

## Riverside Presbyterian Church

October 20, 2019 ~ Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ask an usher for audio hearing units

Please silence your cell phones.

Childcare for children through preschool is available upstairs.

\* Indicates please stand in body or Spirit.



Marc Chagall

*Like a pleading widow,  
God you press for right,  
Crying out for justice,  
Call day and night.,  
Screened in flashing image,  
Begging on the street,  
God, you never leave us.  
Ev'ry day we meet.  
Words by Ruth Duck*

## WE PREPARE

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

*Steal Away*

arr. Smith

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

We have gathered in God's presence,  
the One who etches grace on our hearts.

**This is the place where God will transform us into disciples.**

We glorify our God, who yearns for justice,  
not just for a favored few, but for the least of our world.

**This is the place where God will write compassion on our souls.**

We give thanks to God for unceasing grace;  
we remember God's persistence in saving us.

**This is the place where God will breathe the Word into our lives.**

\* HYMN 175

*Seek Ye First*

\* INVITATION TO PRAYER

\* PRAYER FOR WHOLENESS (Unison)

**Your words are given to us, Author of Life, so we might be reformed, but we are intent on changing others. Your words are offered to us so we might be transformed, but we are focused on conforming to our culture. Your words are spoken to lead us into new life, but we hold our old ways tight to our chests.**

**Forgive us, God of Wonder. Do not remember our sins, but continue to touch us with your steadfast mercy. Show us how to be persistent in living out our faith, even as you were so tenacious in offering us your grace and life in Jesus Christ.**

(Silent prayers)

\* ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

\* SUNG RESPONSE 447

*We Are Forgiven*

### **WE LISTEN**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Children are invited forward

SUNG RESPONSE 188 vs 1

*Jesus Loves Me*

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 119:97-104

Luke 18:1-8

MEDITATION

\* HYMN 756

O God of Every Nation

### **WE RESPOND**

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM

*Peace Like a River*

arr. Raney

\* SUNG RESPONSE 609

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

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 835

*Just a Closer Walk with Thee*

\* BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE**

***Liturgist:*** Wendy Seifert

***Ushers:*** Lisa Aulerich-Marciniak and Susan Lynch

***Sunday School Teachers:*** Mike and Brooke Woodham

***Fellowship Time***

***Trustees of the Month:*** Fred Mitchell and Doug Harvin

***Thank you*** to Mary Ann Sadilek for joining today's Ministry of Music.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### **TEAM TRIVIA NIGHT RETURNS!**

**Friday, October 25**

**Doors open at 6:00 p.m.**

**Trivia starts at 6:30 p.m.**

**DEADLINE 12 PM TODAY**

### **You are encouraged to wear a Halloween Costume!**

Cash Prizes, a Halloween Costume Contest, a Gift Package Raffle, a 50/50 Raffle, Fair ways to "CHEAT" by purchasing mulligans!

**Fill a table!** Entry Fee: \$160 per table (\$20 per person) for teams of 8 people.

To reserve a table, contact Dennis Cobb at [dlc0906@gmail.com](mailto:dlc0906@gmail.com) or the church office. If you can't fill a table on your own, let Dennis know and we'll have a running list from which teams will be created.

You're invited to bring snacks and drinks for your table.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL** meets Sunday, October 27 at 9:00 am

**LITTLE FOOD PANTRY DONATION:** Instant oatmeal and peanut butter.

**SHARE THE HARVEST Gardeners** — Crops are coming in, and the need has never been greater. Please bring the bounty of your garden to church on Sunday or Monday morning. Please put fresh produce in the social hall refrigerator. **THANK YOU!**

**CARERS CORNER OCTOBER**— This autumn the CARERS trunk is ready and waiting for donations of nonperishable foods. Remember - NO glass jars or flimsy plastic cups. They're breakable. The contributions will be distributed to local food pantries.

**COMPANIONS JOURNEYING TOGETHER** is a prison ministry which consists of sending Christmas cards to prisoners. There are packs of 10 cards located on a table by the CARERS trunk. Please take one or more packs and follow the GUIDELINES listed with the cards. Deadline is Sunday, October 27.

**WOMEN'S CIRCLE for Fellowship and Study** — meets **Wednesday, October 23** at 10:00 am in the Social Hall. All women are welcome. Come for coffee, fellowship and study as we discuss "*Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments*" by Eugenia Anne Gamble. What would it mean to consider the Ten Commandments not as a harsh list of what not to do but, instead, as a "love letter" from a loving God? The purpose of Lesson Three is to understand the gift of Sabbath and to recover a sense of the sacred urgency of Sabbath-keeping for human life and the created order. Lesson Three led by Sylvia Schade. Scripture: Exodus 20:8-18; Deuteronomy 5:12-15; Mark 2:23-28.

**HUMAN SCENE** — is discussing the Book of Ecclesiastes, Sundays at 9:00 am in the Parlor.

**PRESCHOOL NEWS**— Preschool has gotten off to a great start! We have been apple picking at a neighbor's apple tree. This month we will also visit the Brookfield Zoo to hear from a zoo keeper about our adopted Zebra, Mypa, practice fire safety with a Riverside firefighter, and sing Halloween songs to residents at Cantata.

For our Enrichment Program this month we are exploring squirrels and acorns. We visited the library to look at squirrel and acorn books, have gone on acorn hunts and observed squirrels.

**CRAFTERS** —Do you weave, sew, knit or create other crafts? If so, please consider making something to donate to the RPC table at the Christkindlmarkt, which will be held on Saturday, December 7. Items can be brought to the office the week before the sale. Also, we are in search of pinecones. If you have any we can have or I can come to collect, please contact Sandy Kappmeyer at [skappzan@aol.com](mailto:skappzan@aol.com) (585) 882-9082. Contact me with questions.

**SPECTACLE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3** —Bring your used eyeglasses to church on Sunday, November 3 and place them in the special Lions Club collection boxes. The Lions Club will have the eyeglasses refurbished and provide them to people in need.



**THEOLOGY ON TAP**— For the next several weeks we will continue to explore documentary short films. We will explore a wide range of topics. Some will

be uplifting, some humorous, some challenging—all of them will make us think in new ways. Posters for some of the documentaries are in the hallway on the way to the Social Hall. Meals are catered AND COST \$10 per person, so please call the office and make reservations (BYOB).

**2020 CHURCH TRIP June 12-June 24, 2020** — We are traveling to Turkey and Greece. For more information, talk to Reverend Jackson.

**GLORY TO GOD HYMNALS** — Our new hymnals are in the sanctuary! You can support the music ministry by sponsoring one (or more) in honor or in memory of a friend or family member. What a nice way to thank someone for their dedication to RPC! Forms are available outside the office or you may email Lynda Nadkarni at [lmn@floros.org](mailto:lmn@floros.org) for online ordering/payment instructions.



Connie Kelly will turn an old hymnal in to a beautiful work of Art for a \$10 donation to the hymnal project. You can contact her at [consueloak@sbcglobal.net](mailto:consueloak@sbcglobal.net) or 708-772-1767.

**DAILY DEVOTIONALS** — Copies of the November-December Upper Room are in the rack outside the office.

**WORSHIP AT CALEDONIA TODAY** — The Deacons welcome all members to join us in the worship service for the residents of Caledonia at 2 pm today.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL DONATIONS**— At this time, Sunday School no longer needs oatmeal containers or any other donations. Thank you.

**THIS WEEK****Today**

10:00 am Worship  
 10:15 am Sunday School  
 11:00 am Fellowship  
 11:15 am Nominating Committee  
 2:00 pm Worship at Caledonia

**Monday**

5:30 pm Volleyball  
 6:30 pm Theology on Tap

**Tuesday**

6:30 am Men's Forum

**Wednesday**

10:00 am Women's Circle  
 4:15 pm Ringers & Singers  
 6:30 pm acaBELLa Ringers  
 7:30 pm Chancel Choir

**Thursday**

6:30 am Women's Forum

Friday

6:00 pm Halloween Trivia Night

**Sunday**

9:00 am Human Scene  
 9:00 am Middle School Youth Group  
 10:00 am Worship  
 10:15 am Sunday School  
 11:00 am Fellowship  
 11:15 am Mission Committee  
 3:00 pm The Boulevard

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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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**2019 CHURCH LEADERSHIP**

Elders	2019	2020	2021
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	Patti Friend	Martha Heine	Allan Halline
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	Lisa Aulerich- Marciniak	Dennis Zander	Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk
Deacons	Ellen Hamilton	Lloyd Bradbury	Deb Jansky
	Sandy Kappmeyer	Charlie Juister	Serina Ranft
	Steve Teune	Sally Sloane	Wendy Seifert
		Jeanne Smith	
Trustees	Cyril Friend	Patti Perry	Thom DeVries
	Fred Kitch	Doug Harvin	Fred Mitchell
	Brad Staubus	Hank Vogel	