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Rusty Eidmann-Hicks, Minister Thomas Mustachio, Minister of Music  **Music by:** The Chancel Choir Diane Schaming, *mezzo-soprano*  **Live or live-streamed – Join us for worship**  **on**[**Facebook Live**](https://www.facebook.com/Glen-Ridge-Congregational-Church-130123248727)**or**[**YouTube**](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCm3lBsxbSxlE2nEf-KAUEQA) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **SAVE THE DATE!** | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of ice cream icons  Description automatically generated | | On **Sunday October 6th** the Women’s Association will be hosting a Mother, Daughter, Granddaughter Ice Cream Social in Robinson Hall from 3:00-5:00. Aunts, nieces and friends are also welcome. Mark your calendar and plan to come. Hope to see you all there. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Toy Collection Drive**  A toy collection drive is being sponsored by Pilgrim Preschool in recognition of Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. **New unwrapped toys for infants through teens** may be dropped off in the marked bin on the table in the Blue Room.  Toys will be used by therapists working alongside children at the clinics and hospital.  Thank you for your help for this worthwhile cause!  Tyra Brown, Director of Children's Ministries Carol Harpster, Chair of Ministry of Children and Youth | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A poster for a childhood cancer awareness month  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Adult Education**  The Ministry of Adult Education would like to bring your attention to an important free program being offered at Union Congregational Church in Montclair on September 11. Read below for more information: | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A person walking on a path  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | **"SUDDENLY ALONE" WORKSHOPS** ***WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 11*** **NOON-2PM and** **7PM-9PM** **in the Assembly Room (Union Congregational Church, Montclair)**  [**Click Here**](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScHu-kSq2MMxKxWXT70Rm5ovoqFAKDLgQMrpnwH_-BnYjYn8A/viewform) to sign up for the workshop | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | *About the workshop:* The loss of a spouse or parent can be devastating enough. We don't need the added burden of not having planned. Come to a 2 hour session and be better prepared.  If you were suddenly alone, could you wake up in the morning, operate effectively throughout the day as you performed the activities of daily living, retire self-assured at night, and repeat that process in the weeks, months, and years to come?  Could you today, without help from anyone, put your hands on all your financial records, legal documents, personal identification cards, insurance policies, medical records, prescriptions, computer logins and passwords?  Have you thought about what you will do or where you will live if you become incapacitated? Have you told anyone your wishes upon death?  It is very likely that you do not have all the information needed at your fingertips. You do not know what you do not know. It's possible that someone else has managed all or most of your affairs for you until now, and now you are all alone. This workshop will help you create a comprehensive “personal operating manual” if you happen to ever find yourself suddenly alone.  *About Ken and Donna Wright:* Ken and Donna Wright were longtime residents of Montclair, New Jersey and Shelter Island, New York. Donna's family moved to Montclair when she was in the 5th grade. Ken moved to Montclair when he married Donna 57 years ago. Donna is a member of the Garden Club Of Montclair and the Junior Leagues of Montclair-Newark and the Palm Beaches. Ken was an elder at the Presbyterian Church of Montclair. They have presented this seminar pro bono for many years at churches and community organizations in four states. In 2016, they published the seminar contents in a book, titled *Suddenly Alone*. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A close-up of a flower  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | **Morning Glories**  **Bible Study & Spiritual Formation**  **Every Thursday morning**  **7:30 a.m.** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | In 1982 (42 years ago!), a group of women began meeting for bible study, reflection, and spiritual formation at GRCC. Evolving from a group called Tres Dias, these women formed the ***Morning Glories***. The morning glory flower blossoms in the early hours, opening to the sun and trumpeting beauty. Morning glories grow from a seed, send out rambling vines, and connect on lattices. That became the perfect name / symbol for women who were planting seeds of faith in themselves and with others. The women met in the GRCC library at 6:30 a.m., read the lectionary bible readings for that week, studied together using Disciplines (a guide that has commentary for each day of the year), and shared names of people who needed special prayers. Those women were early birds and morning glories!  Forty-two years later, ***Morning Glories*** members still read the lectionary, study commentary from Disciplines, and share prayer. Time has changed some things. Since Covid, meetings are on ZOOM at 7:30 a.m. The group is enriched by being interdenominational with UCC, Reformed Church, Roman Catholics, Presbyterians, Baptists, and others denominations participating. Members live everywhere from the Glen Ridge area to the Jersey shore and Georgia.  Anyone desiring to be part of this spiritual growth group is welcome. The hour is early; the reward is abundant.  Please contact Lynne Palmer at 973-743-2411 or [**lynne.palmer112@yahoo.com**](mailto:lynn.palmer112@yahoo.com?subject=Morning%20Glories%20Zoom%20number%20request) for Zoom numbers | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A yellow and grey text  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | **RUMMAGE SALE!**  We are now accepting donations of clean, slightly used items for the fall Rummage Sale. Donations should be left in the Biddulph Room, not Robinson Hall. *(directly across Robinson Hall from the Lower Hall entrance at Clark Street)*.   Please, no furniture, TV’s, computers, sporting goods, or VCR tapes. | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Sorting began on Monday, September 9th, and will continue Mondays at 9am through the sale on October 25th and 26. Come help sort (and preview the treasures!) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | A person smiling with a book  Description automatically generated with medium confidence | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Meet Jeffery at the Youth Group Kickoff...** | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Youth Group Kickoff** | | An orange and pink save the date card  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Prayers & Celebrations** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **In Our Thoughts & Prayers**  *This is a community prayer list, curated by all of us. If there is someone or something in your life or in our world that you are praying for and you'd like your church to pray with you,* [***contact the church office***](https://mailchi.mp/0addfb984cba/may-newsletter-and-4-30-weekly-enews-17334910?e=c23fac3595#ContactUs)*with your requests.* | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | ***Remember and pray for...***  **+**Jonathan Dodd, facing some health issues **+** Rudy Block, recovering from an infection **+** The family and friends of Tom Meeker, on his passing **+**Arlene Kansky, battling ill health  **+**Carleton (Charlie) Borden as he faces health issues **+** Jim Downey as he navigates ongoing health challenges **+** Heather Wallace, a Glen Ridge resident, with ongoing health issues and related financial struggles  *...and others known to be in need of our prayers* | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Good News from Our Community**  *This is a community list for celebrations, joys, answered prayers, and other happy times. It is curated by all of us. If there is something in your life that you want to celebrate with your church,*[***contact the church office***](https://mailchi.mp/0addfb984cba/may-newsletter-and-4-30-weekly-enews-17334910?e=c23fac3595#ContactUs)*with your requests.* | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A close-up of a birthday card  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **SEPTEMBER**    2.......................... Rita Ellertson  5...................... Kate Machemer  5........................... Vivian Taylor  6..................... Sherry Brabham  7............................ Pam Flippin  7....................... Jonathan Dodd 10..................... Bonnie Schmidt 13......................... Maeve Taylor 15........................ Bob Hodgson 17........................ Paul Zalewski 17....................... Lynn Ritchkoff 18.......................... Darren Gage |  |  | | --- | | **SEPTEMBER (cont'd)**  18....................... Romey Mohan 19....................... Alicia Harrison 20......................... Todd Russell 23......................... Hugh Bartlett 25 ……………...…Matt Saathoff 27 …………..……Fara Saathoff 27.......................... Sarah Singh 27........................Nadine Wilkes 29........................ Olivia Kinloch 30.......................... Sam Auborn 30.......................... Rod Borden | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES  If you would like to share your photos and/or information about a charitable event that you are, or will be participating in shortly, please send them to our**[**Office Administrator, Alicia Harrison**](mailto:info@glenridgecong.org?subject=Community%20service%20info) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **FOOD OF THE MONTH:  PASTA AND PASTA SAUCE**    Please help us provide the patrons of the Bloomfield Presbyterian Church on the Green Food Pantry with pasta and pasta sauce (no glass jars please!!).  Thank you for your continued compassion and generosity! | | A group of glass jars of pasta and some pasta  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Donations can be placed in the shopping cart in the narthex on Sundays, or brought into the Church Office during office hours.  Thank you for your generosity. | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Looking Ahead**  ***GRCC's Coming Attractions...*** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**View the GRCC Public Events Calendar**](https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=6r61j22m17ph76sbn635uu9ol0%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York) | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**View the GRCC Ministry Meetings Calendar**](https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=glenridgecong%40gmail.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York) | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Ongoing Announcements**  ***& Other Perennially Relevant Information*** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **SUNDAY FLOWER DEDICATIONS**   If you would like to donate the Chancel flowers in memory or honor of a special person or occasion, please contact Barbara Stevens at (973) 744-6944 or the Church Office at (973) 743-5596 or[**info@glenridgecong.org**](mailto:info@glenridgecong.org?subject=Flower%20dedications) to make arrangements. | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A plate of cookies  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | ***Fellowship Hour Treats***  Please sign-up to bring treats for a worship service. Store bought, homemade - it's all good, and all appreciated! Let's keep that extravagant hospitality going. | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Please use this [**link**](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0944ada828abfd0-coffee#/) to find a Sunday that would work for you. You may also email Nikki Ramirez at [**nicole.mccnnll@gmail.com**](mailto:nicole.mccnnll@gmail.com) if you have any questions. | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Submitting Announcements**  If you have an announcement relating to our life together as a church, please submit it to [**the**](mailto:info@glenridgecong.org)[**office**](mailto:info@glenridgecong.org?subject=eNews), by **Wednesday at 3 p.m.** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Contact Us** | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | [**Rev. Rusty Eidmann-Hicks**](mailto:rustyehicks@gmail.com) *Bridge Minister* 973-743-5596 ext.16    [**Thomas A. 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