

“St John’s Reformed Church strives to welcome all, to know and proclaim God’s word, to seek God’s will and to live by Christ’s example. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we welcome all of God’s children, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, cognitive or physical limitation, to feel free to worship and seek God’s amazing grace.”

Rev. Alisha Riepma-Hosier,
Minister of Word and Sacrament

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Organist/Music Director: **Max Brey**
Thank you to the choir for providing the beautiful music!

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Important Hours:

Rev. Alisha Riepma-Hosier

Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday-Office hours: 9 a.m.-3 p.m., and by appointment. Thursday-offsite, Friday-Sabbath Day (day off). If schedule changes occur, the Administrator will be notified.

Kristi Colburn, Administrator

Monday/Wednesday/Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Deacon’s Food Pantry Distribution

Monday, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

4/5/2026

April’s Mission of the Month is River Haven Shelter (RHS),

an emergency housing program that supports runaways, homeless, and at-risk **youth under the age of 18** as they work towards safely reuniting with their families or accessing other secure housing.

Since its establishment in 1980, RHS has been successful in **getting youth off the streets, out of dangerous situations, and into safe housing** while establishing vital connections to community services and resources for ongoing support.

They offer: safe overnight shelter, meals, clothing, hygiene items, and case management and crisis counseling, family mediation and support, referrals to education, health, and housing services, help with long-term housing or placement if needed.

You can support River Haven by: Donating much-needed items like hygiene products or snacks, making a financial contribution, volunteering your time or skills (where allowed), spreading awareness about youth homelessness. Monetary donations may be made out to St. John’s Reformed Church and there will be a donation box in the fellowship hall for personal hygiene items to be delivered to the shelter the first week of May. Thank you for your constant and continued support of the Mission and Outreach Committee who represents the servant hearts of this congregation serving the Lord with Gladness.

CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY

Easter Sunday

10 a.m. Worship Service-Communion 10 a.m. Children’s Program

Monday 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Deacons’ Fund Food Pantry
9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Administrator-Kristi Colburn
10 a.m. Building Inquiry Sub-Committee Mtg.-room 3

Tuesday 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Administrator-Kristi Colburn
6:30 p.m. Monthly Prayer Service-sanctuary
7 p.m. Property Meeting-fellowship hall

Wednesday 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Administrator-Kristi Colburn
9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Deacons’ Fund Food Pantry
10:15 a.m. Bible Study-fellowship hall

Thursday 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Administrator-Kristi Colburn

Friday 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Administrator-Kristi Colburn

NEXT SUNDAY

Second Sunday of Easter

10 a.m. Worship Service 10 a.m. Children's Program

Preaching Elder James Walrath will be leading the worship service.

ADVANCE NOTICES

Men's Breakfast-the first Saturday of the month, 8:00 a.m. at the RH Diner.

St. John's Monthly Prayer Service meets on the first Tuesday of the month, at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Prayers are offered for St. John's missions, for the local community, for those on the prayer list, for those who are unable to gather with the congregation for worship, for personal prayers, and for anyone in need of God's love. See James Walrath for information.

Blooming in Faith Women's Fellowship meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. in room 3. The next meeting is April 14. We gather for fellowship and to create art. See Elizabeth Young for more information.

Scudder Circle meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at 1 p.m. The next meeting is April 13. Our group is open to all women associated with St. John's. For more information, contact Mary Bayer or Desiree Albizu.

Ladles & Loaves & Simple Supper-Postponed to April 14. Typically, it's the 1st Tuesday of every month. **Ladles & Loaves**, a lunch of homemade soup & bread, 12-1:00 p.m. **Simple Supper** is leftover soup & bread & a one-dish meal, 5-6 p.m. It's free, donations are accepted. Contact Beverly Kipp, 845-235-6013 for more information and to volunteer.

Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia Discussion- Sunday, April 19, during coffee hour. Joan Carl, Alzheimer's Assoc. Rep. will present information on Alzheimer's. We need a minimum of 15 people to attend. A sign-up sheet is on the worship table in the fellowship hall. Please see Eileen Zeliph for more information.

Mission & Outreach Annual Clothing Rummage Sale is Thursday, April 30, 4-7 p.m. & Saturday, May 2, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in the assembly hall. The sale is NOT open on Friday, May 1.

NOTICES

Easter Flowers- Thank you to all who bought Easter flowers to beautify the sanctuary. Please take your flowers home to continue to enjoy them.

Nursery Help Needed-Thank you to all who have provided childcare this past year. Parents are afforded the opportunity to worship and be able to pay attention to the service. Please consider signing up to volunteer for a Sunday on the sheet in the fellowship hall. For more information, please see Desiree.

CLYNK Bags-Thank you for donating your returnable bottles and cans. CLYNK bags are located on the bulletin board in the FH and stored in the church office. Please no juice or gallon water jugs, they are not returnable.

Streaming Sunday Services- Go to SJRC's website and click on the box, "join live". Click on "services" for the weekly bulletin and announcements.

SJRC's Apple and Android Application is now available. Go to the Apple IOS Store or the Google Android Store and search *st john's red hook ny*. You can find and download our cellphone application, or you can use the QR code to find the application. Anyone can download the application and view the events at our church. Church members will be receiving an email invitation to sign in as a member in a few weeks. When you sign in you will be able to view the directory and church groups.

The Deacons' Fund could use your help. The money is used to give the Food Pantry Clients a \$15.00 gift card to Hannaford for perishable items not supplied in the Pantry.

Deacons' Fund Food Pantry

We served 18 families in the Food Pantry this week.

We could use donations of; coffee, sugar, oil, laundry & dish detergent, reusable bags, tissues, salt, canned tomatoes, dry pasta (macaroni type), spaghetti, cereal, instant oatmeal-variety pack and peanut butter.

Thank you to all for your support!

More information about the food pantry can be found on SJRC's website.