

Welcome to
Riverside
Presbyterian Church

July 16, 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

This is My Father's World

arr. Innes

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 (inspired by Isaiah 55:1-3, Psalm 63: 1-8)

Let us prepare to worship God.

Hear this, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters
and you who have no money, come, procure and eat!

Wonderful God, you are our God, early will we seek you.

Our spirits thirst for you, our minds long for you

Because your love is better than life itself,

our lips will sing your praise!

*HYMN #475

Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (inspired by Matthew 25:31-46)

God of the people,

you have called us to walk humbly before you
and to share in the struggle with the least of these,
yet we have failed to live up to this call.

Today, we come before you

asking your Spirit to empower us

to be agents of transformation for the world.

Make us a chalice from which all the oppressed

can find the living waters of God,

who calls us to live a life of service, of humility,

and of reconciliation with you, with creation,

and with the world. **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

In the reading of your Word, may we be given light to see. May your
word rest in our hearts and minds and in so doing, transform us into
your faithful people. Amen.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:1-13

OT p. 685-686

SECOND READING

Matthew 25:31-45

NT p. 29

OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE

*HYMN #762

When the Poor Ones (Cuando el pobre)

SERVICE OF COMMISSIONING FOR ASP VOLUNTEERS

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from A Declaration of Faith)

We know that God is not confined to the story we can tell. The story itself tells us God works his sovereign will among all peoples of the earth. We believe God works beyond our imagining throughout the universe. We acknowledge no other God. We must not set our ultimate reliance on any other help. We must not yield unconditional obedience to any other power. We must not love anyone or anything more than we love God. We praise and enjoy God. To worship God is highest joy. To serve God is perfect freedom. Amen.

THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY *Andante from Sonata 1 K381 Mozart*

*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

Gracious God, thank you for these gifts given this day and for the many gifts of our lives. May they be used ever and only to glorify you. 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 #746 *Send Me, Jesus (Thuma mina)*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Great is Thy Faithfulness* arr. Raney

WORSHIP NOTES

Prayer for Illumination, Affirmation of Faith and Prayer of Dedication written by Tara W. Bulger for The Presbyterian Outlook.

Call to Worship written by Bruce Prewer <http://www.bruceprewer.com>

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Thank you to Mary Ann Sadilek for joining today's Ministry of Music.

Greeter: Lynda Nadkarni

Liturgist: Marilyn Slanec

Mini Message: Lynda Nadkarni

Flowers today are given in loving memory of my wonderful mother, Carolyn Anna Hamilton from Ellen Hamilton.

Fellowship is hosted Ellen Hamilton.

Trustees of the Month: Henry Vogel and Tom Radigan



Riverside Presbyterian Church

116 Barrypoint Road,
Riverside, IL 60546
(708) 447-1520, rpcusa.org

JULY 16, 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. 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



SAVE THE DATE — AUGUST 6, 10:00 AM — Rev. Mark Zimmerly's Service of Installation followed by fellowship.



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.

STRAWBERRY 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, face painting and balloon animals, and more! Volunteers needed prepare berries, serve food, donate baked goods, set-up and clean-up. Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/rpcsocial>

All proceeds will support the Little Food Pantry.



Harriet Kweton
John Lynch
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

MISSION TRIP — Today we commission the members of the church who are going to serve families in Floyd County Kentucky via Appalachia Service Project. And on July 30, the day after they return, youth will lead worship followed by mission project to support ASP as our 5th Sunday. You can help by:



- Praying for the team while they are gone
- Attending worship on July 30

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

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/87222338595> 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.

7/16— Leeja Miller—Why the US is Still Segregated

7/23 — Leeja Miller—THIS Is Why Americans Are So Sick—Follow the Money

7/30 — No Sundays with TED today.

PRESCHOOL ANIMAL ADOPTION — Did you guess that this year's Brookfield Zoo animal adoption is an elephant? Rhino? It's the Pygmy Hippo! Pygmy Hippos are gray with pink cheeks and are hairless other than around their lips and tail. Their wild population is approximately 2,500 which makes them endangered. We're sure to be saying "hippo, hippo, hurray!" to this school year!



MISSION & OUTREACH —The Mission and Outreach committee has voted to support two collections. Your contributions to either or both will be most welcome.



Community Support Services, Inc.

We are collecting school supplies again this year for Community Support Services in Brookfield. Baskets are lined up near the office. CSS supports participants with intellectual/developmental disabilities as well as families who cannot afford the supplies their children need for school.

We are also collecting gently used/serviceable shoes for children and adults, as well as new socks for children. It was somewhat surprising to learn that though children in need always come to school wearing shoes, though sometimes in deplorable condition, they often come without socks. There is a collection bin on the bench outside the office.

VBS ... THAT'S A WRAP!

Thank you Sandy Kappmeyer for leading VBS this year! The kids had a great week connecting God's world to science. "Best camp so far!" said one mom. And one kid exclaimed "this was the best day of my life!". You can see photos from the week on the website (about us/photo gallery) or our Facebook page.

The volunteer team of Lisa Aulerich-Marciniak, Reese and Ryan Jackson, Mike Kappmeyer, Lynda Nadkarni, Wendy Seifert, Marilyn Slanec and Dennis Zander loved appending time with the kids!



THIS WEEK

Today

10:00 am Worship—Mission Trip
Commissioning

11:00 am Fellowship

6:00 pm Sundays with TED

Monday

Gym Closed—Floor Refinishing

Tuesday

6:30 am Men's Forum

10:30 am Staff Meeting

7:00 pm Session Meeting

Wednesday

6:00 pm Strawberry Social

Thursday

7:00 am Women's Forum ZOOM

Sunday

10:00 am Worship

11:00 am Fellowship

11:00 am Congregational Life

Committee Meeting

6:00 pm Sundays with TED

Riverside Presbyterian Church

116 Barrypoint Road, Riverside, IL 60546

(708) 447-1520, rpcusa.org

Sermons available at

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.

RPC Staff

Rev. Mark Zimmerly, Pastor

pastor@rpcusa.org; 708-202-9874

Linda Hutcheson,

Office Manager, rpcoffice@rpcusa.org

Dr. Sally Sloane,

Minister of Music, musikhse@comcast.net

Lynda Nadkarni, Minister of Mission &

Outreach, missionandoutreach@rpcusa.org

Ellen Hamilton,

Treasurer, treasurer@rpcusa.org

Sara Vacek,

Tech Manager, rpcvideo@rpcusa.org

Doug Asbury, Volunteer in Mission,

dougasbury@gmail.com

2023 CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Elders	2023	2024	2025
	Lisa Aulerich Marciniak	Susan Lynch	Betsy Gardner
	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
	Open	Open	Open