

Welcome to
Riverside
Presbyterian Church

July 2, 2023

Please silence your cell phones.
Childcare is available for children
through 1st grade after the Mini
Message.

*Indicates please stand in body or
Spirit.

Bold indicates congregational
response



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

O Beautiful, for Spacious Skies

arr. Callahan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.

And also with you.

(Please greet those around you with a sign of Christ's peace.)

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Matthew 25:31-46)

We come, for God gathers us here,
with that community called faith:

**where the hungry are served first,
where the thirsty drink life's water.**

We come, for God welcomes us here
into that home called grace:

**where the naked are clothed in robes of hope;
where the stranger is embraced as the long-lost prodigal.**
We come, for God reunites us here,
sisters and brothers in that family called love:
**where the imprisoned model justice,
where the sick are cradled in God's peace.**

*HYMN #187 *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us confess together:

**We confess that in our lives we often hide behind
our work and play, schools and jobs, fun and fashion.
We let ourselves get so busy
that we forget the cause of the poor and the suffering.
We confess we allow the powers of this world
to seduce us into selfishness
and silence our witness.
Teach us to champion the cause for justice for all,
strengthen us to love our neighbor
and speak truth no matter the penalty. Amen.**

(Silence is kept.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE GLORIA PATRI *Glory Be to the Father* #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.**

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

Pour out your Spirit upon us, O God, and upon these words of Scripture, that they may reveal to us your eternal Word, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

FIRST READING

Exodus 16:1-5

OT p. 62-63

SECOND READING

Matthew 25:31-45

NT p. 29

SERMON

“Food For The Hungry”

OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE

*HYMN #769

For Everyone Born

BAPTISM OF RHYS PALMER QUIGLEY

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

**We trust in God,
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.**

**In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image,
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.**

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.

**Ignoring God's commandments,
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.**

We deserve God's condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love,

**the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.**

Hearing their cry,
God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.
Loving us still,
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
Like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.

THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY *Pachelbel's Canon of Peace* arr. Liebergen

*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

Giving God, we return to you the fruits of the earth and the fruits of
our labor, that they may be used for the repair of the world. Bless
these gifts, those who give them, and those who will receive them.
May our whole lives be an offering before you. Amen.

INVITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Responsive)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to our God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We join together to praise you and give you thanks, saying:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are
full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who
comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

And now we pray the prayer that Jesus taught:

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.

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #490 *Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Postlude on "America the Beautiful"* Dixon

WORSHIP NOTES

Call to Worship written by Thom Shuman, posted on Lectionary Liturgies.
Prayer for Illumination, Affirmation of Faith and Prayer of Dedication written by Ginna Bairby for Presbyterian Outlook.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Thank you to Elizabeth Gardner and Mary Beth Wynn for joining today's Ministry of Music.

Greeter: Susan Lynch

Liturgist: Marilyn Slanec

Mini Message: Lynda Nadkarni

Flowers today are donated in loving memory of the wedding of Marilyn Grace and Bernard Slanec on July 2, 1960.

Fellowship is hosted by Gwen and Mike Heine

Trustees of the Month: Henry Vogel and Tom Radigan



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JULY 2, 2023

Dear RPC,

I am so grateful for the opportunities I have had thus far to meet with and get to know some of you. Let's do more of that! How about lunch? I know most of you lead very busy lives, but we all have to eat, so could we chat over a meal sometime? I have set up some slots on the church sign-up genius to make scheduling easier (see church website). We can aim to eat leftovers in my office, or I can bring my lunch to meet you somewhere. 30 minutes. Tell me about your family and your dreams for the church!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Mark

ALL CHURCH WORK DAY — Thursday, July 6, 6:00 pm. There are many small and simple tasks – no special skills required!

MISSION TRIP PLANNING MEETING — Monday, July 10, 7:00 pm in the parlor.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY — Each month this summer the Mission & Outreach Committee challenges the congregation to stock the shelves with a particular food group. In July we are requesting personal care items - feminine hygiene, toothpaste, tooth brushes, deodorant, hand/body lotion, sun block, face wipes.

VACATION! — Rev. Zimmerly will be away July 6-13. Ellen will be away July 4-13. Lynda will be away July 9-14. Linda will be away July 10-12.

A NOTE FROM YOUR TREASURER — We are halfway through the year, and I'm very thankful for how devoted and generous everyone has been in their giving. Keep it up! Every little bit helps to keep RPC a strong and vibrant place for worship, mission, and fellowship. -- Ellen M. Hamilton

LOOSE COIN OFFERING—Today we dedicate all loose coins in the offering plates to the Presbytery of Chicago Hunger Fund. In lieu of loose coins, indicate Presbytery Hunger Fund in the memo line of a check or online.

Martha Heine
John Lynch
Lloyd Bradbury
Jack Smith
Monica Wood

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



Ice Cream Social

STRAWBERRY — ICE CREAM SOCIAL— July 19 from 6-8 pm

Bigger and better we are back with hand scooped ice cream, strawberries and baked goods, photo booth, pinata by Ginny, a bouncy house for the kids, and more! See Lynda to volunteer or sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/rpcsocial> All proceeds will support the Little Food Pantry.

SUNDAYS WITH TED & FRIENDS – 6:00 p.m. We will meet in person in the church library and via Zoom. Use the following link for Zoom video: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89159855297> To join by phone, dial and follow the prompts to enter the meeting number: +13126266799,,89159855297# You can access a clickable link on the RPC website, or request one via email from Doug Asbury at dougasbury@gmail.com. **7/2** - Trip Bitten - How I View the US After 12 Years Living Abroad; **7/9**- Siming Lan - Why China Doesn't Identify With the West, Explained

MISSION TRIP — It's been our tradition to have the congregation cover the cost of the adult participation in the Mission Trip. How can you help support Brad Staubus and Kaki Lynch? Make a donation of \$20 or more in exchange for Bombas socks. Make a donation of \$20 or more in exchange for knowing you've done something good. Think it would be fun to have an adult party fundraiser as in the past? Let Lynda know if you can host or help! Thanks for thinking about how to assist in this beloved RPC activity!



PRESCHOOL ANIMAL ADOPTION — Did you know that each year the preschool adopts an animal from the Brookfield Zoo and it becomes the mascot for the year? We also arrange for a special field trip where we get to meet our animal. Each child receives a plush version of the animal and journals their adventures at home to share with the class. This year's is native to west Africa and grayish in color. Any guesses?

THIS WEEK

Today

10:00 am Worship—Communion
and Baptism

11:00 am Fellowship

6:00 pm Sundays with TED

Monday

5:30 pm Volleyball

Tuesday

Office Closed—Independence Day

6:30 am Men's Forum

Thursday

7:00 am Women's Forum ZOOM

6:00 pm All Church Workday

Sunday

10:00 am Worship

11:00 am Fellowship

11:00 am Mission & Outreach
Meeting

6:00 pm Sundays with TED

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[Youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com)

Riverside Presbyterian, IL

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	2024	2025
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	Jon Jansky	Carrie Staubus	Ellen Hamilton
	Sandra Kappmeyer	Mary Beth Wynn	Serina Ranft
			Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk
Deacons	Nancy Dvorak	Jim Marciniak	Thom DeVries
	Elizabeth Musick	Steve Marcus	Paula McCracken
	Marilyn Slanec	Wendy Seifert	Open
Trustees	Doug Harvin	John McGlennon	Deb Jansky
	Henry Vogel	Lynda Nadkarni	Tom Radigan
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