

Riverside Presbyterian Church

June 23, 2019 ~ Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ask an usher for audio hearing units.
Please silence your cell phone.

Childcare is available for children 1st grade
and younger in the upstairs childcare room.

The Holy City

Songs of the Faith

a series of sermons about our favorite hymns

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

* PASSING THE PEACE (Responsive)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

WE GATHER

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

If God Be for Us from "Messiah"

Handel

CALL TO WORSHIP

God calls us to this place, a haven for healing and hope.

We come, with the pain of our burdens, we come to hear God's Word of hope for us.

Together, we will sing songs of joy; each of us will hear God whisper our name,
'Beloved of my heart.'

We join our voices in prayer and praise; we sing of our longing for new lives.

Here, our shadowed corners are filled with Light; here we discover that God dwells in us.

And not just us, for God would teach all to love;

God's Spirit would lead all peoples in peace.

* HYMN 483

Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

* INVITATION TO PRAYER

* PRAYER FOR WHOLENESS (Unison)

Because you dwell in our hearts, Eternal God, you know how the anger, the pain, the bitterness of our lives try to crowd you out. The noise of the world deafens us to that Word which can heal us. We want our children to be good, kind, and gentle to others, and then they hear us call others names, and speak of them with demeaning words. Our desire for revenge towards those who have hurt us shows that your peace is not in us. You promise a new heaven and a new earth, so create new spirits and new lives within us, Healing God. Shattered by our sin, your heart can still heal our brokenness. Your Spirit, living deep within our souls, can teach us faithful ways. Jesus whispers to us of your mercy, your hope, your love. (Silent prayers)

* ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

* SUNG RESPONSE **447** **We Are Forgiven**

The musical score is written on three staves in G major and 3/4 time. The lyrics are: "We are for-giv-en. We are for-giv-en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. We are for-giv-en. We are for-giv-en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God." The chords are: G, Am, D7, Gsus, G, C, G, Am7, Dsus, D, G, Am, D7, Gsus, G, C, G, Am7, D, G.

WE LISTEN

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Children are invited forward

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 122
2 Chronicles 3 selected verses

MEDITATION

* HYMN

400 I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say

(Psalm 122)



1 I re - joiced when I heard them say: "Let us
2 Like a tem - ple of u - ni - ty is the
3 It is faith - ful to Is - rael's law, there to
4 For the peace of all na - tions, pray: for God's
5 For the love of my friends and kin I will



go to the house of God." And now our feet are
cit - y, Je - ru - sa - lem. It is there all tribes will
praise the name of God. All the judg - ment seats of
peace with - in your homes. May God's last - ing peace sur -
bless you with signs of peace. For the love of God's own



stand - ing in your gates, O Je - ru - sa - lem!
gath - er, all the tribes of the house of God.
Da - vid were set down in Je - ru - sa - lem.
round us; may it dwell in Je - ru - sa - lem.
peo - ple I will la - bor and pray for you.

Refrain



Sha - lom, sha - lom, the peace of God be here.



Sha - lom, sha - lom, God's jus - tice be ev - er near.

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

The Holy City

Weatherly and Adams

* SUNG RESPONSE

609 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Musical score for the song "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow". The score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is accompanied by chords indicated above the notes. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WE DEPART

* HYMN 446

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

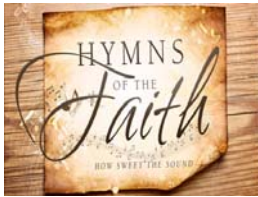
* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Holy, Holy, Holy

arr. Holcombe

ANNOUNCEMENTS



SUMMER SERMON SERIES ON THE YOUR FAVORITE HYMNS — Reverend Jackson is preaching on your favorite hymns; we will learn the story behind their authorship, sing them, and learn about their theological content. Share your favorite hymns with him now. 6/16 Be Thou My Vision; 6/23 The Holy City; 7/7 Eternal Father Strong to Save; 7/14 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past; 7/21 Come Live in the Light ; 8/4 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!; 8/11 His Eye Is on the Sparrow; 8/18 The Church in the Wildwood, 8/25 I Danced in the Morning

JULY POTLUCK —Let's celebrate Independence Day on Sunday, July 7th right after worship with a casual potluck! We're following a red, white and blue theme, but don't let that limit your imagination —bring a favorite hot or cold picnic dish to share.

CHANCEL FLOWERS — If you have garden flowers, please consider choosing a Sunday to provide flowers for our sanctuary. Contact the church office to make arrangements.



LITTLE FOOD PANTRY — DONATION OF THE MONTH In June, donations of canned tuna, chicken and Vienna sausages are welcome. Financial donations are always appreciated. The Little Food Pantry is changing lives. Thank you for your help!

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS — The office is open Monday-Thursday from 9 am to noon and closed on Fridays. Marika Floros is staffing the office this summer.



ADULT MISSION TRIP FUND RAISER — **Saturday, June 29**, 6:00 pm at the home of Patti & Cyril Friend ~ Our Youth are traveling to St. Louis this year, so you are invited to come and experience a taste of St. Louis. A famous area of St. Louis is The Hill, where there is an Italian restaurant on every corner. Join us for toasted Ravioli, Provel cheese (yes it is a real thing), other Italian favorites and Gooey Butter Cake. Tickets are \$30 and are available after worship and in the church office.

FIFTH SUNDAY JUNE 30 — Forest Preserves of Cook County in conjunction with River Rats. We will meet at RPC at 9:50 am, have a prayer and then walk to the Hofmann Tower area behind Stella's to help clean the riverbank. Sticks and bags are provided, please wear long pants and closed toed shoes. If you are unable to join us on the banks of the river you are encouraged to meet at RPC at 9:50 am and then proceed to the Social Hall to work on an alternative mission project. We are making kits to give to the homeless.



Please Bring: Water bottle, Sunscreen, Insect repellent, Gloves

Please Wear: Dress in layers (long & short sleeves), Clothes that can get dirty, Sturdy, closed-toe shoes that can get dirty, Long pants and long socks, Sun protection (hat or bandana, sunglasses)

Please DON'T wear: Cologne/perfume, Shorts or short socks, Open-toe shoes (flip-flops, sandals).

BRICK PAVERS — The deadline is coming! Place your order for a personalized paver for the walkway in front of the Manse by Monday, July 1. Pavers can be purchased as gifts or memorials to honor friends and family and are available in two sizes. All proceeds go to the Capital Campaign Fund. Order forms are available outside the RPC office.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR HOMELESS KITS – Not all items will fit in small zip lock bags, so travel sized is best. Please consider donating the following items: Socks, Gift certificates for fast food (such as McDonalds), Hand wipes, small pack of Kleenex, Band Aids, Chapstick, Mints, cough drops or gum, small toothbrush and toothpaste, small deodorant, sewing kits, quarters for laundries, CTA passes, small flashlights, aspirin and chewable multi vitamins, jerky sticks.

We do not need soap or shampoo (if a homeless person finds a place for a shower these items are provided), hand sanitizer or mouthwash (nothing containing alcohol).

2020 CHURCH TRIP — Have you ever dreamed of seeing the Blue Mosque and Haga Sofia in Istanbul? How about floating around in the Aegean Sea, stopping at Santorini, considered the most breathtaking of the Greek Isles, and several other islands? Or walking among the ruins of the Parthenon on the Acropolis in Athens?

You can do all that as well as walk in the towns that inspired Paul's letters and visit the cave where John was said to have received the Revelation if you join us on our RPC trip to Greece & Churches of the Revelation. The trip is June 12-June 24, 2020.

CALLING ALL 4TH OF JULY PARADE PARTICIPANTS!! — After a 1-year hiatus, Riverside Presbyterian Church will once again participate in the Riverside 4th of July Parade. We need all special groups represented: Ringers and Singers, other musical ministry groups (e.g. bell choir), mission committee, children and youth ministry, Strawberry Social publicity, etc. In fact, we'd like EVERYONE to join! Stay tuned for more information, but please mark the date and plan to march in this fun event! We are not planning on pulling the float, so we need creative and fresh ideas for how to showcase our church while having fun! Please contact Patti Friend (pfriend@luc.edu) with questions or to be part of the planning!



CARERS CORNER JUNE — Constance Morris House is a domestic violence shelter for Women and children which offers them a safe haven. Counseling and advocacy, plus physical and psychological safety is also provided. Fill the trunk with items that include Women's needs, Child-care needs, Household goods and also Outdoor toys just for fun. A detailed list is posted on the trunk.

NOTE FROM CARERS — CARERS is again asking for new Christmas cards to be used for the Companion Prison Ministry. If you have some to donate, please leave them by the CARERS' trunk.

DAILY DEVOTIONALS — Copies of the July-August Upper Room are in the rack outside the office.

FRANKENSTEIN—If you are interested in joining a group to see the current production of *Frankenstein* at the Lookingglass Theatre on the evening of Thursday, July 18th, please contact the office as soon as possible.



ALL CHURCH WORK DAYS — RPC Trustees invite everyone to All Church Work Days —actually just 2 hours per month — to help maintain and enhance our church property. In good weather, we focus on the outdoors, and when the weather is cold or wet, we move inside. We welcome help for jobs like raking mulch (or leaves), weeding or watering, painting, changing lightbulbs and light fixtures. No advanced skills are needed. Upcoming dates and work plans are as follows:



Saturday, June 22, 9-11am: Sand and paint handrails along walkways by office, by the stairs, and the RPC sign. Paint, brushes and drop clothes to be provided. Wear your painting clothes!

Wednesday, July 10, 6-8 pm: Outdoor lawn and garden prep for the Strawberry Social.

Wednesday, August 14, 6-8pm: Outdoor work.

Saturday, September 21, 9-11 am: Outdoor or indoor tasks.

GLORY TO GOD HYMNALS— Honor or memorialize a family or friend through the purchase of a hymnal. Order forms are a bulletin insert and available outside the office. See Lynda Nadkarni with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE

- July 14:** Free Community Dinner
- July 17:** Strawberry Social
- July 21-27:** Youth Mission Trip
- July 28:** Youth Sunday & Recognition of graduating seniors
- September 14:** Oktoberfest

October 25: Trivia—Halloween Theme

THIS WEEK

Today

9:00 am Human Scene
10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Fellowship
11:15 am Mission Committee Meeting

Monday

5:15 pm Volleyball

Tuesday

6:30 am Men's Forum

Thursday

6:30 am Women's Forum

Saturday

6:00-9:00 pm Adult Mission Trip
Fundraiser

Sunday

No Human Scene
10:00 am Mission as Worship
2:00 pm Worship at Caledonia

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Liturgist: Ellen Hamilton

Ushers: George and Susan Dluhy

Fellowship Time is hosted by the Wynn-Jackson family.

Trustees of the Month: Brad Staubus and Hank Vogel

Thank you to Pat and Dennis Smith for joining today's Ministry of Music AND Bon Voyage as they embark on their move to Hilton Head, South Carolina.

2019 CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Elders

2019	2020	2021
Jeanine Buttimer	Frank Gangware	Gwen Heine
Patti Friend	Martha Heine	Allan Halline
Susan Lynch	Lynda Nadkarni	Matt Lisle
Lisa Aulerich- Marciniak	Dennis Zander	
	Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk of Session	

Deacons

Ellen Hamilton	Lloyd Bradbury	Deb Jansky
Sandy Kappmeyer	Charlie Juister	Serina Ranft
Steve Teune	Sally Sloane	Wendy Seifert
	Jeanne Smith	

Trustees

Susan Deems-Dluhy	Patti Perry	Thom DeVries
Cyril Friend	Doug Harvin	Fred Mitchell
Fred Kitch	Hank Vogel	
Brad Staubus		

Mission Statement

We gather as a church to:
Celebrate God's presence,
Nurture the Spiritual Life,
Carry the light of Christ into the world,
Serve God by serving others.

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