

Welcome to
Riverside
Presbyterian Church

May 28, 2023

Pentecost Sunday
Confirmation Sunday

Please silence your cell phones.
Childcare is available for children
through 1st grade after the Mini
Message.

*Indicates please stand in body or
Spirit.



All are invited to share gifts in the offering plates located at the end of the aisles before worship. The plates will be brought forward prior to the Doxology.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE

Chant sans Parole

Callahan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.

And also with you.

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Acts 2:1-4)

Leader: All together in one place;

People: they heard the rush of a violent wind;

Leader: it filled the entire house.

People: Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared and rested on each of them;

Leader: they were filled with the Holy Spirit.

*HYMN 289

On Pentecost They Gathered

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Spirit of God, we hesitate and doubt. You call us to act boldly but our fear keeps us from following your call. Forgive our lack of courage. Embolden us to dream big and trust the Spirit to fill us and use us. Help us be Christ's church without hesitation. Guided by your Holy Spirit, help us usher in your kin-dom to come. Amen. (Silence is kept.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE GLORIA PATRI (# 581)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.**

MINI MESSAGE

BAPTISM - Reese Wynn Jackson

CONFIRMATION - Reese Wynn Jackson, Cooper Sahlas and Luke Staubus
Presentation of Confirmands

Constitutional Questions of Confirmands

Welcome By the Congregation (Responsive)

Leader: Let us, the members of Riverside Presbyterian Church express our welcome and affirm our mutual ministry.

People: We welcome you with joy in the common life of the church. We promise to support and nurture you. We promise to listen to your hopes and dreams for our church.

Prayer for Confirmands

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Open our hearts and minds by the power of your Spirit, Holy God, that we might hear and receive the message you intend for us today. Amen.

FIRST READING	Acts 2:1-21	NT p. 119
SECOND READING	John 20:19-23	NT p. 115
SERMON	“And It Shall Be Said, Build Up, Build Up, Prepare the Way, Remove Every Obstruction From My People’s Way”	

OUR FAITHFUL RESPONSE

*HYMN #279 *Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Nicene Creed)

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death
and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the
Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of
the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY

ANTHEM

Come Gracious Spirit

Wood

*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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR OFFERINGS (unison)

**You have blessed each of us with gifts to serve and share, Most
Generous God. May the offerings we present today be used to further
your Kin-dom and build your beloved community. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SILENT PRAYER

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.**

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #688

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

*BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude, Fugue & Chaconne

Buxtehude



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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — The Session has called a Congregational Meeting following Worship on June 4 for the purpose of receiving the report of the Pastoral Nominating Committee and voting on accepting their candidate for Designated Pastor, Rev. Mark Zimmerly, who will lead worship and preach that day.

SEND-OFF FOR PASTOR SCOTT — On Tuesday, May 30, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm, a wine and cheese send-off will be held at the home of Lynda Nadkarni. Lynda lives at 1401 E. 31st Street in LaGrange Park. It's a corner – 31st and Cleveland – with the door on Cleveland. Come to thank Scott for his time as our Bridge Pastor and to share your well wishes for his future endeavors!

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS! — RPC always enjoys hearing our local talent over the summer when the choir is off. We would love to have lots of musical participants this summer as we have in the past. All ages and styles of music are welcome, as are non-members. Please contact Sally if you are interested in signing up for a Sunday in June, July or August. 708/822-0655 (text) or sallysloane@me.com

MISSION & OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETING — Sunday, June 4 after worship/congregational meeting in the social hall.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Greeters: Jon and Deb Jansky

Liturgist: Megan Foran

Mini Message: Lynda Nadkarni

Flowers: today are in celebration of Paula McCracken's birthday. "Happy Birthday, Paula" Love, Jeanne and Jack.

Fellowship: Join us for a special fellowship of pizza, salad and cake to honor our Confirmands and to thank Rev. Scott Matheney.

Trustees of the Month: Lynda Nadkarni and Tom Radigan

Worship Notes: Liturgy written by Teri McDowell Ott for The Presbyterian Outlook.

Martha Heine
Alyssa Schwarz
John Lynch
Lloyd Bradbury
Jack Smith
Monica Wood



Brad Betson, brother-in-law of Lynda Nadkarni
Alice Ann Hand and Edward Hand, sister and brother-in-law of Liz Musick
Duci Musick, daughter-in-law of Elizabeth Musick

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY — Today we welcome the Confirmands into membership. A special thanks to Doug Asbury for leading and Ben Dickerson, Steven Teune and Dennis Zander for mentoring our Confirmands.

SUNDAYS WITH TED & FRIENDS – 6:00 p.m. We will meet in person in the church library and via Zoom. Use the following link for Zoom video: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89159855297> To join by phone, dial and follow the prompts to enter the meeting number: +13126266799,,89159855297# You can access a clickable link on the RPC website, or request one via email from Doug Asbury at dougasbury@gmail.com. **5/28**—Richard Reeves—Why the Modern Male is Struggling **6/4**—Raj Chetty—Cross-Class Friendships Are Key to Rising Out of Poverty

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY — A recent article in The Landmark has brought attention to the Little Food Pantry. One of our regular clients read the article and came by to give us a \$5.00 donation. A Brownie Troop will be holding a food drive, as will a women’s book club. A former preschool family donated a side of frozen beef. In what way might you support this vital mission for the community?

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL RETURNS! – Registration is now open for the wonder of God’s work through science. Space is limited so sign up soon! Forms are available outside the office and on the website. VBS will be June 26-29 from 9:00 – 11:45 am.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY DONATION — Last week, former colleagues of Susanne Vogel held a gathering in her honor where participants were asked to bring canned goods and could shop Cabi Clothing, her favorite brand. Several bags of food were collected and the profits of \$325 were donated for when RPC shops for canned goods. A sweet tribute to their friend who is missed.



PENTECOST OFFERING – On May 28 as part of our celebration of Pentecost we receive one of the special offerings of the church. A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. 40% of the Pentecost offering is retained by individual congregations to make an impact in the lives of young people within their own community. The remaining 60% is used to support children-at-risk, youth, and young adults through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency. <https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/offering/pentecost/#resources> The envelopes are at the back of the sanctuary and in the rack outside the office. Last year RPC contributed our portion to the LeaderShop. To learn more about their work with youth in the community, check out their website: www.theleadershop.org



PRESCHOOL NEWS — We wrapped up the year with so many fun activities including a visit from our very own Nancy Dvorak! Nancy shared the history of our water tower, taught about cylinders and cones, and helped each student create their own mini water tower. We still have 5 spaces available for fall. Please share the preschool story with people you meet!

DONATIONS DESIRED FOR VBS — Please save clear, plastic egg cartons and 2 L plastic bottles for VBS. There is a collection box near the office. See Sandra Kappmeyer if you have questions.

REFUGEE FAMILY UPDATE — The family we are sponsoring has some exciting news! Jumaah's parents found a three flat in Milwaukee where they can live along with several of their children and grandchildren. Milwaukee has the second largest Rohingya population in the US after Chicago. They will be moving in July. Please pray for their continued successful transition to life in the US. Pictured are Abdu (Jumaah's husband), Bibi, (Jumaah's sister), her mother, Jumaah, and her father.



THIS WEEK

Today

10:00 am Worship—Confirmation

11:00 am Fellowship

6:00 pm Sundays with TED

Monday

Office Closed—Memorial Day

5:30 pm Volleyball

Tuesday

6:30 am Men's Forum

5:00 pm Send-off for Pastor Scott

Sunday

10:00 am Worship

11:00 am Congregational Meeting

11:15 am Fellowship

11:15 am Mission & Outreach
Meeting

2:00 pm Worship at Cantata

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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2023 CHURCH LEADERSHIP

	2023	2024	2025
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