



## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

**Maundy Thursday: March 28, 7:30pm** - Tenebrae Service (Service of the Shadows) with communion at RRUMC.

**Good Friday: March 29, 12:00pm to 4:00pm** - reflection, meditation, and communion in the Chapel at RRUMC or immersive service at 2:00pm at Story Church.

**Easter Services: March 31,** Sunrise Service at 6:45am, Rocky River Park, 20250 Beach Cliff Blvd., Rocky River at the pavilion; regular Easter Services at 8:30am, 10:00am, & 11:30am at RRUMC.

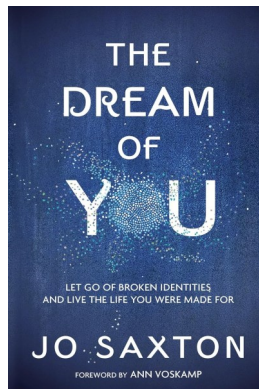
## LADIES IN FAITH TOGETHER (LIFT) STUDY

**TUESDAYS, APRIL 16 & 30, MAY 7 & 21, AND JUNE 11 & 25**

Join the LIFT group on the Tuesdays above at 6:30pm in a Bible study based on "**The Dream of You**" by Jo Saxton as described below (from the RightNow Media web site):

"Is this the life you were meant to live? Let's be honest, the life you lead isn't what you've always dreamt. And maybe the person you've become isn't who you've always imagined. Sure, you can clean it up. You can work longer, love harder, and eat better. You can scrub the surface of your life until it gleams and still never address the fact that somehow you lost sight of who you really are and what you're living for.

In this powerful 6-session Bible study based on her book, author and speaker Jo Saxton examines biblical figures and shares her personal story as she invites you to turn to the One who knows you intimately and loves you deeply. Discover how to exchange an identity built on lies, guilt, and brokenness for your true child-of-God self."



## STORY CONNECTION (MEMBERSHIP) CLASSES



Interested in learning more about the mission and ministries of RRUMC? Ready to consider church membership? Reserve the following 2024 dates on your calendar: **April 14, 21, 28, and May 5.** Story Connection Classes will be offered on these four Sunday evenings from 6:00pm-7:30pm. Please indicate your desire to attend by contacting the church office anytime at 440.331.7676 or [office@rrumc.org](mailto:office@rrumc.org). Feel free to contact Pastor Paul if you have any questions ([pbennett@rrumc.org](mailto:pbennett@rrumc.org)).

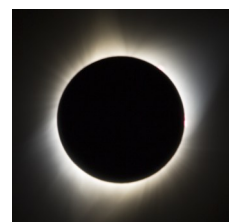
## EASTER HOLIDAY & SOLAR ECLIPSE DAY



The Church and Church Office will be closed on Monday, April 1, for the Easter holiday. Various staff members will be off on various days

during spring break so we suggest calling before stopping by the week after Easter.

The Church and Church Office will be closed on Monday, April 8, so the staff can experience the solar eclipse safely from home and avoid anticipated traffic issues.



## 2024 EDUCATIONAL BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND SCHOLARSHIP

**AVAILABLE - SUNDAY, APRIL 7**

**DEADLINE - SUNDAY, MAY 5**

Scholarship applications will be available beginning on **Sunday, April 7,** for high school seniors and current college students on the church website at [www.rrumc.org](http://www.rrumc.org) (search "scholarship"), in the Church Office, or by e-mailing the Church Office at [office@rrumc.org](mailto:office@rrumc.org). Applications must be submitted by **Sunday, May 5.**

## REFLECTIONS ...

by Rev. Daniel F. Bogre

Dear Friends and Family of RRUMC,

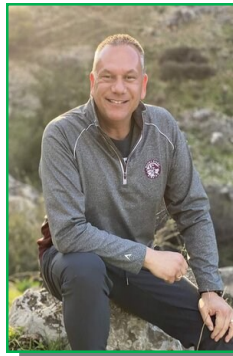
As you read this, we are now in the wake of the Easter Sunday celebrations, the spring break get aways, and hopefully some warm sunny weather will start to be the norm and not the exception. On the heels of our beautiful Holy Week and Easter Sunday services, I am reminded once again of what a blessing it is to serve this wonderful congregation.

On July 1 of this year, I will begin my 13th year at RRUMC as your senior pastor. I feel like each year is better than the last. When I first came here, my boys were two and four years old and my wife and I had been married for seven years. Benjamin is now 17 and Alexander is now 15 and I have to look up to both of them. They are both taller than me now. My wife and I celebrated our 20th wedding anniversary in January of this year. As you can see, RRUMC has been a HUGE part of my entire life over the past 12 years. I cannot imagine where I would be without RRUMC and all of its amazing people. You have watched my boys grow up from being little toddlers to now being amazing young men. You have navigated me through the death of my mother, and you walked with me every step of the way.

I feel like people throw around the words "church family" a lot. One of the most powerful things that I have learned in my now 28 years of full-time Christian ministry is that church family is a real and life-transforming thing. I have watched all of you take care of each other through the years. I am still in awe as I watch this church family rally around each other in the most difficult of times. Those moments are nothing short of incredible. These two Bible verses really seem to capture what church family means. They say, "See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!" (1 John 3:1). We are a family of believers: "Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." (Gal. 6:10). We take care of each other.

Church, thank you once again for welcoming me and my family so powerfully into this church family. We came here in 2011 not knowing anyone, and now I feel like I am part of a family of hundreds. I cannot wait to see what the future holds for all of us as we continue to love each other, support each other, encourage each other, and spur each other on in the faith. My hope and prayer is that we continue to grow closer to God as a church and closer and closer to each other as a church family. When we are all working toward those two goals, nothing is impossible for God. Thank you, church family, for the love you have shown me, the love you are showing me, and the love you will continue to show to me and my family. I am blessed beyond measure.

May God Bless and Keep You, Rev. Daniel F. Bogre



## ENDOWMENT MINISTRY

by Lisa P. Sierk, Director of Endowment Ministries

The endowment of Rocky River United Methodist Church is an investment fund established by the initial gift from Theo and Belle Moll. The fund has grown through both diligent fiscal management and the generosity of church members and friends who have given to the endowment. Those who advise the church of their plans to give through their wills or estates and those who make outright gifts to the endowment are acknowledged as members of the **Theo & Belle Moll Society**.

Through the Endowment Ministry, updates on endowed funds are communicated and a general overview of planned giving opportunities is provided. Endowed funds help the church meet the steady need for capital projects and maintenance of church facilities, including both church campuses and two parsonages, as well as help fund new and existing ministries.

There are no financial requirements or minimum donation amounts for your contributions or planned gifts. It is the intent of giving which places you with fellow church family members who bear witness to their faith through these gifts. This year, we welcome six new individuals/families into the **Theo & Belle Moll Society**:

- Anonymous
- Winifred\* and Scott\* Dean
- Pam & Kevin Hendryx
- Janet\* & Dave Lynn
- Sally Mylett
- Carolyn & James Stevenson

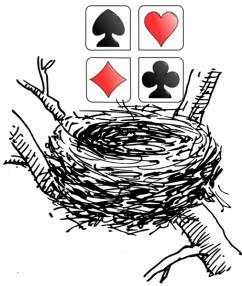
### Theo & Belle Moll Society Sunday SUNDAY, APRIL 28

I look forward to celebrating our Moll Society members along with the significant impact that the endowment provides to the facilities and ministries of Rocky River United Methodist Church.

Lisa P. Sierk, Director of Endowment Ministries,  
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216.926.1702



## EMPTY NEST ECHURE GROUP



**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3**  
 The Empty Nest Euchre group's last meeting of this season will be on Wednesday, April 3. You are welcome to join them.

## CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

**MONDAY, APRIL 15**

Attention caregivers, if you are caring for a loved one and would like to meet with others from our church family in a similar role, please join our support group led by Marcia Hesselgrave and Leann Hofelich. Our next meeting will be on Monday, April 15, at 6:00pm. Light refreshments will be served. Questions? Contact Lynn Gorton, FCHP, at [LGorton@rrumc.org](mailto:LGorton@rrumc.org).



**TOGETHER WE CAN!**

April showers bring May flowers but YOU can bring a dish to share and help us sort through clothes. Bring your friends, family, and neighbors to Twice Blessed Free Store and enjoy FOOD, FELLOWSHIP AND FUN!!

**JOIN US FOR A POTLUCK DINNER AND FAMILY SORTING NIGHT AT STORY CHURCH!!**

Sunday, April 7, 2024 | 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm  
 9900 Madison Ave.  
 Cleveland, Ohio 44102

FOR MORE INFORMATION:  
 ✉ [Lthomas@rrumc.org](mailto:Lthomas@rrumc.org) Lisa Thomas 216.543.1978  
 Or go to [www.twiceblessedfreestore.org](http://www.twiceblessedfreestore.org) and sign up to volunteer!



**American Red Cross**

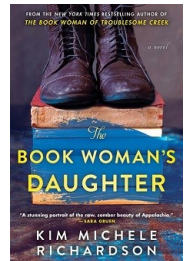
## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17**

There will be a blood drive from 9:00am-2:00pm in Beacon Hall. To schedule an appointment, go to [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter Sponsor Code: "RockyRiver" or call 1.800.733.2767. Thank you! If you give blood, you get a \$10 gift card by e-mail.

## BOOK CLUB THURSDAY, APRIL 18

Join us on Thursday, April 18, at 10:00am at the church as we discuss "*The Book Woman's Daughter*" by Kim Richardson. Questions? List of future books? Contact Bruce Biggin at [brbiggin@netscape.net](mailto:brbiggin@netscape.net) or 216.544.5980. Always happy to see new faces, and regular attendance is not required.



## CAVICCHI CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SEMINAR PLANNING MEETING

**TUESDAY, APRIL 9**

The Mary Anne & Richard Cavicchi Christian Education Seminar planning team will begin planning for the 12th Annual Seminar in 2025 on Tuesday, April 9, at 5:30 pm in the Parlor. If you are interested in being part of the committee and/or brainstorming a topic for next year, please join us in person or via Zoom. If you plan to attend via Zoom, please write to [cavicchichristianed@gmail.com](mailto:cavicchichristianed@gmail.com).

## UMCTRIVIA

The United Methodist Church designates one Sunday each year (April 21 this year), as a Festival of God's Creation, celebrating God's gracious work in creating the earth and all living things.



## GRIEF CARE THURSDAY, APRIL 18

Those experiencing grief are invited to join us on Thursday, April 18, at 1:00pm in the parlor. MaryElin Halek and Lynn Gorton lead this faith-based group to share devotions, prayer, and the comfort of friendship. Always confidential as people are going through many types of losses and are looking to find a safe place to find solace. Come, sit, and observe or feel free to share. This monthly group is to meet your needs as you process through your grief journey. For more information, please contact Lynn Gorton CLM, FCHP at [LGorton@rrumc.org](mailto:LGorton@rrumc.org).

## LGBTQA+ SUPPORT GROUP

**THURSDAY, APRIL 25**

LGBTQA+ Support Group is a ministry of Rocky River UMC which provides a safe space for members of the LGBTQA+ community and their friends and family to share their joys and concerns in a safe and confidential space. Meetings are usually held on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7:00pm at the church. We will meet in the library on Thursday, April 25. Questions? Please contact Mark Brandt at [brandt486@gmail.com](mailto:brandt486@gmail.com) or Rev. Laurie Bruce at [labruce83@gmail.com](mailto:labruce83@gmail.com).





## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES by Quinn Bennett at [QBennett@rrumc.org](mailto:QBennett@rrumc.org)

### Vacation Bible School - Volunteering

We need your help in so many different ways to make Vacation Bible School a success. From volunteers during the week to help behind the scenes, anything you can do to help out is appreciated. To help, follow the link below for what you would like to do:

- Adults or youth willing to volunteer during the week of VBS, please go to: <https://www.rrumc.org/vbs>
- To help out putting together decorations at home, please sign up here (all instructions and materials will be included): <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E084BADAE2CA6FA7-48626944-scuba>
- To help out with setup or teardown please go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E084BADAE2CA6FA7-48627351-scuba>

### Vacation Bible School Registration - BEGINS MONDAY, APRIL 1

Vacation Bible School is here! Sign-ups begin April 1 at 7:00am. Your kids will experience Christ through science, worship, play, and Scripture. Everything at VBS is hands-on learning.

**Who: Anyone 5 years old thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade**

**When: June 24-28, 9:00am-12:00pm**

**Where: Rocky River UMC**

**How much: \$65 per child, 3 or more \$175**

If your child is in 6<sup>th</sup> grade, they will get the unique experience of being both a kid and a counselor-in-training. They will be placed with a veteran counselor to help them learn what it looks like to have those responsibilities while also still enjoying their last year in VBS. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. Sign up at:

<https://app.easytith.com/App/Form/35acabda-e127-4367-a9cd-1543327c2c8f>. We

look forward to seeing you there!



### Vacation Bible School - Donations



It is that time of the year again when we start collecting things needed for Vacation Bible School! This year's theme is "Scuba: Diving into Friendship with God" and we will be under water this year. Thank you to those who donated when our tables were up at church in March. Donations are still needed. Go to [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3SSSC715T6GUN?ref=list\\_d\\_wl\\_ys\\_list\\_1](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3SSSC715T6GUN?ref=list_d_wl_ys_list_1) or use the QR code to access the VBS wish list. Anything you order will be sent directly to the church. Please make sure you press "add item" from the wish list so that it takes it off the list when it is bought. Thank you! Monetary donations are accepted as well.

Questions on any of these items? Contact Quinn Bennett at [qbennett@rrumc.org](mailto:qbennett@rrumc.org).

#### Filling Easter Baskets for TBFS

**Mission Possible!**

**MISSION POSSIBLE**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28**

Come join us on Sunday, April 28 (note date has changed from original Children's Ministry schedule) at 4:00pm to make jump ropes to go into Operation Christmas Child boxes. We are joining forces with another church who does hundreds of boxes and help fill some of them with a homemade jump rope. All ages are wanted and needed for this project. What should you bring? Just yourself and a pair of fabric scissors if you have them! Any questions, please contact Quinn at [qbennett@rrumc.org](mailto:qbennett@rrumc.org).



## YOUTH MINISTRIES by Steven Young at [SYoung@rrumc.org](mailto:SYoung@rrumc.org)

### Crossroads Youth Schedule for April

- April 7 - Crossroads, 7:00-8:30pm
- April 14 - Common Grounds, 7:00-8:30pm
- April 21 - Crossroads, 7:00-8:30pm
- April 28 - Crossroads, 7:00-8:30pm

### Special Event Schedule for April

- April 13 (Saturday) - Service Project at TBFS
- April 21 - Tech-Wise Family Seminar



### Twice Blessed Free Store Youth Volunteer Opportunity - SATURDAY, APRIL 13,

**9:00AM-12:00PM**

On Saturday, April 13, from 9:00am-12:00pm, the youth ministry will be volunteering at Twice Blessed Free Store! We will meet on location at 9900 Madison Ave., Cleveland. This is an amazing opportunity for students to have a hands-on, first-person experience of what it means to help others while also seeing what it means for the church to be the hands and feet of Christ at RRUMC's second campus.



### Tech-Wise Family Seminar - SUNDAY, APRIL 21

I'm excited to invite parents to a first of its kind seminar called "Tech-Wise Family." This event is designed to provide insights and guidance on navigating the challenges and opportunities that technology presents in our daily lives and those of our children. Our speaker for the event is Melissa Affolter, a counselor and the Director of Content at Fieldstone Counseling.

Fieldstone Counseling is a biblically-based, Christ-centered, and clinically informed counseling center with locations in Lakewood and Green, Ohio. Melissa has recently spoken at local schools on screens, technology, and related topics, and we are thrilled to have her share her expertise with us. The seminar will take place on **Sunday, April 21, at 2:30pm at Rocky River UMC in the café.** We believe this will be a valuable opportunity for all parents to learn more

about creating a tech-wise family. Students are welcomed and encouraged to attend with their parents. The event is free of charge. Please sign up online or by e-mailing Steven Young at [SYoung@rrumc.org](mailto:SYoung@rrumc.org).

### Youth Mission Trip 2024 - CAMP ASBURY - SUNDAY, JUNE 30 TO FRIDAY, JULY 5. REGISTER BY SUNDAY, MAY 26!

The base price for the mission trip is now \$275 still with \$125 in potential savings! This is one of the most affordable mission trips RRUMC has ever done. It is nearly half the price of last year's mission trip! Join us for a week of service and fun at Nottingham UMC and Camp Asbury! We will help with a food pantry, painting, landscaping, and more. We will also enjoy paintball, Fun 'n' Stuff amusement park, Whirly Ball, fireworks, and more. Every night, we will share our experiences and grow closer to God and each other. Don't miss this amazing opportunity!

- Who: Students who have completed 6th grade to graduating seniors.
- Cost: \$275 (with potential cost savings of \$125)
- To Register: Pay a \$50 deposit (goes toward the cost of the trip) and email Steven Young at [syoung@rrumc.org](mailto:syoung@rrumc.org) to sign up. **Registration deadline is Sunday, May 26!**



**THANK YOU**

### THANKYOUS

A thank you to our Nourish Meal Ministry for providing two meals (actually four) to Jim and myself. While healing from my hand surgery and Jim's MOHS surgeries, the meals were welcome and delicious. Thanks to Chef Vanessa Kemp! Blessings, Jim & Carolyn Stevenson

Thank you for the beautiful shawl knitted by Sally Lenhart for my mom, Tess Wrzesinski, age 94 with dementia who lives with me. Tess loves how colorful and soft it is. It truly made her smile. Your wonderful ministry brings comfort, warmth and joy and your thoughtfulness and caring. Sincerely, Nancy Mowrey

Thank you for the lovely blanket that Rev. Dan presented to me. It's beautiful and has found a comfy place on my lap on many cold evenings. Joan Hugo knitted the blanket. Thank you for your prayers. I am grateful that members like you are praying for me during this challenging time. Many blessings, Carolyn Kowal

Thank you for the lovely prayer shawl and the meaningful book, "**The Next Place**," you sent in honor of our precious Cora. We are missing Cora's adventurous and inquisitive spirit. But we are so grateful for the love and prayerful support during this heartbreaking season for our family. The Wilterdink Family

**GREETINGS FROM TWICE BLESSED FREE STORE AND STORY CHURCH!!** *Lisa Thomas, Director TBFS, [LThomas@rrumc.org](mailto:LThomas@rrumc.org)*



**What's New:** As the weather warms and the sun shines brighter, we're transitioning from our fall and winter merchandise to our spring and summer clothing. It's so wonderful to see the vibrant colors of spring popping up on our racks and on our shelves.

With the change of seasons comes a shift in our operations, and we're excited to announce two significant changes this quarter.

Firstly, we've updated our software! We're thrilled with how smoothly our new software has streamlined our Saturday morning operations. From check-in to check-out, the new software has made the process so much easier. Additionally, it simplifies volunteering sign-ups and updates on opportunities. For more information, visit [www.twiceblessedfreestore.org](http://www.twiceblessedfreestore.org) to sign up!

Secondly, we're reintroducing weekly donation drives starting April 7. We appreciate everyone's patience as we resume donations. Every Sunday after Harbor Service, a blue bin will be placed in the rotunda for collection. It will remain there until Tuesday. Please note that all donations must go into the blue bin; they should not be placed elsewhere. Once the bin is full, we won't accept further donations until the following week. More details on what and how to donate will be included in the weekly bulletins.



**What's Next:** Save the date for Sunday, April 7! Join us for our Family Sorting Night at the Twice Blessed Free Store. Bring a dish to share and enjoy fellowship as we work together to get things done around the church. Invite your neighbors, friends, and family to join us at 4:30pm for games and fellowship. At 5:00pm, we'll share a meal, followed by sorting, cleaning, and organizing the free store from 5:45-7:00pm.



**In Appreciation:** I want to extend a heartfelt thanks to all who donated Easter eggs, candy, and time to our 3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt. (Please stay tuned for pictures!) Special appreciation also goes out to our dedicated volunteers who have spent countless hours sorting, preparing, and organizing the store week after week. Thank you all so much!! A special mention to Andrea Kimmel for her assistance in creating our new software. Without Andrea, the software would never have been possible. She not only donated many hours of her time to this project, but also resources! We cannot thank you enough for your continued dedication to this ministry. I'd also like to recognize Jennifer Schwelik and Terri Bialowas for their efforts in clearing out the storeroom at RRUMC; it was a huge undertaking, and it looks amazing!

As always, peace and blessings to you all!




# Milestones

## April Anniversaries

*(50 or more years and those in five-year increments)*

4/12	Betsy & Gary Lanzen	55
4/12	Laura & Kyle Foss	10
4/13	Meaghan & Ben Maddox	5
4/15	Virginia & Ted Ward	52
4/17	Danelle & Craig Martin	20
4/30	Mary Lou & Dick Sanders	58

## April Birthdays

*(90 years or more)*

4/1	Bob Arkes	95
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## Births

Sedona Grace Blanchette, born on March 7; daughter of Megan (Zurkey) & Eric Blanchette.

Olivia Alexandra Suntala, born on March 14; daughter of Jon & Angela Suntala; proud big sister is Emily.

## Marriages

Congratulations to Vanessa Wagner and Aaron Warnock who were united in marriage on March 15.

## In Sympathy

Jamie Simoneau and family, in the passing away of her mother, Rebecca Finley, on February 21.

Family and friends of Elaine Kirbach, who passed away on February 28.

John Clifford, in the death of his sister, Mary Jo Demko, who passed away on February 28 in Beaufort, SC.

Barbara Clayton, in the passing away of her mother, Margaret Clayton, age 102, on March 7, in Illinois.



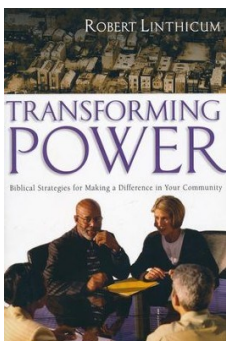
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## MARY ANNE & RICHARD CAVICCHI CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SEMINAR RECOMMENDED READING

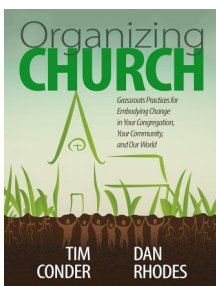
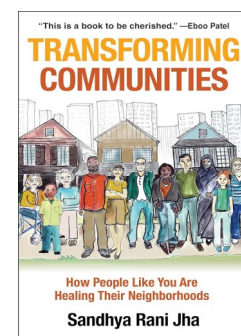
These books, recommended by Rev. Joy Fenton-Jones and Rabbi Enid Lader, have been given by the Cavicchi Christian Education Seminar to the Rocky River United Methodist Church Library. You are welcome to borrow the books from there.

### Books Recommended by Rev. Joy Fenton-Jones:



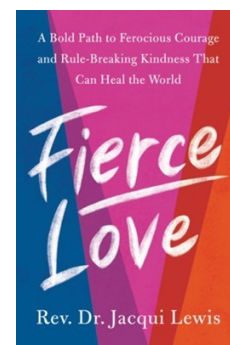
**"Transforming Power: Biblical Strategies for Making a Difference in Your Community"** by Robert Linthicum. Justice and power must be brought together, so that whatever is just may be powerful, and what-ever is powerful may be just"--Blaise Pascal. Christians must become proficient in the practice and exercise of power. Christians have often been wary of power, thinking of it as something inherently evil or oppressive. But God calls his people to wield power responsibly and to use it to promote his kingdom ideals of justice and peace. Linthicum's model of relational power provides practical strategies for changing individuals, communities, structures and systems. With insights from Biblical mentors and contemporary examples, this book offers hope to move toward the vision of the shalom community - God's intended best for communities and the world.

**"Transforming Communities: How People Like you are Healing Their Neighborhood"** by Sadjua Rani Jka. When there's so much conflict around the country and around the corner, what can one person do to make a difference? Here's the good news. Millions of everyday people are ready to step into their power to transform their communities. And you are one of them. Veteran community activist Sandhya Jha opens your eyes to the world-healing potential within you, and gives you the vision, the tools, and the encouragement to start transforming your neighborhood, one person at a time.

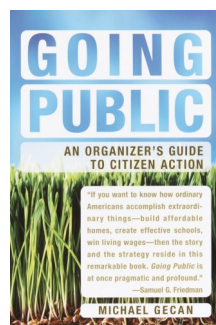


**"Organizing Church Grassroots Practices for Embodying Change in Your Congregation, Your Community, and Our World"** by Tim Conder and Dan Rhodes. Organizing Church offers a unique perspective that blends proven principles of community organizing and research on socially active congregations into a formula that will revitalize and empower churches as change-agents. Pastors and community activists Tim Conder and Dan Rhodes help church leaders build healthier congregations, create a deep culture of discipleship in their community, and respond to the challenges presented by the global culture of the 21st century. Organizing Church is the essential field guide for joining the social justice movement today.

**"Fierce Love: A Bold Path to Ferocious Courage and Rule-Breaking Kindness That Can Heal the World"** by Dr. Jacqui Lewis. We are living in a world divided. But Rev. Dr. Jacqui Lewis's own experience - of being the first female and first Black minister in her church's history, of being in an interracial marriage, and of making peace with childhood abuse - illustrates that our human capacity for empathy and forgiveness is the key to reversing ugly trends. Sharing stories from her personal reckoning with racism and her journey to an inclusive and service-driven faith, Dr. Lewis shows how kindness, compassion, and inclusive thinking can be exercised and strengthened.



### Book Recommended by Rabbi Enid Lader:



**"Going Public: An Organizer's Guide to Citizen Action"** by Michael Gecan. Michael Gecan has been a professional organizer with Industrial Areas Foundation, which has trained thousands of little-known community groups from Brownsville, Texas, to Brownsville, Brooklyn. Having grown up witnessing at close range the destructive effects of political patronage on powerless, disenfranchised Chicago communities, Gecan knows from experience that strong relationships in the public sphere and sustained and disciplined organizing can spark the public and private alchemy necessary to achieve sidewalks, parks, schools, housing - and the collective renewal that results.

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DATED MATERIALS - PLEASE RUSH  
Mailed March 27, 2024

### Ministry

Daniel F. Bogre, Senior Pastor  
Paul A. Bennett, Associate Pastor  
Sheri B. Swartz, Director of Church Ministries  
Quinn E. Bennett, Director of Children's Ministries  
Lisa P. Sierk, Director of Endowment Ministries  
Steven M. Young, Director of Youth Ministries  
Lisa Thomas, Twice Blessed Free Store Director  
Lynn K. Gorton, Faith Community Health Professional  
Vanessa Wagner, Sports Ministry Coordinator

### Music Ministry

Jeffrey A. Acker, Organist  
Matthew Dolan, Director of Music  
Carmen G. Massaro, and Lynn Young, Handbell Choirs  
Robert W. Kimmel, Harbor Worship Leader

### Mission Ministry

Dr. Belinda Forbes, Managua, Nicaragua

**Deadline for April Circuit Rider:**  
**Wednesday, April 10, 2024**

## IT'S ALL ABOUT THE STORY!

### SAVE THESE APRIL DATES

April 1 - Church Office Closed (Easter Holiday)  
April 1 - VBS Registration Begins  
April 1, 8 - Disciple I Bible Study  
April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 - Men's Prayer Group  
April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 - Women's Fellowship Group\*  
April 3 - Empty Nester's Euchre Group  
April 3, 10, 17, 24 - Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
April 4, 11, 18, 25 - Thursday AM Women's Breakfast Group  
April 4, 11, 18, 25 - Harbor Worship Rehearsal  
April 6, 13, 20, 27 - TBFS Open for Worship & Shopping  
April 7 - Communion Sunday  
April 7 - Endowment Scholarship Application Available  
April 7 - Family Sorting Night & Potluck at Story Church  
April 7, 14, 21, 28 - Confirmation Class  
April 7, 14, 21, 28 - Crossroads Youth  
April 7, 14, 21, 28 - Open Gym Basketball  
April 7, 14, 21, 28 - Disciple IV Bible Study  
April 7, 21, 28 practice (ringing on April 14) - Joyful Sounds Handbell Choir  
April 7, 14, 21 practice (ringing April 28) - Fuller Sounds Handbell Choir  
April 8 - Church Office Closed (Eclipse)  
April 9 - Cavicchi Seminar Planning Meeting  
April 11 - Shawl Ministry  
April 11, 18, 25 - Genesis to Revelation Bible Study

April 13 - Youth Service Project at TBFS  
April 14, 21, 28 (& May 5) - Story Connection Class  
April 15 - Caregiver Support Group  
April 16 & 30 - LIFT Study (Gorton)  
April 17 - Red Cross Blood Drive  
April 18 - Book Club  
April 18 - Grief Care  
April 21 - Tech-Wise Family Seminar  
April 25 - LGBTQA+ Support Group  
April 23 - RiverMen  
April 25 - Lydia Circle UMW  
April 28 - Moll Society Sunday  
April 28 - Mission Possible

*\*virtual meeting via Zoom or other platform*

### SUNDAY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- 8:30am - Chapel Service
- 10:00am - Sanctuary Service
- 11:30am - Harbor Service in Beacon Hall, also livestreamed at [www.rrumc.org](http://www.rrumc.org)

### OFFICE INFORMATION

Office hours are Monday to Friday, 9:00am-4:00pm.  
TBFS will be closed on March 30 and the Church & Church Office will be closed on Mondays, April 1 & 8, for the Easter Holiday & Eclipse.