

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Responsive)

Friends, God is ever present with you!

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to the Holy Living One because it is the right thing to do, not only now, but always, for "always" is when God is with us.

We thank you, Creator God, that you formed us in your image.

We thank you, Sustainer God, (prayer continues) And so, we join our voices together praising you along with all who do, have ever done so and ever will do so, saying in response:

Holy, holy, holy Lord;

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

(prayer continues)

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.

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN 514

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Allegro Vivace from "Water Music"

Handel

* *You are invited to stand if able.*

Welcome to
Riverside Presbyterian Church

August 6, 2017 ~ Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Ask an usher for audio hearing units. ~ Please silence your cell phones.
Childcare is available for children 1st grade and younger in the upstairs childcare room.



WELCOME

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

* PASSING OF THE PEACE (Responsive)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Chant Arabe

Anon

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

When somebody needs a blessing,

let us be a blessing.

When someone needs a shoulder,

let us be a shoulder.

When someone feels distant and alone,

help us show that we are woven connected.

When we need a tie that binds,

let us be the tie that binds.

When we leave this place,

let us weave sunshine in all that we do.

When we consider the earth and all its inhabitants,

let us be the hope of tomorrow.

* HYMN 285 *God You Spin the Whirling Planets*

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Timeless God, you cast Light into sin's dark places and call us
your Beloved. Forgive us:**

when we still linger in the shadows;

when we treat others in hurtful ways;

when we speak ill of your friends.

**Baptized and blessed in your living waters, you would have us
be your servants in our time. Forgive us:**

when we fail to welcome the stranger;

when we refuse to forgive as we should;

when we believe we are too good to kneel down

and tie the shoes of the lost, the least, the last, the little.

Silence is kept.

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* HYMN 579 *Glory Be to the Father*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen, Amen.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Children are invited forward

HYMN

This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. (3x)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 1

MEDITATION

Woven

* HYMN 293

This Is My Father's World

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

MISSION UPDATE

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Sonatina in G Anh. 5 Romance

Beethoven

* HYMN *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow with Alleluias*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.

Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE JOYFUL FEAST OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

INVITATION