

the Messenger

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"Finally, brothers and sisters, pray for us, so that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified everywhere, just as it is among you."

2 Thessalonians 3:1

I've been excited about the month of September since I met with Rev. Jennifer Kerby and Rev. Anthony Arrington to discuss how congregations could connect with one another in worship. We affirmed God's call to move forward in planning a revival which would allow many churches to come together and experience a move of the Holy Spirit.

I came across a great article on the United Methodist Insight website entitled "On Praying for Revival." In the article written by Rev. Ben Gosden it states, "The sentiment around the church today is a longing for some sort of renewal or to put it in more churchy terms, a revival." He questions what this should look like in The United Methodist Church.

The first thing Rev. Gosden lists is being at the heart of revival is **change**. The following questions are listed for the reader to ponder:

1. When we pray for revival in the church, do we take to heart the need for change to take hold of every aspect of our lives together, including the very ways we go about being the church?"
2. When we pray for revival in the church, are we willing to hear God's voice calling us to change, even if it means radically changing the ways we organize, build, and use buildings, and relate to each other and the world around us?
3. How will we go about being a faithful church to the mission of connecting people to the good news of Jesus Christ in such a way that lives are changed on an ongoing and continual basis?

4. Are we about the business of living into God's mission or are we about the business of building and playing church?

Rev. Gosden states, "In order to go about the mission of the church in a 21st century world, we cannot use 19th and 20th century methods. The very nature of mission insists that we move—move out of our buildings, move out of our aging ways of doing things, move out of our comfort zones."

In order to get the reader of this article to move out of their comfort zones, Rev. Gosden ask the following questions:

1. If mission calls us to move out, why do we spend so much time and energy trying to get people to come in to where we already are? God is doing amazing things outside of our churches and we really ought to take notice.
2. If we pray for the revival of the church, are we praying for a season of change in every sense of the word, or are we just praying for things to go back to the way they once were when we had more people in seats, dollars in the bank, and people who centered their lives on the well-being of preserving our buildings and programs.

After reading this article, I am challenging myself to pray daily for God's will to be done as we come together for the revival on September 14, 15, and 16. I hope you join me in this prayer. For more details about the revival see the flyer included in this month's messenger.

Blessings to you

Pastor Carolyn



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Jim Durkee	9/1
Tyler Hughart	9/2
Jean Van Vliet	9/4
Ed Ide	9/6
Maggie Painter	9/6
Bob Gamble	9/7
Richard Locke	9/7
Molly Mucha	9/7
Madison Mucha	9/10
Richard Allen	9/11
Sami Davidson	9/12
Norma Allen	9/13
Karen Davis	9/15
Trish Earvase	9/15
Patt Jones	9/15
Annette Ott	9/16
Jessica Saunders	9/16
Carolyn Williams	9/16
Patricia Pugh	9/17
Sharon Wright	9/17
Mark Cummings	9/18
Alvretta Crozier	9/22
Marlene Johnson	9/22
Andrew Opalach	9/23
Katelynn Thomas	9/27
Pat Cummings	9/30
Amy Przywara	9/30

Note: If your name is not listed on our birthday calendar, please call the church office at 654-0961.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



In September, Ruth Circle will take care of the flowers in the church.

Circle Meetings

Rebekah Circle	Tue., September 5 7:00 p.m. – Lounge Please bring a snack to share.
Ruth Circle	Wed., September 13 12:00 p.m. – Extension

Circle Leaders

Rebekah Circle	Marlene Johnson
Ruth Circle	Betty Swain

United Methodist Women is a sisterhood of grace.

Every day, members of United Methodist Women put their faith, hope and love into action as they organize for mission in communities close to home and around the world. Through mission giving, education and advocacy, United Methodist Women works to bring God's vision to the world. CAP needed baby diapers and clothing. Our women quickly met the need. Yes, we are an active group – even in the summer. If, as yet, you are not a member, won't you prayerfully consider becoming a part of this sisterhood.

Contact Betty Swain, 302-838-6044, Leader of Ruth Circle, which meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 12 Noon in the Extension or Marlene Johnson, 302-328-5806, Leader of Rebekah Circle, which meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7 PM in the Extension.

**Friday Morning Discipleship begins
September 8 10:00 AM -12:00 PM
at Richardson Park UMC
(Class rotates among RPUMC, Peniel UMC and
St. James Episcopal Church)**

We will start this year off studying the Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World written by His Holiness the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. The Book of Joy costs \$17.00 and you may pick one up in the St. James office.

**Wednesday Night Bible Study
Third Wednesday of each month
7 PM Lounge**

The Shack Movie Study Group This five-week study based on the movie is designed to help people experience the life-changing goodness, grace, and presence of God. The study starts on Wednesday, September 20 at 7:00 PM in the Lounge. Stop by and see Pastor Carolyn for a copy of the study book.



WESLEY TOWER BANKS

July 2017	\$57.21
August 2017	\$93.79

Thanks to everyone for remembering to bring your filled banks to church the first Sunday of each month. Our total to date for 2017 is \$528.89. Remember to pick up an empty bank as you leave the altar area on Communion Sunday. AGAIN, THANKS FOR SAVING YOUR CHANGE.

**RICHARDSON PARK
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Richardson Park Elementary School is presently participating in the Box Tops for Education Program. This program is one of the nation's largest school earnings loyalty programs and has been helping schools succeed since 1996. With over 250 participating products, it's an easy way for schools to earn cash for the things they need. Following is a picture of the Box Tops for Education Coupon that you will find on the product packaging and all you need to do is cut out the coupon and put it in the baskets located in the Extension, on the ledge in the back of the Sanctuary, and the vestibule on the Matthes Avenue side of the church.



**RICHARDSON Park Community Action
Program CAP**

Thank you to everyone for donating items needed for our food pantry. At this time, we are getting food and filling up the shelves. With your help, we can have them full again!

At this time, we are in need of the following:

Pasta Sauce	Peanut Butter*
Jelly	Soups (all kinds)
Spaghetti	Pork and Beans
Tuna	Baked Beans
Chef Boyardee	Ketchup
Bottled Salad Dressing	

And anything you would like to bring.

*Small and medium jars preferred.



YARD SALE AND THE SHOPPE AT RPUMC

**Saturday, October 7
8 AM – 3 PM
Rain or Shine**

**Fellowship Hall, The Shoppe at RPUMC
And The Annex**

Clothing, linens, kitchenware, electronics, books, toys, furniture, lamps, pictures and refreshments will be available for purchase.

**COME JOIN US FOR A FUN DAY OF
SHOPPING AND GOODIES.**



TOO MANY CALENDARS?????

If you are receiving more 2018 calendars than you can possibly use, please leave your extra ones in the church office. The Shoppe at RPUMC is giving them to customers who patronize the shop.

"Young Person's Space!"



We'll call this new section of the newsletter the "Young Person's Space" because that is what children and youth need...SPACE to learn to become a follower of God. They need SPACE to make mistakes, learn how to forgive and ask for forgiveness. They need SPACE to hear and wrestle with God's word and what it means in their lives! SPACE because kids need space to run, play, learn, sing, dance, and just be kids! And...SPACE because we want to give them SPACE to become who **they** are meant to be in God's great big world!

We are growing ROOTS!

ROOTS...because we want our children to be "Rooted and Growing in Christ" as our church motto states!

We are training missionaries!

The bible tells us that the most important commandment is: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: "Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." (Mark 12: 30-31)

Our work with children and youth this summer has been focused on teaching children what love really is. In this crazy, high-tech world, we all tend to miss the bigger picture. We can see into anywhere, and learn anything, through a "device" but how do we connect kids and youth to the real world and to each other in meaningful ways? How can we get kids to really know what it means to LOVE? In Summer Bible Detectives, we have focused our study on the Fruits of the Spirit, and each week Ms. Marlene has brought us a valuable lesson on how to recognize and incorporate those fruits into our lives. Our children's moments during service have been focused on the children recognizing missions, seeing God's amazing love in unique places in our world, and finding ways to show love as well.

Our Maker Fun Factory VBS was wildly successful! Part of the focus of this year's VBS was to teach children that God had a plan and a purpose for their lives, before they were even born. The children experienced this message in many different ways throughout the week. Each station leader offered children a unique

look at themselves and God's world and how it was all carefully crafted with a purpose for each creature, plant, and person on the planet. We also helped children see that part of the bigger plan is to help take care of each other. Through our Operation Kid-to-Kid Mission project, we raised over \$600 and were able to help about 125 families in Peru receive clean water. The children also participated in our first annual "Christmas in July" event where we had some fun with "melted snowballs," decorated cookies, made sandy beach ornaments, and then talked about how prayer is another way we can be missionaries in this world. We prayed for the families who would receive our Peru donations, we prayed for our military, reminding all of us that we have the freedom to celebrate Christmas in July, and EVERY day because of their sacrifices, and that Jesus is always a reason to Celebrate. We also turned on the lights on the Christmas Tree and sang Christmas carols, ending with "Joy to the World" reminding us all to go back out into the world and celebrate the gift of life which God has given all of us!

Helping our children see this bigger picture of God's world takes more than just one or two people. There is already a large staff of volunteers who are helping with the task of teaching our children to be followers of Christ and young missionaries in our world. Thank you is never enough to say to all of those who help with things like the nursery, Sunday School, and events like VBS and Christmas in July, but it is certainly the right place to start. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all that you are already doing to help guide our young people on their journey as Christians. All of us can be involved in the lives of our children, even if we can't help at an event. Pray for the children who come to our church, pray for the children who are friends with them that they may come to God through our children, pray for the families of those children that they continue to uplift their Christian lives at home, and pray for the leaders and volunteers of our programs that they may continue to be motivated and inspired in their work with our children.

Of course, if you are willing to bake cookies for us, help with an art project, watch the nursery, help as a co-teacher in Sunday School, run a bible study, or help in any other way, we will always take that help too!

Beth Warfel
Youth Director



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Bible Detectives ended on Sunday, August 27, BUT, we are excited to announce our Fall Children's Church program, which will begin on Sunday, September 10. Our children will meet during the worship time at 10:30am for their own special worship and Sunday school time. We will share a "mini" worship time together where we will introduce our theme of study for the day, and then we will split into age appropriate smaller groups to look deeper at the topic for the day. At the end of our time, we will come back together and share a few more fun songs or activities before leaving for the day. Our new "Children's Church" will serve as our Sunday School program for children ages Pre-4 through 12th grade and will take place UPSTAIRS in the newly renovated Youth Room and/or newly renovated Landing Room. These areas can easily be accessed from the elevator or the back staircase by the main church office. The children are always invited to arrive early and visit downstairs during the fellowship time from 10:00 – 10:30 AM. There are always plenty of snacks for kids and adults alike. Kids may be dropped off upstairs starting no earlier than 10:20 AM. A parent/guardian must sign children IN AND OUT from Children's Church. We will ask parents to fill out a one-time registration page in the fall in order to have good contact information for our students. We will be announcing our monthly Wednesday programming in the coming month as well, so please be on the lookout for information regarding that program coming soon!



MUSIC NOTES FALL 2017

Don McFarland, Music Director



RPUMC MUSIC – WOW (Wonderful – One-of-a-Kind - Worship)

So many wonderful things are happening here at Richardson Park that sometimes it's hard to keep up with everything. Truly, this is a "happening place!"

Contemporary Worship – Most Sundays, I would describe our service as "Blended," meaning we use traditional and contemporary music and songs as they best suit our theme and content. In 2017-18, we continue to explore the more relaxed, yet spiritual, contemporary form of worship. As you may have noticed, there is a lot of music in that setting. My thanks to our PARK PRAISE ENSEMBLE for the fabulous job they have done in leading these special services. And we have one more planned for this fall, so stay tuned everybody. AND . . . please let Don or Pastor Carolyn know how you feel about these services. Your input is the energy we need to keep things moving forward!

And speaking of moving forward – The RPUMC Chancel Choir & Friends are well into rehearsals for a wonderful musical presentation "We're Glad You Came" our 2017 Christmas Musical tentatively planned to be offered on Saturday, December 15 at 4:00 PM. This is a new contemporary work that celebrates the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and will be an exciting "multi-media" format that we have not seen before. YOU DO NOT WANT TO MISS THIS! And it is an excellent opportunity to invite friends to share in the joy of music and the Gospel here in the Park!

Regular Chancel Choir rehearsals began on Thursday, August 17, from 7:15 – 8:30 PM, and Chancel Bells will return to rehearsals on Thursdays from 6:30 – 7:15 PM, beginning September 7.

Anyone, ages 14 and up, is always welcome to join our music program at Richardson Park. If you love to sing and are willing to commit to regular rehearsal attendance, please know you are warmly welcome to try us out. Thursdays at 6:15 PM for Bells and 7:15 PM for vocals – we'd love to have you with us!

PEACE AND JOY TO ALL!
Don

Our Church/Charge Conference

Our Church Charge Conference will be held on Wednesday, September 27 at 7 PM in the Lounge. Please mark your calendars. Everyone is invited to attend.

RPUMC's 110th Anniversary

SAVE THE DATE! (Or dates...) RPUMC's 110th Anniversary is just around the corner. We hope you will consider joining us for all of these special events happening during our weekend celebration!

Friday, October 27 - Coffee House Night...featuring performers like YOU sharing the many different talents God has given us all. Have a musical talent you would like to share with the congregation? Contact Don McFarland or Beth Warfel to get on the schedule of performers that night. And...it is a coffee house...there will be COFFEE or tea available to help keep your energy up on a Friday night!

Saturday, October 28 - Our 3rd Annual TRUNK-OR-TREAT will take place in the afternoon. Decorate your car in whatever fun, kid-friendly theme you can come up with and join us as our neighborhood children enjoy a "Trunk or Treating" for candy in a safe, family friendly environment. Then, that evening we hope you will join us for a delicious spaghetti dinner.

Sunday, October 29 - Pastor Tom Edwards will be a guest preacher during our 10:30 AM worship service. It promises to be a spirit filled Sunday and you won't want to miss out!

We look forward to seeing you many times throughout this weekend. Bring your friends and family and introduce them to your church family and all the different ways we can connect with each other: through music, through fun, through food, through fellowship, and through worship of our Mighty God! Hope to see you there!



Book Club will meet on Wednesday, September 13 at 7 PM in the Lounge. Our book will be, "Britt-Marie Was Here" by Fredrik Backman. In October, we will meet on Wednesday, October 11 at 7 PM in the Lounge. We will discuss "The Kite Runner" by Khaled Hosseini at this meeting.



Bags of Blessings

On Thursdays, along with our free lunch program, we are distributing "Bags of Blessings." These bags contain a light lunch or snacks. Along with the food items, we enclose a flyer showing a picture of our church, Pastor Carolyn's name, and the times of our services. In addition, we have added the new location of CAP and the times CAP is open.

Right now, we need help in filling these bags. Items needed are:

- Bottled water (any size bottle)
- Individually wrapper:
 - Crackers (peanut butter or cheese filled)
 - Cookies
 - Nutella
 - Candy
 - Protein Bars
 - Fruit Cups (4 in a package)

If you are unable to shop for these items but would like to contribute money toward their purchase that would certainly be appreciated, also. All food items and money should be given to Pastor Carolyn.

Thank you for your help!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone for your hard work, valuable time, and generous donations of food and cash contributions.

Registration, Video and Sound: Janet Dickerson, Don McFarland and Dennis Johnson

Music: Beth Warfel and Claudia McFarland

Daily Blessing: Pastor Carolyn and Beth Warfel

Kitchen Crew: Coordinator Linda Keffer, Lee Powell, Donna Chambers, Richard Beane and Rose Davis

Activity Leaders: Kathy Rogers, Kristi Doughty, Marlene and Dennis Johnson, Roger Longest, Joe Tucker, Ryan Warfel, Kristen Russell, Madison Keffer, Debbie Freebery and Kathy Daniels

Group Leaders and Helpers: Debbie Freebery, Chuck Luppy, Dave Rogers, Ruth Phillips, Ashley Lang, Ashley Hayes, Barbara Przywara, Pastor Carolyn, Katie Klingler, Kathryn Russell, Charlene Workman, Terri Snead and Roger Longest

A special shout out to Brenda Tucker, our resident photographer. And a big thank you to Joe and Brenda Tucker, Neal Davis, Howard Eney, Ruth Phillips, Bob Evely and Rich Locke for the great decorations. And special thanks to Tod Mitten for supplying ice for the week.

Junior Helpers: Anthony Steward, Ashley Hayes, Alex Przybylski, Enrique Rivera, Jameer Chamblee, TJ Anderson, Keike Williams, Anabella Zayas, Abigail Price and Ronnie Russell

Food and Cash Donations: Shirl Snapp, Richard Beane, Ruth Phillips, Glenda and Tony Donnelly, Brenda and Joe Tucker, Kristin Fleming, Betty Swain, Sandy Ide, Kathy and Dave Rogers, Rich Locke, Carol Cathell, Joan Stadelman, Clyde and Carolyn Nafzinger, Paul Weaver, Jim Chilcutt, Mary Alice Bair, Evelyn Casey, Debbie Freebery, Ruth Gibney, Chuck Luppy, Elaine Spedden and Charlene Workman

Gifts: A big thank you to Roger Longest for obtaining a generous gift card from **ShopRite** and water ice from **Rita's**.

THANKS TO ALL FOR A GREAT VBS EXPERIENCE Kristi Doughty and Linda Keffer

"Six Little Stories"

Once, all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered. But only one boy came with an umbrella. That's **FAITH**.

When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That's **TRUST**.

Every night we go to bed without assurance of being alive the next morning. But still we set the alarm to wake up. That's **HOPE**.

We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That's **CONFIDENCE**.

We see the world suffering, but still we get married and have children. That's **LOVE**.

On an old man's shirt was written a sentence, "I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience." That's **ATTITUDE**.

RPUMC Missions Team Birthing Kit Project on October 1, 2017

(Article contains excerpts taken from the UMCOR website.)

One of the objectives of the RPUMC Missions Team is to sponsor an event each year in support of UMCOR, the United Methodist Committee On Relief. This year we will be putting together 100 Birthing Kits. The kits will be distributed only to hospitals and clinics with the programs in place to provide education on their correct use.

Did you know that each year over 600,000 women die from complications due to pregnancy and childbirth? Approximately 9 million infant deaths occur each year. Of these, over half (53%) occur during the first four weeks of birth and more than one third (3.2 million) occur within the first week of life. Tetanus and other infections are among the leading causes of newborn mortality with unclean delivery or unclean cord care practices contributing to the causes of these infections.

60 million women (approximately ½ of all births in developing countries) give birth with the help of an untrained traditional birth attendant (TAB) or family member or with no help at all each year. A simple solution to unclean deliveries is the use of birthing kits. The components of the kit are meant to improve hygienic birth practices following the World Health Organization's (WHO) principles for clean delivery and cord care. These kits will be distributed only to hospitals and clinics with the programs in place to provide education on their correct use.

The kits consist of the following items:

- One hotel-size piece of soap – to clean the birth attendant's hands both before and after delivery
- One pair of clean latex gloves – to reduce disease transmission
- One square yard of clear 4 mil plastic sheeting – to provide a clean surface to deliver the baby
- Three pieces of clean string each 12 inches long
- One clean single use razor blade – essential for clean cutting of the cord
- Two receiving blankets – one to dry and stimulate the baby, and one to swaddle the baby
- One gallon zip lock bag – to package the kit and for safe disposal of afterbirth materials

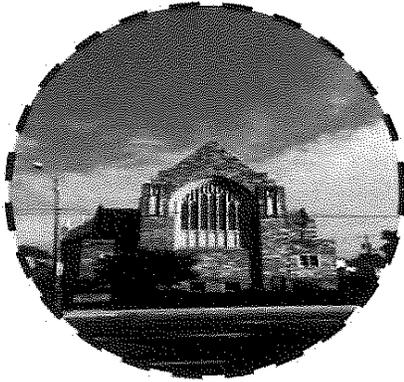
You can help save lives through this Birthing Kit Initiative. The RPUMC Missions Team is planning a kit assembly on October 1, 2017 at 12 noon (after worship service). The team will purchase and set up all the supplies in Fellowship Hall. Monetary donations and volunteers are needed to make this mission project a success. If you would like to contribute, please make checks payable to RPUMC and earmark any monetary contribution as "Birthing Kit Project".

Please consider contributing your time to be a part of the assembly of birthing kits and let either the church office, Kathy Rogers or Lee Powell know that you plan to be a volunteer on Oct 1st. Light refreshments will be served directly after the kit assembly project is complete.

Thank you for being a blessing to mothers and babies by supporting the birthing kit initiative and promoting safe deliveries across the world.

IT'S REVIVAL TIME!

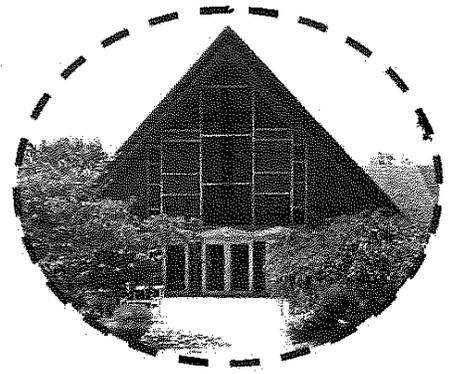
"The Ties That Bind"



Richardson Park UMC



Mt. Lebanon UMC



Hillcrest-Bellefonte UMC

Come Early—Stay Late!
6:00 PM Chat & Chew - - - 7:00 Revival

September 14
6:00-9:00

Richardson Park UMC
11 N. Maryland Avenue
Wilmington, DE 19804

Speaker: Rev. Carolyn Williams
302-654-0961
Reverend Carolyn Williams

September 15
6:00-9:00

Mt. Lebanon UMC
650 Mt. Lebanon Road
Wilmington DE 19803

Speaker: Rev. Paul Owens
302-652-8411
Reverend Jennifer Kirby

September 16
6:00-9:00

Hillcrest-Bellefonte UMC
400 Hillcrest Avenue
Wilmington DE 19809

Speaker: Dist. Supr. Rev. Joe Archie
302-764-3145
Reverend Anthony Arrington

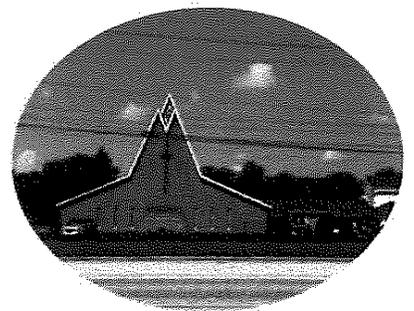
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RPUMC 110th Anniversary Commemorative Shirts

On October 29th we will celebrate the 110th anniversary of RPUMC. A great souvenir to remember this milestone would be a t-shirt, polo or hooded sweat shirt. The Anniversary Committee would like to know how many people are interested in purchasing these items at a reasonable price before we place an order. The estimated price is no more than \$12.00 for the t-shirt and no more than \$22.00 for the polo shirt. The shirts will have a custom-designed logo to remind everyone it all started under a tree. Orders for the shirts will be placed mid-October via on-line or paper form provided for those without computer access. In the meantime, if you're interested in showing your support of Richardson Park UMC and celebrating 110 years of service to the community, let us know by filling out the form below and returning it to the office or call with the information. You can order one for yourself or the whole family! The final pricing for each item will be announced as soon as we get an estimate of how many people are interested in purchasing shirts.

Let's all wear our shirts to the celebration on Oct. 29th!

NAME: _____

CONTACT INFO. _____

NUMBER OF T-SHIRTS _____

SIZES _____

NUMBER OF POLO SHIRTS _____

SIZES _____

NUMBER OF HOODED SWEAT SHIRTS _____

SIZES _____

September 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3 9 AM Sunday School 10 AM Fellowship 10 AM UMW Unit Mtg. 10:30 AM Worship and Children's Church	4 Labor Day	5 7 PM Rebekah Circle 8 PM AA Meeting	6 6:30 PM Scout Board Meeting	7 9 AM The Shoppe at RPUMC 11 AM Free Lunch 6:30 PM Bells 7:15 PM Choir 8:15 PM AA Meeting	8 10 AM Disciple – RPUMC 11 AM Free Lunch – Peniel UMC	9
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READERS

September 3	Linda Keffer
September 10	Sheldon Edwards
September 17	Lee Powell
September 24	Rose Davis

ALTAR FLOWERS

September 3	Available
September 10	Sath Amara
September 17	Sandy Ide
September 24	Barbara Sayles
At the Cross	Brenda & Joe Tucker

FLOWERS

For the month of September, Ruth Circle is responsible for the flowers.

Please submit your articles for the October Messenger to the Church Office by Thursday, September 7. Thank you.

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

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