

## Mission & Outreach 2018-19

Whatever your age, your time availability, or your interests, there is an outreach program for YOU at Rye Presbyterian Church. Volunteer once a year or every month – it is up to you. See the [reverse side](#) for more details and to volunteer. You can also find this information and more under the “Ministries/Mission and Outreach” tab on our website: [www.ryepc.com](http://www.ryepc.com).

### If you are a family and want to do outreach together thru contributions or service

- **Dinner at Noon:** Help serve lunch at the Carver Center in Port Chester
- **Baby Box:** Contribute newborn supplies; help assemble baby boxes
- **Rise Against Hunger:** Help assemble food packets to be sent overseas
- **Thanksgiving Food Drive:** Donate food; help deliver and stock Caritas pantry

### If you are in middle school (11 – 13)

- **Empty Bowls:** Hunger project in January
- **Rise Against Hunger:** Help assemble food packets to be sent overseas
- **Thanksgiving Food Drive:** Donate food; help deliver and stock Caritas pantry

### If you are in high school (14 and over)

- **Rise Against Hunger:** Help assemble food packets to be sent overseas
- **NOLA:** New Orleans Mission Trip June / August
- **Coming Home:** Prepare and/or share a meal with participants
- **Rye Youth Council's Connect with Tech:** Helping older adults with technology
- **Variety of service projects with the Youth Group throughout the year**

### If you are an adult

- **Rye Writes:** Be a pen pal for a prisoner, writing at least one letter a month
- **Dinner at Noon:** Prepare/serve lunch on Saturday morning at the Carver Center
- **Men's Clothing Closet:** Donate; help organize and distribute clothing
- **Thrift Shop:** Donate; volunteer to organize shop and help run sales
- **Coming Home:** Cook/ serve meal; help with transportation to train station
- **Coming Home Mentor:** Be paired with formerly incarcerated and mentor them
- **Prison Ministry:** Monthly meetings with inmates at Sing Sing or Fishkill CF
- **Helping Hands:** Help make sandwiches on a Thursday morning

Questions or ideas: contact the Elders of the Mission & Outreach Committee  
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<b>Program/Contact Coordinator</b>	<b>When* &amp; Where</b>	<b>What Time</b>	<b>Type of work</b>
<b>Dinner at Noon</b> Helping Hands at the Carver Center/Deacons Susan Goodenough swgoodenough@gmail.com Irene Waddill iwaddill@gmail.com	Saturdays 9/29, 11/10, 1/4, 2/23, 4/6, 5/18, 6/29 Port Chester Carver Center	10:30 am – 1:00 pm	Donate Food Items Donate time day of serving meal to 50 people
<b>Thanksgiving Food Drive</b> Caritas Sam Dimon sam.dimon62@gmail.com	Month of November Collection at RPC Delivery at Caritas, Port Chester	All hours	Drop off food to RPC Food Boxes Deliver and sort for food pantry at Caritas, Port Chester
<b>Rise Against Hunger</b> (Formerly Stop Hunger Now) Rev. Marshall jmarshall@ryepc.com	October 14, 2018 April 2019 RPC Assembly Room	Sunday after 10 am service	Bag Food for International Relief RUAH provides supplies and leads efforts to countries in extreme need
<b>Empty Bowls</b> Rev. Marshall and Middle School Youth jmarshall@ryepc.com	One Sunday Late January/February Middle School Youth Create Pottery Bowls	Annual Event One Sunday 11am – 1pm	Pottery bowls for sale as well as soup for a family event of caring and sharing. Proceeds going to local food pantry.
<b>Baby Box</b> Open Door Family Medical Center with RPNS Kim O'Connor ryestacks@gmail.com	April – May 2018 Collecting Baby Box items at RPC and RPNS Baby Showers at Open Door, Port Chester	All Hours	Assist with donation collection Assemble Baby Boxes Participate in new parent showers and Baby Box distribution (Spanish speaking Helpful)
<b>Coming Home Program</b> An 18-week life skills and empowerment program for formerly incarcerated individuals To volunteer as mentor or to help with transportation, contact: Dr. Miller jmiller@ryepc.com To help with dinners, contact Meals Coordinator Linda Otness otness.linda@gmail.com	Thursdays 18 weeks January to June  Mentor Sessions (Dates TBD)	5:30pm-8:00pm  Shared dinner 7:00 – 8:00 pm	Prepare & serve meals for men and women attending a 18 week life skills program.  Attend the Thursday night dinners and enjoy the essence of this program.  Mentor a participant and encourage them to reach their goals  Help provide transportation from/to Rye Metro North Train Station
<b>Prison Ministry at Sing Sing, Fishkill</b> Bob/Nancy Steed bsteed55@aol.com	Visit monthly Sing Sing or Fishkill	Sundays, either afternoon or evening	Visit with inmates Requires regular commitment Must complete prison system screening
<b>Church and Justice Sunday</b> Bob/Nancy Steed bsteed55@aol.com	Church Service Lead by NYTS Lunch Follows in Assembly Room April TBD	Annual Event One Sunday in spring	Organize luncheon for former students in the NY Theological Seminary Sing Sing program; join in luncheon fellowship 10 AM Service; help organize and greet
<b>Rye Writes</b> Heather Miller ryewrites10580@gmail.com	Volunteer Monthly Letter Writing	Minimum of 1 letter per month	Correspondence exchange with incarcerated through church Make a connection through letter writing
<b>Men's Clothing Closet Dress for Success</b> Eckstein family Kerriolson2@aol.com	Accepting Men's clothing donations all year round; collect and sort men's attire At RPC	As needed	Donate Men's attire for interviews Coordinate donations to Exodus; Coming Home; Youth Shelter
<b>Thrift Shop</b> RPC Women's Association Suzanne Davies suzannebd1@aol.com	Collect donated household items to sell in Thrift Shop; Special Seasonal Sales October 27, 2018, Dec 2018, April 2019  Annual Grant Luncheon in June	September – June Wednesdays 10-12 Organize; Thursdays 10-1 Shop Open	Wednesdays organize & price donations Thursdays work Thrift Shop sales All proceeds go to local charities. Participate in grant selections Help organize and cook for luncheon
<b>NOLA Mission Trips</b> Rev. Love and Rev. Marshall dlove@ryepc.com or jmarshall@ryepc.com	June 2019 or August 2019	One-week trips	Help to rebuild homes and community center in New Orleans following Hurricane Katrina
<b>Helping Hands for the Hungry &amp; Homeless Sandwich makers for Homeless in White Plains</b> HelpingHandsRye@gmail.com	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday mornings, each month At RPC kitchen	Thursday 10-12	Help to make sandwiches which are then shared with the hungry and homeless at Grace Church, White Plains
<b>Rye Youth Council/SPRYE Connect with Tech</b> office@ryeyouthcouncil.org	During the school year	Various times Flexible	High School youth teach senior citizens (via SPRYE) how to use their modern technology and social media

**\*Dates subject to change**

*We welcome your participation. Other one-time events and individual service opportunities are available. Mission efforts are targeted based upon congregational feedback and from the Imagine Initiative surveys.*