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The Promise of Advent, the Joy of Christmas

Each year during these weeks before Christmas, we struggle to hold back the joy and celebration of the promised King. The trees and other Christmas paraphernalia have been out since before Halloween in many shops. The sense all around us is to rush, move the time along. For me, Advent is special. It is a time to take a deep breath and carefully exam the promise. Can you imagine the wait? Prophets had foretold of the coming Messiah, but no one knew exactly when this promised one would appear. The people waited. It is good that they didn't have merchants stringing up lights, playing carols and setting out boxes of cards. It allowed them to wait while going about their regular schedules. When the gift arrived, they were not fatigued, frustrated and angry. There was joy! How about us? What can we do to experience the gift of the wait? Many of you who have borne children have a sense of the function of waiting. In waiting, there is time to prepare not only the nursery, our family and ourselves, but we also begin to anticipate the big day. We have the advantage of knowing the "rest of the story" about the birth of Jesus and that may be our downfall. We know that, yes, the Messiah did enter into our world, God incarnate. We know that he experienced the ups and downs of life; we know that he mentored a wide range of men and women; we know that he had supernatural powers to heal and to redeem; we know that

because he taught principles and concepts contrary to the conventional wisdom he was a threat to the powerful. We know that he was captured, sentenced and executed. But this is not the end of the story. He experienced death for our sake and experienced life on our behalf so that we would have an assurance. Our Jesus, our Messiah conquered both sin and death and now we can truly experience the joy of Christmas. Waiting is difficult, but his contemporaries had to wait, too. It took thirty-three years for the eye witness to realize that this Jesus is the Messiah! My prayer for each of you during this season of Advent is that you make a conscious effort to enjoy the wait, then experience a NEW joy of Christmas. God with us!

In Christ!

Beverly

P.S. This is my final message to all of you. Please know that my prayer is that you experience the full measure of God's blessings. It has been my honor to serve you. Glenn and I will be unavailable to you after December 31, 2014 as you will need to begin to get to know and trust a new pastor. For those of you who may have been hurt by my leadership, I ask forgiveness. For those who may have been blessed, I ask for your continued prayers as we move into a new chapter. May you experience peace and blessings in the New Year.

RICHARDSON PARK U.M.C.
CELEBRATES ADVENT and
CHRISTMAS!



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Sunday, December 7

11:45 AM

“Baby Shower for Jesus”
 Advent Covered Dish
 Everyone is invited.

Sunday, December 21

10:30 AM Worship

A Presentation of

“Do You Hear What I Hear?”

4:00 PM

Service of the LONGEST NIGHT

Wednesday, December 24

6:30 PM - Family Friendly
 Candlelight Service

10:00 PM - Special Music
 Carols and Anthems

10:30 PM - Traditional Candlelight
 Service



Tammy Brindle	12/1
William Edwards	12/2
Patrick Elliott	12/2
Devon Manley	12/2
Bruce Workman	12/2
Bryan Cummings	12/3
Andy Comeau	12/4
William Klingler, Jr.	12/4
Marjorie Newton	12/5
Dorothy Scarborough	12/5
James Alley	12/6
Mark Atkins	12/6
Don McFarland	12/7
Josiah Straughn	12/7
William Boyce	12/9
Zachary Casalvera	12/9
Andy Hughes	12/9
Billee Boyd	12/10
Emma Warfel	12/10
Carolyn Stafford	12/11
Dana Bourdon	12/12
Mary Lou Boyce	12/12
Rose Davis	12/12
Steven Ott, Sr.	12/12
Beverly Lewis	12/13
Justin Farren	12/14
Melanie Mitten	12/14
Megan Edwards	12/15
George Smallwood	12/15
Holly Bentley	12/16
David Brown	12/16
Shirly Ritter	12/19
Emma Mae Manley	12/20
Gladys Swain	12/21
Michael Toy	12/22
Adeline Le Breton	12/23
Tom Atkinson	12/25
Cheryl Lynn Krebs	12/25
Barbara Przywara	12/26
Betty Swain	12/26
Bill Aurelio	12/27
Neal Davis	12/27
Jason Bourdon	12/29
Amanda Graham	12/31



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Michael Coverdale	1/2
David Swain	1/2
Donna Thomas	1/2
Karen Collins	1/3
Cole Bauer	1/4
Paigely Boyd	1/4
Sarah James	1/4
Gabriel Klingler	1/4
Harold Spedden	1/4
Ken Horne	1/5
Wendy Walls	1/5
Donny Pasmore	1/6
Lee Powell	1/8
Alexis Anderson	1/10
Cindi Beane	1/11
Riley Parent	1/11
Joseph Watkins	1/12
Dillon Keffer	1/14
Julie Oakley	1/15
Hunter Saunders	1/15
Kiersten Hughart	1/16
Gillian Fader	1/17
Ginger Pettyjohn	1/17
Emmanuel Lee	1/18
Kenneth Saunders	1/18
Jerry Paoli	1/19
Ruth Phillips	1/19
Tony Donnelly	1/20
Sherry Hampton	1/20
Kristi Doughty	1/23
Christina Dale	1/29
Virginia Pridgen	1/30
Riley Ann Sullivan	1/30
Jen Fitzgerald	1/31



MISSION TREE



On Sundays in December, we will be hanging **Bells** on our Mission Tree. Hang a "bell" on the tree in honor or memory of someone special to you. Minimum donation is \$1.00. Our tree is located in the Extension.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

In December, Rebekah Circle will take care of the flowers in the church and in January, Ruth Circle will take care of the flowers. Both Circles will help with the poinsettias.

Circle Meetings

Rebekah Circle	No meeting in December Tue., January 6 7:00 p.m. – Extension
Ruth Circle	No meeting in December Wed., January 7 10:00 a.m. - Lounge

Advent Covered-dish Christmas Luncheon and "Baby Shower for Jesus" Sunday, December 7 11:45 AM

Please join us for a delightful afternoon of food and fellowship. The luncheon will be held in Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite dish and a baby item which will be donated to CAP for distribution to new mothers.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13 Annual Cookie Walk 9 AM – 10:30 AM

The proceeds from this event go toward UMW mission projects. We would appreciate your donations of cookies. Please label them because of allergies. These delicious cookies will be sold in half-pound holiday gift bags for \$5.00 each. We appreciate your making cookies and/or purchasing them. If you have questions, please call Marlene Johnson at 328-5806 or Lee Powell at 995-1307. Come join the fun and enjoy the cookies!



MISSION TREE



On Sundays in January, we are hanging **Snowflakes** on our Mission Tree. Hang a "snowflake" on the tree in honor or memory of someone special to you. Minimum donation is \$1.00. Our tree is located in the Extension.



CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS THIS ADVENT SEASON

The beautiful decorations which will adorn our church during Advent are graciously provided by the following members of RPUMC:

Advent Wreath	Phyllis Bowman
Altar Trees	Clyde & Carolyn Nafzinger
Altar Wreath	Pat Cummings
Altar Wreath	Ruth Gibney
Balcony Wreath	Raphael and Paulette Lazzaro
Door Wreath	Dave & Kathy Rogers
Door Wreath	Dorothy Scarborough
Door Wreath	Joan Stadelman
Door Wreath	Marvin & Betty Swain
Nativity Scenes	Koinonia Class



YE OLDE SHOPPE

*Every Thursday through December 20
10 AM - 2 PM
and
Saturday, December 6, Christmas Shoppe
10 AM - 2 PM*

*Ye Olde Shoppe will reopen
Thursday, February 5, 2015*

CHILDREN'S CHURCH



The Bible Detectives in Room 3 have finished their study of the book of Exodus. It seems impossible, but we are now getting ready for an adventure to Bethlehem! Our studies include research using the Children's Bible, costumes when we take one of our road trips (to Bethlehem), artwork and songs. Employing various methods, we all learn and, hopefully, remember the Bible story. Ms. Beth has been very busy teaching us two special songs with hand movements for the worship service on December 21. You certainly must come so we can share these special songs with you!

Have a blessed Christmas Season.

Ms. Marlene



WESLEY TOWER BANKS
November 2014 \$73.02

Thanks to everyone for remembering to bring your filled banks to church the first Sunday of each month. Our total to date for 2014 is \$1,077.26. Remember to pick up an empty bank as you leave the altar area on Communion Sunday. **AGAIN, THANKS FOR SAVING YOUR CHANGE.**

STAINED GLASS WINDOW UPDATE

We began the year with the knowledge that all of the stained glass windows are in need of some type of repair. To date, the eight windows lining the Sanctuary and one badly damaged mullion in the Youth Room have all been restored. The restoration is so remarkable that it has garnered the attention from those outside the Church, resulting in a generous \$10,000.00 donation from the Green Hills Lions Club for future restoration. Donations are still needed to pay for the completion of the restoration. No amount is too small.

Lay Leader Report
RPUMC Charge Conference
November 3, 2014

As with life in general, every year in the life of the church has its share of successes, challenges and shortcomings and this year was no exception at Richardson Park. The real challenge is to identify the shortcomings and recognize them as opportunities for improvement.

We started the year by attending a meeting where Pastor Beverly invited the leadership of the church to learn more about their responsibilities and begin to set goals for their respective committees. The various committee leaders were encouraged to consider their groups as teams and look for ways for these teams to share information and work together in an effort to collectively achieve those goals.

Our mission "to feed the body and the soul in the name of Jesus Christ" is continuing to grow and serve the community around us. The Free Lunch ministry, run by a combination of members and non-members, is serving more people than ever. Our hope is to continue to feed all the people that come for food and take every advantage of the opportunity to minister to those people's spiritual needs as well.

Easter was a "Big Day" with a record number in attendance as compared to the past few years; however, the number in attendance at subsequent worship services declined again where we would have liked to have retained a few people to become regulars after the holiday. The Worship Team planned a "Big Day" in June to celebrate Pentecost with a highly red decorated sanctuary, a supercharged worship service, wonderful music and an outdoor luncheon. God blessed us with a good turnout, great weather and excellent fellowship. We are looking forward to another "Big Day" on Christmas Eve with the excitement and expectation of the season and the hope of making a spiritual connection with anyone who attends our services.

As always, Vacation Bible School was a blessing to the children who attended and also to those of us who worked to make it a fun and positive learning experience where the focus was on Jesus' love for each one of us as unique and special creations of God.

We are still in need of a Youth Director. The SPRC Committee is working on modifying the position description and identifying advertising options in the hope of finding the right person(s) for the job. We pray and patiently await God's perfect will for the youth program at Richardson Park.

The Finance Committee, Church Council and the Trustees have worked very hard to keep expenditures under control while maintaining a facility that has many different needs. A comprehensive project to repair the stained glass windows was implemented and the majority of work is complete, insuring that the significance and beauty of this physical feature of the church will be enjoyed for generations to come.

On a personal note, I was challenged to co-chair the Missions Team this year with Glenn Lewis. We got off to a late start and took some time to understand how the budget process works. But the team rebounded and has come up with some good ideas for fundraisers and small neighborhood missions projects for the future. On Laity Sunday, a joint effort by the Missions Team, the United Methodist Women, both the Lay Leaders and the Director of the Neighborhood House in Wilmington provided an opportunity to feature "Women and Missions." The Music Director selected memorable hymns written and inspired by women and the service itself was designed, led and executed entirely by women. The message about the Neighborhood House was received with enthusiasm and acknowledged with generous contributions to this worthwhile ministry from the congregation. A very real success was realized when two souls in attendance that day made a connection with the Neighborhood House Director who was able to offer assistance and aid them both.

Pastor Beverly Lewis has elected to retire at the end of the year. I'll miss Pastor Beverly playing next to me in the Bell Choir, and we will all miss her inspiring messages from the pulpit. We wish her all the best as she and her husband, Glenn, enter a new phase of their lives.

Recently a rash of petty thefts, both inside and outside the building, has greatly disturbed the leadership of the church. It makes me wonder how we, the people of the church, can expand the sacred aura of God's presence in this place. Then maybe those who would think to steal from the church would see it as a beacon of hope and help in times of trouble and instead join the church. With that in mind, we remain committed to welcoming anyone we meet to worship with us at Richardson Park and we continue to look for opportunities to witness to others about the love of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy A Rogers



Laity Enlightenment

My report to the annual Charge Conference only captures a handful of highlights from the past year. It would take several more pages just to touch on all the many things that go on at our church, and that would be only the things of which I'm aware. So many activities and contributions happen behind the scenes and it's all because of the people. The people at Richardson Park are dedicated, caring, generous and spiritually rich.

It has been my pleasure to serve as lay leader over the past four years, and I am always available to talk with you about what's happening at the church or any other subject for that matter. I encourage you all to do a little something extra in the coming year. It could be tithing, as the Bible tells us; giving 10% back to God which is only a portion of what we are blessed to receive. Maybe it's a contribution of your time to volunteer at the Community Action Program (CAP) or our Free Lunch Ministry on Tuesdays and Thursdays or assisting with delivering Meals on Wheels to those who are home bound. It also could be a commitment to help the church and support the congregation by preparing for communion on the first Sunday of each month or serving on the Board of Trustees or other committees. Another thing that is easy to do and always brings the spirit of God a little closer to our hearts is to call an old friend or someone you haven't seen at church lately and let them know you've been thinking about them and praying for them. Inviting people you know or meet to come to church on Sunday is always a good way to show you care, and it can open the door to salvation for someone who may need to meet God!

Don't be discouraged by the list of things to do. The shortest of conversations or smallest of actions could very well make the most difference in another person's life. And often times the blessing is even greater for the giver. Thank you all for what you are already doing to grow the Kingdom of God on earth and keep up the good work; our reward will be in heaven!

Have a beautiful and blessed holiday season. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Peace, Love and Joy,
Kathy Rogers



MEMORIAL TREE UPDATE

The Memorial Tree has been installed in the Extension. Please take a moment to see the tree and the names of loved ones on the tree. We're hoping everyone will take advantage of this opportunity to remember their loved ones who have passed in a very special way by adding their names to the Memorial Tree. Guidelines for ordering leaves and order forms are located on the table beside the Memorial Tree.

Our thanks to Rob Anderson, Tod Mitten, and Howard Eney for all their hard work installing the Memorial Tree. A challenging job well done!

Memorial Committee

SPECIAL MISSION RECOGNITION

At Sunday Worship on November 16, our United Methodist Women unit honored Rob Anderson with Special Mission Recognition. Rob and his wife, Michelle have been members of Richardson Park United Methodist Church since 1996. Over the years, Rob has served on various committees. In the past, he was our Youth Coordinator and continues to be a faithful teacher in our church school. He is currently chair of Trustees, an awesome responsibility for church property – seeing that needs are identified and met, keeping detailed records, showing cooperation and appreciation for the knowledge and skills of others, and sharing in the work. A licensed electrician, Rob has rewired our parsonage. In the Spring of 2013, he spearheaded a visible home repair mission project in the neighborhood. We are indeed thankful for such a dedicated church member, a Christian in Mission.

FINANCIAL GIVING - 2015

Friends, now is the time to consider your pledge for the coming year, 2015. Soon you will receive your pledge card. As you prepare to fill it out, please keep in mind that it costs \$31,000 per year for heat, electricity, and water; \$2,000 for curriculum and supplies to run our Vacation Bible School; \$18,000 to support our Music Program; over \$20,000 to run the church office. The Trustees have the overwhelming job of keeping two aging buildings repaired, making sure that the buildings are safe from fire and theft and that the grounds are groomed to make an attractive area where people feel safe, loved and welcome. Please take time to consider how you might be able to raise your pledged amount for the coming year. Pray for guidance from the Lord.

We are a congregation who love our neighbors in many different ways. On Sunday mornings, this church is alive with smiling faces, lively chatter and quiet devotion, and music fills the air and renews the spirit. Your help is needed to keep this church a beacon for all to see and enjoy.

Generous giving is a natural expression of our thanks to God for all He gives to us. As you fill out your 2015 commitment card, give from the heart, joyfully, with a desire to move closer to Him as an act of trust.

KOINONIA FELLOWSHIP

The Koinonia Fellowship met on Friday, November 21. After enjoying a large array of snacks, we settled in to a Business Meeting. It was voted to give \$4,000 to the General Fund of our church. We discussed the planned First Saturday Sale scheduled on December 6. We will set up at 9:30 AM on Friday, December 5. This sale will be Christmas items only – trees, wreathes, lights, ornaments, etc. It also was decided that the Koinonia will no longer accept donations of furniture as of January 2015. The Shoppe will close after Christmas and will not reopen until Thursday, February 5. Plans are

being made to attend the Dutch Apple Dinner Theater in Lancaster in the fall.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, December 19 at 6 PM. This will be our annual Christmas Party beginning with one of our fabulous Covered Dish Dinners followed by some Parlor Games. It was decided to forego exchanging gifts. Instead, we will collect food items for CAP, as well as monetary donations for a Mission Project. The choice of mission will be decided. We invite all adults to join us and, if you would like to come but need transportation, please call Sandy Ide at 798-8664.



THANK YOU TO THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

I would like to thank all of you for the special mission recognition and tell you how honored I feel that you even considered me. I was totally shocked and dumb founded. Quite honestly, I thought I misheard Pat Cummings when she spoke my name.

There are so many people in this church that do and have done so much for others and are deserving of being recognized more than I will ever be. Watching your efforts and being part of this church family has been a blessing and growing experience for me and my family. I can only hope that as a group we will continue to serve and impact others around us and let them know in one way or another we are trying to do God's will.

Thanks Again!!!

Rob Anderson

Many thanks to Julia Lynch for offering to obtain the greeters for Sunday Worship beginning in 2015. Your help is very much appreciated!

Harriet Ann

From The Trustee's - December 2014

As we are closing out 2014, I want to say "What a Year!" I can't emphasize enough what a great group I had the pleasure of working with this year. Everyone did as much as they possibly could do to pitch in and make a difference when we had a task at hand. We started out in the beginning of the year by identifying tasks and deficiencies and giving them project numbers. As we went along, we assigned a champion(s) for each particular task and defined scopes of work along with projected costs. When we started putting it down on paper, it looked like an insurmountable mountain to climb. It did not take us long to realize that we could not do everything at once or even the way we wanted to at times. It was a little overwhelming, to tell you the truth. We also realized that there were several leaders and individuals that were behind us trying to help us make things happen and keep things moving in a positive way. Having that support helped us gain momentum and accomplish some important tasks.

Here are some of the accomplishments this year: Researched fire alarm monitoring and annual inspections fees and were able to cut costs on the inspection; the pine tree at the entrance to the main parking lot was removed due to the health of the tree; the first phase of the stained glass window restoration project came to fruition and was coordinated and administered. We improved on the smoke receptacles around the building, helped administer and sell the baby grand piano, cleaned up the landscaping and shrubbery and put a plan in place for continued maintenance of those areas. We added hearing impaired devices and equipment; worked with the State to replace sections of the side walk on Matthes Avenue; installed a Wi-Fi

thermostat in the sanctuary to control the heat and air conditioning; installed a Wi-Fi thermostat in fellowship hall (heat only); helped form the organ committee; and helped clean out the youth room. We had all of the carpets cleaned; stripped and waxed all the floors in the following rooms: all bathrooms, elevator, fellowship hall entrances (north and south side), and elevator foyer area; cut and pruned trees back away from the parsonage; repaired the precast concrete window mullion outside of the youth room; scraped and painted the finials on the stone wall along Maryland Avenue; repaired a short circuit at the main building sign; strategically installed termite control stations; rearranged the extension, painted the wall and installed the first section of the memorial tree; and initiated log books to record work tasks being performed in the building.

We also were recognized as a church and given a Disabilities Connection Award by the Disabilities Committee of the Advocacy Resource Team of the Peninsula-Delaware Conference in the small church category for our efforts to connect with individuals with disabilities. This was spearheaded by Pastor Beverly and awarded at the 2014 Annual conference.

I also want to recognize and thank the Building Maintenance Group for all that they do week in and week out. What they do is monumental for this church. There is no way the church could survive without these guys, and the trustees certainly can't keep up with them.

I wish I could say we accomplished everything on our list this year, but I can't, and that's okay. It gives us something to look forward to in the upcoming year(s). We still have a lot of challenges ahead of us, but I know as a team we can do it with your continued support!!

GUIDELINES FOR ORDERING LEAF (LEAVES) FOR MEMORIAL TREE

When ordering a leaf (or leaves) for the Memorial Tree, the cost of the leaf(or leaves) is determined as follows:

COST

- If the deceased individual(s) being recognized on the Memorial Tree was a member of RPUMC, the cost is \$50.00 + \$4.50 for engraving.
- If the deceased individual(s) being recognized on the Memorial Tree was not a member of RPUMC, the cost is \$100.00 + \$4.50 for engraving.

All checks should be made payable to RPUMC – Memorial Tree.

Any questions, please contact Glenda Donnelly at 998-5047.

FORM

ONE LETTER OR SPACE per dash up to a total of 20 letters and spaces per line.

A total of two lines, 20 letters and spaces each, are available for your inscription.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

____ _ (1st line)
____ _ (2nd line)

Please return all completed forms and checks to the Church Office.

Thank you
Memorial Committee

December 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 10 AM New Testament Study Group 11 AM Free Lunch 8 PM AA Meeting	3 6 PM NA Unity and Activities Group 7:30 PM NA Meeting	4 10 AM Ye Olde Shoppe 11 AM Free Lunch 6:15 PM Chancel Bells 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM AA Meeting	5 10 AM Disciple – Peniel UMC 11 AM Free Lunch – Peniel UMC	6 Fellowship Hall Reserved 10 AM Ye Olde Shoppe - Christmas Decor
7 9 AM Adult and Grades 5-12 Sunday School 10 AM Fellowship Time 10:30 AM Worship and Children's Worship 11:45 AM Advent Luncheon 1:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	8	9 10 AM New Testament Study Group 11 AM Free Lunch 8 PM AA Meeting	10 6:30 PM NA Policy Group RP Civic Assn. Mtg. 7:30 PM NA Meeting	11 10 AM Ye Olde Shoppe 11 AM Free Lunch 6:15 PM Chancel Bells 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM AA Meeting	12 10 AM Disciple – Peniel UMC 11 AM Free Lunch – Peniel UMC	13 AM Extension Reserved 9 AM UMW Cookie Walk
14 9 AM Adult and Grades 5-12 Sunday School 10 AM Fellowship Time 10:30 AM Worship and Children's Worship 11:45 AM Missions Mtg. 11:45 AM Education Mtg. 1:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	15	16 11 AM Free Lunch 7 PM CAP Board Mtg. 8 PM AA Meeting	17 7:30 PM NA Meeting	18 10 AM Ye Olde Shoppe 11 AM Free Lunch 6:15 PM Chancel Bells 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM AA Meeting	19 10 AM Disciple – Peniel UMC 11 AM Free Lunch – Peniel UMC 6:00 PM Koinonia Christmas Party	20
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28 9 AM Adult and Grades 5-12 Sunday School 10 AM Fellowship Time 10:30 AM Worship and Children's Worship	29	30 8 PM AA Meeting	31 New Year's Eve 7:30 pm NA Meeting			

January 2015

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READERS

December 7	Brenda Tucker
December 14	Bettie Smith
December 21	Jim Chilcutt
December 28	Ed Ide

January 4	Linda Keffer
January 11	Sandy Swain
January 18	Glenda Donnelly
January 25	Madison Keffer

ALTAR FLOWERS

December 7	Rich Locke
December 14	Dennis and Marlene Johnson
December 21	Poinsettias
December 28	Anna Mae Shewbrooks

January 4	Sandy Ide
January 11	Robert Truitt
January 18	Anonymous
At the Cross	Rich Locke
January 25	Gail Eney

FLOWERS

For the month of December, Rebekah Circle is responsible for the flowers and for the month of January, Ruth Circle is responsible.

Please submit your articles for the February Messenger to the Church Office by Monday, January 12. Thank you.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING FOOD FOR CAP THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH.

The purpose of Richardson Park United Methodist Church is to help people experience the amazing love of God and develop a vital relationship with Jesus Christ.