

# RPC NEWSLETTER



## *Just These Thoughts My Friends...*

Well, Founders' Day was meant to be an incredible day of worship for our gathered Rock Church family. The Lord, as often is the case, had different plans. And, as always, all praise, glory, and honor belong to God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, not only for his plans for ice and snow, but for the decade of ministry he has granted our Rock family. Our particular chapter in the story God began writing well over 250 years ago, is one that he has blessed extravagantly, and we have all witnessed many tangible acts of his gracious hand as we have lived out ministry here as an ECO congregation. Thank you, Lord! And, with the Lord's help, we are all called to live out our faith in ways that honor Jesus Christ, and honors the answers we gave to the three questions of membership that we answered from the comfort of our living rooms. Moving forward, let us encourage each other to greater faithfulness, praying for each other, caring for each other, and walking side by side.

As we look forward now to these busy, and hopefully warmer days of February, there are many opportunities for service, fellowship, and study. This "Souper Bowl" Sunday we will be giving out brown paper bags to the congregation to fill up with food items. These food gifts will be our offering this year, and will support our local food bank. Please bring the filled bags back SUNDAY, February 15<sup>th</sup>, so that we can dedicate them in worship unto the Lord.

Make plans now to join us for a wonderful Rock Family Supper on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, at 5:45 p.m. As the program falls so close to Valentine's Day, our youth will not only be cooking dinner, but will also be providing us with a "love" themed program. No doubt this will be a night of great fun, reminding us of God's love for us, and the importance of our sharing the love of Christ with each other.

And finally, I am excited to say that our Rockin-the-Neighborhoods will start back at the end of this month. These small group studies meet in neighborhoods around Greenwood, and have been such a blessing for our Rock Church family, connecting old and young alike, Christian brothers and sisters, new covenant partners with covenant partners who've been here for a decade, and folks who worship at 11:00 a.m. with those who worship at 9:00 a.m. For the seven weeks that we will gather this winter/spring, we will reflect together on Jesus' "Seven Final Words" from the cross. His words, hard as they are to listen to, continue to offer encouragement and insight into how we can be a people who pick up our cross and follow where Jesus leads us. I do hope you will consider joining your Rock family for this time of study, prayer, and fellowship.

Let us continue to worship, serve, and share in fellowship and study together.



To God be the Glory! Even in the Snow!!

Dr. Chris Leonard

# YOUTH! YOUTH! YOUTH!



January flew by, and what a way to end it! Snow and more snow! We had to postpone our Winter Extravaganza until February 13-14. It will be an exciting time of fun, fellowship, and tubing in Hendersonville, NC.

February is shaping up to be *packed* with fun and meaningful moments! From our Super Bowl Party and Valentine's Day to cooking for the Rock Family Supper and heading to Winter Jam, there's no shortage of excitement ahead.

With all these amazing events on the calendar, please join me in praying for our youth, that through each experience, they would encounter God in fresh and powerful ways. May every moment point them toward the incredible love of God and help them grow deeper in their faith.

Blessings,  
Marshall



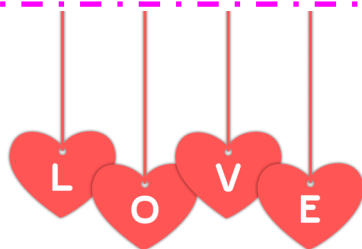
## Super Bowl Party

Sunday, February 8

6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Clubhouse at Hamilton Park

All youth invited! Come and invite your friends to join with us as we enjoy the 'big game' delicious snacks and lots of great fellowship! Sign up with Marshall today!



## Second Sunday Breakfast

10:00 a.m.

Sunday, February 8

Mission House



# Rock JAM



**February Activities:**

**February 1: Rock JAM, 5-6:30**  
Parent Help: ~~Cancelled due to snow~~ McClanahan

**February 8: Rock JAM**  
(Super Bowl Sunday: Bring your favorite cereal to share!)  
Second Sunday Children's Service @ 9am!

**February 15: Rock JAM, 5-6:30**  
Parent Helpers: Hinson & Stevens

**February 22: Rock JAM, 5-6:30**  
Parent Helpers: Williams & Jones

**ROCK JAM**  
JESUS  
AND  
ME

**SUPER "Cereal" BOWL SUNDAY**

**ROCK JAM ~ FEB 8 ~ 5-6:30PM**  
DINNER: bring your favorite cereal to share!

## SECOND SUNDAY CHILDREN'S SERVICE

Sunday, February 8

All children K4-5th grade are invited immediately following the 9:00 a.m. children's message for Bible time, music, snacks, crafts, and more in the fellowship hall.

We are excited to announce our 2026 RPC VBS: Cokesbury's

### Snowball Mountain Challenge!

This VBS program will transform our church into a snowy mountaintop experience filled with laughter, life lessons, and lasting faith. As children face their challenges and discover their strength in God, you'll hear them say, "Challenge accepted – with God I am strong."

Here's the link to register:

<https://forms.gle/CRddKWv47bZ6omN18>

**RPC VBS 2026**

**JOIN US FOR ROCK PRES VBS!**  
JUNE 8 - 11, 9AM - NOON  
RISING 4K - 5TH GRADE

Rock Presbyterian Church, ECO  
REGISTER @ [www.rpcgwd.org](http://www.rpcgwd.org) or scan QR

**SNOWBALL MOUNTAIN CHALLENGE**

**FIND YOUR STRENGTH IN GOD**





# Rock Family Supper

## Wednesday, February 18

### 5:45 p.m., MPB

Calling all the RPC Family!! Come and celebrate Valentine's Day with your church family! It's sure to be a special night with a delicious dinner followed by a program led by our youth. The cost is \$5/adults, \$3/children, and Free/2 and under. Sign up in the church office.

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### Stewardship

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## ASK CHUCK:



**CROWN**

Advancing God's Principles of Stewardship and Life.

#### Debt is Robbing Our Joy

<https://www.crown.org/all-resources/ask-chuck-debt-is-robbing-our-joy/>

Copy and paste links in web browser to read articles

#### Think About What You Think About - Preparing for 2026

<https://www.crown.org/all-resources/ask-chuck-think-about-what-you-think-about-preparing-for-2026/>

Check out [www.crown.org](http://www.crown.org) for other financial resources.

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### Evangelism

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Help us provide for the families of Greenwood! Bags will be provided at the close of our services on Sunday, February 8 for each family to fill and bring back on Sunday, February 15, for dedication.

Thank you for your support!

## February Sermons *Livestream available on Facebook/YouTube at 11:00 a.m..*

February 1                      **10th Annual Founders Day Celebration**                      Dr. Chris Leonard  
    Choose This Day! (sermon on YouTube)  
    Joshua 24 selected

February 8                      **Thawed Out! Ready to Go!**                      Dr. Chris Leonard  
**Communion &**                      Luke 9:57-62  
**Souper Bowl Sunday**

February 15                      **His Name Shall Be Kept Holy**                      Rev. David Turner  
    Leviticus 19:9-18

### **Sermon Series: The Last Words of Jesus From the Cross**

February 22                      **Father Forgive Them...**                      Rev. Marshall Steinle  
    Luke 23:34

February Ushers: \*Danny Doss, Margaret Moore

February Communion:        9:00 a.m. Debrah Miller, Missy Tripp  
    11:00 a.m. Diane Easterling, Mary Davidson

*Childcare is available for all services.*



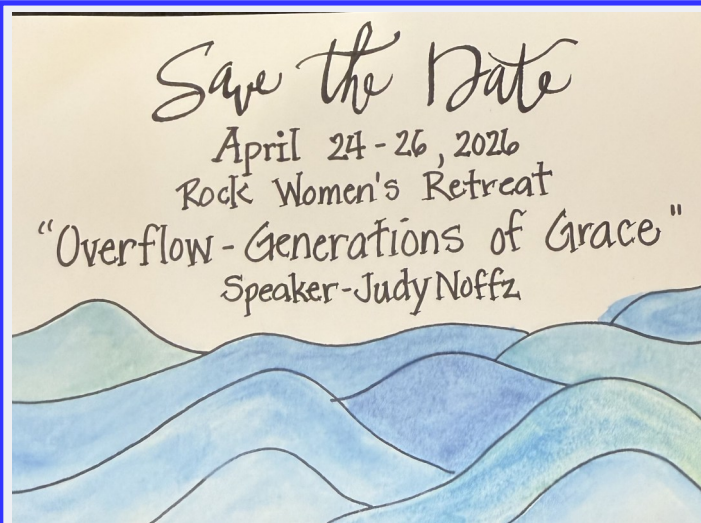
# February Childcare



Date	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
<b>February 1</b> Founders' Day One Service	Ginny Edwards	Amy Williams	JoAnn Wolf
<b>February 8</b>	Ellen Warner	Laura Snelling	Diane Easterlin
<b>February 15</b>	Angela Easterling	Patty Reagin	Ann Stevenson
<b>February 22</b>	Mary Ann Edwards	Julia McClanahan	Carolyn Fish

### Music Notes from the Piano Bench by Sandra Hix

As we prepare for the Lenten and Easter season, now is the time to join the choir. If you love to sing the praises of our Lord, and enjoy special fellowship with your church family, the Sanctuary Choir invites you to join them! Practice is on Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m. in the choir room during the month of February. Please contact Sandra Hix for more information or with any questions.



Calling all RPC women!! You are invited to join your Rock sisters for this year's women's retreat in the beautiful smoky mountains, at The Blue Ridge Assembly - Asheville Hall, Black Mountain, NC. You can register online on Rock's Facebook page. If you prefer a paper copy, they are located in the Welcome Center and the church office.



### ***RPC "Feeding the Flock" Culinary Team is forming now!***

If you are interested in cooking or learning more about cooking, and are seeking a fun, delicious, and rewarding way to get involved in the church, please contact Jan Coffey. Our first prepared meal is coming in March. We will be preparing additional church suppers as needed. If you have expressed an interest to Jan and have not been contacted by her, please reach out to her.

## ***Miscellaneous Church News***

### **Men's Breakfast Saturday, February 7, 8:00 a.m.**

All men are invited to the Mission House for a delicious breakfast, Christian fellowship, and a brief devotion.



### **"One Can" Ministry**

RPC's One Can Ministry continues each week! Please bring non-perishables each Sunday to place in either of the bins located in the CE Building or the Welcome Center.

*Please no expired food.*



## **ROCK OF AGES**

Rock of Ages group met on Monday, January 12, in the MPB. We had a great group of attendees and a very informative presentation given by a representative from the State Law Enforcement Division regarding scams/frauds and how to avoid them. We are looking forward to our next gathering on Monday, March 2, at 12:00 p.m. in the MPB.



# Celebrations...

## Welcome New Covenant Partners



### Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary



Mary Ann Gulbach

2/1	Dennis Dill Carolyn Fish Margaret Moore Paul Riddle	2/21	Eugenia Cochran Matthew McManis Tyler Slagle
2/3	Jack Hinson	2/22	Blake Boyce Karter Roughton
2/5	Chris Leonard	2/23	Glenn Miller Astrid Sisiam
2/6	Bennett Edwards Mary Ann Edwards Susan Prothro Hunt Watkins	2/24	Mary Ann Loos Caroline McCartha Jerry Nunamaker
2/7	Bryan Cordell William Leonard	2/26	Jerry Nunamaker
2/8	Paul Swan	2/27	Amanda Swan
2/12	Brett Easterling Zach McClanahan Jim Medford	2/28	Tammy Brock Charla Brothers Steve Chasteen David Holloway Louise Watkins
2/13	Sam Armstrong		
2/14	Luke Deal		
2/15	Olivia Daly Katie Davenport	2/6	Ken & Debbie Coesens
2/18	Bill Klauber Wayne Thomas	2/12	Andrew & Patty Nickles
2/19	Kerri Howell	2/14	Jeff & Jacki McCullah
2/20	Emily Warner	2/18	Neil & Brandi Money
		2/25	Warren & Jessica Mundy



John & Christi Loudon



CrossRoads  
Women's Center  
Road to Life  
presents

## Tim Tebow

Thursday, April 16

Lander University  
Finis Horne Arena

6:30 p.m.  
(Doors open at 5:00 p.m.)

Purchase Tickets at  
[crossroadspregnancycenter.org](http://crossroadspregnancycenter.org)

*Please keep in your prayers  
Church Family at home*

Lib Grier  
Katherine Martin  
Mac Myers (Ashley Square)  
Pat Poole (Martha Franks Retirement Community)  
Lee Sautter (Wesley Commons)  
Julia Smith (Wesley Commons)

*Active Duty Military*

Felipe Denis Blengio (Susan Judge's grandson)  
Andrew Heath (Ken & Robin Leach's son-in-law)  
Adam Hix (son of Jeff & Sandra Hix)

*Active Reserve Duty Military*

Will Chard (David & Christine Gray's son)  
Chris Miller  
Craig Watkins

*Rock Presbyterian Church wishes to express  
Christian Sympathy to...*

*Lib Grier following the death of her son, Francis Ebenezer  
"Ebie" Grier*

*Roland & Kelly Snelling, Gerald & Donna Brooks and their  
family in the death of Roland's & Donna's mother, Doris  
Snelling*

*Rev. David Turner in the death of his sister-in-law, Judy*



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Return Service Requested



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