

Resounding

JOY

—CHURCH—

Presbyterian Church (USA)



**ResoundingJoy Church**

seeks to center on **Jesus**, live **open** to all people,  
and say **yes** to Jesus' call to serve.



May 17, 2026

## Gathering Music

### Welcome

### Prelude

### Call to Worship

Cari Wynne

One: Why are we looking up to heaven?

**All: Christ has come; Christ has risen; Christ will come again.**

One: Why are we looking ahead to the future?

**All: The Holy Spirit is among us now.**

**In our baptism, we have already died and risen with Christ.**

One: Why are we afraid of death and dying?

**All: God's love casts out our fear.**

One: Why are we afraid to follow Jesus?

**All: In Christ, we have the promise of new life now, eternal life to come.**

One: In Christ, we join our hearts to worship God,

**All: who has prepared for us to enter the reign of God.**

### Opening Prayer

### Hymn\*

“Alleluia Sing to Jesus”

Hymn #260

### Praying Together (*unison*)

**We come, O Lord, on this day of glory to confess our lack of trust.**

**While we sing of your lordship over all creation, we have too often acted as though you are powerless in the face of today's events.**

**Help us to live with confidence in your presence today and in hope for life with you forever. Amen.**

### Assurance of God's Presence

One: The God of our Lord Jesus Christ blesses us and calls us “kingdom people.”  
In the name of the reigning Christ, we are forgiven.

**All: In the name of the reigning Christ, we are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.**

### Sharing of the Peace of Christ

### Response of Gratitude “Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

Hymn #582



**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Reading**

**Acts 1:6-14**

**Message**

**Stories in Stained Glass:  
Triumphant Lamb of God**

Rev. Meshach Kanyion

**Hymn\***

**“Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”**

**Hymn #265**

**Offertory**

**Offertory Response\***

**“We are an Offering”**

**Hymn #710**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn\***

**“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”**

**Hymn #263**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

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### **OFFERINGS**

You can share your offerings by putting it in the plate during the service, or you can give online at this link: <https://resoundingjoy.church/give> or by scanning this QR code.



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**\*All who are able may stand.**

**Boldface Print indicates sung or spoken participation by the congregation.  
If you have a cellphone, please turn it off so as not to disrupt the service.**

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### **CHURCH STAFF**

**Rev. Dr. Edward Goode**, Organizing Pastor

**Tammy Manger**, Church Administrator

**Brad Caldwell**, Music Director

**Michele Wright**, Communications Director

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# Announcements

## • Week at a Glance

### Sunday, May 17

- 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 9:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:45 a.m. Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Oboe Studio Recital

### Monday, May 18

- 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

### Tuesday, May 19

- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
- 7:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

### Wednesday, May 20

- 6 p.m. Session Meeting

### Thursday, May 21

### Friday, May 22

### Saturday, May 23

- 11:00 a.m. AA Meeting

## • Discipleship/Education Opportunities

We have two opportunities to meet in small groups for discipleship and education. All are welcome!

- Sunday, 9–10 a.m. in Room 21
- Sunday, 11:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m. in Choir Room

## • Combined Service and Potluck

### Next Sunday, May 24, after the service

We will have a combined service with our friends from Pillar of Truth Church on their last Sunday they will be here at RJC. Our service will be at 10:30 a.m. and we will have a combined Ethiopian / American potluck afterward in the Fellowship Hall. More details of the potluck will be forthcoming.

## • Collection for SON Ministries

**May: Canned pasta and ravioli.** We are so grateful for all your Meijer Simply Give donations! It is wonderful to know it will double food/diaper credits!

## • Bookies Book Club

On Tuesday May 26 at 3 p.m.,

we will meet at StoneBridge Clubhouse, 10290 Mill Rd. 45231. All are welcome.

The book to be discussed will be:

***Buckeye: a novel*** by Patrick Ryan.

**For June 23: *Separation of Church and Hate*** by John Fugelsang. Questions can be directed to Nancy Wade.

## • Honors and Remembrances

On May 31, we will have a really unique service with a variety of honors and remembrances. We will be honoring and blessing graduates connected to RJC. We also will be blessing those who have responded to God's call to serve as the servant leaders of Resounding Joy — our Deacons and Elders. And, as we "moved" Memorial Day from the 24 because of Pentecost Sunday and our shared time with Pillar of Truth, we will have a time after the service to honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country.

## • Summer — Room at the Table

This summer, we are going to focus on coming around tables with one another in ways similar to what Jesus did throughout his life and ministry. In worship, we will center on the meals and tables that Jesus shared with all kinds of people as we gather some Sundays in the Sanctuary and some in the Fellowship Hall. We will also come around tables (picnic ones most likely) for events in our local communities. And we will have a few group studies that will go pretty deep into what can happen when people of varying perspectives come around tables and meet and share face to face. Lots more details to come!

## • Weekly Readings — <https://resoundingjoy.church/bibleinayear>

5/17/26	Ruth 2:1-4:22	John 4:43-54	Psalm 105:16-36	Proverbs 14:26-27
5/18/26	1 Samuel 1:1-2:21	John 5:1-23	Psalm 105:37-45	Proverbs 14:28-29
5/19/26	Samuel 2:22-4:22	John 5:24-47	Psalm 106:1-12	Proverbs 14:30-31
5/20/26	1 Samuel 5:1-7:17	John 6:1-21	Psalm 106:13-31	Proverbs 14:32-33
5/21/26	1 Samuel 8:1-9:27	John 6:22-42	Psalm 106:32-48	Proverbs 14:34-35
5/22/26	1 Samuel 10:1-11:15	John 6:43-71	Psalm 107:1-43	Proverbs 15:1-3
5/23/26	1 Samuel 12:1-13:23	John 7:1-30	Psalm 108:1-13	Proverbs 15:4