

**W**elcome to the Reformed Church of Metuchen. We hope that your spirit is nourished by our worship service. **Larger print bulletins, Hymnals, and Bibles are available in the narthex. Wireless hearing devices are also available. Please ask a deacon for assistance.**

Rev. Dr. Peter Sanfilippo, Pastor and Rev. Ancela F. Rumokoy are leading the service.

Following worship, please join us in Fellowship Hall for our Potluck Luncheon followed by our 161<sup>st</sup> Annual Congregational Meeting. All are welcome!

Prayers for Intercession and Healing: Please call (732-548-2463) or email the church ([rcmetuchen@msn.com](mailto:rcmetuchen@msn.com)) to request prayers to be read at the Wednesday Evening Prayer Service and/or at the Sunday morning worship service and/or to be listed on the bulletin prayer list insert.

**Child Care** is offered for ages infant - 6-years-old downstairs in the Edgar Child Care area (preschool classroom) from 10:15 A.M. to 12:15 P.M. A deacon can help you if you are not familiar with the downstairs.

#### NOTES

#### **Annual Congregational Meeting and Potluck Luncheon - Sunday, Feb. 10 after Worship**

Please join us at our Potluck Luncheon and Annual Congregational Meeting today (Feb. 10) immediately following worship. Following lunch, we will begin our **161<sup>st</sup> Congregational Meeting**: a time to review our 2018 accomplishments, to share church vision and upcoming events, and to announce and vote on 2019 elder and deacon nominations. After the business portion of our meeting, we invite the congregation to stay for music and fellowship. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

#### **Ozanam Family Shelter Dinner Preparation – February 12**

Our next Ozanam Family Shelter dinner preparation will be this **Tuesday, February 12 at 2:00 P.M.** in the church kitchen. Please join us for cooking at the church. Call the church office (732-548-2463) or email [rcmetuchen@msn.com](mailto:rcmetuchen@msn.com) to let us know you can help.

We also **urgently** need volunteers to transport and serve the prepared dinner at Ozanam Family Shelter, 89 Truman Drive North, Edison, NJ 08817. This group of volunteers would need to arrive at the church between 5:15 – 5:30 P.M.

**Monetary donations** for the purchase of the dinner supplies are always welcome. An Ozanam collection jar is available in the narthex and Fellowship Hall.

**Sunday School Meets 12:30 - 1:15 P.M. (2nd - 5th Sundays)**

Children 3-years and older are invited to Sunday School. The children meet for 45 minutes (12:30 - 1:15 P.M.) on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday (in months that include 5 Sundays). For more information, please speak to Donna Dingle, Director of Faith Formation for Children and Youth.

**International Choir Wednesdays at 6:00 P.M.**

The congregation is invited to join the International Choir Wednesdays at 6:00 P.M. in the Choir Room (downstairs). Contemporary and traditional Christian music is rehearsed for the Sunday morning service. All are invited and very welcome!

**Prayer: Intercessory, Healing & Meditation; Wednesdays, 7:00 PM**

Prayer: Intercessory, Healing & Meditation is offered every Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. This service is held downstairs in the chapel unless noted.

**Young Adult Praise & Worship - Friday at 8:00 P.M.**

Praise, Prayer and Christian Rock! Our young adult fellowship, led by Pastor Fransisca, is a joyful, compassionate group of young adults devoted to sharing the Gospel and praising the Lord. All young adults are invited and welcomed. The meeting is held in Fellowship Hall every Friday, unless announced.

**Classical Assessment per Active Confessing Member: \$118.75**

The 2019 Classical Assessment per Active Confessing Member is \$118.75. Four envelopes for quarterly payments of the Classical Assessment are included in each Offering box. The Classical Assessment supports the operation and benevolences of the wider Reformed Church in America. The church is required to pay the assessment whether or not individual members contribute. The total assessment for 2019 for The Reformed Church of Metuchen is \$8,906.25.

**Computation of 2019 Assessment per Active Confessing Individual**

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|---------------------------------|--------------|
| General Synod                   | 54.22        |
| Regional Synod of Mid-Atlantics | 22.73        |
| Classis of New Brunswick        | <u>41.80</u> |
|                                 | \$118.75     |

**Reformed Church in America Volunteer Opportunities**

For short-term or long-term volunteer work throughout the U.S. and world-wide, visit [www.rca.org/volunteers](http://www.rca.org/volunteers). Many opportunities within the US and longer global needs and locations are listed in detail.

**Lake Avenue Parking Near the Ramp**

We kindly ask that congregants who are able to walk without physically struggling to please leave the area on Lake Avenue that is near the ramp available for those who may be recovering from surgery or have difficulty walking short distances. Cones to mark off the area are placed on the curb each Sunday. We thank you for your understanding and consideration.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### **Sunday, February 10 Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**

- 10:30 A.M. United Combined Worship - Communion
- 12:00 noon **Annual Congregational Meeting & Potluck Luncheon**  
(Fellowship Hall)
- 5:00 P.M. Love of Jesus Indian Family Church

### Tuesday, February 12

- 2:00 P.M. Cooking for Ozanam Family Shelter (church kitchen) - Please see Notes for additional information and to learn how you may help!
- 5:15 P.M. Deliver (and Serve) Cooked Dinner to Ozanam Family Shelter, 89 Truman Drive North, Edison (*Volunteers urgently needed*)
- 7:30 P.M. Zumba (Fellowship Hall)

### Wednesday, February 13

- 6:00 P.M. International Choir - contemporary & traditional hymns (Meeting in the Choir Room)
- 7:00 P.M. Intercessory & Healing Prayer Service (Chapel)

### Thursday, February 14

- 7:30 P.M. Zumba (Fellowship Hall)

### Friday, February 15

- 8:00 P.M. **Young Adult Praise & Worship**

### **Sunday, Feb. 17 Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany**

- 10:30 A.M. Worship - Communion
- 11:30 A.M. Coffee Hour and Fellowship
- 12:00 P.M. Indonesian Language Service
- 12:30 P.M. Sunday School
- 5:00 P.M. Love of Jesus Indian Family Church

## ***We Pray***

Note: This prayer list is reviewed each week by the Pastor. Generally, names remain on the list for two or three weeks and may be added back later to reflect changes in circumstances. To request that a name be added or removed, please call or email the church office at 732-548-2463 or [remetuchen@msn.com](mailto:remetuchen@msn.com).

### For Intercession and Healing for:

- o **Mary Ann**, 6-years-old, recovering from heart surgery
- o **Chrissy Tarrant**
- o **Ryan Tarrant**
- o **Carolyn** for a safe delivery
- o **Paul Matyas** who was recently diagnosed with cancer; we pray for Paul's healing and recovery
- o **Betty Zak**, Eleanor Fentiman's daughter, who is recovering from surgery; we pray for continued recovery
- o **Mary Beth Boyle**
- o **Stacy**, friend of Tom Huber
- o **Tina Tropila** who is has been diagnosed with heart failure, lung disease and kidney problems; we pray for God's loving comfort
- o **Jim Markey**, Tom Huber's uncle, for healing of his ankle and foot
- o the **families of victims of school shootings and other shootings** throughout the country; we pray that this tragic and senseless violence end.
- o **Diane Tropila** as she recovers from an injury
- o **Bertha D'Amico**
- o **Terry**
- o **Bea Reynolds and Eleanor Fentiman** who reside at the Reformed Church Home, 1990 Rt. 18 North, Old Bridge, NJ 08857; we pray for **Bea who has resumed rehab; may Bea find continued healing and renewed physical strength.**
- o **Evelyn & Allen Levan** who are now residing at a care facility: AristaCare at Norwood Terrace, 40 Norwood Ave., Plainfield, NJ 07060 - Room 225
- o **the Lee family** - living in South Korea
- o **George Chin**
- o **Ellie Berrey**
- o **Lynn** who is dealing with cancer
- o **Allen Tropila and Olga Tropila** for health concerns
- o **David**, nephew of Carol Sudol

### To Continue to Intercede for:

- o **Wendy**, Carol & Michael Sudol's daughter, who has back problems
- o **For all who need prayers but are not listed**

### Men and Women Who Serve in the Military and Their Families

- o We pray for our **soldiers** as they serve and protect.
- o **Andy Goodberlet** (Marines)

In the World

- o We pray for **the victims of the tsunami in Indonesia**
- o We pray for **the innocent and vulnerable children who have been separated from their parents at the border.**
- o We pray for this world and for all whom suffering, loss, homelessness, hunger, and lack of basic freedoms are unrelenting.
- o We pray for **refugees throughout the world.**
- o We pray for the **immigrants and the Dreamers.**
- o We pray for **all who seek sanctuary.** We pray for **peace.**
- o **We pray that we treat one another with respect and kindness.**

**Suggested Scripture Readings for the Coming Week:**

**Sun., Feb. 10 Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13]; Psalm 138; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11**

Mon. Psalm 115; Judges 5:1-11; 1 Corinthians 14:26-40

Tues. Psalm 115; 1 Samuel 9:15—10:1b; 1 Timothy 3:1-9

Wed. Psalm 115; Isaiah 8:1-15; Luke 5:27-32

Thurs. Psalm 1; Jeremiah 13:12-19; Acts 13:26-34

Fri. Psalm 1; Jeremiah 13:20-27; 1 Peter 1:17—2:1

Sat. Psalm 1; Jeremiah 17:1-4; Luke 11:24-28

**Sun., Feb. 17 Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1; 1 Corinthians 15:12-20; Luke 6:17-26**