



October 11, 2026

Prelude

Evan O'Donovan

Welcome

Reverend Ed Hoener

Call To Worship:

Generous and loving God, we give thanks for all your gifts that sustain our lives. **O God, your generosity encourages our hope and service!** Jesus, we thank you for the seeds of new life that you plant within our hearts. **Following you, we discover a deeper faith.** Great Spirit, your empowerment connects our gifts and ministries to a larger world – and your unfolding movement. **We praise you for what has been, and is, and will ever be. Strengthen and bless our efforts as we strive to become all that God has called us to be for Christ's mission's sake.**

***Hymn of Praise #31**

Let Us with a Gladsome Mind

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Reconciliation:

Most loving God, we thank you for being with us throughout our lives. We come for your mercy, when we neglect to share what we have. We need your grace, when we lose sight of the right things to do, and be. Forgive us, and strengthen us to answer your call, so that your love may abound in the world. Amen.

Silent Prayers

Assurance of Grace:

God of love, you hold us warmly in your heart, and fill our hearts with faith and love, for others, and for you. **In you, we receive the capacity for your light and grace to guide and empower our witness.**

***Response of Praise #650**

O Beauty Ever Ancient

vss. 3 & 4

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

The peace of Christ soothes our souls, and shapes the way we live. **We seek to share the peace of Christ, wherever we may be.** The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

Ministry of Music

Evan O'Donovan

Scripture Reading

John 15 (selected verses)

Message

Pastor Ed

***Hymn of Faith #7**

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

*If you can stand comfortably, please do so.

Celebrating Passion Enterprises

Sharing what God has done in each other's lives is a source of encouragement, and reminds us that faith, and prayer and grace are at work! Please come to the lectern and share your testimony so that everyone may see and hear.

Prayer Requests

Please come forward to share your request so all may hear.

Prayers of the People

The 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.**

Call to Offering

***Offering Song #710**

We are an Offering

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are Yours, we are
an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to You,
we give to You. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we
are an offering, we are an offering.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Announcements (pg. 4)

***Hymn of Response #308**

O God in Whom All Life Begins

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Evan O'Donovan

**If you can stand comfortably, please do so.*

Announcements

Thank you to Cheryl Anne Cammann & William Siocha for running the projector & camera for today's service!

Join our Worship Support Team! For more information; ask the pastor or the technicians or call the church office.

Coffee Hour

We want to thank Linda Anderson for providing coffee hour today. In October, the Sunday of the 25th is open. There is a sign-up sheet for the Sunday(s) you'd like to host on the food table in Davis Hall.

FPC Table at Rahway Day

FPC will again have a table at RAHWAY DAY on Saturday, October 17 from 11 -3pm in the Recreation Center. **We will need a few people to volunteer** to be at our table and greet attendees. If you are willing to volunteer or have questions, please see Selva or Cheryl Anne.

USRC Community Garden October 17th Activities

October 17 from 10 – 11 am: Garden to table, decorate pumpkins

Chair Yoga Has Returned

The next session is Tuesday, October 13th at 9:00 a.m. in Davis Hall. Thursday evening chair yoga will be on October 15th at 6:30 p.m. in Davis Hall.

Food Collection in October

Please remember to bring in canned and boxed food items when you come to Sunday services during the month of October. All items will be brought to our library to stock our pantry. As disciples of Jesus, let us feed the hungry!



Online Donations

PRAYER PERSONS OF THE WEEK

Ashley Nevi & family

PRAYER REQUESTS

Wilcox family, Miriam & Juan, Laura & family, Tara/accident victims & their families, Helene & her sister, Barbara's family, Jayden, Dante, Doris, Patricia H., Fran, Eunice, Barbra & Dave, William S., Abisiji B., Damilola B., Rosemary B., Bob M., Doug A., Patrick W., Michele P., Louise & Teddy, Barbara, Agnes N. & family, Savannah B. & family, Becky, Sam, Michael, Sara & Joan P., Mary "Cookie" F., Nicole, Allison, Mary R., Helen, Logan, Harper, Dorothy R.

The First Presbyterian Church of Rahway 1731 Church Street

October 11, 2026
Rev. Ed Hoener
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Carol Ann Bregman
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10:30 A.M.
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**Union Street
RESOURCE CENTER**

Community Garden

**FREE
OCTOBER
EVENTS**

10:00 am - 11:00 am

FREE **October 3**
SEEDLING TRANSPLANTING, MAKE THE GARDEN SCARECROW

October 17
GARDEN TO TABLE, DECORATE PUMPKINS

October 24
PLANT MAINTENANCE, HARVESTING, CRAFT PROJECT **FREE**

All are invited, adults and children.
RSVP is optional.

In cooperation with:



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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN OF RAHWAY, NJ

**October
Food Drive**

As we approach our food collection in October, here is a list of suggested foods to bring.

FYI: we have a lot of canned tuna right now.

Join us helping community in need!

Suggestions for pantry items:

- Black beans - canned or dry
- Pinto beans - canned or dry
- Red beans - canned or dry
- Rice
- Corn tortillas
- Flour tortillas
- Crushed tomatoes canned
- Diced tomatoes canned
- Tomato sauce
- Tomato paste
- Sofrito
- Chipotle peppers canned
- Chilies peppers canned
- Salsa
- Canola oil
- chicken bouillon
- apple cider vinegar
- white vinegar
- Applesauce
- Low sugar cereals like Cheerios
- Cumin
- Mexican oregano
- chili powder
- bay leaves
- garlic powder
- onion powder
- adobo
- Sazon
- Shelfstable milk
- Canned chicken
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Condensed milk
- Evaporated milk

Let's Share & Care

**PINK
OCTOBER
HEALING SERVICE**

Where:
First Presbyterian Church
(1731 Church St) Entrance
on West Grand Ave.

Join the community in a healing service that will lift up those in treatment, survivors, and the families of those that lost loved ones to cancer.

FOR MORE INFO:
Email: office@1stpresrahway.org

OCTOBER 25TH AT 2 PM

**PAINT RAHWAY PINK
LET'S HEAL TOGETHER**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

FALL

CHURCH FAMILY DINNER

OCTOBER 18 AT 4 PM

IN DAVIS HALL

POT LUCK DISHES| BYOB|
MUSIC & GAMES

PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT YOU CAN BRING