring-getaway](http://bluestonecamp.com/spring-getaway)



**WE'RE READY FOR CAMPERS!**  
HELP US PLAN FOR STAFF AND  
VOLUNTEERS BY REGISTERING FOR  
CAMP THIS MONTH!!!

# REGISTER!

## Summer Camp 2024

**June 16 - 23**  
**June 23 - 30**  
**June 30 - July 7**

**CAMP STARTS IN  
TWO MONTHS**

**SIGN UP SOON!!**

- *The above dates are the weeks we will be in session*
- *2-Day and 4-Day Weekend Family Camp options available*

**OR AT LEAST LET US KNOW  
YOU ARE PLANNING TO COME!**

Read about the different Summer Camp offerings at

**[bluestonecamp.org](http://bluestonecamp.org)**

For more details and info email [mark@bluestonecamp.org](mailto:mark@bluestonecamp.org)  
or call (304) 397-5050 and leave a voicemail.

## First Presbyterian Church Furniture Ministry



For almost 30 years, First Presbyterian Church of South Charleston has spearheaded the Furniture Mission. In co-operation with Heart & Hand, participating churches pick up and store donated furniture every other weekend from late May through August each year.

Other churches currently supporting this ministry are First Baptist, First Methodist, Genesis Fellowship, and First Nazarene.

Each church has one or two Saturdays during the summer on which it has three volunteers pick up donations and deliver them to a storage shed on the FPC parking lot. Heart & Hand then distributes the donations to local people in need. Pick up hours are about 8-1, with one person driving a truck rented by FPC.

If you would like to help on either May 25 or June 8, please contact Scott Hamilton or Ken Schmidt.