

## 2018 CHURCH LEADERSHIP

### Elders

Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk of Session

#### 2018

Diane Chaney  
John Haugland  
Gwen Heine

#### 2019

Jeanine Buttimer  
Patti Friend  
Susan Lynch  
Lisa Aulerich- Marciniak

#### 2020

Frank Gangware  
Martha Heine  
Lynda Nadkarni  
Dennis Zander

### Deacons

#### 2018

David Harper  
Steve Marcus  
Paula McCracken  
Serina Ranft

#### 2019

Ellen Hamilton  
Sandy Kappmeyer  
Lorraine Meyer  
Steve Teune

#### 2020

Lloyd Bradbury  
Charlie Juister  
Sally Sloane  
Jeanne Smith

### Trustees

#### 2018

Thom DeVries  
Joel Hastings  
George Meyer  
Connie Nestor

#### 2019

Susan Deems-Dluhy  
Cyril Friend  
Fred Kitch  
Brad Staubus

#### 2020

Patti Perry-Halline  
Doug Harvin  
Henry Vogel

### Mission Statement

We gather as a church family 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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## Welcome to Riverside Presbyterian Church

December 31, 2017 ~ First Sunday after Christmas Day

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.



CHIMING THE HOUR

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 *Of the Father's Love Begotten* Held

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

We who knelt in the stable,

**Let us come and kneel together in God's presence.**

Let our hearts give thanks and our hands rejoice!

**Let our spirits sing and our bodies dance!**

Friends, as we begin a new year tomorrow, enter the house of God!

**Know the God who is Emmanuel, God with us!**

\* HYMN #41

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

\* CALL TO CONFESSION

As we complete the Christmas celebration and begin a new year, we are called to confess the empty places of our lives. Let us offer our confession to God.

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Ever fresh God, you come to us again and again as the God of possibility and promise. Yet, we confess our hopelessness and cynicism.**

**You ask us to dream; we respond with doubt.**

**You embrace us with love; we react with judgment.**

**You call us to serve; we look for protection.**

**Living God, forgive our resistance to new life. Be born in us and push us out gracefully into your world of need.**

*Silence is kept.*

\* SUNG RESPONSE 44 vs 4

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

**O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us we pray;**

**Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in us today.**

**We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;**

**O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!**

\* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Responsive)

The Word became Flesh and dwelt among us.

**The God of old became the God of the new.**

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

TIME FOR CHILDREN

*Children are invited forward*

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 61:10 -62:3  
Luke 2:11-33 and 39

SERMON

*Learning from the Old Codger*

Guest Preacher Rev. Garnett Foster

\* HYMN #49

*Once in Royal David's City*

**WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM

*Celtic Christmas Celebration*

arr.Goss

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE 23 refrain *Angels We Have Heard on High*  
**Gloria in excelsis Deo; Gloria in excelsis Deo**

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

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.**

\* HYMN #40

*Joy to the World!*

\* BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

*Noel Provençal*

Corette

\* *You are invited to stand if able.*