

Welcome to
Riverside
Presbyterian Church

April 16, 2023

2nd Sunday of Easter

Please silence your cell phones.

Childcare is available for children
through 1st grade after the Mini
Message.

*Indicates please stand in body or
Spirit.



All are invited to share gifts in the offering plates located at the end of the aisles before worship. The plates will be brought forward prior to the Doxology.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE *Cantabile from "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"* arr. Behnke

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.

And also with you.

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on John 20:19-31)

Leader: Christ is Risen! He greets us with a word of peace.

People: We welcome the risen Christ! We worship and adore him!

Leader: Christ is risen! Locked doors and doubting hearts cannot keep him away.

People: We welcome the risen Christ! We worship and adore him!

Leader: Christ is risen! He comes to bless us with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

People: We welcome the risen Christ! We worship and adore him!

*HYMN #1 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Savior God, forgive our doubts and disbelief. You show up in our lives, yet we fail to notice you and demand more proof. We expect more when you have already given us enough. Forgive our lack of faith. Forgive our lack of gratitude. Redeem us. Restore us. Resurrect us for life in Christ. Amen. (Silence is kept.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE GLORIA PATRI (# 581)

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

CHILDREN'S MINI MESSAGE

Children first grade and younger may go to childcare. Please see the Greeter for more information or directions.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Savior God, you've gifted us with the Holy Spirit as our advocate and guide. Open us to the Spirit's breath. Carry us on the wings of your wisdom. Set us on the solid foundation of your Word read and proclaimed. May we hear the truth you intend for us today. Amen.

FIRST READING

Exodus 15:1-11

OT p. 61

SECOND READING

John 20:19-31

NT p. 115

SERMON

“It Is Not Finished”

OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE

*HYMN #358

Steal Away

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed)

**I believe in God the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY

ANTHEM

With a Voice of Singing

Shaw

*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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR OFFERINGS (unison)

Risen and redeeming God, you have given us more than we could ever give you in return. You are gracious and generous in your love. Accept these offerings as signs of our gratitude and bless our work on Christ's behalf. May we love as Christ loved. May we serve as Christ served. Call us forth into your world, guided by Christ's spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER

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.

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #2

Come, Thou Almighty King

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Come, Thou Almighty King

arr. Hustad

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Greeter: Marilyn Slanec

Liturgist: Doug Asbury

Mini Message: Lynda Nadkarni

Fellowship is hosted by the Chancel Choir.

Trustees of the Month: Debra Jansky and Doug Harvin

WORSHIP NOTES

Liturgy written by Teri McDowell Ott for The Presbyterian Outlook.



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APRIL 16, 2023



SPAGHETTI FUNDRAISER SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 4-7 pm —The youth want to raise enough money so that they can cover the adult leaders and their costs for the mission trip. Here's how you can help!

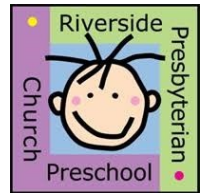
Buy tickets! If you are feeling extra generous, purchase one more for a LFP client. **Share dinner information with family and friends:** Sunday, April 30 from 4- 7 pm. \$10 will provide spaghetti, salad and beverages (children under 5 free). Dessert and wine available for a donation.

Donate wine. Donate a dessert. Make a donation. Everything can be done online or via the office. Thank you for helping to bring back our longtime tradition of summer mission! Tickets available online or in the office.

<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z4AB/campaign/C-13JA9>

PRESCHOOL SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 10:00 AM WORSHIP WITH RECEPTION AND TOURS TO FOLLOW

Students will be singing in worship. Alumni, former teachers and their families are invited to attend, too! Fellowship will be held in the social hall at 11:00 am and the school will be open for viewing. We hope you will join in the celebration of our 53rd year of catching 'em being good! If you are a former student or parent, please plan to be there and help spread the word!



APRIL 30—5TH SUNDAY — On 5th Sundays we worship in a different way. A brief service is followed by an action project to care for others. Join us at 10am on April 30 where worship will highlight Appalachia Service Projects followed by fellowship for all and a hands-on project for our local community for most. Youth going on the mission trip will

prepare for that evening's spaghetti dinner. Questions?

missionandoutreach@rpcusa.org

Alyssa Schwarz
David Schade
John Lynch
Sara Wert
Lloyd Bradbury
Jack Smith
Monica Wood

Alice Ann Hand and Edward Hand, sister and brother-in-law of Liz Musick
Duci Musick, daughter-in-law of Elizabeth Musick



WORSHIP AT CALEDONIA — TODAY, April 16, 2:30 pm—The Deacons welcome all members to join in the worship service at Caledonia today.

SESSION MEETING — Session will meet on Tuesday, April 18 at 7:30 pm. In the Parlor.



REFUGEE FAMILY UPDATE — We have almost everything we need for a third family. Check out the sign up genius and see if you can fill one of the last requests! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050444AFA82EA46-refugee>

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:

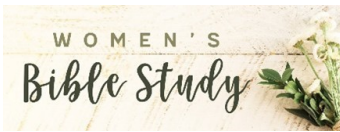


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BOMBAS SOCKS FOR MISSION — Do you love Bombas? Here's your chance to have a pair or more! For each \$20 donation to the youth mission trip to Appalachia Service Project, you'll receive a personal note and two pairs of black low-rise socks (youth or adult). When donating please make a note of size youth or adult. Cash, checks and online donations all available.

<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z4AB/campaign/C-13J50>



WOMEN'S CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY Save the date! The Women's Circle Bible Study group plans to meet on Wednesday, April 26 at 10:30 am in the library. Join us for Lesson 6 of the book "Celebrating Sabbath" by Carol Bechtel.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL RETURNS! VBS Science Camp coming in June. Save the dates—June 26-29, 9 am—11:45 am. See the wonders of God's world through science activities. For kids in grades K-5. Teen and adult volunteers desired! See Sandra Kappmeyer for more information.



CHILDCARE POSITION OPEN — RPC is looking for a reliable, attentive adult, to fill one of two childcare positions in our nursery on the first four Sunday mornings of each month. Working hours are 9:45 am - 11:15 am. Pay is \$20/ hour. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and able to pass a background check. If interested, please submit a resume and contact information for three non-familial references to the church office or electronically to rpcoffice@rpcusa.org.



LITTLE FOOD PANTRY — The Little Food Pantry has seen a HUGE increase in use over the last month. We're providing about \$250 worth of groceries per week on top of the donations from the township, members of the community, Aldi and Riverside Foods. Can you pick up a few extra cans when you shop? Make a designated donation? Organize a mini food drive on your block, with your book club, or friend group? Food insecure neighbors are relying on us!

RIVERSIDE TOWNSHIP LIONS CLUB CHICKEN DINNER—The annual drive thru chicken dinner is Sunday, May 7 from 12—5 pm at RPC. Tickets are \$15. See Jon Jansky or the church office for tickets or more information.



We Serve

LOST & FOUND — Our lost and found box on the shelf outside the pastor's office is overflowing with hats, gloves, an umbrella and a book. Anything not claimed by May 1 will be donated.

THIS WEEK

Today

10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Fellowship
11:00 am Confirmation Class
2:30 pm Worship at Caledonia
6:00 pm Sundays with TED

Monday

5:30 pm Volleyball

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

Sunday

10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Fellowship
11:00 am Confirmation Class
11:00 am Congregational Life Mtg.
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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2023 CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Elders	2023 Lisa Aulerich Marciniak Jon Jansky Sandra Kappmeyer	2024 Susan Lynch Carrie Staubus Mary Beth Wynn	2025 Betsy Gardner Ellen Hamilton Serina Ranft Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk
Deacons	Nancy Dvorak Elizabeth Musick Marilyn Slanec	Jim Marciniak Steve Marcus Wendy Seifert	Thom DeVries Paula McCracken Open
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