

## Riverside Presbyterian Church

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April 22, 2018 ~ WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### 2018 CHURCH LEADERSHIP

#### *Elders*

Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk of Session

#### 2018

Diane Chaney  
John Haugland  
Gwen Heine  
Youth Elder: Kaki Lynch

#### 2019

Jeanine Buttimer  
Patti Friend  
Susan Lynch  
Lisa Aulerich- Marciniak

#### 2020

Frank Gangware  
Martha Heine  
Lynda Nadkarni  
Dennis Zander

#### *Deacons*

#### 2018

David Harper  
Steve Marcus  
Paula McCracken  
Serina Ranft

#### 2019

Ellen Hamilton  
Sandy Kappmeyer  
Lorraine Meyer  
Steve Teune

#### 2020

Lloyd Bradbury  
Charlie Juister  
Sally Sloane  
Jeanne Smith

#### *Trustees*

#### 2018

Thom DeVries  
Joel Hastings  
George Meyer  
Connie Nestor

#### 2019

Susan Deems-Dluhy  
Cyril Friend  
Fred Kitch  
Brad Staubus

#### 2020

Patti Perry-Halline  
Doug Harvin  
Henry Vogel

#### Mission Statement

We gather as a church family to:  
Celebrate God's Presence ~ Nurture the Spiritual Life  
Carry the Light of Christ into the World ~ Serve God by Serving Others

#### RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

**Rev. Dale Jackson, Pastor** 502-592-1617 (pastor@rpcusa.org)  
**Linda Hutcheson, Office Manager** (rpcoffice@rpcusa.org)  
**Dr. Sally Sloane, Minister of Music** (musikhse@comcast.net)  
**Susan Zander, Director of Children's Education** (smozan@icloud.com)  
**Diante Johnson, Christian Educator** (christianed@rpcusa.org)  
**Ellen Hamilton, Treasurer** (treasurer@rpcusa.org)  
**Susan Lisle, Preschool Director** (rpcpreschool@rpcusa.org)

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR

##### Today

10:00 am Worship  
11:00 Coffee Fellowship  
11:15 Mission  
Committee Meeting  
1:00 pm All Church  
Family Work Day

##### Monday

6:30 pm Theology on  
Tap

##### Tuesday

6:30 am Men's Forum  
11:15 Staff Meeting

##### Wednesday

10:00 am Women's  
Circle for Fellowship  
and Study  
6:30 pm acaBELLa  
Ringers  
7:30 Chancel Choir

##### Thursday

6:30 am Women's  
Forum

##### Friday

Office Closed

##### Sunday

10:00 am Worship- 5<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday at Caledonia  
11:00 BBQ Fellowship  
at Caledonia

##### Office Hours

Monday-Thursday  
9:00 am – 3:00 pm



**Theology on Tap** returns Monday, April 30. Dinner at 6:30 pm and discussion begins at 7:00 pm at the Grapevine, 9 W Hillgrove Ave, La Grange, IL. We are reading **Peace Is Every Step: The Path of Mindfulness in Everyday Life** by Thich Nhat Hanh. In the rush of modern life, we tend to lose touch with the peace that is available in each moment. World-renowned Zen master, spiritual leader, and author Thich Nhat Hanh shows us how to make positive use of the very situations that usually pressure and antagonize us. For him a ringing telephone can be a signal to call us back to our true selves. Dirty dishes, red lights, and traffic jams are spiritual friends on the path to "mindfulness"—the process of keeping our consciousness alive to our present experience and reality. The most profound satisfactions, the deepest feelings of joy and completeness lie as close at hand as our next aware breath and the smile we can form right now.



#### ADULT MISSION TRIP FUND RAISER —

Saturday, May 19 6:00 pm at the home of Ellen Hamilton ~ Our Youth are traveling to Detroit this year, so you are invited to come and experience the sounds and flavors of Motown. Motown artists were known for their style and class! Pull out your skinny suits and skinny ties, grab your sequined gowns and join us for an awesome evening. Tickets available for \$30 after worship and in the office.

**“ASK ME ABOUT 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAYS”** —Our first Mission Sunday is April 29<sup>th</sup>. We are worshipping at Caledonia (formerly Scottish Home). Following worship, we will visit and eat with residents. RPC will fire up the grills for hot dogs and bratwursts. You are invited to bring picnic inspired dishes to share (baked beans, salads, chips, desserts).

We are carpooling from RPC. The first group leaves at 9:30 and will help the staff of Caledonia move residents to the worship space. The second group leaves at 9:50. If you have a van or SUV we hope you will volunteer to be a carpool driver. A Sign-Up Genius and sign-up sheet are available for you to volunteer to drive.

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday shirts are available for \$20 after worship and in the church office.**

**Is there a Bible story that you never understood?**

**A Bible story that makes you angry?**

**A Bible story that confuses you?**

If so the Worship series for May and June is just for you. I am inviting you to share those stories with me, and then some of those stories will become the text that we explore during Worship on Sunday morning. Call, text or email and we will figure them out together! Dale

**HUMAN SCENE** — We have begun a study of life lived on this side of the resurrection using a video-based series from The Work of the People titled "To Stand Again: Practices of Resurrected Life." The series will be of interest to everyone, but especially to those who have been studying John Shelby Spong's book "Unbelievable" with Pastor Dale on Monday evenings.

**April 29** – No Human Scene      **May 6** - "Resurrection Energy" with Paul Fromberg

**SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS** — The challenge is on — can we beat it? Along with the CARERS Committee, we are aiming to donate 100 boxes of cereal in the month of April. As an added incentive, kids get extra stickers for every box they bring in. (And we just added new goodies to the reward box!) Join us as we meet up in Creation Station to talk about self-worth and create giant portraits of ourselves.

**BIBLE SUNDAY** — Congratulations to Sofia Mott and Anna Woodham on receiving your bible today.

**LITTLE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS** —Vacuum packaged meats, macaroni and cheese, canned soups, canned vegetables, small boxes of raisins and trail mix, granola/cereal bars and small packages of powdered laundry detergent. **No drink mixes needed at this time.**

**CARERS COMMITTEE & KIDS UNITE IN APRIL** — This month the CARERS Committee, in conjunction with the Sunday School, will be collecting cereal of all kinds for the First Presbyterian Church of Chicago.

**UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONALS** — Copies of the May-June Upper Room are in the rack outside the offices.

**SAVE THE DATE!!** This year our theme for Summer Camp is "God's Earth, Our Home" and it will take place 7/11-7/13 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. We will be learning about the ways we can care for God's world through a variety of games and activities. Watch this space for more details on how you can register your children (and how you can lend a hand)! In the meantime, email Susan Zander if you have any questions.

**WOMEN'S CIRCLE for Fellowship and Study** — meets **Wednesday, April 25** at 10:00 am in the Social Hall. All women are welcome to join us for coffee, fellowship and study as we discuss "*Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews*" by Melissa Bane Sevier. Lesson Eight "In Community with the Household of Faith". Hebrews 3:1-6; Numbers 12:7; Hebrews 13:1-6; James 2:1-4; Psalms 127:1-2. Kate Chard, Leader.

**ALL CHURCH FAMILY WORK DAY TODAY** — Join the trustees today from 1-3 p.m. We will replace the fluorescent lights in the social hall with new LED lighting. Compared to fluorescent lighting the new LED lighting will provide brighter consistent lighting and use half the energy. The bulbs last 13x times longer than fluorescent bulbs and are better for the environment.

**CARD SHOWER** — Let's celebrate Marjory Thompson's 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday (April 24) by showering her with birthday cards! Her address is: Oak Trace, 200 Village Drive, Apt. 412, Downers Grove 60516.

**ARE YOU READY TO RUMBLE?!?!?!?** Rumble as in turning over the soil, getting out the rototiller, and start planting. Share the Harvest has literally donated to local food pantries, 50,000 pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables in the past 4 years. They are looking for our help to fight hunger in the Chicagoland area. Sign-up sheets will be posted soon, and if you have any questions see Steven Teune or send an e-mail to [scubateune@gmail.com](mailto:scubateune@gmail.com).

**NEW MEMBERS** — If you're interested in church membership, please talk to Dale. A class will start soon.

**PILL BOTTLES**— Effective immediately, we are no long taking empty pill bottles. The program is concluding.

**PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE**

*Acolyte:* Harriet Juister

*Ushers:* Susan Lynch and Doug Harvin

*Liturgist:* Matt Lisle

*Andrew Ministers:* Susan Lynch and Patti Perry-Halline

Flowers today are given by Will and Susanne Vogel in celebration of their 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

*Coffee fellowship* today is hosted by the Juister family.

*Trustees of the Month:* George Meyer and Patti Perry-Halline