NEWS FROM THE HILL SEPTEMBER 2025





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Remembering Labor Day

Colossians 3:23
Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters,



9/3 Beau Corbin
9/5 Skipper Turner
9/14 Candy Exley
9/15 Vilma Cooper, Shirley Giebrich
9/19 Nick Hahn
9/20 Sheryl Curtis, Jenny Prazack
9/28 Jim Carter
9/29 Oscar Collum

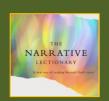
Happening This Month

Sept. 1st - Labor Day
Church Office Closed
Sept. 7th - Communion Service
Sept. 12th @ 11 AM - Set up for Potluck
Sept. 13th @ 8 AM - Church Wide Cleanup
Please bring yard tools
Sept. 14th - Congregational Meeting
Election of New Officers
Lunch with Friends Potluck
Pulled Pork & all the fixins'

EVERY WEDNESDAY Quiet Wednesday

Eclectic Home School

Choir Practice
Al Anon



WHERE GOD'S STORY
MEETS OUR STORY

Join Pastor Diane

EVERY TUESDAY

@ 12:30 PM in the church house or @ 7 PM on ZOOM September 9 – October 28

We will study and reflect on the week's sermon text from the Narrative Lectionary. We will dig into the backstory of each text and through our discussion see how these sacred words speak to our lives today.

September



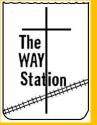
October Mission Project



Operation Christmas Child is a project by Samaritan's Purse, an international Christian relief & evangelism organization, that aims to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with children in need around the world. The project involves collecting shoebox gifts filled with toys, school supplies, and hygiene items, and then delivering them to children through local churches. The gifts are intended to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way, and for many children, the shoebox is their first gift ever.

Boxes will be available end of September





SEPTEMBER COL LECTIONS

> Ravioli Spaghettio's

Instant/Microwavable
Mac n Cheese

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Beginning Sunday, September 7th- The Narrative Lectionary Where God's Story Meets Our Story

Rev. Eugene Peterson observed that when we read scripture, we "see our stories in God's."

Beginning in September and continuing through Pentecost 2026, we will participate in God's story as we follow the Narrative Lectionary (www.narrativelectionary.org) in our weekly sermons and our Tuesday Bible Study.

Each week our scripture text will highlight the sweep of the biblical story, from Creation through the early Christian church. In your bulletins you will be given resources to explore areas like bible history, society and culture, through additional readings and links to short videos. We are planning some other educational opportunities throughout the year, so stay tuned!

Our journey begins with the Creation story as told in Genesis 1:1-2:4a.

From Rodney Denmark Commissioned Training Elder



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN PURPOSE

Forgiven and freed by God in
Jesus Christ, and empowered
by the Holy Spirit, we commit
ourselves to:
Nurture our faith through
prayer and Bible Study
Support the mission of the
church worldwide,
Work for justice and peace,
build an inclusive, caring
community of women that

strengthens the Presbyterian

Church (U.S.A.) and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom.



HOLY COW!! God is up to something at RHPC!

The Session is partnering with HolyCow! Consulting to gather your thoughts on the church's future. The first step is a survey, which when complete will provide a clear picture of who we are as a church and what directions are most important for the future of RHPC.

The tool we are using is called the Congregation Assessment Tool (CAT) which will measure key indicators of our congregational health along with areas of challenges and potential growth. It will help us to collect and understand the range of views that exist at RHPC and the possibilities, willingness, capacity and energy for moving our ministry forward.

You will receive an email invitation to participate in this online survey. You can complete it on your smartphone or computer. If you need assistance, we will have computers onsite with help from Session members to aid you in filling out the survey. This will be offered after worship on Sundays during the three weeks the survey is available to congregants.

A link to the survey will be available September 15 - October 6

We hope to have at least 90% of our members and regular attendees complete the survey. Then Holy Cow consultants will help us interpret the results, which will guide the topics for the focus group meeting that will follow. This will be a transparent process, though your survey opinions will be strictly anonymous.

If you have any questions, please contact elder Jim Carter or Pastor Diane.