

Riverside Presbyterian Church

July 21, 2019 ~ 16th 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.

* Indicates please stand in body or spirit.

Come! Live in the Light 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

Menuet Gothique from Suite Gothique Op. 25

Boëllmann

CALL TO WORSHIP

When we seek justice for the other,
when we love kindness more than ever,
we live as God asks us to live.

When we walk humbly through life,
when we offer mercy to those who hurt us,
we are the blessing God hopes we will be.

When we are willing to look foolish by following Jesus,
when we choose weakness rather than power,
we reflect the One who is in our midst.

* HYMN 289

O God of Every Nation

* INVITATION TO PRAYER

* PRAYER FOR WHOLENESS (Unison)

What have we done to you, dear God? We dishonor you every time we treat another with disrespect. We shatter your heart when we find it easier to break our word, than to take the risk to keep it. We fill your ears with the gossip, lies, and slander we speak about those around us.

**You are wise enough to forgive our foolishness;
you are strong enough to overcome our weakness;
you are loving enough to heal the hurt we cause to you and to others. And so you give us new hope and new life in Jesus Christ. (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

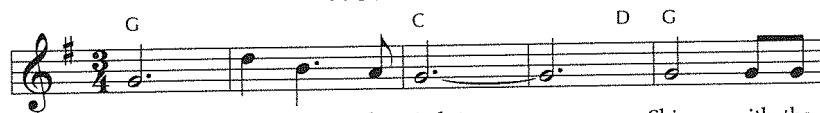
Micah 6:6-8

John 1:1-5

MEDITATION

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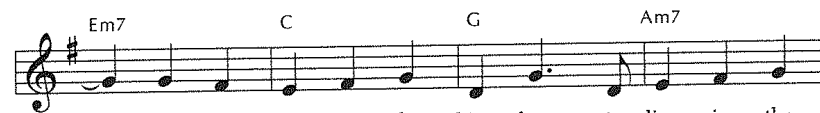
We Are Called



1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that



joy and the love of the Lord! We are called
 mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called
 great day when all will be one! God will reign,

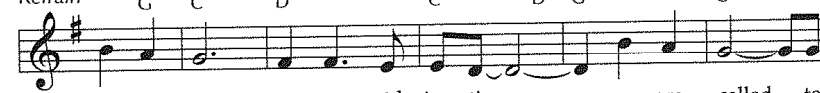


to be light for the king - dom, to live in the
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 and we'll walk with each oth - er as sis - ters and



free - dom of the cit - y of God.
 vio - lence will be no more.
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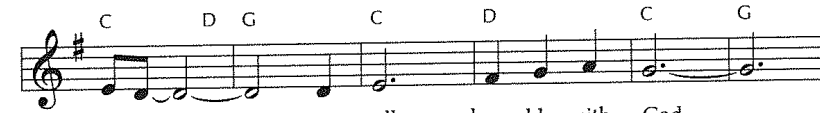
Refrain



We are called to act with jus - tice; we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

The thematic and musical center of this hymn on the vocation of all believers is found in the refrain, which is based on the well-known challenge of Micah 6:8, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM *Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place* Words and Music by Lanny Wolfe

* SUNG RESPONSE

609 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Musical score for the hymn "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 guitar chords indicated above the staff. 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 415

Come, Labor On

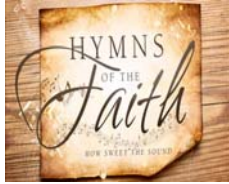
* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude in a minor

Marcello

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. 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.

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER TONIGHT—5:00 PM

We are offering a monthly Community Dinner and everyone is invited. Whether you hunger for food, good conversation, or the opportunity to meet others in the community, please join us tonight at 5:00 pm for dinner. This is not a religious service, just a chance to share a delicious meal. We won't be dressed up—come as you are. All are welcome!

Free Community Dinner



PARKING — Please remember that on Sunday mornings the parking spots in the back lot are for members with mobility concerns.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY — DONATION OF THE MONTH for July: Granola and Cereal Bars. Financial donations are always appreciated. The Little Food Pantry is changing lives. Thank you for your help!

CARERS CORNER JULY — Back to School The RPC annual school supplies drive this July will focus on ELEMENTARY school children from our West Suburban communities. Baskets will be lined up in the office entrance hallway. Each will be labeled with the needed items. Community Support Services headquartered in Brookfield will distribute all donations. The CARERS Trunk will also be accepting non-perishable food items for our own RPC Little Food Pantry.



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.

NEW EQUAL EXCHANGE FAIR TRADE ITEMS —There are many new organic fair-trade items for sale outside of Dale's office (green, black and herbal tea, breakfast blend and French roast coffee, baking cocoa and hot cocoa and new chocolates). Proceeds go to support the Senior High Mission Trip.

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

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.

YOUTH SUNDAY — Sunday, July 28 the youth are leading worship and we will be honoring our graduating seniors.

SAVE THE DATE

July 21-27: Youth Mission Trip

September 8: Youth Group Begins

September 14: Oktoberfest

October 25: Trivia—Halloween Theme

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.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP — We are in need of hosts for coffee fellowship. It is an easy task— lemonade and cookies work just fine in these hot summer months! All instructions are provided by the office. Sign up on the bulletin board outside the Pastor's office.



YOUTH GROUP — Youth group will begin on September 8. Junior High youth will meet before church at 9 am and senior high youth will meet after worship at 11 am. Youth groups will meet every other week. Specific dates and events coming soon! We hope to see our youth there.

IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE CHILDREN —

Have you been wondering how to help with the crisis at the border, especially as it impacts children? Susan Krehbiel from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance has provided the following advice:

1. Do you want to send something? Do not send items such as soap or toothbrushes or the like. The facilities cannot receive these because of government procurement policies. Instead, send money to PDA which is working with organizations to help families at the border. They provide shelter when they are released, help with transportation, items for the bus, medical attention. <https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/refugee-ministry/>

You can also send money to organizations supporting the “Know Your Rights” campaign that assists people to know their rights under the U.S. Constitution.

2. Do you want to affect legislation? Contact the office of your Representative or Senators to express your opinion on this issue. Organizations that monitor current legislation will be able to keep you abreast of any bills moving through the Congress.

3. Do you want to do something in Chicago? Many of the children, some of them still unaccompanied, end up in Chicago. There is an organization supported by our friends in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America called AMMPARO (Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities; <https://www.elca.org/ammparo>). This organization provides one on one response to the children. You can also check with legal aid societies or the ACLU in the Chicago area about ways to be present in court when children and families must appear before a judge. This provides support to the families and children; it also helps judges to know that the community is paying attention to what happens.



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.

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.

THIS WEEK

Today

10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Fellowship
11:00 am Youth Mission Trip
Departure
2:00 pm Worship at Caledonia
5:00 pm Free Community Dinner

Monday

5:15 pm Volleyball

Tuesday

6:30 am Men's Forum
7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting

Thursday

6:30 am Women's Forum

Sunday

9:00 am Human Scene
10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Fellowship
11:15 Mission Committee Meeting
3:00 pm The Boulevard

Rev. Jackson will be out of town July 22-27 due to the mission trip.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Liturgist: Steven Teune

Ushers: Cyril and Patti Friend

Fellowship Time is hosted by Women's Forum.

Trustees of the Month: Susan Deems-Dluhy & Doug Harvin

Thank you to Ellen Hamilton for joining today's Ministry of Music.

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 Staibus		

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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