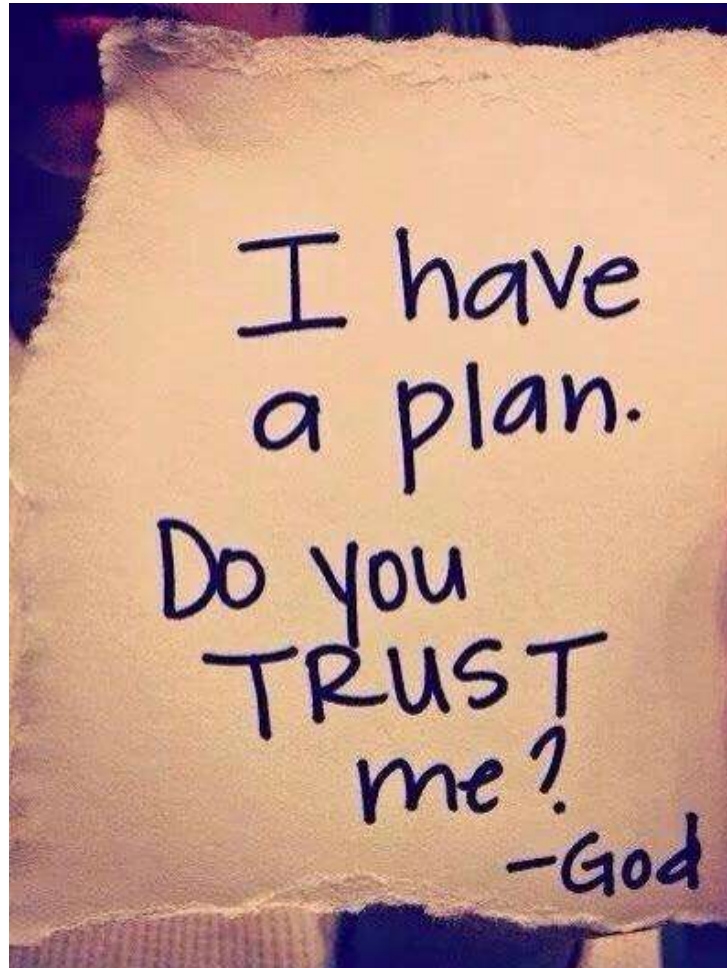


**Richardson Park
United Methodist Church
*Celebrating Over 100 Years of Ministry***

And He said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation."
Mark 16:15 NRSV



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.

RICHARDSON PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 17, 2017

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE “Variations on *O Waly, Waly*” arr. Janet Linker
 Chorale and Variation 1 (Slow and Quiet)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING

*OPENING HYMN “Crown Him with Many Crowns” UMH 327

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing praise to God who rescues us when we fall!

People: Sing praise to God who walks with us on all our journeys!

Leader: Even though we fall, God lifts us and places us on paths of peace.

People: Even though we stray, God finds us and brings us back to lives of hope.

Leader: Thanks be to God, whose love is continually with us.

People: Praise be to God, whose mercy is over us all.

AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

We sing and speak your praise, O God, grateful for the many ways in which you have healed us. Keep our hearts, our minds, and our spirits open to learn ways in which we can offer healing love for others. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 14-1-12

CALL TO PRAYER “He Is Lord” UMH 177

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (In Unison)

UMH 895

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Variations on *O Waly, Waly*" arr. Janet Linker
Variation 4 (quoting J. S. Bach)

The hymn-tune may be found in UMH 643 – "When Love Is Found"

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

MESSAGE

"Living For The Lord"

Pastor Carolyn

ALTAR PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought" UMH 128

*BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Amen"

THE CHRIST LIGHT IS TAKEN INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on *HE LEADETH ME*

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my father, Ralph Bennett, my grandmother Sue Housel, and my brother, Skip by Sandy Ide.

The flowers at the cross are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Lillian and Clifford Sayles by daughter, Barbara.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flower Opening

If you would like to place flowers on the Altar in honor or memory of someone, the first Sunday in September is available. The cost is \$30.00. Please see Sandy Ide if you are interested.



Book Club had an interesting and enjoyable September meeting. Our book for the October meeting (Wednesday, October 11) is ***"The Kite Runner" by Khaled Hosseini***, and for the November meeting (Wednesday, November 8), the book is ***My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry" by Fredrik Backman***.

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.

Wednesday Night Bible Study

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 the office to sign up and get a copy of the study book.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR To benefit Girl Scout Troop 279

**Saturday, November 11
9 AM – 4 PM**

Reserve a table for \$12.00 plus a donation of one craft item for a door prize. Quality crafts!! Please call Kathy Daniels at 302-996-6445 for more information.

REM TEAM 110TH ANNIVERSARY MEETING

The REM Team is working to compile pictures and information for the 110th Anniversary video and will be meeting on Friday, September 29 at 7 PM in the Lounge. Refreshments will be served. We will be calling on folks for assistance in the narration and testimonial pieces. Please see Kristi Doughty with any questions or to volunteer or email her at kdoughty.vicarious3@gmail.com. The deadline for photo or video submissions is Monday, October 2. Please send to Rob McFarland at robmcfarland05@gmail.com and Howard Eney at howie423@verizon.net.

SEEKING COMMUNION VOLUNTEERS

We are seeking volunteers to set up for communion the first Sunday of each month during the year. So far, we have seven volunteers and need at least five more. If you are interested and willing to help out with this ministry, please see Pastor Carolyn or Roger Longest so we can add you to the schedule.

Sometime in October, Roger will be conducting a brief overview of what is needed to set up for communion. We appreciate your help with this request. Thank you.

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.

CAP PANTRY DONATIONS NEEDED

Pasta sauce, peanut butter (small or medium jars preferred), Jelly, Soups (all kinds), Spaghetti, Pork and Beans, Tuna, Baked Beans, Chef Boyardee, Ketchup, and bottled salad dressing. And any other items you would like to donate.

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 wrapped:

Crackers (peanut butter or cheese filled)

Nutella

Protein Bars

Cookies

Candy

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.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 17

9:00 am Adult Sunday School
10:00 am Fellowship Time – Extension
10:30 am Worship and Children’s Church
11:30 am SPRC Meeting – Lounge
11:30 am Mission Meeting - Extension

Monday, September 18

6:30 pm Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm Cub Scouts – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, September 19

8:00 pm AA Meeting – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 20

7:00 pm Bible Study - Lounge

Thursday, September 21

9:00 am The Shoppe at RPUMC
11:00 am Free Lunch Ministry – Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm CAP Board Meeting – Extension
6:30 pm Chancel Bells
7:15 pm Chancel Choir
8:15 pm AA Meeting – Fellowship Hall

Friday, September 22

10:00 am Disciple – RPUMC
6:30 pm Koinonia Covered Dish - Extension

Saturday, September 23

10:00 am New Member Class - Lounge

Sunday, September 24 Trustee Election

9:00 am Adult Sunday School
10:00 am Fellowship Time – Extension
10:30 am Worship and Children’s Church



PRAYER REQUESTS

J. Franklin and Patricia A. Pugh and family, Vincent Pugh and family, the Noss family, the Page family, the Prior family, Shirl Snapp and Greg and Maria and family, Janice and Bill Richards, the United States and Israel, Ben Fay, Ed Ide, Joan Stadelman, Jim King, Barb Sayles, JoAnn and Sam Guidry, Joe Tucker, Jerry Toy, Charlene Workman, Jerry and Mike Paoli and families, Colleen, Randy, Olivia and Gillian Ide, Gregg, Joy and Abbi Ide, Dean and Shirley Davis, Beca and James Baird, Kim, John, Nick and John III Sagrati, Tyler and Allie Heatwole and Becky, Al, Rob and Liz Heatwole, John Sagrati Sr., homeless animals, Amy Gould and family, Bernie Nowell and family, Karen Messick and family, Lisa Pugliese and family, Sister Morgan, Connie Pondok, Sean Short, Norma and Dick Allen, Barbara and Bob, Carole, Sami and Jim, Samantha and Leo, Patty, Sue, Addison, Pastor Bill, Pastor Carolyn, John, Lisa, Mary Beth, Wendy, Ruthann, Tami, Charlotte, Sandra Nafzinger, Ruth Ann, Clyde, Loretta and Jim, the Ironside family, the Hayes family, the Madison family, Ed, Heather, Sal, Cody, Amy, Linden, Jenn, the Lang family, Jim Smith, Barbara Rhea, Kathy and Richard Cravey, Valerie, Miranda, Cam, Phyllis Brasure and family, Ede Pasletti, the Antonine family, Peggy and Larry Walker, Brenda's niece Kristen, Chip Nichols and family, Terry and Carol, everyone in the path of Irma, Katia and Juan, Carol Mitten, Gladys Hobbs, Steven, Sharon, Amanda, Mozes, Natalie, Hillary, Tonja, Nancy Corrigan, Jane, Katie and Mark Bostwick, Kristi Doughty and family, Shirley Delpizzo, Ann O'Connor, Pat Wilson, Alex and Christy, Ambika and Thomas, Cassandra, Alison, Pete, Ann Roser, Alvretta Crozier, Anna Mae Shewbrooks, Dot Scarborough, Scott Deaton and family, Maurice Spedden, Ann Hague, Susan Cribb, Jim Peel, Kelly Hynson, Randy Comegys, Guy Campbell, Jack, Joyce, Lisa, Amber, C.J., Jessie, Ashley, Tiffany, Vick, Tessie, our armed forces, police, firefighters and emergency personnel, justice, liberty, all those affected by disasters, Janis and family, Roger and family, Nancy and family, Donna, Jeff and Makena, Dory, Emmett, Casey and Erin, Helen and Wilson, Aunt Maxine, Penny, prayers to Texas and Florida, Penni, Chuck, the Klingmeyer family, the Willman family, the Zumar family, Uncle Bill, Bill and Paula.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday School.....9:00 A.M.
Fellowship Time.....10:00 A.M.
Worship and Children's Church.....10:30 A.M.
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Anastasia Hayman

Yvette Hayman

Emma Warfel

SECRETARY

Harriet-Ann van Boven

Worship Attendance 9/10

71

Sunday School 9/10

20

The first services were held under a large tree in 1907 at the corner of Belmont Avenue and DuPont Road. The first church building was completed in 1908 at Glenrich Avenue and Eureka Street. The church relocated to its current location in 1926, and the present sanctuary was built in 1950. Richardson Park United Methodist Church has had a long and distinguished ministry in the community dedicated to producing fruit that is pleasing to the Lord. This tradition continues today.