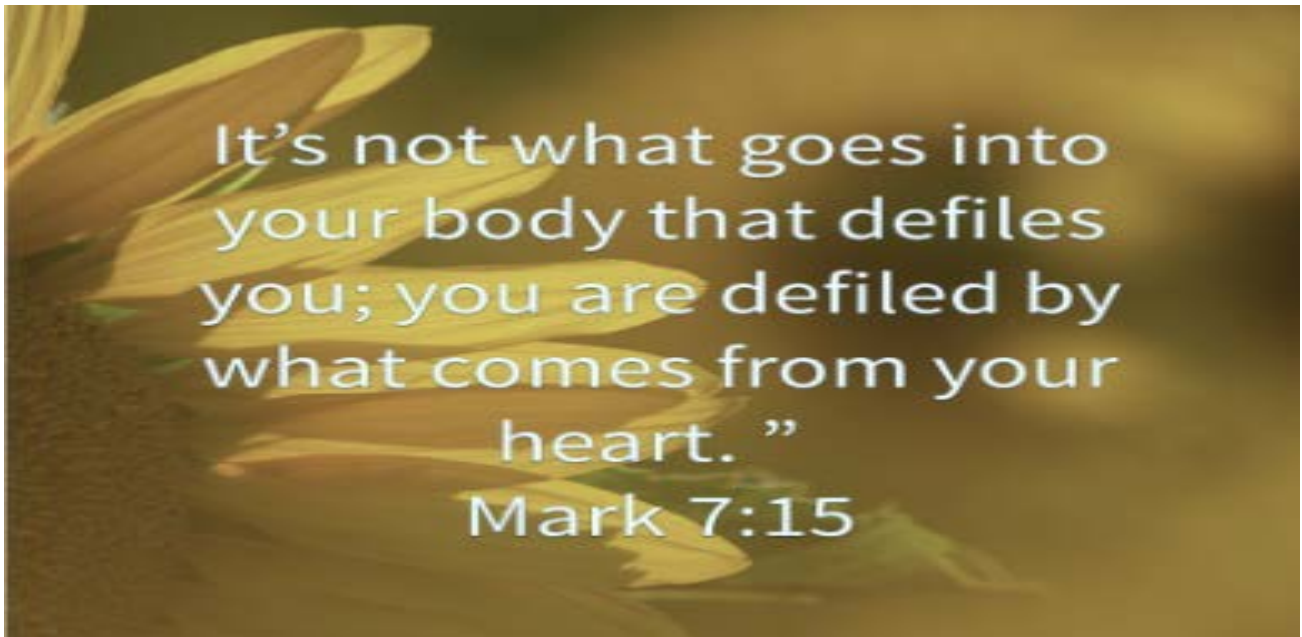


**Richardson Park
United Methodist Church
*Celebrating Over 100 Years of Ministry***

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 - Communion

September 2, 2018

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE Summer Hymn Sing
Please shout out your favorite hymn by name and
number and we will sing the first and last verses.

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING

*OPENING HYMN "For the Beauty of the Earth" UMH 92

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God has given us this day for praise!

People: Praise be to God for this most generous gift!

Leader: God has given his Son to us that we might learn ways of
peace and mercy.

**People: Let the words of God's own Son, Jesus, enter our
hearts and transform our lives!**

Leader: Come, let us worship this great God of abundant mercy
and love!

**People: Let our songs, our words, and our thoughts reflect
God's healing and restoring love. AMEN.**

OPENING PRAYER

Lord of mercy and abundant love, we have gathered here this day
to hear your healing words of compassion and to be transformed
by your love. Help us to become more faithful servants in our
thoughts, words, and deeds. It is in Jesus' Name, we pray.
AMEN.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Song of Solomon 2:8-13

PSALTER Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 (Everyone) Words on Screen
(We will sing in unison "I Love You, Lord" – TFWS 2068, one verse
before and one verse after reading the appointed Psalm.)

NEW TESTAMENT READING James 1:17-27

*GRADUAL HYMN "Fairest Lord Jesus" Vs. 1 & 4 UMH 189

Please stand, as you are able, for the Gospel Reading.

GOSPEL READING Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 Pastor Carolyn

DEDICATION OF BIBLES

Pastor: Greeting

Our help is in the name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. God's word is a lamp to our feet, and a light to our path.

Pastor: Thanksgiving

Holy God, we do not live by bread alone. Your word in the Holy Scriptures nourishes our spirits and guides us in loving you and our neighbor. We thank you for these Bibles and for the joy and strength that you give us in their use. **AMEN.**

Pastor: Presentation and Dedication

We present these Bibles to the glory of God and for service in the life of this congregation. We dedicate them in honor and loving memory of Joyce Collins for whom we now offer thanks. Let us pray.

Everyone:

Blessed Lord, you have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. AMEN.

MESSAGE "From the Inside Out" Pastor Carolyn

OFFERING SCRIPTURE

"The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts."
Haggai 2:8

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked"
The Chancel Choir arr. Lari Goss

*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!*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

UMH Pg. 13

The Lord's Prayer (Sung in Unison)

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Hymn

"The Gift of Love"

UMH 408

Prayer

*CLOSING HYMN

"O For a Heart to Praise My God"

UMH 417

*BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Amen"

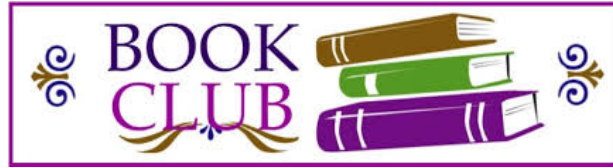
THE CHRIST LIGHT IS TAKEN INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on *RICHMOND*

*The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God
and in memory of my dad and mother by Ed Ide.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS



At our August meeting, book club discussed "A Gentleman in Moscow" by Amor Towles. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 12 at 7 PM. At that meeting, we will discuss "The First Phone Call from Heaven" by Mitch Albom. Our October book will be "Ordinary Grace" by William Kent Krueger. Coming soon (November?) will be Mudbound by Hillary Jordan.

If you see a book that you like or have one to suggest, or if you are in the mood for lively conversation and good fellowship, please join us at a future meeting. We would love to have you come out and share in our spirited discussions and friendly conversation.

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITY September 7, 2018 – May 24 2019 Fridays from 10 AM to Noon Class rotates among RPUMC, Peniel UMC and St. James

The books that will be used are listed below. If anyone would like St. James to order a book for them, please contact their office at 302-994-2029.

PRAY LIKE JESUS – Rediscovering the Lord's Prayer by Don Underwood –
St. James cost \$10.00

TRANSFORMING QUESTIONS by Scott Gunn and Melody Wilson Shobe –
from Forward Movement – possibly free

WHEN DID GOD BECOME A CHRISTIAN? – Knowing God Through the Old and New
Testaments by David Kalas – St. James cost \$12.00

A JOURNEY WITH MARK The 50-Day Bible challenge by Marek P. Zabriskie –
St. James Cost \$15.00

THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 2

9:00 am	Adult Sunday School – Lounge
10:00 am	UMW Unit Meeting - Lounge
10:00 am	Fellowship Time - Extension
10:30 am	Worship and Children's Church
4:30 pm	Contemporary Worship Service – Fellowship Hall

Monday, September 3 Labor Day!

Tuesday, September 4

7:00 pm	Rebekah Circle - Lounge
8:00 pm	AA Meeting – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 5

6:30 pm	Scout Board Meeting - Lounge
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Thursday, September 6 Fellowship Hall Reserved Primary Election

9:00 am	The Shoppe at RPUMC
11:30 am	Free Lunch Ministry – Extension
7:15 pm	Chancel Choir
8:15 pm	AA Meeting – Extension

Friday, September 7

10:00 am	Disciple – RPUMC - Extension
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Saturday, September 8 No Activities

Sunday, September 9

9:00 am	Adult Sunday School – Lounge
10:00 am	Fellowship Time - Extension
10:30 am	Worship and Children's Church
11:30 am	SPRC Meeting - Lounge
4:30 pm	Contemporary Worship Service – Fellowship Hall



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, Joan Stadelman, Barbara 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, Shirley Davis, Beca Baird, James Baird, Kim, John, Nick and John III Sagrati, Tyler and Becky Heatwole and Niko, Allie Heatwole, 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 and Kim, Jessica Etter and family, Felicia Etter and family, Adele, Ed Ide, the Keffer family, RPUMC, first responders, the Cathell family, the Norvell family, the Sisk family, Krys and Mario, the McCain family, Janis and family, Nancy and family, Roger and family, Dory, Emmett, Casey and Erin, Donna, Jeff and Makena, Aunt Maxine, Penny, Steve and Susan, Helen and Wilson, Tina Holmes, Barbara and Bob, Carole, Sami and Jim, Samantha and Leo, Patty and Sue, Yvette and Betty, Charlotte, Debbie Cullen, Tami and Wende, Bill Green, Glenda Donnelly, Pat Pugh, Barbara, Joan Bossert, Jonathan, KC, Hunter, Jessica, Stephanie, Mom-Mom Helen, Luna Blue, Lena D., Dottie Hall, Susan, Cecil, Reese, Erin, David, the people of Hawaii, Millie, Rose D. and Bob B., Frank, Debbie, Shawana, all those involved in politics, Clyde, Sandra, Betty, Ralph, Carol, John Hughes, Tony Velaz, Jim Smith, Barbara Rhea, Kathy and Richard Cravey, Valerie, Jenn, Sal, the Przywara family, Jeremy, Phyllis Brasure, Kris Martnick, Baby Aliana, Steven, Sharon, Amanda, Mozes, Tonja, Nancy Corrigan, Ethel Piecara, Ann O'Connor, Jane, Katie and Mark Bostwick, Shirley Delpizzo, Kristi Doughty and family, Christy and Alex Chacko, Ambika and Thomas Chacko, Alvretta Crozier, Anna Mae Shewbrooks, Dot Scarborough, Scott Deaton and family, Rob McFarland and all his endeavors, Donald Trump and family, Elizabeth Keeth, Pat and Chris Rodenhiser, Brenda Willams, Tamson and Veronicka and Constatin, Susan and Ken Malone, Raven and family, Ian Reed and family, all new candidates for political office, Grant Rogers and family, Houston Rogers and family, newborns and children, Cindi Melrath, Bob Stancavage, travel mercies, highway safety, our government and jobs, Terri Snead, Bob Ashton.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Adult Sunday School.....9:00 A.M.
Fellowship Time.....10:00 A.M.
Worship and Children's Church.....10:30 A.M.
Contemporary Worship Service 4:30 P.M.
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Neal Davis

Everyone

Carolyn Williams

Donald H. McFarland

Kathy A. Rogers

Emmett Swanson and

Emma Warfel

Harriet-Ann van Boven

Worship Attendance 8/26 AM

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Worship Attendance 8/26 PM

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Sunday School 8/26

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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.