



**May 31, 2026**

**Prelude**

Evan O'Donovan

**Welcome**

Reverend Ed Hoener

**Call To Worship:**

Sing a joy-filled song, praising the God who is among all people. Sing praise to the Creator, and rejoice in divine Love! **For the Spirit lives within us, journeying with us throughout our lives; leading us in truth, with grace.** Because of what God has done, we are in harmony with the universe, and we are one with all the peoples of the earth. **Every source of oppression shall be terminated, and all that binds us to unrighteousness shall be broken.** God's realm of peace and justice shall be restored forever! **All people on earth will welcome God's presence and worship with grateful hearts!**

**\*Hymn of Praise #619**

*Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven*

**Call to Reconciliation**

**Prayer of Reconciliation:**

**God of great, and everlasting love, you forgive, and heal our hearts. You guide us back to the path of truth and light. You understand us and never react according to our errors. We thank you for your steadfast mercy and grace, and we sing praise to you now, and forever!**

*Silent Prayers*

**Assurance of Grace:**

God satisfies everything our souls need, to live according to God's ways. **We belong to God, and the power of the Spirit upholds us day by day.**

**\*Response of Praise #790**

*In Silence My Soul Thirsts*

vs. 3

**Sharing the Peace of Christ:**

Jesus Christ shapes our lives with shimmering grace and peace, justice and joy. **So that we are part of making a brighter day for the whole human family.** We receive these gifts with thanks! **We share this peace with each other!** Peace be with you! **And also with you!**

**Ministry of Music**

Evan O'Donovan

**Scripture Reading**

*Rev. 5: sel vss.*

**Message**

Pastor Ed

**\*Hymn of Faith #296**

*Go in Grace and Make Disciples*

\*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 #750**

### ***Goodness is Stronger than Evil***

## **Charge and Blessing**

## **Postlude**

Evan O'Donovan

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## **Announcements**

**Thank you to William Siocha and Scott Nwosu for running the projector & camera!**

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

### **Chair Yoga Resuming in June**

Chair yoga will begin once again. The first session is Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. on June 9<sup>th</sup> in Squier Hall. The Thursday evening session at 6:30 p.m. is on June 11<sup>th</sup>. Bring 2 full water bottles to be used as weights or dumbbells if you have them.

### **The Chosen Moving to a New Night**

"The Chosen" gatherings are moving to a new night! We are meeting on Friday evenings at 7:00 pm at the manse. Please join in the discussion! May and June are focusing on Maundy Thursday. July begins looking at Good Friday and beyond.

**June 5 and 26; July 24 and 31; August 14 and 28; September 18; October 2 and 9; November 20; December 11**

### **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.



**Online Donations**

### **PRAYER PERSON OF THE WEEK**

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### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Matthew W. & family, Shipley family, Eunice, Barbra & Dave, William S., Hoener & Pender families, Abisiji B., Damilola B., Rosemary B., Bob M., Doug A., 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, Mary R., Helen, Logan, Harper, Helene & Diane, Dorothy R., Amy

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

May 31, 2026  
Rev. Ed Hoener  
Cheryl Anne Cammann  
Carol Ann Bregman  
Evan O'Donovan

10:30 A.M.  
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Worship Leader  
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# You're invited to...

The GRAND OPENING of the UNION STREET RESOURCE CENTER'S COMMUNITY GARDEN.



## When:

Saturday, June 20, 2026

## Time:

10:00am to 11:30am

## Where:

1731 Church Street, Rahway, NJ

We invite all neighbors to join our community garden project—a shared space where we can grow fresh produce, learn from one another, and strengthen our connections. Together, we can cultivate something meaningful for our whole community.

In cooperation with:



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## More info:



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