

ADVENT AT RPC Riverside Presbyterian Church
ANNOUNCEMENTS
DECEMBER 6, 2020

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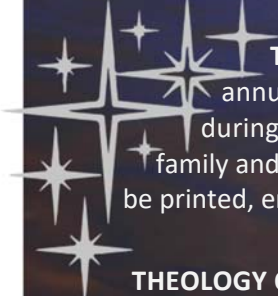


Advent is for the dreamers in all of us—those who dream of a deeper connection with God and those who dream of a better world. It's for those who dream of comfort and for those who have given up on their dreams. It's for those whose dreams have been crushed and for those who show us that dreams take time. Join us this Advent as we dream alongside

prophets and angels, Mary and the Magi. Join us as we seek and sow God's dreams for our world.

DAILY ADVENT DEVOTIONALS which follow our theme for Advent are available . If you would like to receive one, please contact the office.

FAITH FORMATION—the Faith Formation Sunday School packets for Advent, explore what it means to live as a people who recognize powerful lessons are learned in the dark.



THE MESSIAH—Throughout Advent two soloists from our annual Messiah Concert will sing selections from the Messiah during worship. You can express your love in memory or honor of family and friends through a financial donation. Your dedications will be printed, emailed and included in the December 20 worship service.

THEOLOGY OF TAP-During December as we explore your favorite Advent & Christmas hymns. Email Pastor Dale your favorite and then join us on Zoom, Monday's at 7:00 p.m. [https://zoom.us/j/935547600?](https://zoom.us/j/935547600?pwd=cTV0YTR4YkErT0twWmExUXlTc3ozQT09)
[pwd=cTV0YTR4YkErT0twWmExUXlTc3ozQT09](https://zoom.us/j/935547600?pwd=cTV0YTR4YkErT0twWmExUXlTc3ozQT09) Meeting ID: 935 547 600 Passcode: 636553

CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING—This Offering addresses the support needed by some of our leaders, including supporting leadership development for communities of color, and providing support for Presbyterian church workers in their time of need.

ADVENT TIME OF REFLECTION – The sanctuary will be open, by reservation, to allow you to come and spend time in prayer and witness the beauty of our sanctuary during Advent. (continued on next page)

ADVENT TIME OF REFLECTION – (continued) Time slots are 30 minutes each with a maximum of 6 people. The south door and one restroom will be open. The rest of the building is closed. Slots are available morning, afternoon, evening.

Please sign up on SignUp Genius <https://bit.ly/2JVINbL> or call the church office. The following slots are open:



- Monday, December 7: 10:00 am – 10:30 am, 11:00 am – 11:30 am
- Tuesday, December 8: 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm
- Wednesday, December 9: 10:00 am – 10:30 am, 11:00 am – 11:30 am, 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm, 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm
- Thursday, December 10: 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm
- Sunday, December 13: 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm, 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm
- Monday, December 14: 10:00 am – 10:30 am, 11:00 am – 11:30 am
- Tuesday, December 15: 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm
- Wednesday, December 16: 10:00 am – 10:30 am, 11:00 am – 11:30 am
- Thursday, December 17: 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm, 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm, 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Christmas *Scavenger Hunt*

SCAVENGER HUNT-It's not too late to sign up for the Scavenger Hunt! Head out solo or pack your pod into a car and complete these activities any time by 12/15. For each

activity, take a photo. The photos will be part of an upcoming worship service. All participants will win a prize :)

Joy - Take a photo of someone or something that brings you joy!

Love - Chose at least two people from a list available in the office. Do something to show they are loved by RPC. Write a letter, send a card, drop off a treat, etc. Take a photo of what you did or socially distanced with the person. Please make sure you let me know who you chose. I'll be taking care of anyone who is left on 12/15.

Peace - What brings you peace? What place do you find peace? If you can go somewhere local to take a picture to represent this feeling, do it! Or find a picture (without copyright infringement) on the internet.

Hope - Add an image that brings you hope.

BONUS! Have you ever seen artwork where words are spelled by letters from signs, architecture or nature? See which of these letters you can find and take a picture. A, E J, H, L, O, P, V, Y

Have fun completing your challenges and sharing your photos! You can either text photos to Pastor Dale at 502-592-1617 or e-mail photos to rpcoffice@rpcusa.org Contact Lynda Nadkarni with questions or to sign up 708-288-0899 or lmn@floros.org

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ◆ Prayers of comfort for family and friends of Baby Austin who died last week. Austin's grandmother is a dear friend of Jeanine Buttimer.
- ◆ Joyce Van Cura
- ◆ Jack Smith
- ◆ Judy Lynch, Susan Lynch's sister-in-law
- ◆ Monica Wood

ZOOM SUNDAY INFORMATION—Sunday morning you may call and listen to the worship service by dialing 1(312)626-6799 and using meeting ID: 973 5627 6934; Password: 960995. Stay on the line after worship and join us for Coffee Fellowship. If you are joining Coffee Fellowship after viewing worship on YouTube follow this link: <https://bit.ly/RPCFellowship>.

CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — There will be a Zoom Called Congregational Meeting Sunday, December 6 following Worship. There will be two items of business. To call in to the meeting, use the information for Sunday worship services located above or click on the above link.

1. To act on the recommendations of the Nominating Committee, and if elected, proceed to the ordination and installation of new ruling elders and deacons.

The nominations are:

Session Class of 2023: Lynda Nadkarni, Lisa Marciniak, Sandy Kappmeyer

Deacons Class of 2023: Jeanine Buttimer, Susan Lynch and Bridget Juister

Trustees: Class of 2023: Doug Harvin, Hank Vogel, Frank Gangware

At large member for Support and Endowment Class of 2023: Dennis Zander

At large members for Nominating Committee: Carrie Staubus, Nancy Dvorak and Steven Teune

2. To act on the Session's recommendation to change Reverend Jackson's compensation package for 2021 as follows:

	2020	Increase	2021
TOTAL EFFECTIVE SALARY	5%		4%
Salary & Housing Allowance	71,828	2,873	74,701
SECA Reimbursement per IRS	<u>5,496</u>	<u>219</u>	<u>5,715</u>
TOTAL EFFECTIVE SALARY	77,324	3,092	80,416
PRESBYTERY MANDATED BENEFITS			
Pension (12% of effective salary)	9,279	371	9,650
Major Medical (24.50% of effective salary)	18,944	758	19,702
	105,547	4,221	109,768



SERRV & EARN FUNDRAISER

Many of you are probably shopping online for Christmas gifts this year. Consider shopping with Serrv International, which is a way to support artisans world-wide, the church and to have your gifts delivered to your recipients. It's never been easier to change a life for the better. Through **December 31**, 20% of your purchase will be donated to **RPC**. I hope you'll shop and share the web link today:

<https://www.serrv.org/?a=RPC>

Catalogs are available in the office. We can help you place your order if you like since all orders need to be placed online.

Dedicated to fighting poverty through fair trade since 1949, Serrv International works with nearly 8,000 artisans and farmers in 24 countries to bring you the world's most beautiful handcrafted items.



Plan ahead for the Fall 2020 special offers:

Dec 5-6: Free ground shipping Promo Code: SESNOWMAN20



GIFT CARDS FOR THE HOLIDAYS — Especially this year when shopping is more difficult, you can help the RPC Preschool and get a head start on holiday shopping using gift cards from Shop with Scrip. The office has order forms. Please return your order form with a check made out to RPC in the office by Thursday for following week delivery. **THIS IS AN ONGOING FUNDRAISER.**

2020 CHURCH LEADERSHIP			
Elders	2020	2021	2022
	Frank Gangware	Gwen Heine	Ben Dickerson
	Lynda Nadkarni	Allan Halline	Ellen Hamilton
	Dennis Zander	Matt Lisle	Serina Ranft
			Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk
Deacons	Lloyd Bradbury	Deb Jansky	Claire Gangware
	Charlie Juister	Wendy Seifert	Sylvia Schade
	Sally Sloane	Joyce Van Cura	Susanne Vogel
	Jeanne Smith		
Trustees	Patti Perry	Thom DeVries	Paula McCracken
	Doug Harvin	Fred Mitchell	Tom Radigan
	Hank Vogel	Mike Heine	Brad Staubus