Heavenly Father, we thank you for this opportunity to gather for Vacation Bible School. We pray for your blessing upon all who are involved, especially the children. May their hearts be open to your word, and may they experience your love in a powerful way. We pray for the volunteers, that they would be filled with wisdom, patience, and a servant's heart. We ask for your protection over all, and that this VBS would be a time of fun, learning, and spiritual growth. In Jesus' name, Amen

Church Calendar

This Week

August 17

Door Monitor- John Everett Sound/Video- Paul Cusack

Projector- Emily Lotz

Nursery- Cheryl Cusack, Julanna Klaasen

KidsChurch- Jan Kuiken, Bev Bentley

Coffee-Trudie Pruiksma

Prayers Of The People- Dave Dykhouse

Children's Message- Krissy Vande Vrede

KidSpace- SUMMER BREAK Chosen- SUMMER BREAK

Next Week August 24

Door Monitor- Dave Ruitenberg Sound/Video- Jon Englishmen Projector- Dan Vande Vrede Nursery- Laura Royle, Alyssa Morin

KidsChurch- Karen Spano, Renee Kobovitch

Coffee- Lynn Walker, Bev Bentley Prayers Of The People- John Belanus Children's Message- Jan Kuiken KidSpace- SUMMER BREAK

Chosen-SUMMER BREAK

Humans Of Faith is taking a brief summer respite and will be back in the fall stay tuned for more Humans Of Faith!



Rev. Moses Kang Jay & Jess Everett, Worship Leaders

August 17, 2025

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*GATHERING SONG- "PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*GOD'S GREETING & MUTUAL GREETING

* SONG OF PRAISE- "IN CHRIST ALONE"

CALL TO CONFESSION- "LORD, LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN PRAYING"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF ASSURANCE- "GOODNESS OF GOD"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

SPECIAL COLLECTION- MISSIONS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*SONG OF PREPARATION- "THE LOVE OF GOD"

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE- *LUKE* 19: 1-10

SERMON- "GOD IS WITH US WHEN WE'RE LONELY"

*Song Of Response- "STAND IN YOUR LOVE"

COMMISSIONING FOR VBS

*BENEDICTION

*Doxology- "WE RECEIVE YOUR BLESSING"

POSTLUDE

TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO COFFEE, REFRESHMENTS AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE BARN.

TODAY, August 17,

Is the tenth Sunday after Pentecost

NEXT SUNDAY, August 24,

• Is the eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

FAITH COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note that coffee hour will be in the Fellowship Hall this morning, NOT the Barn.

VBS needs <u>everyone</u> who is able to help set up after the Sunday service TODAY. Please join us as we set up the various rooms and stations for VBS. If you have any questions, please speak to Linda Van Lenten or Carol Dunning.

All women and girls of our Faith Community family are invited to a Birthday Tea to celebrate Ginny Hoogstra's 75th birthday! The Tea will take place in our barn on Saturday, September 6th at 11:30am. Please put your name on the sign-up sheet in either the narthex or the barn or RSVP to Ginny or Kelly in the office no later than Sunday, August 31st.

A video series will be shown in KidsChurch in July and August. The videos are designed for young children. KidsSpace and Chosen members will enjoy staying in church with their families!

VBS is almost here and final plans are being made for our *Road Trip—On the Go with God*. This year's VBS Mission Project is for school supplies for New Hope. A large yellow box with a picture of Scout will be placed in the narthex for the supplies. The closing ceremony and celebration will be on Sunday August 24th. For further information please contact Linda Van Lenten or Carol Dunning.

Safe Church Annual Training: All persons 18 years old or older who are involved with any of the children's ministries are required to complete the Annual Safe Church Training. If you were not able to attend in July, please read the Safe Church Policy and contact Carol Dunning regarding a training session.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

MADISON AVE CROSSROADS UPDATE- Madison Ave Crossroads' Emergency Food Pantry is one of the approved sites for food distribution from the Community Food Bank of New Jersey. Due to severe cuts from the federal government, the Community Food Bank has significantly reduced the available food Madison Ave can receive. One way to help is to donate any nonperishable foods. Please place in the bin in the narthex and see Kelly with any questions.

Church Office Administrator Job Opening at Rockpoint Community Church:

Part-time (25 hrs/week) position supporting daily operations, communications, and admin needs for the church, council, and ministry teams. Duties include preparing bulletins, updating social media and databases, coordinating building use, managing supplies, and assisting with events (baptisms, weddings, funerals). Requires strong organization, discretion, and proficiency in Microsoft Office and Excel. Reports to the Senior Pastor and Council President. Send resume to: office@therockpoint.org.

Next Events at Windmere!

- Summer Night at the Gazebo- Enjoy musician Julian Hernandez outdoors at our gazebo! (Weather permitting, otherwise inside the Chapel).
 Tuesday, August 19 at 7 pm with light refreshments. RSVP 973-427-4087, ext. 612 or kcarrero@hchnj.org, but walk-ins are welcome too.
- Back by popular demand: Downsizing to a Senior Community. Are you considering a move to a community like Windmere, and wondering what to do with all of your belongings? Join us on Wednesday, August 20th at 3 pm for a *deeper dive into downsizing*. Enjoy refreshments and expert tips to simplify your life, whatever stage of planning you are in. To RSVP, call Lori at 973-807-3250. Limited registration.
- Classic Car Show at Windmere- Join us for a Classic Car Show at Windmere on Tuesday September 9th from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. If you would like to participate with your car, please RSVP to 973-427-4087, ext. 612 or kcarrero@hchnj.org.

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY FAMILY

Betty Youngsman is in Christian Health for rehabilitation on her hip.

Our Christian sympathy is extended to Harry & Leona van der Meer and Andrew & Mary van der Meer on the passing of Harry's sister, Geja, on August 2.

Louise Butler remains in Care One in Paramus for rehab on her broken leg. The phone number there is 201-652-1950.

Please continue to keep *Charlie Ackerman* in your prayers. He has been battling multiple health issues, including a Graves disease diagnosis, a lesion on his spine and suffering from a minor stroke.



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Special Collections:

August 17- Missions

August 24- Building Fund

<u>August 31</u>-ECSA/FCCRC Scholarship Fund