



Capital News
Capital Campaign Committee
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Caring for God's House - Together



Wasn't our Pentecost / Birthday celebration a wonderful event? Thanks to the talents of Betty Gobeille and Verona Schmidt, the sanctuary looked amazing in the red, yellow and orange of Pentecost. Following worship everyone enjoyed sitting together at table for our first post COVID potluck. The chicken arrived late, but thanks to all the delicious side dishes and desserts that you provided, no one was complaining.

We used this festive occasion to kick off our Season of Gratitude. We, of the Capital Campaign, have become so aware of the many gifts that the people of RRPC bring to our church. Our congregation is so

generous with their resources, to be sure, but also their time, their love, and practical care for one another.

We thought it would be nice if everyone would take the time to be deliberate and mindful about recognizing the effort that is made by so many of you to keep our church looking nice, running smoothly and maintaining a sense of friendship, caring and love. As we contemplated what this would look like, we asked ourselves who do we need to thank? We soon realized that it was not just a few people but a whole community who work behind the scenes to accomplish tasks and reach out to each other. Because our own gratitude lists became so long it soon became apparent that it would take several weeks to express our thanks, so we decided to institute a "Season of Gratitude" from Pentecost to mid-September.

During this time, we would like to encourage everyone to write notes, make phone calls, send e-mails or have personal conversations in which you let others know how much they are appreciated. Include those people in your prayers of thanksgiving and then tell them you are praying for them!

Note cards were available at our lunch tables for writing cards and more cards will be available in the Narthex throughout the Season of Gratitude.

We also encourage you to answer our second round of questions which highlight our members' thoughts about RRPC and its impact on the community. These responses are highlighted each week in the Weekly Witness. The questions for this round are:

1. How do you express thankfulness to your fellow congregants?
2. Thinking about your church family, what are you grateful for?
3. What activities of the church are you thankful for?
4. In your mind what makes RRPC a community / a family?
5. How do you express gratitude?
6. How do you see the Holy Spirit at work in RRPC?
7. How do you see the Holy Spirit at work in your life?
8. How do you see the Holy Spirit at work in the lives of others?

Return your answers to the church or **e-mail them to Elaine.**

***Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain." Psalm 127:1
Thank you for your support!***

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