

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN *One Bread, One Body*

* BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Plein Jeu*

Marchland 1669-1732

* *You are invited to stand if able.*

LORD'S SUPPER

530 *One Bread, One Body*

Refrain

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of
all, one cup of bless - ing which we bless.
And we, though man-y, through-out the
earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.
1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or
2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the
3 Grain for the fields, scat - tered and
to Refrain
free, wom - an or man, no more.
works, one in the Lord of all.
grown, gath - ered to one, for all.

This Lord's Supper text is based on various Scriptures (1 Corinthians 10:16-17, Galatians 3:28, and 1 Corinthians 12:1-31) as well as imagery from the *Didache*, a significant Christian document from the early 2nd century, about scattered grain united in the eucharistic bread.

Welcome to
Riverside Presbyterian Church

March 4, 2018 ~ Third Sunday of Lent

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CHIMING THE HOUR
WELCOME ~ SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS
WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

* PASSING OF THE PEACE (Responsive)
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE
Heilger Geist, du Tröster Mein Pepping 1901-1981

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)
The morning stars profess God's glory:
the waking birds harmonize a refrain of grace.
The sun warms us with God's hope,
the night sky whispers peace to our sleepy souls:
creation's voice echoes continually in our hearts,
reminding us of God's steadfast love.

Our wisdom is shattered by God's absurd love;
God's vulnerability strengthens our feeble faith:

**God's words place joy in our hearts;
we follow them to peace and hope.**

* HYMN 80 *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

You give us your commandments, Holy One, so we may have new life, but we continue to make the same old choices. Your love can anchor us when life threatens to overwhelm us, but we choose to cling to the slippery rocks of anger and bitterness. Your Word can strengthen us for every moment, but we listen to the foolish promises of the world.

Forgive us, Redeemer of our lives: may every word be shaped by your Word; may every thought be refined by your grace; may every deed be inspired by your Spirit, so we may tell everyone we meet of your work in us.

Silence is kept.

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* HYMN *You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!*

**You are the Lord, giver of mercy!
You are the Christ, giver of mercy!
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN *Children are invited forward*

In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a melody with heaven's harmony; in my heart there rings a melody; there rings a melody of love.

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE
MEDITATION

Selected verses from Judges 16
Delilah: Enemy or Entrepreneur?

* HYMN 385 *O God, We Bear the Imprint of Your Face*

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM *Immortal, Invisible* arr. Hornibrook

* HYMN 428 vs 1 *We Give Thee but Thine Own*

**We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is Thine alone, a trust O Lord, from Thee.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE JOYFUL FEAST OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Communion is open to all and is served by intinction. Please come forward, tear off a piece of bread, dip it in the chalice and commune before returning to your seat.

INVITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Responsive)

May God be with you.

May God be also with you.

People of God, open your hearts.

We open our hearts to God and to each other.

Let us give thanks to the Living God.

With joy and praise, we offer our thanks to the One who offers abundant life.

In the morning ... we lift our praises to you now and forever:
Holy, holy, holy are you, God of all knowledge. All creation sings glad praises to you. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who came for our sake. Hosanna in the highest!

Holy are you ... God in Community, Holy in One.

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.