

Riverside Presbyterian Church

October 3, 2021 ~ World Communion Sunday

Welcome! We are glad you are here!

Please silence your cell phones.

* Indicates please stand in body or Spirit.



Rev. Roberta Dodds-Ingersoll is a retired educator/pastor, having served churches in Louisiana, Texas, and Illinois. Currently she resides in Grayslake, Illinois. She spends her time volunteering for the Association of Presbyterian Church Educators (APCE), hiking Lake County Forest Preserve trails with her husband Bill, and traveling to Houston, Texas, to see her two adorable grandchildren.

WE PREPARE

PRELUDE *Prelude in b minor BWV855A* JS Bach/Silotti

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE (Responsive)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

WE GATHER

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Gather us, O God,

and we will know your life that makes us one.

Gather us, O God,

and we will celebrate our variety and uniqueness.

Gather us, O God,

and we will give you the pain of our brokenness.

Gather us, O God,

and we will share the gifts of your Spirit.

Trinity of love, bind us as one: That our brokenness be healed by you, our fears be held by you, our gifts be used by you, our lives be offered to you, so that the world may believe. Amen.

* HYMN 401

Here in This Place

INVITATION TO PRAYER

PRAYER FOR WHOLENESS (Unison)

Almighty God, mother of mercy, father of grace: You have called us to one table, but we have pursued our own course. You have promised us the abundance of all creation, but in our greed, and in our envy, the world goes without. You have promised us the bread of life itself, but in our pride, and in our arrogance, the world goes hungry. You have promised us the waters of peace and justice, but in our violence, and in our discord, the world goes thirsty. And now we are famished, too, Lord. Have mercy on us. Forgive us, again. Transform us, at this table, and for this table, and send us from this table as servants of your righteousness, by the power of your Son, our Lord. *Silence is kept*

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

WE LISTEN

MINI MESSAGE

Children are invited to stay in worship; activity bags are available.

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15
John 6:24-35

MEDITATION

The Bread of Life

WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

THE JOYFUL FEAST OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Communion is open to all.

Please hold the elements and we will commune together.

INVITATION

APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day He arose again; he ascended into heaven, and is
seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the
living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic
church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Responsive)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We thank you, God . . . (prayer continues) Therefore, with your whole
church on earth and with all the company of heaven, we sing:

**Holy, holy, holy One, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth reveal your glory, blessed God of Love.
Sing hosanna in the highest!
Sing hosanna, hosanna, God of heavenly peace.**

We thank you that you sent your only child Jesus . . . (prayer continues)
Together we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Send your Holy Spirit . . . (prayer continues)

INTERCESSIONS FOR THE WORLD (Responsive)

Where there is lack of regard for your creation,
prod us to speak up.

Where people fail to see the dignity of all persons,
open blind eyes.

Where there is silence about others being hurt,
impassion us with a desire for justice.

Lord, your creation groans under abuse.

Renew the earth with goodness.

Your children are starving across this globe.

To those who hunger, give bread.

And to those who have bread,

give hunger for justice.

People languish in prisons, some unjustly, some without repentance,
and some for standing up for your Way.

Release the captives, Lord.

O God, our Sovereign, leaders in all lands take bribes and afflict their
peoples.

**Topple oppressive powers with your rule and send the rich away
empty.**

Your church luxuriates in the comfort of faith.

Send us to be your servants in service to the world.

The sick suffer forgotten in pain.

Heal their hurts in body, mind, and spirit.

People have solicited our prayers and others needing our prayers weigh heavy on our hearts. So, we offer these our prayers in the silence of this place. (Silence for prayers)

And now, with the confidence of children of God, we pray together saying:

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

You have given Yourself to us Lord.

Now we give ourselves for others.

Your love has made us a new people.

As a people of love, we will serve You with joy.

Your glory has filled our hearts.

Help us to glorify You in all things.

Holy Triune God, we thank you for this meal that proclaims the peace and healing of the nations. We thank you for this meal where a little is enough to change our lives; where a little is more than enough to feed those whose hearts yearn for communion in community. May this bread and fruit of the vine nourish us so that we may grow in the faith and knowledge that in you, we are one. Amen.

WE DEPART

* HYMN 372

O for a World

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata in G

W H Pachelbel

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Liturgist: Lisa Aulerich-Marciniak

Usher: Steve Marcus

Fellowship Time is hosted by Wendy Seifert and Steve Marcus

Worship Notes

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RPC MISSION TRIP —A mission trip to New Orleans through RHINO (Rebuilding Hope In New Orleans - www.rhinonola.org) for the week of November 29 is in the works. They are accepting groups Monday - Friday. We will drive on November 28 and have housing with Mike and Gwen Heine. The trip is not limited to RPC members so please share and invite friends. Email Fred Mitchell at fcmitchell435@aol.com if you have interest. A rough number is needed to continue planning.



CALLING ALL PARENTS OF KIDS K-5TH GRADE! Get ready to rumble on Sunday, October 17 at 11:00 am! We will have food (of course) and fun while we also get

our church on. We will end at noon so you can go on with your day. Through sports, games, drama, and art we'll work through some of the important teachings of the Bible and figure out how they matter today. I like to think of it as "how to be a good human" time. Please let me know how many of your kiddos will attend and whether or not they will bring a friend (because life is more fun when you've got a buddy at your side)! Lynda ministerofmissionandoutreach@rpcusa.org or text 708-288-0899

HEY YOUTH (6TH-12TH GRADE)!

(Hey what?) Want to hang with friends, do cool things like a ropes course, have food and plan a mission trip? I thought you would! Join Remind to get all the details! Just text 81010 with @youth-rpc (Make sure you get the ok from your adult first). Can't wait to see you! Mrs. Nadkarni



MISSION AND OUTREACH — Join the Riverside Area Refugee Resettlement page on Facebook to support what RPC, Ascension and others are doing to help refugees in Chicago.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/riversiderefugeeresettlement>

First order of business is to collect coats, hats, mittens and gloves for the 500 refugees who have recently arrived in Chicago. RPC is a collection spot. You can drop off new or gently used donations October 1-7 or email Connie Kelly at consueloak@sbcglobal.net for pick up.

Next up will be gathering items and donation to set up an apartment and provide for living expenses for a specific family.



RPC IS A MATTHEW 25 CHURCH

The Matthew 25 churches, more than 1,000 strong, are churches in the PCUSA who are committed to one or more of

these actions: **Building congregational vitality** by challenging people and congregations to deepen their faith and get actively and joyfully engaged with their community and the world. **Dismantling structural racism** by advocating and acting to break down the systems, practices and thinking that underlie discrimination, bias, prejudice and oppression of people of color. **Eradicating systemic poverty** by working to change laws, policies, plans and structures in our society that perpetuate economic exploitation of people who are poor. To learn more about how other churches are responding to the call, join the [Matthew 25 Facebook Page](#). Share your ideas about how we might respond with Matt Lisle or Lynda Nadkarni.

Carrie Staubus
Donna Ulrich
Joyce Van Cura
Jack Smith
Monica Wood
Jerry Augutis, friend of Steve Marcus





IN PERSON WORSHIP — Sundays 10:00 am -
 you are invited to join us for worship in the
 Sanctuary.

SUNDAY MORNING CONVERSATIONS — Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in hybrid
 form in the RPC library.

SUNDAYS WITH TED meets in person in the upstairs RPC parlor and via
 Zoom starting at 6:30 p.m. on Sundays to view the TED Talk and discuss it,
 ending by 7:30 p.m. [https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676?pwd=dnNnbHF6cE43TXo3Q3NqSjZUHRFdz09)
[pwd=dnNnbHF6cE43TXo3Q3NqSjZUHRFdz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676?pwd=dnNnbHF6cE43TXo3Q3NqSjZUHRFdz09) Meeting ID: 856 8518
 2676, Passcode: 744144, Phone 312-626-6799. Email Doug Asbury with
 questions at dougasbury@gmail.com. *Programs are subject to change.

Oct. 3 — Margaret Heffernan – The human skills we need in an
 unpredictable world

Oct. 10—Anil Seth—Your brain hallucinates your conscious reality



PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING—

By giving to the Peace & Global Witness
 Offering, one of the special offerings of
 the PC(USA), we work to share Christ’s
 peace with one another, beyond our doors, beyond our community and
 across boundaries. Together we are building God’s house where everyone
 is welcome; where all can find compassion, peace and justice. Please mark
 your donation “Peace & Global Witness Offering”.

2021 CHURCH LEADERSHIP			
Elders	2021	2022	2023
	Gwen Heine	Ben Dickerson	Lisa Aulerich Marciniak
	Allan Halline	Ellen Hamilton	Sandra Kappmeyer
	Matt Lisle	Serina Ranft	Jon Jansky
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	Joyce Van Cura		
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