

Welcome to
Riverside Presbyterian Church

April 8, 2018 ~ Second Sunday of Easter

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WELCOME & SHARING OUR JOYS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

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

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)
Morning has broken!

We gather to greet the new day by praising God.

God created us for relationship with God,
one another, and the earth.

Let us honor those relationships today and every day.

We seek to care for our brothers and sisters
around the world and to God's good Creation.

JAZZ SUNDAY— Andrew Tecson and his jazz musician colleagues are featured at morning worship today. At least since 2006 the annual "Jazz Sunday at RPC" has been a beloved tradition, with the band providing all music for the service. The son of RPC member Caroline Tecson and the late Joseph Tecson, Andy, a lawyer (a graduate of the University of Chicago Law School), grew up in Riverside and has played the saxophone since he was a young boy. He is a composer as well and began composing music as a student at Riverside - Brookfield High School. Some of his compositions are the Jazz Psalms, the Chicago Jazz Mass, and more recently, with his fellow musicians Bobby Schiff and Bobby Lewis, a Jazz Passion. All of these works have been performed in regional churches and beyond. A special treat to enjoy is the opportunity to hear the members of this talented ensemble improvise individually on their instruments: Andy Tecson, saxophone; Bobby Schiff, piano; Stew Miller, bass; Jerry Coleman, drums; Ken Jandes, saxophone; Victor Garcia, trumpet; and Kecia Waldschmidt, vocalist.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Ushers: Paula McCracken and Ellen Hamilton

Liturgist: Lynda Nadkarni

Andrew Ministers: Cyril Friend and Lynda Nadkarni

Flowers today are given in loving memory of my deceased husband, Harry, and parents Eva and Max, from Connie Nestor.

Coffee fellowship today is the Deacon Potluck.

Trustees of the Month: George Meyer and Patti Perry-Halline

Let us honor those relationships today and every day.

May we commit to new ways of honoring your Creation
as a means of sharing Jesus' transforming love,

And let us seek God's grace, justice and mercy for all.

* HYMN 123

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

* PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

**Creator God, we give you thanks for the great abundance and
nourishment that you provide us through your Creation and
through your great love. As we come together to worship you,
reveal to us ways we can honor you and your created world.
Inspire our worship and shape our lives to reveal your glory.
Amen.**

* 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 OF RESPONSE

Jesus Love Me!

**Jesus love me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus love me! The Bible tells me so.**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 1:25-30
Matthew 22:36-40

MEDITATION

Created for Community

* HYMN 108

Christ Is Alive!

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM

Resurrection

* HYMN

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him,
all creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE BAPTISM OF
Callum Marc Scheetz

INTRODUCTION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRESENTATION

QUESTIONS

ACT OF BAPTISM

PRAYER AND BLESSING AFTER BAPTISM

* HYMN 525

Here I Am, Lord

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

When the Saints Go Marching In

* *You are invited to stand if able.*