



WELCOME  
TO OUR  
CHURCH

**April 26, 2026**

Prelude #364

*Lift Up the Gates Eternal vss. 3 & 5*

Evan O'Donovan

Welcome

Reverend Ed Hoener

**Call To Worship:**

Jesus, you are like a good shepherd. You find us wherever we may roam. **You meet us with compassion and endless patience. You restore our peace and teach us how to go forward.** Jesus, you know the challenges we face. You equip us to stand strong. **You give us strength and grace, to bolster our devotion to you and your mission.**

**\*Hymn of Praise #803**

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

**Call to Reconciliation**

**Prayer of Reconciliation:**

O God, you are ever present to help us with the circumstances that hurt, and overwhelm our lives. We know that your mercy and love never end toward us. Hear us as we offer you our lives for healing and reformation. Help us to rise from prayer stronger and better equipped to make our way through our challenges. Amen.

*Silent Prayers*

**Assurance of Grace:**

God is faithful, and works diligently to bless and transform us. **In Jesus Christ, our souls are restored, and we can start again, renewed.**

**\*Response of Praise #382**

*Heaven is Singing for Joy*

**vss. 1-3**

**Sharing the Peace of Christ:**

Jesus, the risen Christ, promises *his* peace, to us. **His peace upholds us and strengthens our hearts!** Peace be with you! **And also with you!**

**Ministry of Music #220**

*Go to Dark Gethsemane vss. 1 & 4*

Evan O'Donovan

**Scripture Reading**

*John 10:1-11a*

**Message**

Pastor Ed

**\*Hymn of Faith #716**

*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

**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.*

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

**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 #623**

***I've Got Peace Like a River***

**Charge and Blessing**

**Postlude #542**

***God Be with You Till We Meet Again* vss. 1 & 4**

**Evan O'Donovan**

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**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.*

**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 on the food table in Davis Hall.

**Rahway's Best Events**

Enrollment for their Summer Camp is now open (registration w/fee required). For more information, please call or text: 732-381-1933.



**Online Donations**

***PRAYER PERSON OF THE WEEK***

Richard McCarthy

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Shiple family, Eunice, Barbra & Dave, William S., Hoener & Pender families, Abisiji B., Damilola B., Rosemary B., Bob M., Cheryl Anne, Doug A., Robin S., Patrick W., Lynn H., Michele P., Louise & Teddy, Barbara, Carol & Jake, Sue K., Agnes N. & family, Savannah B. & family, Carole H., Becky, John, Sam, Michael, Sara & Joan P., Mary "Cookie" F., Nicole, Allison, Marv R., Helen, Logan, Harper, Helene & Diane, Dorothy R., Amy

**The First Presbyterian Church of Rahway  
1731 Church Street**

April 26, 2026  
Rev. Ed Hoener  
Allison Purcell  
Carol Ann Bregman  
Evan O'Donovan

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