

**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 Rumokoy are leading the service.

Following worship, please join us in Fellowship Hall for conversation and refreshments.

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 Sunday worship.

**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. If you are not familiar with the building, please ask a deacon for assistance.

#### NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

#### **Faith Formation (Sunday School) Classes Resume Sunday, September 15 at 12:30 P.M.**

Faith Formation (Sunday School) Classes resume meeting Sunday, September 15 at 12:30 P.M. All children, preschool through high school, are welcome and encouraged to attend. Parents, please fill out a registration form for your child or children. Please see Donna Dingle, Director of Faith Formation, or Pastor Fransisca for a registration form.

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

Praise, Prayer and Christian Rock! Our young adult fellowship, led by Pastor Fransisca and Leo Poluan, 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 the sanctuary every Friday, unless announced. Assemble in the Lake Ave. lobby 7:30 - 8:00 P.M.

#### **Community Café: A Cross-Cultural Conversation - Getting to Know Our Neighbors**

The community is invited to Community Café: A Cross-Cultural Conversation - Getting to Know Our Neighbors at Neve Shalom, 250 Grove Ave., Metuchen on **Sunday, September 22; 2:00 - 4:00 PM (registration 1:30 - 2:00 PM)**. Following a panel presentation, the opportunity to join a small discussion group will be offered. Registration is appreciated: email [events@neveshalom.net](mailto:events@neveshalom.net). For further information, please call Judy at 732-247-9160 or Susan at 908-930-9409. Childcare available on request (for a fee).

#### **Retirees, Seniors, Caregivers & Family - Positive Transitions - Oak Tree Presbyterian**

Oak Tree Presbyterian Church presents Positive Transitions - Navigating Successfully through the Changes of Life on **Wednesday, September 25; 5:00 - 7:00 PM (Oak Tree Presbyterian Church, 445 Plainfield Road, Edison, NJ 08820)**.

Featured speakers will include Mary Smith Hanley, Esq. - Elder Law/Estate Planning; Rev. Donna Olivia Owusu-Ansah, Haven Hospice Chaplain and Associate Minister, New Hope Baptist Church; Maureen A. Erwin, Chaplain, Hackensack Meridian JFK Hospital; and Steve

Aksim, Director Admissions, and Caitlyn Campbell, Music Therapist-Board Certified, Foothill Acres Rehabilitation & Nursing Center.

**All are welcome to attend. Please RSVP! Call 732-549-4178.**

**First Reformed Church of New Brunswick - Lunchtime Recital Series - Sept. 18**

First Reformed Church of New Brunswick at 9 Bayard St. announces its free lunchtime recital series beginning Wed, Sept. 18 at 12:15 pm (lunch included). James Keene, *violinist*, will perform the B minor Solo Sonata by J.S. Bach. Parking vouchers are available for the Church Street Parking Deck. Questions: 732-545-1005 or email: secretary@firstreformedchurch.net.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**Sunday, Sept. 15      Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
    **10:30 A.M.      Worship (Sanctuary)**  
    11:45 A.M.      Coffee Hour and Fellowship  
    **12:00 P.M.      Indonesian Language Worship Service**  
    **12:30 P.M.      Faith Formation (Sunday School) Classes Resume - Please see Notes**  
                            **for details.**  
    5:00 P.M.      Love of Jesus Family Indian Church

Tuesday, September 17  
    7:30 P.M.      Zumba (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, September 18  
    7:00 P.M.      Intercessory & Healing Prayer (chapel)

Thursday, September 19  
    7:30 P.M.      Zumba (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, September 20  
    8:00 P.M.      **Young Adult Praise & Worship** (Meeting in the sanctuary)

Saturday, September 21  
    3:00-5:00 PM      Choir & Music Rehearsal

**Sunday, Sept. 22      Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
    **10:30 A.M.      Worship (Sanctuary)**  
    11:45 A.M.      Coffee Hour and Fellowship  
    **12:00 P.M.      Indonesian Language Worship Service**  
    **12:30 P.M.      Faith Formation (Sunday School) Classes Meet**  
    5:00 P.M.      Love of Jesus Family Indian Church

Looking Ahead:

**Saturday, October 12**  
    4:00-7:00 PM **Pumpkin Night** (Fellowship Hall) - Games, Crafts, Pumpkin Carving and Refreshments; please watch the bulletin for details.

## *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 **Marge Viquerat**
- o the **friends and family of Jef Tendean** as they mourn the loss of Jef who passed on June 15, 2019
- o **Allen Levan** as he mourns the loss of his wife Evelyn who passed on May 17. Allen resides at: AristaCare at Norwood Terrace, 40 Norwood Ave., Plainfield, NJ 07060 - Room 225.
- o **Rose's father-in-law** who has been diagnosed with leukemia
- o **Yurike Ransun and Reinhard Lolong** as they mourn the loss of Yurike's mother, **Lilly Liando Kalengkongan, SE** on February 19.
- o **Chrissy Tarrant**
- o **Ryan Tarrant**
- o **Paul Matyas** who was diagnosed with cancer; we pray for Paul's healing and recovery
- o **Mary Beth Boyle**
- o **Tina Tropila** who is has been diagnosed with heart failure, lung disease and kidney problems; we pray for God's loving comfort
- o **Diane Tropila** as she recovers from an injury
- 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 continues rehab; may Bea find continued healing and renewed physical strength.**
- o **the Lee family** - living in South Korea
- o **Ellie Berrey**
- 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)
- o **Charles Ramirez Hilton** (serving in Syria)

### In the World

- o We pray for the **families of victims of mass shootings** throughout the world; we pray that this tragic and senseless violence ends.
- o We pray for **the victims of natural & manmade disasters**
- 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., Sept. 15 Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10**

Mon. Psalm 94; Jeremiah 5:1-17; 1 Timothy 1:18-20

Tues. Psalm 94; Jeremiah 5:18-31; 2 Peter 3:8-13

Wed. Psalm 94; Jeremiah 14:1-10, 17-22; Luke 22:31-33, 54-62

Thurs. Psalm 79:1-9; Jeremiah 12:14—13:11; Romans 3:1-8

Fri. Psalm 79:1-9; Jeremiah 8:1-13; Romans 8:31-39

Sat. Psalm 79:1-9; Jeremiah 8:14-17; 9:2-11; Mark 12:41-44

**Sun., Sept 22 Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; Psalm 79:1-9; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13**

**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.