

## Riverside Presbyterian Church

November 13, 2022 ~ 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

150th Anniversary Celebration

Welcome! We are glad you are here! Childcare is available for children 1st grade and younger after the Mini Message.

\* Indicates please stand in body or Spirit.



### WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE            Bagpiper Medley

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 98:5-9, NRVUE)

L: Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

**P: With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.**

L: Let the sea roar and all that fills it, the world and those who live in it.

**P: Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the LORD, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.**

\*HYMN 409

*God Is Here!*

CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. We have sinned by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole hearts, minds, or strength. We have not loved our neighbors as we have loved ourselves. Forgive us and help us to change ourselves for the better. Set us on the path to your peace, to the glory of your holy name, Amen.**

(Silence is kept.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**P: And also with you.**

L: Let us greet one another with these words.

\*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.**

MINI MESSAGE

Children first grade and younger may go to childcare. Please see the Greeter.

### **WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

**Almighty God, grant us ears to hear your personality, words and will in today's scripture. Grant us eyes to see you and ourselves in these holy texts. Feed us for the journey ahead and grant us grace to love and serve your purposes. All this we ask, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

FIRST READING                      Isaiah 12                      OT p. 641  
ANTHEM                      *There Shall a Star Come Out of Jacob*      Mendelssohn  
SECOND READING                      Luke 21:5-19                      NT p. 85  
SERMON                      “Out of Destruction, Opportunity”

### **OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE**

\*HYMN # 372                      *O for a World*  
\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH                      The Apostles’ Creed                      Hymnal p. 35

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

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT                      Ellen Hamilton

\*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 #494 v. 1,2,4    *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN #540 *Farewell, Good Friends!*  
*Shalom, chaverim!*  
***Farewell, good friends! Farewell, good friends!***  
***Shalom, shalom!***  
***Till we meet again, till we meet again, shalom, shalom.***  
***Shalom, chaverim! Shalom, chaverot!***  
***Shalom, shalom!***  
***Lehitraot, lehitraot, shalom, shalom.***

POSTLUDE

*Toccata*

Widor/Lani Smith

#### WORSHIP NOTES

Prelude: Bagpiper Medley  
Anthem: *There Shall a Star Come Out of Jacob*; Mendelssohn  
Postlude: *Toccata*; Widor/Lani Smith  
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#### PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

***Greeter:*** Alfred Kitch and Wendy Seifert  
***Liturgist:*** Dennis Zander  
***Mini Message:*** Lynda Nadkarni  
***Thank you*** to Mary Ann Sadilek and Joe Coakley for joining today's Ministry of Music.  
***Fellowship*** Please join us for a catered lunch in the social hall.  
***Trustees of the Month:*** John McGlennon and Henry Vogel



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**NOVEMBER 13, 2022**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY RPC! Come to our 150th birthday party TODAY!** We're so excited about our birthday celebration today. Worship at 10am will be followed by a viewing of a "long-timers" video from 1997 and some comments by the "long-timers" of today. There will be a catered lunch and cake too! Wondering what to get a church for its birthday? How about taking an envelope (or two) off the wall to make a special contribution.



**2023 PLEDGE DRIVE UNDERWAY**— Check your email or mailboxes. You should have received a letter from the 2023 Stewardship Committee. Your gifts are critical to sustain the faithful mission and ministry of our congregation. Our message to you is "***Pray daily for energy, enthusiasm, love.*** Pray for RPC to continue to recover from the pandemic, and return to being a vital, thriving community of joy-filled

servants of Jesus Christ." When you have had a chance to thoughtfully consider our request, we ask that you make a pledge to support RPC in 2023. You can do so either on our website (look for our new pledge card online) or asking the office for a pledge card. We will celebrate Pledge Sunday on November 27th so that we have adequate time to consider our resources for budgeting in the coming year. Glory to God, who can do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us. (Ephesians 3:20)

**HOLY COW! WE NEED YOUR OPINIONS!** As part of its information gathering to find a new pastor, the PNC has engaged Holy Cow! Consulting to conduct a survey of the congregation (the Congregational Assessment Tool) to insure that we gain clarity about who we are at RPC, what we are being called to do, and how well we are doing it. During the week of November 14, we will be emailing or snail mailing the survey to the entire congregation (not just one per household). Please take some quiet time, as soon as your schedule permits, and thoughtfully answer the questions, which are primarily multiple choice. It is SO important that we have as close to 100% participation as possible. WATCH FOR IT!



Frank Svestka, Jr.  
Lloyd Bradbury  
John Lynch  
Will Vogel  
Jack Smith

Monica and James Wood

Duci Musick, daughter-in-law of Elizabeth Musick

Prayers of comfort and peace for family and friends grieving the death of Susanne Vogel.

Prayers of comfort and peace for family and friends grieving the death of Joyce Van Cura.



**MESSIAH 2022 — What do these three words have in common?** Happiness, Holidays, and Handel. If you want to add all three H words into your life, come to RPC on December 11 at 4:00 pm. Be ready to be amazed, and it is guaranteed to lift your spirit.

**BLESSING BAGS** — Blessing Bags have returned outside the office and in the sanctuary. Please take some to share with people you see in need. Feel free to give to friends and family to share too! We have approximately 200 assembled.

**SESSION MEETING**—Session will meet Tuesday, November 15 at 7: 00 pm in the Parlor



**TRUSTEES MEETING** — The Trustees will meet Monday, November 14 at 7:30 pm in the Westminster Room.

**SUNDAYS WITH TED—6:00 p.m.** We will meet via Zoom. Here is the link you can click on 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>

[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. **11/13** - Catherine Price - Why Having Fun is the Secret to a Healthier Life **11/20**—Lee Mun Wah—Curiosity is the Gateway to the Heart





**CHRISTMAS PAGEANT IN WORSHIP —**

December 18 as part of worship, we will have a good old-fashioned pageant. At 9 am, we will fit for costumes and do a run through. Then have a break and a snack before the 10 am service. We hope children of all ages will

participate! Secure your role at [missionandoutreach@rpcusa.org](mailto:missionandoutreach@rpcusa.org).

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

**CHILDCARE DURING WORSHIP—** Childcare is available for children 1st grade and younger. Let the greeter know upon entering if childcare is desired from after the Mini Message through the end of worship.

**OPEN VOLLEYBALL —** Calling all volleyball players! Join us for volleyball every Monday evening from 5:15—7 pm. This is an open game with no pre-selected teams and all skill levels welcome. High school age and older please. Enter the gym at the southeast corner of the building and head up the stairs. Contact Tara Gregus for more information ([taragregus@yahoo.com](mailto:taragregus@yahoo.com))

**NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH —** RPC is pleased to welcome New Life Community Church to our building! RPC will continue the tradition of Sunday services at 10am followed by Faith Formation and fellowship. New Life, led by Pastor Rick Tatina, will hold worship at 11:45 am and be followed by a monthly fellowship gathering. Our congregations share the belief in the word of God and teachings of his son Jesus. We share the words of the Apostles Creed. And we care about taking our beliefs and using them to care for the world and its people. You can read more about New Life at <https://newlifecommunity.church/churches/>

**WOMEN'S CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY** met recently to discuss Lesson 3 of the book "Celebrating Sabbath" by Carol M. Bechtel. Our next gathering will be Wednesday, November 30 at 10:30 am. All women are welcome to join!



**THIS WEEK**

**Today**

10:00 am Worship 150th Service  
11:00 am 150th Birthday Fellowship  
6:00 pm Sundays with TED

**Monday**

5:30 pm Volleyball  
7:30 pm Trustees Meeting

**Tuesday**

6:30 am Men’s Forum  
7:00 pm Session Meeting

**Wednesday**

4:15 pm Ringers & Singers  
6:30 pm acaBELLa Ringers  
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

**Thursday**

7:00 am Women’s Forum

**Friday**

10:30 am Memorial Service for  
Joyce VanCura

**Sunday**

10:00 am Worship  
11:00 am Fellowship  
2:30 pm Worship at Caledonia  
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**

	2022	2023	2024
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