



Reformation Sunday

Stewardship Season: Choose This Day

This Sunday we celebrate some of the roots of our Reformed Christian heritage as we remember the anniversary of Martin Luther challenging the Church to make changes in its faith, beliefs, and practices. The sermon will focus on the idea of "Faith Alone" through the story of Bartimaeus in Mark 10:46-52. Our other reading will be Psalm 126.

Our Stewardship Season, with its theme "Choose This Day" will feature a testimony from Elder Suzanne Broffman, and Hannah Carroll, a high school senior who teaches our middle elementary Sunday School class and who was confirmed a couple years ago. They will speak to the question of why they choose faith. Your Stewardship pledges are an act of faith in what the church can do as disciples of Jesus! Please consider your pledge, and make it to the church anytime between now and our Pledge Dedication Sunday, November 17.

I am late getting the e-blast out tonight, but it's good that I did so that I can share the good news of the birth announcement of Diane Lee and Yanni's baby, Haetnim, who was born this morning. They will be calling her Ayuni. See her picture below!

With blessing and care,
Leah

Rev. Dr. Leah Fowler, Pastor

Art in this eblast is called "Healing of the Blind Man" by Michael Busking.



Coming Up at PCL

MAKE YOUR 2025 PLEDGE

You'll be hearing from our Stewardship Campaign, "Choose This Day Whom You Shall Serve" in the coming weeks, but you don't have to wait until Nov. 17 to pledge! Use this card and email your pledge to the church office, secretaryleonia@gmail.com, or put it in the offering plate in worship!

WALK to stand with survivors of domestic violence! At 10 am Saturday, October 26 at Van Saun Park in Paramus, Center for Hope and Safety will host this fundraising walk. Email me at pastorleonia@gmail.com if you'd like to be part of a group from our church going; you can also donate even if you cannot walk.

NEWCOMERS' GATHERING

On Saturday, October 26, Mineko and Michael Hinton will host a dinner in their home for visitors and our newest members at 6 pm. You'll be invited to share a piece of your faith journey and learn about membership in the church. Please RSVP with Pastor Leah at pastorleonia@gmail.com.

ALL SAINTS REMEMBRANCE

Next Sunday, November 3, we will remember and light candles in thanksgiving for those we have loved who have died. We will name out loud members of our church who have died in the past year. If you know someone who is grieving, invite them to come with you to this beautiful service so they can remember in a community of care.

BOLLYX with Susheela is Thursday nights from 7-8 pm. Cost is \$15 per class, which Susheela will split with the church. Reserve your spot before class by emailing susheela@bollyx.com



In Our Prayers...

Today we give so much thanksgiving and joy for the healthy birth of baby Haetnim, to her parents Diane and Yanni this morning! They will be calling her Ayuni. Mama Diane is recovering well and is excited to share her joy with the church.

We pray for Chris as she finishes her trip in Brazil, with thanks that she's made it safely out of the jungle!

We give thanks for those who are considering membership in the church, and for Mineko and Michael who will host a welcome dinner for them Saturday night!

We pray for pathways to peace in the Middle East. We pray for Laura, for Suzanne's husband Ali after a foot injury, and for any who are sick in body or in spirit, grieving, or struggling with addictions.

We pray for all feeling anxious as the November elections are less than 2 weeks away. Make sure you check in with your body and spirit. Remember to pray. Do things that are physically good for your body, like walking or other exercise, each day. Do what is in your power to make good change, and trust in God for what is beyond your power.