

**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

***Christmas Eve
Candlelight and Carols***

December 24, 2018

10:00 p.m.

PRELUDES "The Carol of the Bells" arr. Samuel Stokes
 "The World in Solemn Stillness Lay" arr. Michael Ryan
 The Chancel Bells

 "Within the Darkened Stable" K. Lee Scott
 "On This Good Christmas Morn" Noble Cain
 The Chancel Choir

WELCOME AND GREETING

*OPEN HYMN "O Come, All Ye Faithful" UMH 234

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Welcome tonight to a celebration like no other!

People: This is the night of the Holy Birth!

Leader: Let the love of Jesus be born in your hearts and spirits!

People: Open our hearts to receive this blessed gift, Loving God.

Leader: Rejoice, good friends, the Good News is here!

People: Christ our Savior is Born! Hallelujah! AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

God of Surprising Love and Hope, we come this evening to the manger, gazing lovingly on the Child born to bring hope to the world. Open our hearts tonight as we hear the story anew. Help us to be guided by the Light of Jesus Christ, that we may truly feel the power of your love and bring that love, with joy, to all we meet. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Saw You Never" Donald H. McFarland
The Chancel Choir

*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

"Arrive"

Pastor Carolyn

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

"Silent Night"

UMH 239

*CLOSING HYMN

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

UMH 238

*BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Amen"

THE CHRIST LIGHT IS TAKEN INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on *GLORIA*



The poinsettias decorating the Sanctuary are given to the *Glory of God*.

In honor of

Anna Mae Shewbrooks, Mother by Leslie and Bill Lacombe
Frank Shaffer, Jr., Kyle Shaffer, Corey Weaver, Zach Shaffer, Evan Shaffer and Marlee Shaffer by Paul Weaver
Helen Long by Roger Longest
Helen Long and Hunter Saunders by Jessica Saunders
My father-in law and mother-in-law, Wilson and Helen Green by Janis Williams

In loving memory and honor of

Our loved ones – past, present and future by Dave and Kathy Rogers
Johnson Bair and Mary Alice Bair by Dot Brogan
Family and Friends by Phyllis and Bob Thomas
Our parents – Dick and Loretta George and William and Joy Aurelio by Sherlynn and Bill Aurelio

In loving memory of

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Nafzinger by Clyde and Carolyn
Mr. and Mrs. George Howell by Clyde and Carolyn
Ruth A. Woodward by Clyde and Carolyn
Ralph E. Hopkins Sr. by family
Mr. and Mrs. Rawlins Pardee by Carolyn

In loving memory of (Cont'd.)

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hopkins by Carolyn
Nevin W. Shewbrooks, Father by Leslie and Bill Lacombe
Nevin W. Shewbrooks, Husband by Anna Mae Shewbrooks
Roberta C. and Carroll A. Truitt by Bob Truitt
Shirley T. and C. Robert Godfrey by Bob Truitt
Elizabeth and Norman McCallister by Ellen Willard
Helen Farra by Ellen Willard
Branson Frye and Jay Cummings, Jr. by Fred and Mary Zwiebel
John H. Maloney, Sr. by John H. Maloney, Jr.
Effie M. Lefevre by John H. Maloney, Jr.
Marie Bennett and Sue Housel by Sandy and Ed Ide
Frank, Agnes and Edna Ide by Sandy and Ed Ide
Ralph, Bea and Skip Bennett by Sandy and Ed Ide
Brian Schieferstein by Sandy and Ed Ide
Deceased members of the Crozier and Thomas families by
Gail Eney
Dorothy and Charles Dickey by Charlene Workman
Bruce, Ada and Bob by Charlene Workman
Ralph W. Scarborough by Dorothy Scarborough
Joilyn Marie Snapp and Earle Snapp by Mrs. Shirley Snapp and
family
Joyce Collins by Bob Collins
Arthur and Marie Hoch by Bob and Karen Collins and Michelle
Daoust
Our mom, Joyce Collins by Robert, Alicia, David and Andrea
Collins
Our Mom Mom, Joyce Collins by Paige, Chase, Ava, Braden and
Bryson Collins
Joyce Toy, Rick Cleaver and CPL. Christopher Shea DSP by
Bob and Karen Collins
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Asquith by Dot Brogan
Jane Asquith by Dot Brogan
Jeanne and L. William Thomas by Susan Sayers
Rev. Thomas C. Short by Susan Sayers

In loving memory of (Cont'd.)

Muriel and Cliff Campbell, parents by Beth Robinson and Laurie Kalamchi

Richard E. Crozier and Richard F. Crozier by Alvretta Crozier

Parents, Thomas and Alvretta Edwards by Alvretta Crozier

Clara and Alfred Crozier by Alvretta Crozier

My husband, Johnson Bair by Mary Alice Bair

Leonard Carpenter by the Collins family

Charles and Lavinia Asquith, parents by Mary Alice Bair

Marion Tebbutt by Fran Tebbutt

Madeline McLaughlin by Fran Tebbutt

Linda Moffett by Fran Tebbutt

John Hall by Fran Tebbutt

Parents, Gertrude and Eldred Marris by Tony and Glenda Donnelly and family

Parents, Jane and Anthony Donnelly by Tony and Glenda Donnelly and family

Parents and Grandparents by Mike and Ruth Phillips

Janet and Clayton Weaver by Paul Weaver

Jack Townsend by Paul Weaver

Frank Shaffer, Sr. by Paul Weaver

Edison A. Longest by Roger Longest

Sylvia Longest by Roger Longest

Edison Longest and Sylvia Longest by Jessica Saunders

French Long by Jessica Saunders

Luna Blue Hartman by Jessica Saunders

My mother and father, Edison and Sylvia Longest by Janis Williams

My husband, Victor Williams by Janis Williams

Audrey, Francis and Dwight Rash by Susan Rash Watkins

J. Frank and Naomi Pugh by Frank and Patricia Pugh

Christopher Younker by Donna and Robert Younker

Edwin A. Bollinger by Carol Ewing

Edward and Ruth Locke by Robert and Richard Locke

Leonard P. Gibney by Lynn and Bryant Lafferty

Ruth T. Gibney by Lynn and Bryant Lafferty

*Merry Christmas
&
Happy New Year*

