

## Riverside Presbyterian Church

September 11, 2022 ~ 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome! We are glad you are here!

\* Indicates please stand in body or Spirit.



### WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE

*Notturmo Op. 54 #4*

Grieg

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 51:1-10)

L: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy, blot out my transgressions.

**P: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, my sin is ever before me.**

L: Against you, you alone, have I sinned doing what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.

**P: Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore, teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, I shall be clean; wash me, I shall be whiter than snow.**

L: Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, blot out all my iniquities.

**P: Create in me a clean heart, O God, put a new and right spirit within me.**

\*HYMN #637

*O Sing to the Lord*

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

L: The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were still lost in sin, Christ died for us. And because we trust him, we can go to him in honesty and hope. So in faith and penitence, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and also by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with all our minds, all our hearts, or with all our strength. Nor have we loved our neighbors as well as we have loved ourselves. Forgive what we have been. Help us to see clearly, so that we may amend what we are. Stand us up and direct us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your way, to honor and glorify You. Amen. (Silence is kept.)**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**P: And also with you.**

L: Let us greet one another with these words.

\*THE GLORIA PATRI (# 581)

**Glorify 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.**

MINI MESSAGE

Children are invited to stay in worship; activity bags are available.

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

**God, open our minds. Lord open our hearts. Not only to the you that we believe in, but also to the you we never even imagine. Holy Spirit, as the scriptures are read and as your Words are proclaimed, help us to feel your grace. Grant us insight and joy as well, so that we may respond in obedience, generosity, and love. Amen.**

FIRST READING	Luke 14:25-33	NT p. 78
ANTHEM	<i>Daylight Again</i>	Stills
SECOND READING	Romans 13:8-14	NT p. 162
SERMON	"Special Provisions"	

**OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH      The Apostles' Creed      Hymnal p. 35

\*HYMN #744                      *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

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.**

THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY

\*THE DOXOLOGY “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” #606  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures  
here below; Praise God above ye heavenly host;  
Praise God, praise Christ, praise Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYERS OF DEDICATION

### **GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD**

\*HYMN #276 *Sing a New Song unto the Lord*

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #544 *Bless the Lord (x2)*  
**Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God’s holy name.  
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.**

POSTLUDE

*Fanfare*

Mathias

#### **WORSHIP NOTES**

Prelude: *Notturmo Op. 54 #4*; Grieg

Anthem: *Daylight Again*; Stills

Postlude: *Fanfare*; Mathias

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#### **PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE**

**Greeter:** Nancy Dvorak

**Liturgist:** Ellen Hamilton

**Mini Message:** Lynda Nadkarni

**Thank you** to Doug Asbury, Elizabeth Gardner and George Kazarian for joining today’s Ministry of Music.

**Flowers** today are given by the Wynn Jackson family in celebration of the September birthdays of Dick Wynn and Ryan Wynn Jackson - both milestones: Granddaddy Wynn is turning 80 and Ryan is turning 13!

**Fellowship** is hosted by the Vogel/Zeman family.

**Trustees of the Month:** Lynda Nadkarni and Brad Staubus



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**SEPTEMBER 11, 2022**

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** is Sunday, September 18 at 10am. Please bring your animal friend, or a picture of your animal friend to be blessed. Worship will be held outside so please bring a lawn chair or a blanket.



**acaBELLa RINGERS** — The acaBELLa Ringers have been a part of RPC since 2004. We are looking for a few individuals as substitutes. All adults or children as young as 4th grade would be welcome to join us. We rehearse Wednesday evenings from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm beginning September 14th. You do not need to be a member of RPC to join us. We

have always had some ringers from the larger Riverside community as a part of our group. While we greatly appreciate any musical skills our members have, this is not a requirement. We will teach you as we go. Please contact Sally Sloane for more information. [musikhse@comcast.net](mailto:musikhse@comcast.net) or 708/822-0655

**RINGERS AND SINGERS - FIRST REHEARSAL**  
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 21st. Since 2006 RPC has been home to two children's choirs: The Riverside Ringers and the Riverside Singers. We meet Wednesdays during the school year from 4:15 -



5:15. Children from ages 5 - 12 are welcome to join our group. We work on vocal techniques, following musical scores, learning to read rhythms, working together in a musical ensemble, hand chime ringing techniques, ensemble discipline, percussion instruments including xylophones, and following a conductor. Please contact Sally Sloane if you have a child interested in joining us [musikhse@comcast.net](mailto:musikhse@comcast.net) or 708-822-0655. There is no tuition for joining the group—no fees whatsoever.



**TRUSTEES MEETING** — The Trustees will meet Monday, September 12, 7:30 pm in the Westminster Room.

Susanne and Will Vogel  
Ginny Yang  
Joyce Van Cura  
Jack Smith  
Monica and James Wood  
Stephen Musick, son of Elizabeth Musick  
Duci Musick, daughter-in-law of Elizabeth Musick  
Michael DeVries, nephew of Thom and Nancy DeVries



**SUNDAYS WITH TED—6:00 p.m.** We will meet via Zoom. Here is the link you can click on order to join our session, as well as the passcode you will be asked to type in when the box opens requesting it: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676>



[pwd=MUU4b0J2Y3FiV3luQm1jTnBqODBrZz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676), Passcode: 448942. You can access a clickable link on the RPC website, or request one via email from Doug Asbury. **9/11** — Joan C. Williams—We Won't Fix American Politics Until We Talk About Class **9/18** — Kathryn Kolbert—The End of Roe v. Wade—and What Comes Next



**LITTLE FOOD PANTRY** —Every morning the food pantry is stocked, by noon it is mostly empty and stocked again, and by the evening fairly depleted. Can you help our food insecure neighbors by picking up some extra canned goods when you go shopping this week? Thank you!

**AGING WELL NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY RESOURCE & HEALTH FAIR** — Thursday, September 22, 10 am—1 pm at the North Riverside Village Commons, 2401 S. DesPlaines Avenue, North Riverside.

**AMERICAN RED CROSS FIRST AID/CPR/AED TRAINING** — Sunday, 9/18, 2:30-5:00 pm OR Saturday, 9/24, 9:30 am-Noon, \$22 per participant — Pack 24 and Troop 24 Leaders invite members of RPC to join them for this important training event. Interested people can email [pack24riverside@gmail.com](mailto:pack24riverside@gmail.com) to sign up for one of the two training dates. Participants can decide to take the “Adult & Pediatric” or “Adult Only” class. Some online work will need to be completed prior to the in-person class at RPC. Space is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.



## SESSION MEETING

**SESSION MEETING** — Session will meet Wednesday, September 14 at 7:00 pm. in the upstairs parlor. Please note this date is different from the previously scheduled meeting.



**PRESCHOOL NEWS—**  
We started building new friendships this week in preschool. Check out our FaceBook page to see what we do day-to-day!



PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS

## PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS

**OFFERING—**By giving to the Peace & Global Witness Offering, one of the special offerings of the PC(USA), we

work to share Christ's peace with one another, beyond our doors, beyond our community and across boundaries. Together we are building God's house where everyone is welcome; where all can find compassion, peace and justice. Please mark your donation "Peace & Global Witness Offering". Envelopes are in the back of the sanctuary and in the church office.

**WORSHIP AT CALEDONIA** (The Scottish Home)—Sunday, Sept. 18 at 2:30 pm  
Worship at Caledonia resumes next Sunday. We are looking for volunteers who enjoy brightening someone's day. Contact Steve Marcus for more information.



**REFUGEE UPDATE** - Thanks to a generous member of Unity Lutheran Church of Chicago, the family has technology they need for success in work and school. They attended worship there as well. Please continue to pray for their smooth transition to Chicago.

**THIS WEEK**

**Today**

10:00 am Worship  
11:00 am Fellowship  
6:00 pm Sundays with TED

**Monday**

7:30 pm Trustees Meeting

**Tuesday**

6:30 am Men's Forum

**Wednesday**

6:30 pm acaBELLa Riners  
7:00 pm Session Meeting  
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

**Thursday**

7:00 am Women's Forum

**Sunday**

10:00 am Worship-Animal Blessing  
11:00 am Fellowship  
2:30 pm First Aid Training  
2:30 pm Worship at Caledonia  
6:00 pm Sundays with TED

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**Our 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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**2022 CHURCH LEADERSHIP**

	2022	2023	2024
Elders	Ben Dickerson Ellen Hamilton Serina Ranft	Lisa Aulerich Marciniak Sandra Kappmeyer Jon Jansky	Susan Lynch Carrie Staubus Mary Beth Wynn Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk
Deacons	Thom DeVries Steven Teune Susanne Vogel	Nancy Dvorak Elizabeth Musick Marilyn Slanec	Jim Marciniak Steve Marcus Wendy Seifert
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