

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.

\* HYMN 438

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

*Wir glauben all an einen Gott*

Pachelbel

\* You are invited to stand if able.

## 2223 They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love



1. We are one in the Spir-it, we are one in the Lord,  
2. We will walk with each oth-er, we will walk hand in hand,  
3. We will work with each oth-er, we will work side by side,  
4. All praise to the Fa-ther, from whom all things come,



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we will walk with each oth-er, we will walk hand in hand,  
we will work with each oth-er, we will work side by side,  
and all praise to Christ Je-sus, God's on-ly Son,



and we pray that all u-ni-ty may one day be re-stored:  
and to-geth-er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:  
and we'll guard hu-man dig-ni-ty and save hu-man pride:  
and all praise to the Spir-it, who makes us one:

*Refrain*



And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love. —

## Welcome to Riverside Presbyterian Church

August 13, 2017 ~ Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Ask an usher for audio hearing units. ~ Please silence your cell phones.  
Childcare is available for children 1st grade and younger in the upstairs childcare room.



WELCOME

**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE (Responsive)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

*Imagine*

Lennon

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Watch what God does: mostly God loves us.

**We would learn a life of such love so we might do as God does.**

Watch how Christ loves us: not with caution, but with extravagance.

**We would practice such lavish love,  
not noticing what it costs us.**

Watch how the Spirit loves us: moving in us, breathing love into us.

**We would live such love for others,  
keeping company with God.**

\* HYMN 376

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

\* CALL TO CONFESSION

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**We break your heart, God of all the world, by  
the respectable lives we lead. Blessed by you with every gift,  
we practice thrift towards others. Seeking to be good and  
proper Christians, we overlook you in the company of the poor,  
the oppressed, those without a voice. We choose to spread  
gossip about our friends and neighbors, when we could  
speak gently to them.**

**Forgive us for the pain we cause you and other people,  
Grieving God. Help us to make a clean break with those habits  
which keep us from wholeness. Open us to the movement of  
your Spirit within us. *Silence is kept.***

\* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\* HYMN 579

*Glory Be to the Father*

**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.**

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

*Children are invited forward*

HYMN

*This Little Light of Mine*

**This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. (3x)**

**Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

MEDITATION

*Poured*

\* HYMN

*They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

**WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

\* STATEMENT OF BELIEF (Unison)

*A paraphrase of part of the peace prayer of St Francis*

**O loving Christ may we become an instrument of your peace:**

**Grant that we may learn to strive but not compete,**

**To be empowered without seeking to oppress,**

**To stand tall without looking down on others,**

**To be aware of our inner wisdom without attempting to inflict it  
on anyone else.**

**For it is in letting go that we find peace,**

**In abandoning arrogance that we find truth**

**And in taking risks that we find love.**

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

*Evening Prayer*

Humperdinck/Caux

\* HYMN

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow with Alleluias*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.**

**Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER