

Riverside Presbyterian Church

April 3, 2022 ~ Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome! We are glad you are here!

* Indicates please stand in body or Spirit.



WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE *Ach Herr, mich armen Sünder* Kuhnau

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 34:1-3)

L: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

P: My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

A: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

*HYMN #413

Come into God's Presence

* CALL TO CONFESSION (Isa 43:2)

L: When we pass through deep waters or go through times of fiery trial, the Lord our God is with us. With confidence in God, our creator and redeemer, let us confess our sin.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and for what has become consuming. Free us from a past we cannot change. Open our eyes, so that we can see in ourselves that which needs changing, and help us to grow into your grace and likeness. (Silence is kept.)

All of this we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON & THE PEACE (Isa 43:1, 19)

L: Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name, you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth! By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

P: Thanks be to God.

L: Our Lord Jesus said:

P: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.

L: This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it:

P: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

L: On these two commandments hang all the teaching and the prophets. May the peace of Christ be with you all.

P: And also with you.

*The GLORIA PATRI (# 581)

**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.**

MINI MESSAGE

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

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING (unison)

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food so that it may nourish us in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ the bread of heaven. Amen.

FIRST LESSON	Amos 5:6-15	OT p. 853
ANTHEM	<i>He was Wounded</i>	arr. Hopson
SECOND LESSON	Matthew 5:17-26	NT p. 4
SERMON	"Debtor's Prison"	

OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE

*HYMN # 500 *Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread*

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.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*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.

*PRAYERS OF DEDICATION

THE LORD'S SUPPER Hymnal p. 8-12

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #442 *Just as I Am, Without One Plea*

*BENEDICTION

*THE CONGREGATION'S RESPONSE HYMN #515, v. 5 *I Come With Joy*

POST *Récit de Tierce pour le Benedictus* de Grigny

WORSHIP NOTES

Prelude: *Ach Herr, mich armen Sünder*; Kuhnau

Anthem: *He was Wounded*; arr. Hopson

Postlude: *Récit de Tierce pour le Benedictus*; de Grigny

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PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Greeters:

Liturgist: Doug Asbury

Mini Message: Lynda Nadkarni

Fellowship is hosted by Sandra Kappmeyer

Trustees of the Month: Henry Vogel and Will Vogel



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APRIL 3, 2022

LENTEN AND EASTER SCHEDULE — On Maundy Thursday, April 14, we will gather in the Social Hall at 6:30 pm for a bread and soup supper and Tenebrae Service and Foot (or hand!) Washing Service.

Easter Sunday will be filled with bells, trumpets and celebrations including communion.



\$150,000 IN OUR 150TH YEAR — Take a look at our wall! The goal is to raise \$150,000 in our 150th year. You can make your gifts online or in person. Share this with people in your life who care about RPC and you!



ALL AGES FAITH FORMATION — Sunday, April 3, 11:00 am — Kids of all ages are invited to help put together 150 Easter bags after worship for children whose families use the Westchester food pantry. There are 150 children served weekly by the pantry from Westchester, Broadview, La Grange Park, North Riverside, and neighboring communities. Donations of candy, stickers, plastic eggs, etc. and cash for purchase of items are needed. See Lynda for more information or with questions.

MASKING POLICY – EFFECTIVE MARCH 6, 2022 –

Members shall be allowed to make individual choice on whether to remain masked. Those with fragile health conditions or other concerns should remain masked if they wish, and we strongly encourage any who are not vaccinated to mask out of concern and courtesy for their fellow members.



The Deacons will meet Tuesday, April 5 at 7:00 pm in the Parlor.

THEOLOGY ON TAP — is on break.

UPPER ROOM DAILY DEVOTIONALS — Copies of the March-April Upper Room are available in the sanctuary and in the rack outside the office.

Lynn Shannon Labotka
Will Vogel
Ruth and Frank Svestka
Harriet Kweton
Joyce Van Cura
Jack Smith
Stephen Musick, son of Elizabeth Musick
Monica and James Wood
Bill Mudra, father of Lynda Nadkarni
Don and Marcia James, brother and sister-in-law of Joyce Dobrzanski



SUNCATCHER FUNDRAISER—As part of our effort to raise \$150,000 in honor of our 150 years of ministry, anyone who donates a minimum of \$25 is welcome to choose a suncatcher made by Blenko Glass Company of Milton, West Virginia featuring a design by our own Bryan Zander. The color is called “tangerine” - a combination of reds, oranges, and yellows - with each being a unique combination of colors and highlights. Two examples of this suncatcher can be seen in the hallway across from the office area. Fifty suncatchers

were created, and some donors have selected their own already; but around 40 remain to be claimed. Since one donor paid for the order, your entire donation supports RPC's ministries.

SUNDAYS WITH TED—6:00 p.m. We will meet via Zoom. Here is the link you can click in order to join our session, as well as the passcode you will be asked to type in when the box opens requesting it: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676>

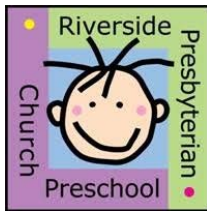


[pwd=MUU4b0J2Y3FiV3luQm1jTnBqODBrZz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85685182676), Passcode: 448942. You can access a clickable link on the RPC website, or request one via email from Doug Asbury. **4/3**—Paul Rulkens - Why the majority is always wrong
4/10 —Michael Ferguson - This is your brain on God



LOOSE COIN OFFERING—Today we dedicate all loose coins in the offering plates to the Presbytery of Chicago Hunger Fund. In lieu of loose coins, indicate Presbytery Hunger Fund in the memo line of a check or online.

ALHAFFAR FAMILY NEWS—The AlHaffar family continues to settle in well, concentrating on learning English. They look forward to coming out to the burbs to meet all of us who are supporting them. They always ask we pass forward their thanks for God placing us in their lives.



PRESCHOOL NEWS—PRESCHOOL SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 10:00 AM WORSHIP WITH RECEPTION AND TOURS TO FOLLOW

Students will be singing in worship. Alumni, former teachers and their families are invited to attend, too! Fellowship will be held in the social hall at 11:00 am and the school will be open for viewing. We hope you will join in the celebration of our 52nd year of catching 'em being good! If you are a former student or parent, please plan to be there and help spread the word!

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY NEWS—Did you know Riverside Foods is now offering produce to RPC twice a week? If you are able to help with pick up any Tuesday or Thursday morning, contact Deb Jansky 708-822-9557 or newhorizons002@gmail.com to sign up.

FRESH PRODUCE



BIBLE PRESENTATION SUNDAY is May 15 during worship. All kids 2nd grade (or older) who have not received a Bible are invited to be part of this special day. Please email or call Lynda Nadkarni for more information.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING —

Since 1949, Presbyterians have participated in One Great Hour of



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

SPECIAL OFFERINGS
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Sharing to share God's love with people experiencing need. The One Great Hour of Sharing offering is traditionally received during the Lenten and Easter season and is one of the largest ways that Presbyterians join together to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world. Each gift helps improve the lives of people through these programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self-Development of People. You can donate by credit card online at rpcusa.org or by check. Please note One Great Hour of Sharing in the memo line of your check.

THIS WEEK

Today

10:00 am Worship-Communion
11:00 am Fellowship
6:00 pm Sundays with Ted

Monday

10:30 am Staff Meeting
5:30 pm Volleyball

Tuesday

6:30 am Men's Forum
7:00 pm Deacons Meeting

Wednesday

6:30 pm AcaBELLa Ringers
7:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday

7:00 am Women's Forum

Saturday

10:30 am Memorial-Greta Schramm

Sunday—Palm Sunday

10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Fellowship
6:00 pm Sundays with Ted

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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.

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2022 CHURCH LEADERSHIP

	2022	2023	2024
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