

## Riverside Presbyterian Church

July 24, 2022 ~ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome! We are glad you are here!

\* Indicates please stand in body or Spirit.



### WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE *Arioso* JS Bach/Hand

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *Ride On, King Jesus* arr. Johnson

CALL TO WORSHIP (Romans 8:31,39; Psalm 145:14)

L: If God is for us, who can be against us?

**P: Nothing can separate us from God's love.**

L: The Lord upholds those who are falling down.

\*HYMN #664

*Morning Has Broken*

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

L: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; yet, we are justified by the gift of God's generous mercy, through the work of redemption that is ours in Christ Jesus.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, our sins are very heavy to carry and real enough for all to see. Our mistakes are hard to undo, so it feels as if we need to start a new thing. Forgive what we cannot say aloud. Forgive what crushes our hearts and our hopes. Please free us from what is becoming a consuming dread. Help us to overcome the past we cannot change. Open us to a future in which we are changed, growing more in your likeness and image. Help us to learn even more in your ways, and to do even better your way. All this we ask, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world and the hope of our redemption. Amen.** (Silence is kept.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**P: Peace be with you.** (Let us greet one another.)

\*The GLORIA PATRI (# 581)

**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.**

MINI MESSAGE

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

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison) HYMN #288 *Spirit of the Living God*

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

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**Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON                      Judges 3:12-31                      OT p. 219

ANTHEM                                      *Per la gloria d'adorarvi*                      Bononcini

SERMON                                      "Left-Handed Endeavors"

## OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH      The Apostles' Creed                      Hymnal p. 35

HYMN #157                                      *I Danced in the Morning*

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.**

THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY      HYMN #698 *Take, O Take Me as I Am*

\*THE DOXOLOGY      "*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*"      #606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise God, praise Christ, praise Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYERS OF DEDICATION

## **GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD**

\*HYMN #741 (v. 1,5,6)      *Guide My Feet*

\*BENEDICTION

\*THE CONGREGATION'S RESPONSE HYMN #544, *Bless the Lord* (x2)  
**Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.**  
**Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.**

POSTLUDE                      *Toccata in dm*                      Froberger

### **WORSHIP NOTES**

Prelude: *Arioso*; JS Bach/Hand  
Introit: *Ride On, King Jesus*; arr. Johnson  
Anthem: *Per la gloria d'adorarvi*; Bononcini  
Postlude: *Toccata in dm*; Froberger  
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### **PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE**

**Greeter:** Lynda Nadkarni  
**Liturgist:** Doug Asbury  
**Mini Message:** Lynda Nadkarni  
**Flowers** today are given in loving memory of my mother, Carolyn Anna Hamilton, by Ellen Hamilton  
**Thank you** to Norah Lougachi for joining today's Ministry of Music. Nora is a former member of Ringers & Singers. She is a sophomore at Oak Park and River Forest High School.  
**Fellowship:** Please join us for fellowship in the social hall for cupcakes and ice cream.  
**Trustees of the Month:** Lynda Nadkarni and John McGlennon



## Riverside Presbyterian Church

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**JULY 24, 2022**

### MISSION MOMENTS — THURSDAY, JULY 28

#### 7:30—9:30 PM FEEDING YOUTH WHO ARE

**HOMELESS** We are limited to 4 participants per week to package 75 sack meals and distribute to homeless Chicago teens through Night Ministry's Youth Outreach program. Meet at RPC at 7:30 PM to assemble bags. We will meet the Night Ministry staff at 8:30 PM at Belmont & Halsted to distribute the meals.



Please bring a friend! To sign up or ask questions, email Lynda Nadkarni at [missionandoutreach@rpcusa.org](mailto:missionandoutreach@rpcusa.org)



**\$150,000 in our 150<sup>th</sup>** — Did you see the amazing strawberry pinata hand-crafted by Ginny Yang at the ice cream social? Ginny will be making seasonal pinatas of her creative choosing which she is offering in exchange for a donation to the 150th. We also have just a few suncatchers left in exchange for donations. And some folks have come up with other creative ways to add to the fundraising including home organization and yard work in exchange for a contribution!

**5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY JULY 31** — On each 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month, Riverside Presbyterian Church, Ascension and Compassion United Methodist Church in Brookfield join together in a service project. We gathered in January at RPC to do work supporting refugees and in May we gathered at Compassion United Methodist to work in their community garden. On Sunday, July 31, Ascension (400 Nuttall Road, Riverside) is hosting 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. At 10:00am, following worship at 9:00am, we will gather for a time of fellowship, followed by assembling meals and care kits for some of our food-insecure neighbors. Use this link to sign up to provide items for care kits.



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094cafaf22a7f58-meals1>

Wendy Seifert  
Joyce Dobrzanski  
Sylvia Harvin  
Will Vogel  
Joyce Van Cura  
Jack Smith  
Monica and James Wood  
Stephen Musick, son of Elizabeth Musick  
Duci Musick, daughter-in-law of Elizabeth Musick  
Michael DeVries, nephew of Thom and Nancy DeVries



**REVEREND DEAN VACATION** — Mary Jo will be out of the office July 25-August 9. Please contact the church office with any emergencies.

**SUNDAYS WITH TED—6:00 p.m.** We will meet via Zoom. Here is the link you can click in order to join our session, as well as the passcode you will be asked to type in when the box opens requesting it: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676>  
[j/85685182676](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676)  
[pwd=MUU4b0J2Y3FiV3luQm1jTnBqODBrZz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676), Passcode: 448942. You can access a clickable link on the RPC website, or request one via email from Doug Asbury. **7/24** — Lee Mun Wah—But...I am an American  
**7/31** — Martha Atkins—More to dying than meets the eye



**per capita** **PER CAPITA ANYONE?** — The year half gone and it's time to check if you've made your Per Capita donation for 2022. It is \$36 per member. Remember, we are required to pay per capita for each member to the Presbytery whether members donate or not, so every unpaid per capita hits our bottom line. If you have already given, thank you and if you haven't yet made your donation, please do! And if you have an extra \$36, perhaps make a donation on behalf of members who find it finally hard to do so.

**UPPER ROOM DAILY DEVOTIONALS** — Copies of the July-August Upper Room are available in the sanctuary and in the rack outside the office.



**REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT**—In the last week, we were able to share the resettlement work at the Farmer's Market (thank you Steve Marcus, Mary Jo Dean and Connie Kelly), learned that the next family we are co-sponsoring will be arriving within a month (thank you John Haugland for managing the donations), and secured a free truck rental from Penske for the move (thank you Steven Teune)! We will need additional mentors to fully support a second family. Doug Asbury or Lynda Nadkarni can talk with you about what that looks like.

**PRESCHOOL NEWS**—We're excited to add Jessica Urbina to the staff! Jessica is a seasoned preschool teacher with a master's in early childhood education. She is also bi-lingual in Spanish.



**SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE** — Help us fill the baskets in the hallway with needed school supplies (notebooks, pens, pencils, highlighters, pocket folders, lined paper and new and gently-used gym shoes for teen boys). They will be distributed to Nancy B. Jefferson Alternative School (where Carrie Staubus works) and Community Support Services in Brookfield.

**OFFICE HOURS** — Linda will be out of the office on Tuesday, July 26 and Tuesday August 2. Ellen and Lynda will be in the office with limited hours those days. If you plan on coming in, please call to confirm someone is here.



**AUGUST 7 WORSHIP** —Reverend Dr. Craig Howard, Executive Presbyterian of the Presbytery of Chicago will be our guest preacher. Bibles will be passed out to the children who did not receive them in May. There will also be a special Minute for Mission about Buddy's Place.

**THIS WEEK**

**Today**

10:00 am Worship  
11:00 am Fellowship  
11:00 am Congregational Life Meeting  
6:00 pm Sundays with Ted

**Monday**

5:30 pm Volleyball

**Tuesday**

6:30 am Men's Forum

**Thursday**

7:00 am Women's Forum  
7:30 pm Mission Moments—Night Ministry Youth Outreach Program

**Sunday**

10:00 am 5th Sunday at Ascension Lutheran Church  
11:00 am Fellowship  
6:00 pm Sundays with Ted

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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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**2022 CHURCH LEADERSHIP**

Elders	2022 Ben Dickerson Ellen Hamilton Serina Ranft	2023 Lisa Aulerich Marciniak Sandra Kappmeyer Jon Jansky	2024 Susan Lynch Carrie Staubus Mary Beth Wynn Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk
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