



September 13, 2026

Prelude

Welcome

Reverend Ed Hoener

Call To Worship:

Loving God, you have made us your own – part of the new community you are creating. **We are people of both earth and spirit.** Jesus, is our mentor – teaching us how to live well in both realms. **He helps us to live in the midst of this world by different, life-giving values.** The Spirit provides gifts and strength to sustain us in this endeavor – becoming new persons – living a discernibly new way in the world. **We are part of God's movement - Christ's followers – new creations in the Spirit.**

*Hymn of Praise #402

How Lovely, Lord

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Reconciliation:

O God, your love and mercy are freely given. When we lose our way, you meet us with grace to resume our journeys with you. Forgive us, restore our souls, and orient us to live in the center of your will. Amen.

Silent Prayers

Assurance of Grace:

Because God is love, we are always forgiven. Because God loves growth and thriving, we are equipped for transformation and growth. **We are God's beloved people. We are recipients of grace upon grace from God.**

*Response of Praise #405

Praise God for This Holy Ground

vs. 3

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

Christ is the source of true peace. **He is the one whose love lights the way to shalom.** May his grace and peace reside within you. **And also with you.**

Ministry of Music

Scripture Reading

Romans 14:1-12

Message

Pastor Ed

*Hymn of Faith #300

We Are One in the Spirit

vss. 1, 3 & 4

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.

*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**

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***Hymn of Response #745**

Now Go in Joy

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

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

Announcements

Thank you to Cheryl Anne Cammann & Scott Nwosu 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 Diane Hoener & Diana Nwosu for providing coffee hour today. In October, the Sundays of the 4th and 25th are open. There is a sign-up sheet for the Sunday(s) you'd like to host on the food table in Davis Hall.

USRC Community Garden September Activities

September 19: planting seeds in starter pots, preparing garden beds for planting, craft project; September 26: harvesting peppers, mixing soil, craft project.

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.

Chair Yoga Has Returned

The next session is Tuesday, September 15th at 9:00 a.m. in Davis Hall. Thursday evening chair yoga will be on September 17th 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 PERSON OF THE WEEK

Candace King

PRAYER REQUESTS

Tara / accident victims & their families, Helene & her sister, Barbara's family, Jayden, Dante, Bobby's family, Doris, Patricia H., Fran, Paul, 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., Amy

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September 13, 2026
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Community Garden

FREE SEPTEMBER EVENTS

10:00 am - 11:00 am



September 12

MAKING BOUQUETS OF FLOWERS AND HERBS, SELECTING WHICH
CROP SEEDS TO PLANT THIS FALL

Free

September 19

PLANTING SEEDS IN STARTER POTS, PREPARING GARDEN BEDS
FOR PLANTING, CRAFT PROJECT

September 26

HARVESTING PEPPERS, MIXING SOIL, CRAFT PROJECT

Free

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

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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.

A sign-up sheet will be located in Davis Hall. You can choose to bring an appetizer, veggie, side-dish, or main dish. Session will supplement the meal with a couple extra main dishes. Please make enough for your family plus 2 people. If you miss the sign-up sheet, please email Sue Krivenko at mysusiek68@gmail.com or call at 908-419-4024.

