

Riverside Presbyterian Church

May 1, 2022 ~ Third Sunday of Easter

Welcome! We are glad you are here!

* Indicates please stand in body or Spirit.



WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE *Improvisation from Suite Médiévale* Langlais

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP (Isaiah 61:1-4)

L: The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed.

P: God has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of God's vengeance. God has sent me to comfort all who mourn.

L: These are the oaks of righteousness, the plantings of the Lord to display God's glory.

A: They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations, they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

*HYMN #234 *Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the future, you rise in power to bring the world under your rule. We admit that we truly have not expected much to change, and we live doing what is right in our own eyes. Forgive us for ignoring your priorities. Forgive us for our casual lives. All this we ask in Jesus, our Christ. Amen. (Silence is kept.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON & THE PEACE (Acts 2:17,21)

L: Hear the good news of God's presence and promise: "I will pour out my spirit on all flesh. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Peace be with you.

P: Glory to God, the Highest! Thanks be to God, and God's peace be 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 preschool-5th grade may meet Ms. Aulerich-Marciniak in the narthex after the Mini-Message for a special activity.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word. Silence in us any voice but your own voice. Show us what is best. Receiving your truth in faith and love, grant us the grace to be what is best, and to do what is best, always living for your glory; In Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, we pray. Amen.

FIRST LESSON	John 20:19-30	NT p. 115
ANTHEM	<i>Communion Prayer</i>	Pote
SECOND LESSON	John 21:1-14	NT p. 115
MESSAGE	"F.E.A.S.T."	

OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE

*HYMN # 256 *These Things Did Thomas Count as Real*

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 #239 *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!*

*BENEDICTION

*THE CONGREGATION'S RESPONSE HYMN #259, v. 3 *God of Heaven*

POSTLUDE

O Welt, sieh heir dein Leben

Pepping

WORSHIP NOTES

Prelude: *Improvisation from Suite Médiévale*; Langlais

Anthem: *Communion Prayer*; Pote

Postlude: *O Welt, sieh heir dein Leben*; Pepping

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PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Greeters:

Liturgist:

Mini Message: Rev. Mary Jo Dean

Flowers: are given in loving memory of Bill & Dorothy Jansky and Gene & Florence Swenson from Jon and Deb Jansky and in loving memory of Ruth McCracken from Paula McCracken.

Fellowship:

Trustees of the Month: Will Vogel and Henry Vogel



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MAY 1, 2022

150,000 IN OUR 150TH YEAR —We're actively fundraising for the ministry and mission of RPC with a goal of \$150,000 in our 150th year. Some people are giving \$5 a week = \$260 for the year. Others are choosing a one time gift. This photo represents \$6,000 worth of envelopes, a recent anonymous donation from a local resident who is not a member of RPC. She was so impressed with the work we are doing with refugees that she wanted to provide enough money for us to immediately co-sponsor another family!



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.

RUMMAGE SALE FOR REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT—

RPC will hold an area wide rummage sale on May 14 from 9:00am - 2:00pm with all proceeds to support refugees. Drop off of household items and decor (no clothing or bedding) will be Sunday, May 8 from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Monday, May 9 from 10:00am - 2:00pm and Tuesday, May 10 from 6:00 - 8:00pm. To volunteer to assist with drop off or day of, email missionandoutreach@rpcusa.org.



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. Each one is a unique combination of colors and highlights. A limited number of suncatchers were created, and only around 30 remain to be claimed. Take a look at those displayed in the Social Hall, and after you've donated, choose yours to take home and catch some sun!



ELLEN AWAY —Ellen will be out of the office April 21-May 9.

Lynn Shannon Labotka
Will Vogel
Ruth and Frank Svestka
Harriet Kweton
Joyce Van Cura
Jack Smith



Stephen Musick, son of Elizabeth Musick
Duci Musick, daughter-in-law of Elizabeth Musick
Monica and James Wood
Bill Mudra, father of Lynda Nadkarni
Jana Bennett Stewart, sister of Joyce Van Cura
Prayers of comfort and peace to Connie Kelly and family on the death of her sister, Eileen.



WEDDING SUNDAY @ RPC MAY 22 AT 10:00 AM— If you were married at RPC, we hope you celebrate with us in any of these ways! Submit a wedding photo, along with names and dates for a slideshow to www.rpcoffice@rpcusa.org, attend worship in person for an affirmation of your vows, share a photo on our facebook page www.facebook.com/riverpreschurch, contribute equivalent to your anniversary years to help support our ongoing ministry and mission. Give via mail or online at rpcusa.org
Questions? Lynda Nadnarki, missionandoutreach@rpcusa.org

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>



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5/8 —Garry Kasparov—Stand with Ukraine in the Fight against Evil

FRESH PRODUCE



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.

THEOLOGY ON TAP — is on break.



FAITH FORMATION —The last Faith Formation for K-5th grade will be Sunday, May 1 during worship after the Mini Message.

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



ALHAFFAR FAMILY NEWS—Last weekend, mentors visited and taught the children games while practicing their English.

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.

PRESCHOOL NEWS—We now have the addition of a compost bin in the back of the building! It will be a nice way to take care of the produce that is beyond use in the food pantry. The preschoolers will be managing it during the school year as an educational opportunity. A win-win!



AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE — June 9, 10 am - 3 pm at the Riverside Village Hall. The Riverside Public Library and Riverside Township are teaming up to sponsor an American Red Cross Blood Drive on June 9 in the auditorium on the 2nd floor of Village Hall. In January, the Red Cross reported that we are currently in the worst national blood shortage in a decade. If you are able and willing to donate, we hope you will sign up as a donor at this event. You must create an account and register for an appointment through the American Red Cross. <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive>

THIS WEEK**Today**

10:00 am Worship-Communion-
K-5th Grade Faith Formation in
Worship

11:00 am Fellowship

6:00 pm Sundays with Ted

Monday

5:30 pm Volleyball

6:00 pm Preschool Mom's Night

Tuesday

6:30 am Men's Forum

Wednesday

6:30 pm AcaBELLa Ringers

7:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday

7:00 am Women's Forum

Sunday

10:00 am Worship

11:00 am Fellowship

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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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