



the  
Reformed Church  
of Bronxville

A FAMILY OF FAITH, A HOME FOR ALL, AT THE HEART OF THE COMMUNITY



# Good Morning!

## Welcome to the Reformed Church of Bronxville.

*It is our hope and prayer that you are welcomed warmly and find space to connect with God through robust liturgy, inspiring music and engaging preaching. Please know that from wherever you come – geographically, emotionally, mentally or spiritually, you are welcome here at RCB. If you are new with us this morning, please take a moment and fill out a Visitor Card in the front pew rack and place it in the offering plate. We would be delighted to get to know you more. May the Lord bless and keep you.*

Grace & Peace,



Rev. Dr. Matthew Waterstone, Senior Minister

### **Sunday Mornings with RCB Kids**

*RCB Kids has a new check-in system. If you are attending the 10:30am service with children, please check in with RCB Kids Leaders in the Edwards Room before worship.*

**Nursery: Infant - 3's** drop off in Room 301 for entire 10:30am worship hour. Parents, please pick up children following worship from classroom.

**4's, K and 1st:** Begin in 10:30am worship, RCB Kids will be invited to meet teachers in Edwards

Room following Children's Blessing and head to the Calvin Room. Parents, please pick up children following worship from classroom. Room 303 will be used as additional space as needed.

**2nd - 7th:** Begin in 10:30am worship, RCB Kids will be invited to meet teachers in Edwards room following Children's Blessing. Parents, please pick up children from classroom at the conclusion of worship:

**2nd & 3rd: Room 408**

**4th & 5th: Room 406**

**6th & 7th: Youth Suite (4th Floor)**

Today is the fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, in the period of the church year known as Ordinary Time, between major festivals. The chancel is adorned with green paraments (from the Latin paramentum, meaning “adornments”) to represent the new life and the evergreen hope we have in Jesus Christ.



## ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday, September 18, 2022

10:30 a.m.

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PRELUDE                      *Overture from Parthia III*                      Isfrid Kayser

INTROIT                      *O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord*                      Hal Hopson

*O come, let us sing to the Lord.  
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.  
Sing and rejoice!*

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

*L: Our help is the name of the Lord,  
**P: Maker of heaven and earth.**  
L: Praise the Lord!  
**P: The Lord's name be praised.***

**\*HYMN 478**                      ***Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven***                      LAUDA ANIMA

\*GATHERING PRAYER

CALL TO CONFESSION

*\*Indicates those who are able may stand.*

## 478 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

1. AUDA ANIMA 8.7.8.7.8.7

Henry Francis Lyte, 1834; alt.

John Goss, 1869

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; To His feet thy  
 2. Praise Him for His grace and fa - vor To His peo - ple  
 3. Fa - ther - like He tends and spares us; Well our fee - ble  
 4. An - gels, help us to a - dore Him: Ye be - hold Him

trib - ute bring; Ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,  
 in dis - tress; Praise Him still the same as ev - er,  
 frame He knows; In His hands He gen - tly bears us,  
 face to face; Sun and moon, bow down be - fore Him,

Ev - er - more His prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Slow to chide, and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Dwell - ers all in time and space. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in His faith - ful - ness.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet His mer - cy flows.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Holy and Gracious God, we open our hearts to you this day,  
and offer the truth of our lives:  
The fear that stifles us, the prejudice that blinds us,  
The ignorance that hobbles us, the doubt that plagues us.  
Help us, we pray, that we will find courage in an unlikely place,  
See the world with new and gracious eyes,  
Move to those places where love is needed,  
And have faith that you are with us.  
This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.*

(Silence is kept for personal confession.)

All Sing:

**Lord, Have Mercy**

*The Sevens Service, Rite II  
Malcolm Archer*

The musical score is written on five staves in a 3/8 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It begins with a fermata and a '2' above the first measure. The lyrics are: Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

*Hear the good news...  
Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.*

\*HYMN 579

**Glory Be to the Father**

GLORIA PATRI

RCB KIDS BLESSING

ANTHEM

*O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord*

Christopher Tye

*O come, ye servants of the Lord,  
and praise His holy name  
From early morn to setting sun,  
His might on earth proclaim.  
His laws are just, and glad the heart:  
He makes His mercies known.  
Ye princes come, ye people too,  
and bow before His throne.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 21:5-19 (pg. 856)  
Yvonne Schonborg, reader

*The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.***

SERMON

*“A Marathon with God”*

The Rev. Dr. Matt Waterstone

SHARING OF FRIENDSHIP AND GIFTS  
& MOMENT FOR CONCORDIA CONSERVATORY

Kathleen Suss & Jim Hoch

OFFERTORY

ANTHEM

*Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

Harold Friedell

*Draw us in the Spirit's tether; For when humbly, in thy name,  
Two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them:  
Alleluya! Alleluya! Touch we now thy garment's hem.*

*As disciples used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,  
Then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup,  
Alleluya! Alleluya! So knit thou our friendship up.*

*All our meals and all our living make us sacraments of thee,  
That be caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.  
Alleluya! Alleluya! We will serve thee faithfully.*



**\*HYMN 592**

***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow***

OLD HUNDRETH

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.  
Amen.*

**\*HYMN 415**

***Come, Labor On***

ORA LABORA

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL  
BENEDICTION

*Danish Amen*

POSTLUDE

*Sortie Toccata*

Theodore Dubois

**PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE**

***The Rev. Dr. Matthew Waterstone, Senior Minister***  
***Caitlin Dowling, Director of Music and Liturgy***  
***Dr. Cameron Wentz, Associate Director of Music***  
***RCB Chancel Choir***  
***Yvonne Schonborg, Lay Liturgist***

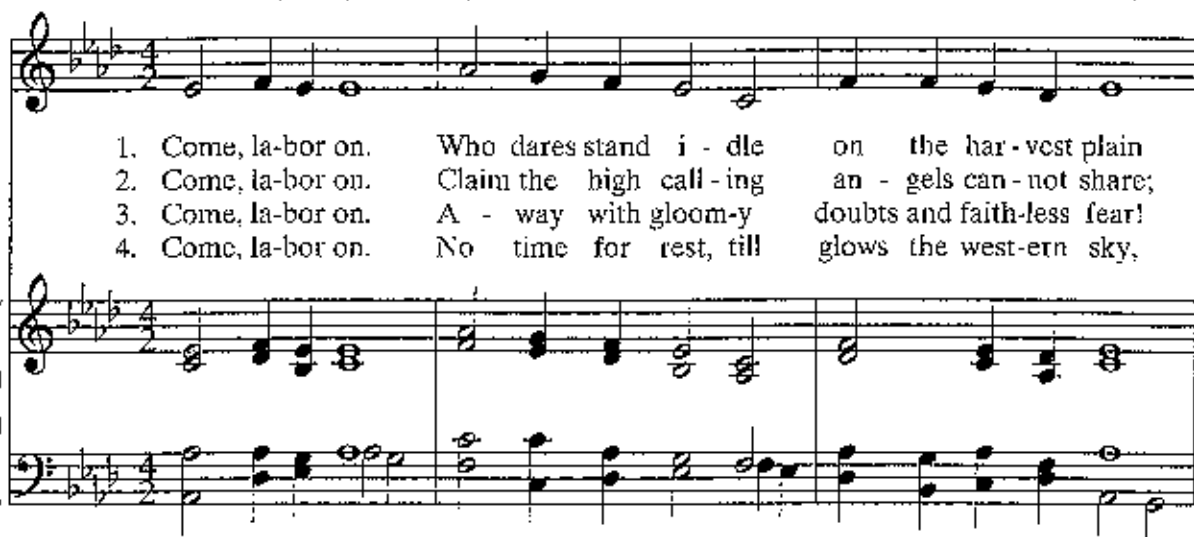
## Come, Labor On

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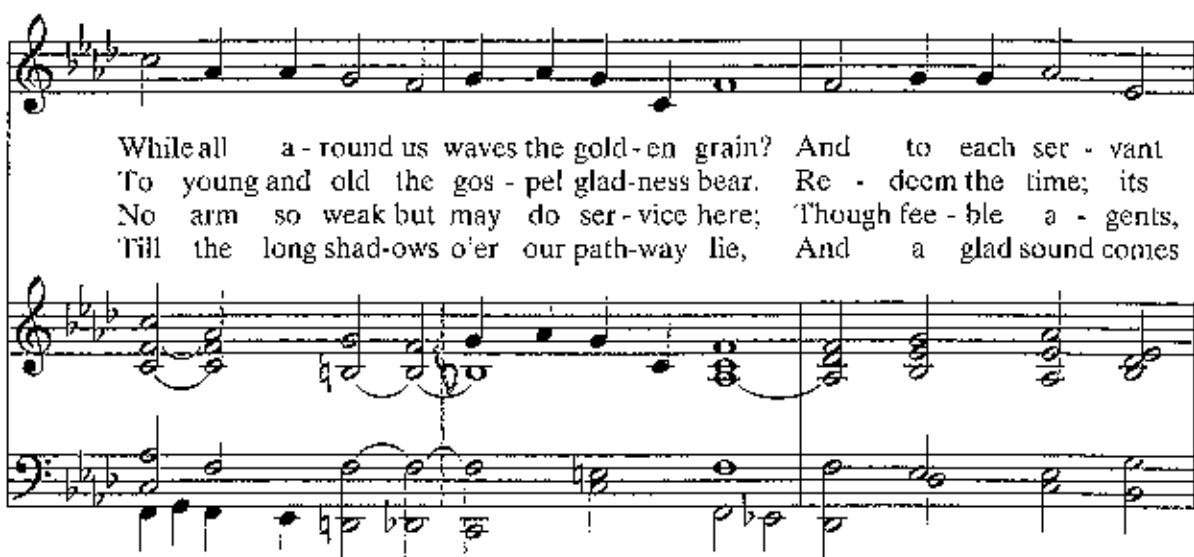
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Jane Laurie Borthwick, 1859; rev. 1863; alt.

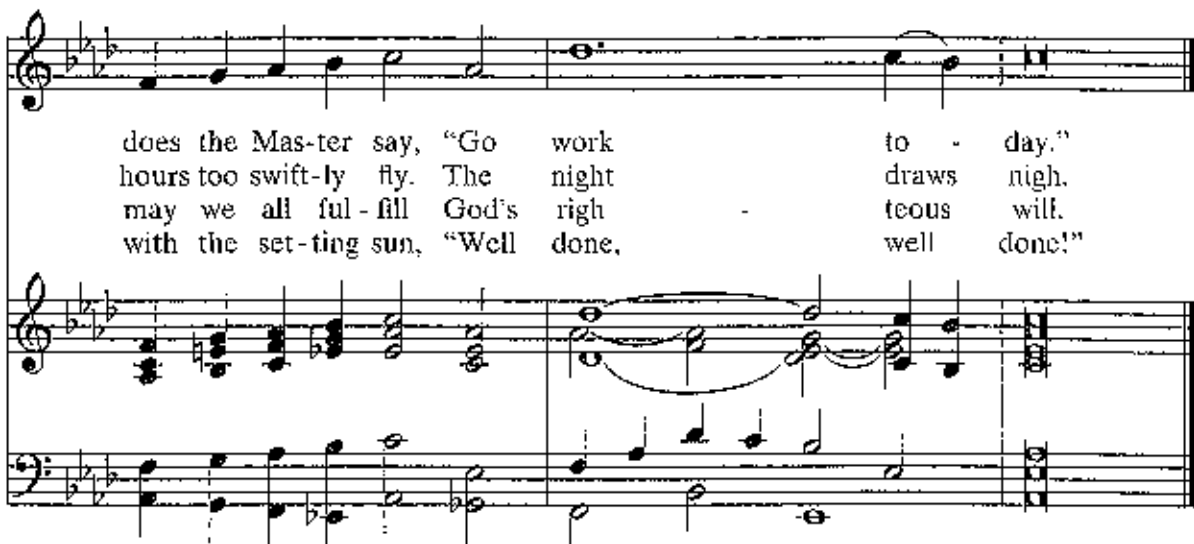
Thomas Tertius Noble, 1918



1. Come, la-bor on. Who dares stand i - dle on the har - vest plain  
 2. Come, la-bor on. Claim the high call - ing an - gels can - not share;  
 3. Come, la-bor on. A - way with gloom - y doubts and faith - less fear!  
 4. Come, la-bor on. No time for rest, till glows the west - ern sky,



While all a - round us waves the gold - en grain? And to each ser - vant  
 To young and old the gos - pel glad - ness bear. Re - deem the time; its  
 No arm so weak but may do ser - vice here; Though fee - ble a - gents,  
 Till the long shad - ows o'er our path - way lie, And a glad sound comes



does the Mas - ter say, "Go work to - day."  
 hours too swift - ly fly. The night draws nigh.  
 may we all ful - fill God's righ - teous will.  
 with the set - ting sun, "Well done, well done!"



**PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS IN PRAYER:**

*Church Members and Former Members:*

Muriel Aragona, David McBride, Nancy Protzman,  
Gem Stafford, Marlene Small

*Friends and Relatives of Church Members, Staff and Visitors:*

Jace James Adams, Dan Boland, Kevin Ford, Pam Hagdorn, Karin Hoerz,  
Phillip Mazella, Murdoch McBride, Jim McCandless, Heather Safford, Lucy  
Shively, Arlene Shoemaker, Bob Shoemaker, Brad Small, John Sneed, La-  
Marse Taylor, Eda Tyrrell, Gregory Vermette, Ruth Wescott

*Friends and families of the following individuals who have died:*

Bud Hanson (father of Dale Walker)  
Jeanne Osborne  
David Johnson (father of Jill Nadeau)  
Karen Lichti  
Avis Bryan  
Catherine "Kitty" Buttigieg (mother of Brian Buttigieg)  
Edward Higgins  
Harry T. Bahr, Jr.  
Karl Hay (father of Karla Diserens)  
Dee Sorensen (mother of Lisa Sorensen)

*To add a name to this prayer list, please contact Judi McCandless at  
[jmccandless@reformedchurch.org](mailto:jmccandless@reformedchurch.org). Names will be kept on the public prayer  
list for two months, unless requested otherwise.*



## COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

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### Today at RCB

#### *Morning Worship*

8:30 and 10:30am, Sanctuary. Rev. Dr. Matthew Waterstone, Senior Minister, preaching.

#### *Coffee Hour & Program Year Kickoff Reception*

11:30am, the Cloister. After worship, all are welcome for coffee, snacks, and fellowship to celebrate the beginning of the program year.

#### *Calvin Ringers, Whitechapel Ringers, & Kirk Ringers Begin*

Youth Handbell choirs will meet today. For more information on all music opportunities this fall, please see the third page of Community Highlights in this bulletin.

### General Announcements

#### *Donate to Improve Our Children's Library*

One of our youth, Audriana Handy, is updating and refreshing the Donald B. Whittemore Children's Library for her Eagle Scout project. The goal is to upgrade the space for a new generation of children. If you would like to make a monetary donation to help Audriana complete her project, you may submit a check payable to The Reformed Church of Bronxville, noting in the memo section: "Children's Library Donation," and send it to the church in care of Alan Zanzano, COO, 180 Pondfield Road, Bronxville, NY 10708. Thank you!

#### *Friendly Visitor Program*

Interested in working with a team of fellow congregants to connect with church members and friends who are homebound or have limited contact with other RCB folks? We would like to renew our pre-Covid outreach efforts to folks who would love visits or phone calls from others in our church. Please contact Judi at [jmccandless@reformedchurch.org](mailto:jmccandless@reformedchurch.org) if you have a heart for this very important effort.

#### *Household Items Needed for New Mission Partner*

The Liliac House was recently purchased in Mount Vernon by a new mission partner, Pamela Zimba, to house seven women transitioning home from prison. Pamela is in need of help to furnish the house and in particular needs twin beds, lamps and end tables in good condition. If you have any of these items to donate, please contact Mary at [mmackintosh@reformedchurch.org](mailto:mmackintosh@reformedchurch.org).

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### This Month at RCB

#### **Mount Vernon Soup Kitchen**

*Monday, September 19 3:00pm at 135 South 6th Street, Mount Vernon*

Bake (or buy) a tray of pasta with a vegetable and cookies and either deliver to the RCB kitchen before 3:00 or bring directly to the Soup Kitchen in Mount Vernon. If you are able, help to serve grab-and-go meals from the Soup Kitchen between 3:45-5:00pm.

#### **Contemplative Small Group**

*Tuesdays, 9:00-10:00am via Zoom.*

Open to women and men. If you have questions or are interested, contact Judi at [jmccandless@reformedchurch.org](mailto:jmccandless@reformedchurch.org).

#### **Bibles, Books and Faith Conversations**

*Wednesdays, 9:30-10:45am via Zoom.*

Women's small group. For more info, email Judi at [jmccandless@reformedchurch.org](mailto:jmccandless@reformedchurch.org).

#### **Level 1 Yoga**

*Thursdays at 9-10:15am, the Calvin Room*

Gretchen Pingel will be facilitating a yoga class on Thursdays starting in September through December. The class will focus on strengthening and stretching, with a special emphasis on alignment and muscle balancing in order to minimize physical pain and maximize movement. Gretchen has been practicing yoga for 30 years. \$25 drop-in fee. 10 class card for \$200. Bring your own mat and a large beach towel, other props are provided.

#### **Yonkers Westhab Fellowship**

*Tues., Sept. 27, 12:00-1:00pm 101 North Broadway, Yonkers*

Deliver and serve pizza, fruit and cookies to homeless men in the Westhab drop-in shelter and sit with them in fellowship.

#### **Dayspring Community Center**

*Thurs., Sept. 29, 11:45am- 1:00pm at 320 Walnut St., Yonkers*

Help to unload trucks from Feeding Westchester, sort and bag food, and distribute to community members in need. All ages welcome.

#### **Women's Mini Retreat**

*Saturday, Oct. 1, 9-11:30am, The Edwards Room.*

"What are You Longing For?" – This will be our theme and we will explore what this question ignites in you. What does it mean to yearn, and have you invited God into your longing? For more details contact Judi at [jmccandless@reformedchurch.org](mailto:jmccandless@reformedchurch.org). Suggested donation of \$25 to cover food and materials. Advance registration is required online.

#### **Al Amana Centre Update and Discussion**

*Sun., Oct. 2, 11:45-12:45pm Copenhaver Room*

Join Executive Director, Justin Meyers, and Joshua Bode, Director of Operations and Ecumenical Affairs to learn more about the 130-year history of RCA work at the Al Amana Centre in Oman as peacemakers building trust and understanding in diverse communities.

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### Music Announcements

#### Youth Handbell Choirs

##### **Calvin Ringers (5th - new 6th Grade)**

*Begins today, September 18th @ 12:30 - 1 p.m.*

Calvin Ringers meets on Sundays, starting September 18th, from 12:30-1pm. This ensemble is open to 5th graders and is an introduction to ringing bells. We will learn how to play the bells and how to work as a group to make music!

##### **Whitechapel Ringers (6th - 8th Grade)**

*Begins today, September 18th @ 1 - 2 p.m.*

Whitechapel Ringers meets on Sundays, starting September 18th, from 1-2pm. This group occasionally participates in worship and plays in the Christmas and Spring handbell concerts.

*(If you have not rung bells before, it is advised to join Calvin Ringers for the Fall term.)*

##### **Kirkringers (9th - 12th Grade)**

*Begins today, September 18th @ 2 - 3 p.m.*

This group occasionally participates in worship and plays in the Christmas and Spring handbell concerts.

#### Adult Handbell Choirs

##### **Matin Ringers**

*Mondays, beginning September 19th @ 10-11am*

This group is comprised of adults of ALL abilities. Whether new to bells or an experienced ringer, come join for a fun musical experience.

#### Youth Choirs

##### **Cherub Choir (4 years - Kindergarten)**

*Wednesdays beginning October 12th @ 4-4:30 p.m.*

This choir sings in worship twice per year and learns how to have fun with singing, dancing, and learning the basics of music! Come and join us in the fun!

##### **Carol Choir (1st - 3rd Grade)**

*Wednesdays beginning September 21st @ 4:30-5 p.m*

This choir sings in worship once per month and learns how to read music through singing together, rhythm games, and even playing instruments! Come and join us once a week to learn how to love and appreciate music in worship!

##### **Cathedral Choir (4th - 5th Grade)**

*Wednesdays beginning September 21st @ 5-5:30 p.m.*

This choir helps lead worship once per month and continues to reinforce reading music, singing in parts, and learning about the liturgical year and how to sing from the hymnal. Come and join us!

##### **Chapel Choir (6th - 8th Grade)**

*Wednesdays beginning September 21st @ 5:30 - 6 p.m.*

This choir leads worship once per month and learns how to sightread, sing together in parts, and participates in choir trips and singing in the community in collaboration with Missions. Come and join us this fall before we announce our fun spring/summer trip!

##### **Kirksingers (9th - 12th Grade)**

*Mondays beginning September 19th @ 5:15-6 p.m.*

This choir leads worship once per month and appears at special services throughout the year like the Service of the Longest Night and Ash Wednesday. They will take a choir trip every year, and sing in the community in collaboration with Missions. Come and join this wonderful, dedicated group and join in the fun!

#### Adult Choirs

##### **Chancel Choir**

*Wednesdays beginning September 21st @ 7:30-9 p.m.*

This choir sings three of the four Sundays per month at the 10:30am Service, September through May, and occasionally sings at additional services and concerts throughout the year. This is made up of volunteers and supported by professional section leaders.

## COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

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### Youth Announcements

#### **High School Youth Group (HSYG) Kick-Off, Monday, 9/19**

High Schoolers! Join us in the Cloister from 6-7:30PM for Food, Games, Meeting our Youth Leaders, and more! Friends are welcome.

#### **Middle School Youth Group (MSYG) Open House, Wednesday, 9/21**

Middle Schoolers: We'll be in the Cloister from 6-7PM for Team building games, food, and a big welcome from our Youth Leaders - bring your friends!

#### ***Confirmation 2022-23 Information Meeting***

For 8th and 9th graders interested in becoming members of the Reformed Church through our Confirmation process, join us October 2 @ 9:30AM in the Copenhaver Room (hybrid option available via zoom) for an information meeting about our 2022-23 program offering. We'll introduce our scripture focus for the year, talk about the important role of mentors, and go over the schedule. Having a parent attend is required. For questions, or to RSVP, email [cverwys@reformedchurch.org](mailto:cverwys@reformedchurch.org).

#### ***Registration for Children/Youth Activities Still Open***

Our 2022-2023 Program Year has begun, and registration is still open for all Children and Youth Activities, including: RCB Kids Church School, MSYG, HSYG, Children & Youth Choirs, Youth Handbells, and more! Please sign up using the QR code below:



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*Pastoral Care: If you or someone you know needs help, please contact Rev. Dr. Waterstone or Judi McCandless.  
For professional counseling, contact our partner, The Counseling Center, at 914-793-3388 or [www.counselingcenter.org](http://www.counselingcenter.org).*

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