

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

December 12, 2021

10:45 am

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

If you have a request, you would like included in our prayer time by our Pastor, please note it on a prayer card and place it in the offering plate.

Prelude Praise Team
Welcome Praise Team

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISE & FELLOWSHIP

Praise Song Adore Praise Team
Invocation Pastor Russ
Praise Song What Child is This Praise Team
Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 13:11-14 John Roy

WORSHIPPING WITH OUR GIFTS

Announcements Pastor Russ
Offering Our Gifts Pastor Russ

WORSHIPPING THROUGH ADVENT

Lighting of the 3rd Advent Candle Belle Family

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND TEACHING

Time of Prayer Pastor Russ
Special Music Praise Team
Message Pastor Russ

"The God Of Peace"

WORSHIP THROUGH COMMITMENT

Hymn "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" #188
Recessional Praise Team

**Hearing assistance devices are available.
Please see an usher for help.**

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GETTING TO KNOW US

Rev. Russell Stammer
Christine Lovette
JJ Belle & John Roy
Rachel Sink, Harry Sink, Ted Odenwald
Deborah Ugrovics
All Members of This Faith Community

Pastor
Minister of Music
Praise Band
Praise Team
Head Usher
Ministers

THIS WEEK

Today 9:30 am Adult Sunday School
10:45 am Worship Service
Sunday School Grades 4 & younger
(Masks Required)
Noon Church Council Meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS

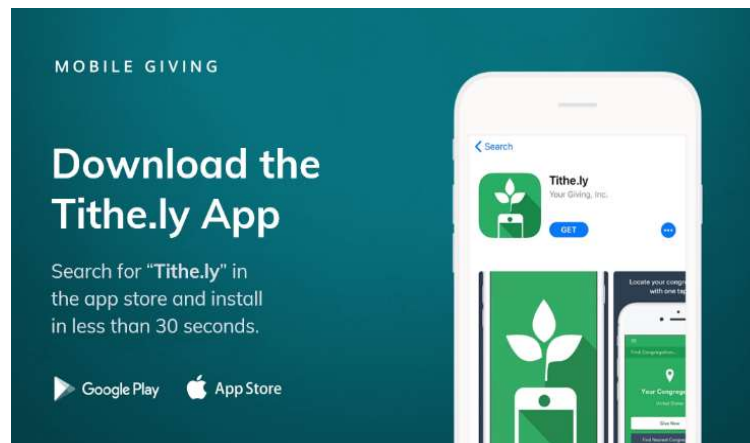
12/24/21 6 PM Christmas Eve Service

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Russ Stammer 12/6
Katherine Stammer 12/12
Matthew Palatucci 12/16
Lori Rosenboom 12/25

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Joe & Cheryl Alfano 12/8
Derek & Tina Oswusu-Bekoe 12/29



GROWING IN BIBLE KNOWLEDGE

2020/2021 BIBLE READINGS

Mon Dec 13 Micah 1 -2; 1 Peter 3 -4
Tues Dec 14 Micah 3 -4; 1 Peter 5; 2 Peter 1
Wed Dec 15 Micah 5 -6; 2 Peter 2 -3
Thur Dec 16 Micah 7; Nahum 1; 1 John 1 -2
Fri Dec 17 Nahum 2 -3; 1 John 3 -4
Sat Dec 18 Habakkuk 1 - 2; 1 John 5; 2 John 1
Sun Dec 19 Habakkuk 3; Zephaniah 1; 3 John 1; Jude 1

SCRIPTURE MEMORY PROGRAM

This week's passage is **2 Corinthians 5:17**
Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

BIBLE TRIVIA

Today's question is: Who said to Mary, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!"?

Last week's question and answer: Which prophet said, "Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son"? **Isaiah (Isa 7:14)**

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE

"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress." - Psalm 46:10-11

RVBC SUNDAY SCHOOL

We will follow the state guidelines for school children which at this time requires children to wear masks in class.

CLASS TIME TEACHER

Adult Sunday School 9:30 am Ted
Grades Pre-K 2nd 10:45 am
Grades 3rd and Up 10:45 am

**Are your kids in a class? Are you in a class?
Join us for Sunday School!**

MISSIONS (PUTTING FAITH INTO ACTION)

STAFF GIFTS

Each year at Christmas time, we have given special thanks to our pastor, our minister of music, and our staff in the form of a monetary gift. Their dedication has made possible our strategies for holding services both in person and virtually.

It is fitting that we show our gratitude to the Pastor, Christine, John, JJ, Deborah, and Katie. They have enabled us to remain a healthy church—both spiritually and physically.

If you would like to contribute, please give through Tithely and choose Staff Gifts, or you can mail your contribution to the church (150 Franklin Ave, Oakland, NJ 07436), or give it to Eleanor, or to Ted. Please designate “staff gift” on your check or envelope. Thank you for your consideration, for your generosity, and for your continued support.

THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

For the Thanksgiving and Christmas offerings, the church council has decided to designate the offerings to upgrading our technology of our Live Streaming. We will purchase mounted cameras, and various equipment that will allow the sound system to feed directly to the Live Feed. The estimated cost will be around \$2,000 dollars. Please consider giving to this project to help get God’s Word out to the public.

INVITE SOMEONE TO COME ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Now is the time to start inviting your friends and family to our Christmas Eve Service. Our theme this year is a family Christmas. It will be a special time of worship with uplifting music and message! Remember we start at 6 PM this year!

COVID 19

Masks are **REQUIRED** for all unvaccinated people. Masks are **Optional** for all vaccinated people. We still recommend masks continue to be worn for anyone who is considered high risk. Please continue social distancing as much as possible.

PRAYER PAGE

HEALTH ISSUES

Sandy Christopher - has not been feeling well for some time.
Cheryl Alfano – In Oakland Care Center with a broken leg
David Donnelly – (Joy Sister-in-law’s Dad) just had major back surgery
Ashley Velasquez - dealing with Bell’s Palsy
Dan D’Elia – recovering from knee replacement surgery
Eileen Hodgkiss – Ongoing health issues
Adrian Jon – (Cheryl’s grandson) diagnosed with hypotonia & has to wear braces on his feet and legs.
Rich Rosenboom – Recovering from surgery
Nancy Monell – (Ted’s Sister) – Ongoing health issues
Dot Nagy – (Ted’s cousin) has multiple health issues.
John Roy – ongoing back & neck issues
Teresa Pipito – going through a difficult time and needs our prayers
Dave Muller – (Pastor’s friend) Heart issues
Mary Belle – (JJ’s Mom) Lingering long term COVID issues
Leah – (Lori Rosenboom’s Sister) recovering from a serious stroke

HEALTH ISSUES (CANCER)

Greg & his wife Barbara - (neighbor of Deborah) battling cancer
Mary Ann Gallina – (JJ boss’ mother) stage 4 cancer not doing well.
Susan Graves - (Cheryl Alfano’s sister) Breast Cancer
Linda & Bob – (Friends of Jack & Ollie)
Ralph Lemongello – (Friend of Jackie Trowbridge) Bone Cancer
Patrick Dilworth – (Friend of the Pipito/Redd Family) Brain Tumor
Rob Gumienski – Pastor’s 3rd cousin- Lung Cancer
Joe Alfano health issues & diagnosed with Lung Cancer
Ginny Palmer – has a very aggressive form of cancer
Molly – (Herb Dorfman’s granddaughter) diagnosed with Leukemia

OTHER CONCERNS

Good Shepherd Mission

Unspoken Requests –People requested prayer for an unspoken request.
Those dealing with Depression.
Those dealing with addiction: Brandon, Stacy, Friend of Joy Palatucci’s Husband
All those suffering from mental health issues

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Capt. David Hutsebaut - son of Dave and Shirley - Army
Sgt. Eduardo Velasquez - son in law of Cheryl Alfano – Marines
Petty Officer Second Class Faustina Owusu Bekoe - US Navy



Our Church – We need to pray for our church as we need to examine all aspects of our church to reposition ourselves for future success.



"I will praise thee, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvelous works. I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High." — Psalm 9:1-2



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