

All are invited to share gifts in the offering plates located at the end of the aisles before worship. The plates will be brought forward prior to the Doxology.

# WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

PROCESSIONAL Pentatonic Peal

Lake

PRELUDE Christ the Lord is Risen Today arr. Dobrinski

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*THE PEACE OF CHRIST The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. And also with you.

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP ("Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!") Leader: Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna! People: Hosanna! Hosanna! Leader: Celebrate this day of days! People: Hosanna! Hosanna! Leader: Let all creation be amazed! People: Hosanna! Hosanna! Christ is Risen!

\*HYMN #245 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

# \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Savior God, forgive our life-alienating ways, our exclusion and judgment of others; the way we evaluate and compare. Forgive our habits that demean and degrade, our addiction to violent and destructive behavior. Redeem us. Restore us. Resurrect us for life in Christ. Amen. (Silence is kept.)

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## \*THE GLORIA PATRI (# 581)

# Glory be to the Father, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

#### CHILDREN'S MINI MESSAGE

This Sunday we invite children to remain in worship to enjoy the celebration of the resurrection with special music and communion. They may stay in the front with Lynda Nadkarni if they wish to allow parents a contemplative worship experience.

# WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Divine redeemer, bearer of life, open us to the wisdom of your Word today and enlighten us with your truth. Liberate us from all that distracts us and turns us from your path. Guide us and ground us in Christ's everlasting hope. Amen.

FIRST READING	Acts 10:34-43	NT p. 129
SECOND READING	Matthew 28:1-10	NT p. 33

"Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed"

# **OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE**

\*HYMN #248 Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Book of Common Worship) This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

## THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY

ANTHEM	Jesus Christ is Risen Today	Dean
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\*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.

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR OFFERINGS (unison)

God of the empty tomb, your grace astounds us, your generosity fills us to overflowing. Accept these offerings as signs of our gratitude and bless our work on Christ's behalf. May we love as Christ loved. May we serve as Christ served. Call us forth into your world, guided by Christ's spirit. Amen. INVITATION PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Responsive) The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to our God. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We join together to praise you and give you thanks, saying: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

And now we pray the prayer that Jesus taught:

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

# **GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD**

\*HYMN #246

Christ Is Alive!

\*BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Allegro Moderato

arr. Slater

#### WORSHIP NOTES

Liturgy written by Teri McDowell Ott for The Presbyterian Outlook.



# Riverside Presbyterian Church

116 Barrypoint Road, Riverside, IL 60546 (708) 447-1520, rpcusa.org APRIL 9, 2023



Reverend Matheney and the staff of the Riverside Presbyterian Church wish you a blessed and joy- filled Easter!

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING — OGHS began in 1946 as an ecumenical effort to support victims of the war in Europe. Today it continues, with Christians from around the world sharing their treasures for world relief. You can join in the effort with a gift in the collection plate using the envelope in the rack by the greeter or <u>online</u> by selecting special fund and making a note to indicate OGHS. Thank you for helping heal the broken and make their lives better.

#### PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

*Thank you* to the acaBELLa Ringers, Vinnie Rivera and Eric Stassen for joining today's Ministry of Music.

Greeter: Lynda Nadkarni

Liturgist: Wendy Seifert

Mini Message: Lynda Nadkarni

*Easter Wreath* The wreath is given in loving memory of Kathy Jansky, sister of Jon Jansky, from Jon and Deb Jansky.

*Flowers* today are given for the Glory of the Risen Christ by Ellen Hamilton. *Fellowship:* Wishing all our members and friends a very Happy Easter

Sunday. Fellowship will return in the social hall next week.

Trustees of the Month: Debra Jansky and Doug Harvin

Alyssa Schwarz David Schade John Lynch Sara Wert Lloyd Bradbury Jack Smith Monica Wood Alice Ann Hand and Edward Hand, sister and brother-in-law of Liz Musick Duci Musick, daughter-in-law of Elizabeth Musick



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL RETURNS! VBS Science Camp coming in June. Save the

dates—June 26-29, 9 am—11:45 am. See the wonders of God's world through

science activities. For kids in grades K-5. Teen and adult volunteers desired! See Sandra Kappmeyer for more information.

**CHILDCARE POSITION OPEN** — RPC is looking for a reliable, attentive adult, to fill one of two childcare positions in our nursery on the first four Sunday mornings of each month. Working hours are 9:45 am - 11:15 am. Pay is \$20/ hour. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and able to pass a background check. If interested, please submit a resume and contact information for three non-familial references to the church office or electronically to rpcoffice@rpcusa.org.



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



<u>pwd=MUU4b0J2Y3FiV3luQm1jTnBqODBrZz09</u>, Passcode: 448942. You can access a clickable link on the RPC website, or request one via email from Doug Asbury 4/9 — Easter—No TED Talk
4/16 —Juliana Moseley—Cultural Humility

**REFUGEE FAMILY UPDATE** — We received an SOS from Refugee One. They anticipate a dozen families coming into Chicago in April and asked if we can sponsor one. We can with YOUR help! Here's a sign-up genius with the items we still need. <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050444AFA82EA46-refugee</u>

**BOMBAS SOCKS FOR MISSION** — Do you love Bombas? Here's your chance to have a pair or more! For each \$20 donation to the youth mission trip to Appalachia Service Project, you'll receive a personal note and two pairs of black low-rise socks (youth or adult). When donating please make a note of size youth or adult. Cash, checks and online donations all available.



https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z4AB/campaign/C-13J50

**WORSHIP AT CALEDONIA** — Sunday, April 16, 2:30 pm—The Deacons welcome all members to join in the worship service at Caledonia next Sunday.



ALL CHURCH WORK DAY — Saturday, April 15, 9:00 am— 11:00 am There are many small and simple tasks – no special skills required!

# PRESCHOOL SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 10:00 AM WORSHIP WITH RECEPTION AND TOURS TO FOLLOW



Students will be singing in worship. Alumni, former teachers and their families are invited to attend, too! Fellowship will be held

in the social hall at 11:00 am and the school will be open for viewing. We hope you will join in the celebration of our 53rd year of catching 'em being good! If you are a former student or parent, please plan to be there and help spread the word!



**APRIL 30—5TH SUNDAY** — On 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays we worship in a different way. A brief service is followed by an action project to care for others. Join us at 10am on April 30 where worship will highlight Appalachia Service Projects followed by fellowship for all and a hands-on project for our local

community for most. Youth going on the mission trip will prepare for that evening's spaghetti dinner. Questions? <u>missionandoutreach@rpcusa.org</u>

# THIS WEEK

## <u>Today</u>

10:00 am Worship—Easter

# Monday

5:30 pm Volleyball 6:00 pm Trustees Meeting

# <u>Tuesday</u>

6:30 am Men's Forum

## **Wednesday**

4:15 pm Ringers & Singers

6:30 pm acaBELLa Ringers

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

## <u>Thursday</u>

7:00 am Women's Forum

## <u>Saturday</u>

9:00 am All Church Work Day

# <u>Sunday—Easter Sunday</u>

10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Fellowship 11:00 am Confirmation Class 2:30 pm Worship at Caledonia 6:00 pm Sundays with TED

## **Riverside Presbyterian Church**

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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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## **2023 CHURCH LEADERSHIP**

Elders	2023 Lisa Aulerich Marciniak Jon Jansky Sandra Kappmeyer	2024 Susan Lynch Carrie Staubus Mary Beth Wynn Ma	2025 Betsy Gardner Ellen Hamilton Serina Ranft ary Ann Sadilek, Clerk
Deacons	Nancy Dvorak	Jim Marciniak	Thom DeVries
	Elizabeth Musick	Steve Marcus	Paula McCracken
	Marilyn Slanec	Wendy Seifert	Open
Trustees	Doug Harvin	John McGlennon	Deb Jansky
	Henry Vogel	Lynda Nadkarni	Tom Radigan
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