



Riverside Presbyterian Church

September 5, 2021
15th Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER

PRELUDE *Morning Has Broken* arr. Hustad

WELCOME & SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PREPARING TO LISTEN

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN #509 *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN Lynda Nadkarni

SCRIPTURE John 6:1-9

MEDITATION *God's Call to End Hunger through Faithful Advocacy*
Rev. Eugene Cho, President, Bread for the World. Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad.

RESPONDING TO WHAT WE HAVE HEARD

HYMN #295 *Go to the World!*

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.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

The Gift of Love

arr. Hopson

PRESENTING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS Your continued financial gifts allow the ministry and mission of RPC to continue.

Worship Notes

Liturgies adapted from: *The Work of the People, re:Worship, Lectionary Liturgies*
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Postlude: *The Gift of Love*; arr. Hopson © Hope Publishers
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BLESSING THE ANIMALS is Sunday, September 12 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 are coming back! Our first rehearsal will be Wednesday, September 15th at 6:30 pm. All ringers must be masked. I believe all are vaccinated, although I am not sure about this. We will have several changes with personnel and will need to figure out our positions after this long hiatus. Our first rehearsal will begin with bell polishing, so dress accordingly. (Does anyone dress up anymore?) It's been toooooo long.



—Sally

SEARCH UPDATE - The Session is acting as the IPNC (Interim Pastor Nominating Committee). Session plans to hire a full time Interim/Transitional Pastor who has the type of training and experience to efficiently guide us through the search process for our next installed pastor. Lisa Aulerich-Marcinak is acting as chair of the IPNC.

IN PERSON WORSHIP — Sunday 10:00 am - you are invited to join us for indoor watch parties in the Sanctuary. In conjunction with IDPH recommendations and to show our care for members and friends who are not yet able to be vaccinated, we will be wearing masks when worshipping indoors. We also encourage everyone to practice social distancing. Both sanctuary doors will be open and those restrooms will be available. Worship will still be on our YouTube channel and available for calling in on Zoom.

Carrie Staubus
Marge Abbott
Donna Ulrich
Joyce Van Cura
Jack Smith
Monica Wood
Jerry Augutis, friend of Steve Marcus



MISSION AND OUTREACH — I'm excited to see more of YOU in person when we resume worship, outside for Blessing of the Animals and then in the sanctuary with guest pastors.

I have spoken with each and every one of them. They bring a variety of backgrounds and perspectives to their preaching. I believe you will like the diversity of messages we will receive in September and October.

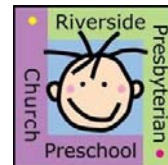
Speaking of October, our next Fifth Sunday is Halloween! We will invite the community to trick or treat at RPC where they can receive a warm meal, a treat, and also bring us a canned good as they are able. Please mark your calendar!

5th SUNDAY —Our 5th Sunday was hot but helpful as we created 100 Blessing Bags (50 were delivered to BEDS Plus, the remainder are here for you to distribute), 40 meals for The Boulevard, and wrote our legislators asking for change to funding for those who are hungry and/or homeless. Writing is easy! You can pick up a template and fact sheet from the communication area outside the office. Our next 5th Sunday is October 31!



UPPER ROOM DAILY DEVOTIONALS — Copies of the September-October devotionals are available. Contact the office to arrange pick up or delivery.

PRESCHOOL NEWS —The 51st year of RPC Preschool begins Tuesday, September 7! We have a wonderful group of students starting their education with us. Our goal is to teach them to love school and to catch'em being good. Would you like to know more about our staff and our programs? Go to www.rpcpreschool.com



SUNDAY MORNING CONVERSATIONS — Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in hybrid form. You are invited to arrive at 9:00, enter through the south door to the sanctuary and come down the hall to the library for discussion of the morning's scripture. Those who wish to join remotely may do so by logging on at 9:00 a.m. via the Zoom link for the morning worship.

SUNDAYS WITH TED meets in person and via Zoom starting at 6:30 p.m. on Sundays to view the TED Talk and discuss it, ending by 7:30 p.m. As conditions improve in the future, we hope to reinstate the gathering for a meal prior to the TED Talk and discussion. For now, plan to join us in person in the RPC parlor, or, if you want to join via Zoom, use the following links:



[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676?pwd=dnNnbHF6cE43TXo3Q3NqSjJzUHRFdz09)

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Meeting ID: 856 8518 2676, Passcode: 744144, Phone 312-626-6799.

Email Doug Asbury with questions at dougasbury@gmail.com.

Sept. 5 —Tony Jack—A scientific defense of spiritual and religious faith (postponed from 8/29)

Sept. 12 —Margaret Heffernan—Dare to disagree

*Programs are subject to change.

**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION**

ZOOM SUNDAY INFORMATION — SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP, COFFEE FELLOWSHIP AND SUNDAY MORNING CONVERSATIONS

Sunday morning you may call and listen to the worship service by dialing 1(312)626-6799 and using meeting ID: 973 5627 6934; Password: 960995. Stay on the line after worship and join us for Coffee Fellowship. If you are joining Coffee

Fellowship after viewing worship on YouTube follow this link: <https://bit.ly/RPCFellowship>.