



February 8, 2026

“Listening to Jesus is about being born again...dying to an old way of being, and being born into a new way of being. Dying to an old identity and being born into a new identity in God, in the Spirit, in Christ. This is what a Lenten journey is about.” Marcus Borg

Prelude

Welcome

Reverend Ed Hoener

Call To Worship:

God's call doesn't invite us to compromise the truth about anything. **We're called to be real about our own issues, and those we see around us.** Jesus gives us the wisdom we need to navigate the truth, so that we may be part of making solutions. God calls us to foster spiritual and practical well-being. **The Spirit teaches, and equips us to answer this call. She provides us power and understanding to craft our responses.**

*Hymn of Praise #614

Great Are You Lord

(sing twice)

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Reconciliation:

O God, your love has made us your own, in ways beyond our capacity to comprehend. At the same time, as we are, we are entrusted with being part of your reclamation of the whole creation. At the same time, you continually heal us, and help us to grow into fruitful disciples. Sacred Spirit, teach us how to surrender our lives into God's hands. Help us to become the community we've been created to be. Amen.

Silent Prayers

Assurance of Grace:

God, with infinite wisdom, declares that each of us is a beloved, capable, necessary part of the new world's coming. **God is the Source of all we need to learn and do our part in its arriving.**

*Response of Praise #814

In God Alone

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

God is the source of the unique capacities that help us to live into the kind of peace God desires for all the world. **We long to expand and use those gifts in our daily lives. Peace be with you all! And also with you, and with all humankind!**

Ministry of Music

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Message

Elder Cammann

*Hymn of Faith #762

When the Poor Ones

*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**

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***Hymn of Response #748**

Go With Us, Lord

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

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

Announcements

Thank you to Cheryl Anne Cammann and Susan Krivenko for running the projector & camera!

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

Souper Bowl During February

Please remember to bring your food donations in during the month of February for our 2026 Souper Bowl collection.

Mugs of Love Mission Day, February 15th

Our first congregational mission project is Mugs of Love! We will meet in Davis Hall after service and put together mugs with a variety of items that will be distributed to people in Rahway. In order to fill the mugs, if you can provide any of the listed items, please bring in your donations by February 15th. Items we will put in the mugs: *Socks, Mini hand lotion, Lip balm, Mini chocolates, Coffee packets, Tea bags, Cup of soup, Hot chocolate.*

The Chosen: TODAY @ 12:30 pm

The gatherings will be held at the manse at 12:30 pm on the following dates. If something should change for the April* date, Diane will let us know when it is being rescheduled: February 15, March 1, 15, and 29, April 12*.

Coffee Hour Sign-up

We are looking for people to host coffee hour. There is a sign-up sheet for the Sunday(s) you'd like to host in the kitchen in Davis Hall. February is spoken for; sign-ups begin in March.

Chair Yoga: All are Welcome to Join Us

The morning session is on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. The next session will be on Tuesday, February 10th. The evening session is on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. The next evening session will be on Thursday, February 12th. Bring 2 full water bottles to be used as weights or dumbbells if you have them.



Online Donations

PRAYER PERSON OF THE WEEK

Will Marsh

PRAYER REQUESTS

Patrick W., Lynn H., Michele P., Louise & Teddy, Bernadette, Russell & Purcell families, Lola & family, Barbara, Bill Siocha's friend, Flynn family, Carol DeLuca's cousin & family, Michael, Tom M., Dante B., Portia, Kaiser, Connie J., William S. Jr., Carol & Jake, Sue K., Agnes N. & family, Anne H., Flo, Savannah B. & family, Carole H., Becky, John, Sam, Michael, Sara & Joan P., Mary "Cookie" F., Nicole, Allison, Mary R., Helen, Logan, Harper, Helene & Diane, Dorothy R., Amy

The First Presbyterian Church of Rahway 1731 Church Street

February 8, 2026
Rev. Ed Hoener
Portia Gaskin
Carol Ann Bregman
Evan O'Donovan

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

First Presbyterian Church
Rahway NJ

ASH WEDNESDAY

Service for Healing and Wellbeing

February 18th

7:30 pm

It will be a casual service, aiming to address wellbeing in our minds, bodies, and spirits. Let's gather to find refreshment, renewal, and healing for our souls.

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