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In this place, **friends and strangers meet, the broken are mended, and the weary welcomed.** In this moment, **the ordinary becomes miraculous, and life is on pause.** **This is God's time.** In this sanctuary, **God's goodness is revealed.** **Our doors open with kindness. Our lives join together.**

The Lord Is God

Almighty God, we confess that we have not been the faithful disciples you call us to be. We have not remembered who we are. Remind us that we are yours, citizens of the kin-dom of God. Give us courage to be kin-dom builders here and now, showing mercy and grace in a world in deep need. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.

Friends, hear the good news. God loves you. Even in our imperfection, God loves us and won't let us go. **Know that you are forgiven and made new, sent forth to love and serve.**

vss. 3 & 4

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!**

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Matthew 22:15-22 from The Message

Exodus 33:12-23 from The Message

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vss. 1-3

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.

*If you can stand comfortably, please do so.

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 #439

O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer

vss. 1, 2, 4

Charge and Blessing

Postlude #62

Love the Lord Your God

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Announcements

Thank you to Scott Nwosu and Cheryl Anne Cammann 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.

TONIGHT: Church Family Dinner

The Family Dinner will begin at 4 PM for apps and games! Then we will sit together as a family and enjoy a meal prepared by all of us in POT LUCK fashion at 5 PM.

Coffee Hour

We want to thank JoAnn & Andy Roesch 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.

Chair Yoga Has Returned

The next session is Tuesday, October 20th at 9:00 a.m. in Davis Hall. Thursday evening chair yoga will be on October 22nd at 6:30 p.m. in Davis Hall.

USRC Community Garden October 24th Activities

October 24 from 10 – 11 am: Plant maintenance, harvesting, craft project

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

Anne & William Siocha

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 18, 2026
Elder Susan Krivenko
JoAnn Roesch
Carol Ann Bregman
Evan O'Donovan

10:30 A.M.
Preaching
Worship Leader
Administrator
Music Director

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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

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

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

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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@1stpreshway.org

OCTOBER 25TH AT 2 PM

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



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1731 CHURCH ST.
RAHWAY, NJ**

All are welcome!

Parking also available in the back of the church.

A portion of the proceeds goes toward local community outreach.

FREE items available!

**Holiday Sale
FABULOUS FINDS**

**Saturday, November 7, 2026
9 am - 1 pm**

**&
Sunday, November 8, 2026
12 noon - 2 pm**

Open 2 Days

Looking for holiday decorations or a unique treasure this holiday season?

Stop in for our special holiday sale. We have a lot of decorations at discount prices.

We also have furniture, jewelry, household items, toys, baby items and much more.

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