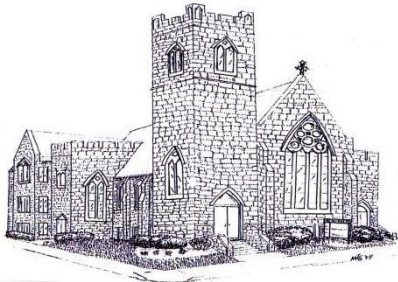


Rosedale United Church of Christ

# Rosedale Visitor



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Issue IV

## Sundays at Rosedale

**7:45 am**

Spoken Service with  
Communion

**9:00 am (Sept. to May)**

Sunday School

**10:30 am**

Choral Service with  
Communion

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### Pastor

Rev. Selina Hamilton

### Organist/Choir Director

Dr. Brenda Leiby

### Assistant Organist/Director

Judy Becker

### Secretary

Marcia Reinert

### Treasurer

Timothy Becker

### Income Secretary

Cindy Vesper

### Sexton

Carl Wolfe

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### June Newsletter

**Deadline**

**May 15, 2019**

## Rosedale Festival



Saturday, May 18 will be our second Rosedale Festival. It will take place in our church yard from 11:00 am – 1:30 pm. We will have simple games for children - pick a duck, drop the clothespins in the bottle, fish pond – make your own bracelet, and making slime. Kids can decorate their own goodie bag to

hold their prizes and they can get a tattoo.

May 18 is Laureldale's Spring Yard Sale day. If you wish to set up a table at the church and sell some of your treasures, you are welcome to do so. You are responsible for setting up and cleaning up your own items.

The Women's Guild will have a food tent set up to sell their Italian and ham sandwiches and drinks. They would also appreciate any donations of finger foods such as brownies, cupcakes, cookies, and Rice Krispy squares to sell.



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## Leadership

### Consistory President

Steven Schory

### Consistory Members

Alexis Ames

Robert Ames, V. Pres.

Jonathan Becker

Joanne Bilski

Michael Heller

Larry Kirk

Michele Payne

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Sylvia Shaner

Susan Smith

### Webmaster

Betsy Blankenbiller

### Facebook Editor

Alexis Ames

### Sunday School Director

Robert Ames

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We are a welcoming community of faith open to all. We would love to have you worship with us!

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Dear Friends in Christ,

A colleague of mine once told me the story about a season in his ministry when he was between churches. One of his friends said to him, "When you need a place to sing your songs and you need a place to pray your prayers, my church is always open to you." That invitation has stuck in his heart and mind because the truth is that he *did* need a place to sing his songs and pray his prayers. He *did* need a church.

I will admit that there have been times in my life when I didn't realize how deeply I needed a place to sing and pray. Still, I was fortunate to have had someone, in fact my own mother, invite me to come with her to church at a moment when my heart was ready to be broken open by a community dedicated to worshipping Christ. Coming back to church with her taught me that I, too, needed a place to sing my songs and pray my prayers.

Now I find that most weeks, Sunday feels very much like the most important day to me. It's the day I get to spend time with my church family, singing and praying and worshipping our God. It's a time to be together, to be refreshed and to be reminded of who we are and whose we are. It gives us the strength and courage and the guidance to go into another week, ready to love our God and our neighbors; ready to serve Christ and one another.

Being invited to church while he was without a faith community changed my colleague's life. Being invited to church during an important moment in my life changed my own. I wonder, whose life could you change by inviting them to church? Who do you know who needs a place to sing their songs and pray their prayers?

I hope that you will take some time to think and pray about what church, and what this church, means to you. How has this church fed your spirit? How has your congregation changed your life? How does worshipping together every Sunday prepare you for the week that lies ahead?

And then tell someone about your church, about how special and life-giving it is to you. Invite them to join you one Sunday, because maybe it will change their life, too.

I'll see you on Sunday!

Peace,  
Pastor Selina



## Sundays in May

Easter 3 May 5

Peter's Vision  
Acts 10:1-17, 34-48

Easter 4 May 12

Paul's Mission  
Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-18

Easter 5 May 19

Gospel as Salvation  
Romans 1:1-17

Easter 6 May 26

God's Love Poured Out  
Romans 5:1-11



## Rosedale Readers

Don't forget to pass your books on **May 5!**

Do we have your email address? Send it to us at [church@rosedaleucc.com](mailto:church@rosedaleucc.com).



## Sunday School

Thank you to all who helped with the Easter egg hunt!

May 19 will be the last Sunday School class for this school year. We look forward to seeing everyone on September 8!!

## Church In Society

### **Students Experiencing Homelessness**

We continue to collect hygiene items year-round for **Students Experiencing Homelessness**. When you're shopping for Mom this month, pick up one extra item for our basket for students experiencing homelessness.

### **Veterans Making a Difference**

Thank you to all who signed up to sponsor our local veterans for one month. The cost to sponsor a month is \$30.

### **Rosedale Festival**

Set aside May 18 for our second Rosedale Festival. There will be children's games, making bracelets and slime, and sandwiches and baked goods for sale from the Women's Guild. Please sign up on the sheet in the rear of the church if you can help with a game or plan to bake something.

### **Jared Box Project**

Thank you to all who had fun shopping for items for the Jared Boxes. We have filled 24 boxes so far, and we received a thank you from Volunteer Services of Reading Hospital. They said the boxes are really appreciated and they always put a smile on the faces of the recipients! We have 12 more boxes if you haven't had a chance to make one and would like to. You may also give a cash donation and someone will do the shopping for you. Thank you to **Sue Smith** and **Sandy Hower** for delivering the first 24 boxes!

### **Muhlenberg Community Blood Drive**

The next opportunity to give blood is Wednesday, May 8, at Good Shepherd UCC from 2:30 – 7:00 pm. Call Wendy at 610-929-3726 for information or email [contactcalvary@verizon.net](mailto:contactcalvary@verizon.net).

### **Pantry Help Needed**

The Muhlenberg Churches Food Pantry is looking for a few additional folks to help roll out and load shopping carts of food into clients' vehicles during our monthly distributions. The time for this volunteer opportunity is 3:15 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. If you are interested in helping with this, please see Brenda. Pantry in May will be on May 16.



“My  
peace I  
give you,”  
says Jesus.

“Do not let your  
hearts be troubled and do  
not be afraid.” (John 14:27)



### Giant & Redner's

Buy gift cards to use at Giant and Redner's to help Rosedale financially.

Rosedale then gets 5% of the gift card sales. It is money you will spend anyway, so why not help Rosedale at the same time?

Cards are available in \$25, \$50 and \$100 amounts.

If you have a Save-A-Tape card at Redner's, and you hand in your grocery receipts to us, we receive 1% of the total submitted.



## Worship Resources

### Altar Flowers and Bulletin Sponsors

There are many open dates to sponsor altar flowers and bulletins. Some of the open dates coming up for flowers are 5/5, 6/23, 6/30, 7/14, 7/21, & 7/28. To sponsor the altar flowers it costs \$30 and bulletins are \$15.

## Rosedale Happenings

### Rosedale Lunch

Anyone can come out for lunch at Margherita's on 5/20 at noon. Just let Marcia know that you're coming so we have enough seats.

### Ladies' Night Out

Our next Ladies' Night Out is Friday, May 31st. Let Alexis know if you plan to attend.

### Save the Date

Saturday, **June 8<sup>th</sup>** – our Annual Church Picnic! We will be at pavilion #2 again next to the basketball court. The pavilion is covered and the parking is right in front of the pavilion. It is all on one level. There are picnic tables and benches, but you can bring a comfortable folding chair if you wish. The hot dogs, hamburgers, and hamburger barbecue will be provided. There's a list in the rear of the sanctuary to sign up for what you would like to bring. We will have bingo and a Chinese auction again. Let's hope for nice weather!

### Holy Wednesday Luncheon

Thank you to the Women's Guild for the wonderful luncheon after the noon service on Holy Wednesday. It was nice to see some people who we haven't seen for a little while, and we all enjoyed the food and conversations. It was a really nice time.



*“To the world you are a mother, but to your family you are the world.”*  
—Adapted from Dr. Seuss

# May 2019

## May at a Glance

- 4/2 Choirs
- 4/4 Property 9 am
- 4/5 Evangelism
- 4/9 Choirs
- 4/11 Property 9 am
- 4/12 Mother's Day
  - Music Appreciation
  - Bake Sale
  - Consistory
- 4/14 Women's Guild 6 pm
  - Girl Scouts 6:30 pm
- 4/15 Choir 7:00 pm
- 4/16 Pantry
- 4/18 Sandwich Sale
  - Rosedale Festival 11am
- 4/19 Last Sunday School
  - Worship/Music
- 4/23 Choir 7:00 pm
- 4/25 Property 9 am
- 4/27 Memorial Day
- 4/28 Girl Scouts 6:30 pm
- 4/30 Choir 7:00 pm
- 4/31 Ladies' Night 6:30 pm



Stay connected by email.

## Grads' Names Wanted

If you or someone in your family is graduating from high school or college or other program of higher learning, please send us their name and information about their school, major, future plans, etc. We would like to honor them on June 9.

## Mother's Day

On Mother's Day, **May 12**, we will honor all women in church. Each woman will receive a carnation. It will also be music appreciation day and there will be a baked goods sale before and after each worship service.

## Thank you

Thank you to all who decorated the sanctuary for Lent and Easter and thank you to all who made our services special. The Holy Week services were especially meaningful. If you missed them, make sure you attend next year!

## Confirmation

Three of our young women will be confirmed on **June 2<sup>nd</sup>** during the 10:30 am worship service. We would normally hold confirmation on Pentecost, but due to scheduling difficulties (these are young women who are active in areas beyond church) they will be confirmed on Ascension Sunday. Please come and show your support for these ladies as they confirm the vows their parents took at their baptisms.

## Pentecost Geraniums

Let's turn the sanctuary red on June 9<sup>th</sup> – order geraniums and wear red that day to brighten the sanctuary. Please use the order slip below. The cost of the geraniums is \$7.00 – 6" pots. (You may leave plants to be planted in the church gardens.)



Order Geraniums for Pentecost – Deadline June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of/memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

# of plants to take home \_\_\_\_\_

# of plants to remain at church \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of plants \_\_\_\_\_ Total paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit payment with order.



**Property Committee**

Our Property Committee is looking for volunteers to

help with projects around the church. They have changed their scheduled work day to Saturdays at 9:00 am, and welcome any interested people to join them whenever they can.



**Theology With A Twist**

Tuesday, May 14, 2019  
Rev. Cean James  
"Christianity Unboxed"

The second Tuesday of the month. 7:00 – 8:30 pm  
Kutztown Tavern, 272 Main St., Kutztown, PA 19530

**Spirit on Tap**

May 28, 2019, 7:00 pm  
Sacred Music  
David McConnell

Spirit on Tap is usually held the last Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Doubletree, 701 Penn St., Reading, PA

**Greetings From The Women's Guild!**

A big thank you to everyone who made our Yankee Candle and Ham Raffle Fundraisers successful! Our next raffle will be a meat tray with all kinds of grilling meat! Each entry will be \$2.00 and will begin May 5th. The drawing will be June 30<sup>th</sup> - just in time for the 4th of July!

Our next bake sales will be on Mother's day and Father's Day before and after each service. If there is something special you would like us to make, please give your request to Alexis!

Our next Ladies' Night will be on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> - restaurant TBA.

Our sandwich sales will be Saturday, May 18th and Saturday, June 15th. If you are not on a regular call list please see Alexis! New customers - don't forget to use your free sandwich coupon, found here and in the bulletin. Yummy!

Don't forget our annual church picnic will be Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, at Dietrich's Park. The Women's Guild and Evangelism Committee will be providing hamburgers, hot dogs, and waffles with ice cream. Please sign up for other items on the list in the back of the sanctuary!

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 14th at 6 pm promptly. We would love to see more ladies of Rosedale joining us so we can do bigger and better things for our church! Meetings usually only last for an hour, unless we get off track (which is really easy to do if you know our ladies!) We always have snacks and refreshments!

Looking ahead, watch for these events: Friday nights Ladies' Bingo at Ruscombmanor Fire Company, Margherita's Fundraiser, Fall Soup and Quiche Sale, Leesport Diner Fundraiser, and a Turkey Raffle!

Our Yankee Candle fundraiser is still going until the second week in July online. Information to purchase your orders can be found in each week's bulletin. Again, this is *online orders only*. Get your mom some nice Yankee Candles!

Until next month...  
Love and Lashes,

Alexis Ames  
President

**Women's Guild  
Italian & Ham  
Sandwich  
Coupon**

**Redeem To Get  
One Free Sandwich!**

**New Customers Only!**





**Join a committee – get involved!**

- Or –
- Join Women’s Guild.
- Help at a dinner.
- Express an interest in serving on Consistory.
- Volunteer to be a counter.
- Help on Saturday mornings.

**May is Melanoma Month**

**AiM at Melanoma** was founded in 2004. It is the largest international melanoma foundation seeking the cure. AiM provides comprehensive, easy to access information and resources to patients, caregivers, family members, and health care professionals, from prevention to diagnosis, to treatment, and beyond. Primary melanoma tissue banks are needed to accelerate development of new treatments.

Melanie Benz, whose mother is a neighbor of Rosedale, passed away in February. She was a nurse anesthetist with a 2 year-old son. Her mother is hoping to save lives as Melanie saved lives. She is trying to raise money for the desperately needed tissue banks, but mostly she wants to spread awareness about melanoma.

Melanoma is the fastest growing cancer around the world. The rate of pediatric melanoma tripled in the last ten years. It is the 2<sup>nd</sup> most common type of cancer for men and 3<sup>rd</sup> for women ages 20-39. Melanoma takes the life of one person every hour.

Help find a cure.  
[www.support.aimatmelanoma.org/melaniebenz](http://www.support.aimatmelanoma.org/melaniebenz)

**Financial**

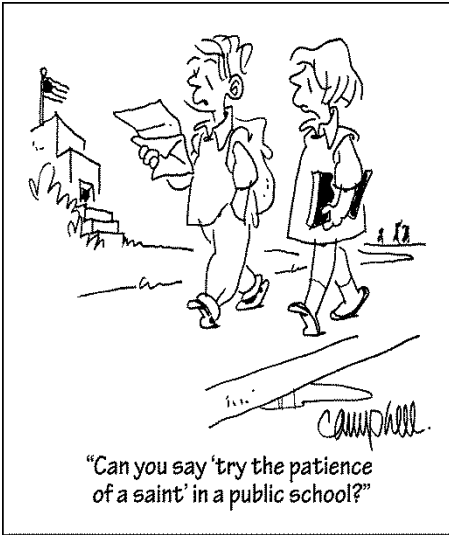
YTD (Mar) Income	\$34,187.54
YTD Interest Income	3,293.00
YTD Expenses	43,054.84
YTD Variance	(5,574.30)
Total Debt	29,454.67

Have you tried the donation button on our website?

**Spring Conference Meeting**

The Pennsylvania Southeast Conference Spring Meeting will be held at West Chester University May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 1<sup>st</sup>.

*Dear God, which part of your body would you have me be today, or this week: feet to walk with those in need, ears to hear another’s story, eyes to see beauty in others? Show me what to do.*

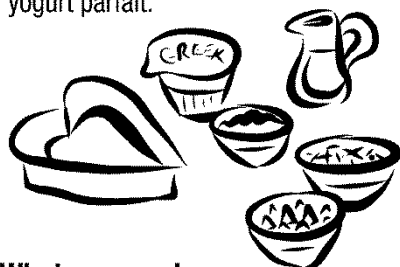




# HEART-SHAPED breakfast



Treat Mom with this yummy, beautiful yogurt parfait.



### What you need:

- Large heart-shaped cookie cutter
- Greek yogurt (any flavor)
- Toppings (mini chocolate chips, granola, shredded coconut, chia seeds, oats, slivered almonds, blueberries, sliced strawberries, raspberries, bananas)
- 2 teaspoons maple syrup

### What you do:



1. Place cookie cutter on a plate. Spoon in yogurt, spreading it to the edges of the cookie cutter.
2. Add toppings, making a nice design. Remove cookie cutter.
3. Drizzle syrup around the edge of the plate.
4. Serve to your mom on Mother's Day!





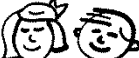

## A blessed woman


The last chapter of Proverbs describes a woman who loves God and strives to be a good wife and mother.

Directions: Use the picture clues to complete Proverbs 31:15, 28.

She gets \_\_\_\_\_ while it is still \_\_\_\_\_ ;  
 

she provides \_\_\_\_\_ for her \_\_\_\_\_ ....  
 

Her \_\_\_\_\_ rise \_\_\_\_\_ and  
 

\_\_\_\_\_ her blessed.  


PROVERBS 31:15, 28 (NIV)

Answer: up, night, family, food, children, up, call

### Joys of Motherhood

A hug for no reason.

Belly laughs.

Smiles and giggles.

Mud pies.

Quiet moments on the couch.

Reading aloud together.

Watching your child be kind to another.

A child's look of surprise and joy.

The words "I love you" – and a sticky kiss.

A family meal filled with conversation and laughter.

Recognizing a moment you'd like to freeze in time.

--Unknown