

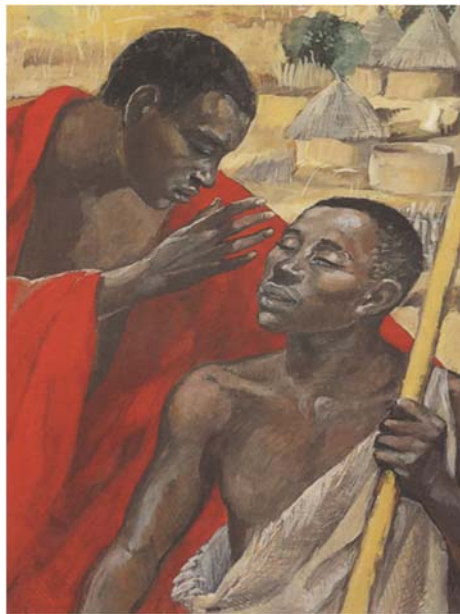
Riverside Presbyterian Church

October 24, 2021 ~ Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome! We are glad you are here!

Please silence your cell phones.

* Indicates please stand in body or Spirit.



Rev. Glauber Ribeiro was born in 1965 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. He became a Christian in 1975 and joined the Presbyterian Church of Brazil (IPB). He volunteered for Campus Crusade for Christ (MPC), worked for Luz Para o Caminho and Overseas Crusades (Sepal), studied Theology at the Southern Presbyterian Seminary (SPS) in Campinas (Brazil), and Communications at Wheaton College (Wheaton, IL). Ordained as a minister of the Presbyterian Church of Brazil, he also lectured on the Hebrew Testament at the Free Methodist Seminary in São Paulo (Brazil). He has lived in the Chicago area since 1991, with his wife Henrieta and their daughters Laura, Isabella, and Julia. He is a member-at-large of the Chicago Presbytery of the PCUSA, works as a Systems Architect for Experian, and plays music for fun.

WE PREPARE

PRELUDE *Shall We Gather at the River* Raney
LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE (Responsive)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WE GATHER

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Morning has broken!

Like the first morning!

Blackbird has spoken!

Like the first bird!

Praise for the singing!

Praise for the morning!

Praise for them, springing!

Fresh from the Word!

* HYMN 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

* INVITATION TO PRAYER

* PRAYER FOR WHOLENESS (Unison)

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

Silence is kept

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

* HYMN 581

Glory Be to the Father

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

WE LISTEN

MINI MESSAGE

Children are invited to stay in worship; activity bags are available.

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Mark 10:46-52

MEDITATION

Blind Faith

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

* HYMN 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*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 305

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fugue on the Kyrie

F Couperin

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Liturgist: Ellen Hamilton

Mini Message: Nancy Dvorak

Usher: Steve Marcus

Flowers are in loving memory of Frederick O. Shuppara on his birthday weekend, from his son, Alex M. Shuppara and his wife, Virginia Yang-Shuppara.

Fellowship Time is hosted by Sandra Kappmeyer

Worship Notes

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MEET REV. MARY JO DEAN—“I believe that God continues to call us all into reality, relationship, and relevance. The community that I want to serve engages that trinity in ways that are practical, visible, and open to refinement or change.” Those words, among others, led the IPNC to select the Reverend Mary Jo Dean to be RPC’s new Interim Pastor.

Rev. Dean earned her Master of Divinity/Master of Christian Education from Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, VA. Most recently, she was Pastor of Light Memorial Presbyterian Church in Sidney, NE.

Rev. Dean will start at the end of November. Stay tuned for more information on Pastor Dean and how we will welcome her to RPC!

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

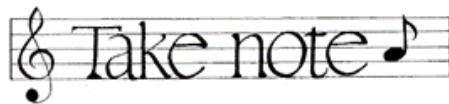


GOOD NEWS! Carrie has completed her treatment and received good news! She is doing great and in remission. She would like to thank the church for their support over the last 6 months.

IN PERSON WORSHIP — Sunday 10:00 am - you are invited to join us for worship in the Sanctuary. Both sanctuary doors will be open and those restrooms will be available.



WELCOME SARA! We are pleased that Sara Vacek is our tech manager. Sara started Sunday and recorded the service which is available on our YouTube channel <http://bit.ly/RPCyoutube>. She is working with a consultant from Presbytery to move us to live streaming as soon as possible. In the mean time, you will be able to view each service on YouTube.



CHOIR NEWS—It's been a very long time, but I can't imagine another Advent/Christmas season at RPC without music. Covid seems to be

dying down and it feels like it's time to dip our toe in the water for a subtle comeback. Our first rehearsal will be Wednesday, November 17 at 7:30 pm. We have much to clean out of our folders and Advent/Christmas music to pass out. The bell choir is playing on Sunday November 21, so our first Sunday singing will be the first Sunday of Advent, November 28th. It just seems right. Looking forward to times of fellowship and music-making once again! - Sally

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.



TIME CHANGE—Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour on Sunday, November 7. You can make up for that hour of sleep you lost in the spring!

SUNDAYS WITH TED meets in person in the upstairs RPC parlor 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. <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676?pwd=dnNnbHF6cE43TXo3Q3NqSjZUHRFdz09> Meeting ID: 856 8518 2676, Passcode: 744144, Phone 312-626-6799.

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

*Programs are subject to change.

Oct. 24 —Arthur Brooks - A conservative's plea: Let's work together

Oct. 31 —Linda Hill - How to manage collective creativity



NEW PIANO —Have you seen our new baby grand piano in the sanctuary? It sounds even lovelier than it looks. Session authorized the purchase of this gently used Kawai baby grand from Oak Park Piano for \$14,000. Four generous donors have already offset \$10,000 of the cost. If each of our member families would donate \$50 or more, we would have the piano paid off in no time! Won't you please let the beautiful sound speak to your heart and help out? Any extra funds will be used for the music program in anticipation of the wonderful day when we're able to host the Messiah again.



RPC IS A MATTHEW 25 CHURCH

The Matthew 25 churches, more than 1,000 strong, are churches in the PCUSA who

are committed to one or more of these actions: **Building congregational vitality** by challenging people and congregations to deepen their faith and get actively and joyfully engaged with their community and the world.

Dismantling structural racism by advocating and acting to break down the systems, practices and thinking that underlie discrimination, bias, prejudice and oppression of people of color. **Eradicating systemic poverty** by working to change laws, policies, plans and structures in our society that perpetuate economic exploitation of people who are poor.

To learn more about how other churches are responding to the call, join the [Matthew 25 Facebook Page](#). Share your ideas about how we might respond with Matt Lisle or Lynda Nadkarni.

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

RPC 150th ANNIVERSARY

Have you seen our growing display about that 150th anniversary? Do you have any artifacts to contribute? It's going to be fun to celebrate the history of RPC beginning with the opening of the time capsule from our 125th anniversary. It will be during fellowship on December 19. RPC was founded on December 15, 1872. We are working on an event or activity for each month of our 150th year culminating in December 2022. See Lynda Nadkarni if you have any ideas or want to lend a hand.



The **WOMEN'S CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY** will meet on Wednesday, October 27 at 10:30 am in the social hall for the preschool fall show. We will stay in the social hall and begin our study at 10:45. We will be studying Lesson 3 of the book "What My Grandmothers Taught Me" by Meryll Blair. Led by Sandra Kappmeyer. All women are welcome to join in. We look forward to the gathering! If you cannot attend in person, here is the log in information:

[https://zoom.us/](https://zoom.us/j/98513169535pwd=SU9RZDJ2Vm42QkRzTmJHOUtmMHcvQT09)

[j/98513169535pwd=SU9RZDJ2Vm42QkRzTmJHOUtmMHcvQT09](https://zoom.us/j/98513169535pwd=SU9RZDJ2Vm42QkRzTmJHOUtmMHcvQT09)

Meeting ID: 985 1316 9535, Passcode: 899045,
Dial by your location 1(312) 626-6799

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY NEWS—Fresh produce from Aldi's in Lyons will again become available once the store remodeling and parking lot paving are completed. Until then, bread from Jimmy John's will be available, and various local gardeners have been sharing their abundance with us from time to time, for which we are grateful! Canned food (especially meat products) and monetary donations are always needed and welcome. Thank you!



PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING—By giving to the Peace & Global Witness Offering, one of the special offerings of the PC(USA), we work to share Christ's peace with one another, beyond our doors, beyond our community and across boundaries. Please mark your donation "Peace & Global Witness Offering".



**5th SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31
HALLOWEEN THEMED
FUN FOR ALL!**

Don't forget, instead of coming to worship at 10:00 am Sunday, join us for 5th Sunday.

1:30 pm – cooks needed to make chili, macaroni and cheese and cornbread muffins.

3:00 – 6:00 pm – the community will be invited to Trick-or-Treat by the manse door. Food will be distributed along with a small toy for kids. The community will also be invited to bring us a treat in the form of a canned good for the Little Food Pantry. Members and friends will take 30-minute shifts to answer the door.



All RPC members and friends are encouraged to spread the word and to have a meal during the volunteer shift.

Contact Lynda Nadkarni for more information or to choose a shift at 708-288-0899 (cell) or missionandoutreach@rpcusa.org

2021 CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Elders	2021 Gwen Heine Allan Halline Matt Lisle	2022 Ben Dickerson Ellen Hamilton Serina Ranft	2023 Lisa Aulerich Marciniak Sandra Kappmeyer Jon Jansky Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk
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