

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

**JESUS
SPECIALIZES
IN
RESTORATION.**

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
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 23, 2018

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE “If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee”
Chorale – Georg Neumark and Variations – Georg Bohm

(Georg Neumark (1621-1681), a young man enroute to the university at Konigsberg, Germany, was stopped and robbed midway in his journey. The thieves were kind enough not to take his prayer book—and they missed a small packet of emergency money sewn into Neumark’s clothing. But without funds to pursue his education, Neumark was forced to look for a job. He went from town to town, but at each place was unable to find work. When he arrived in Kiel, on the Baltic Sea in northern Germany, a pastor befriended him—and was finally able to help Neumark gain employment as a tutor. He worked in Kiel until he had saved enough money to go to Konigsberg to begin his studies. It was this experience that led Neumark to write this hymn, originally entitled “Wer nur den lieben Gott lastt walten.”)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING

*OPENING HYMN “O Word of God Incarnate” UMH 598

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Who is wise and understanding among us?

People: Those who seek wisdom and understanding each and every day. Those who delight in God and meditate on God’s law.

Leader: Come, learn more about the wisdom from above, a wisdom that yields a harvest of righteousness.

People: O God, your wisdom is more precious than jewels! We draw near to you. AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER

We draw near to you, O God, source of all understanding, and ask you to draw near to us. Teach us your wisdom from above, that we may bear good fruit in our lives. Root us beside the streams of your wisdom, that the green leaves of our goodness, fed by your insight, may not wither. AMEN.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Proverbs 31:10-31

PSALTER Psalm 1 Response 2 UMH 738

NEW TESTAMENT READING James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

*HYMN "Majesty, Worship His Majesty" UMH 176

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

GOSPEL READING Mark 9:30-37 Pastor Carolyn

CALL TO PRAYER "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" Vs. 1&4 UMH 402

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison) UMH 895

OFFERING SCRIPTURE

"For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains."

1 Timothy 6:10

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "I Need Thee Every Hour"

arr. John Ness Back

Claudia McFarland - soloist

*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 "Restoration Has Finally Come" Pastor Carolyn

*CLOSING HYMN "Make Me a Captive, Lord" UMH 421

*BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Amen"

THE CHRIST LIGHT IS TAKEN INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE Improvisation on *DIADEMATA*

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of our parents by Brenda and Joe Tucker.

The flowers decorating the church today are in honor of Alvretta Crozier on her 95th birthday and are given by her daughter, Cherie Krebs.



ALOHA!!

Come join us on Sunday, October 7 immediately following the morning worship service for a Hawaiian Luau-themed luncheon.

We will be welcoming new members. It's also a great opportunity to get together and fellowship.

We will be featuring pulled pork and Hawaiian meatballs. **All are welcome!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHANGE THE DATE October Yard Sale

The October yard sale will be held on Saturday, October 6 INSTEAD OF Saturday, October 22. It will be held in the Shoppe at RPUMC, the parsonage and the annex. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

YOU'RE INVITED!!!

Please plan on attending the celebration of the wedding of Wendy Owen as she marries Michael Butterworth of Milford on Saturday, September 29 at 3 PM at Avenue UMC, 20 N. Church Street, Milford, DE. A light reception with the cutting of the cake will follow the worship service. Cards of joy and prayerful congratulations may be sent to Wendy and Michael at PO Box 407, Milford, DE 19963.

BAGS OF BLESSINGS

Bags of Blessings are truly appreciated by the recipients because they provide nutrition when a meal isn't available. The Mission Team appreciates all the donations given by the church which make this vital ministry possible. The supplies are running a little low and we need to restock. If you are out shopping and able to pick up a few supplies for the bags, please drop them off at the church or see Charlene Workman.

BOOK CLUB

At our September meeting, book club discussed "The first Phone Call from Heaven" by Mitch Albom. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 10 at 7 PM. At that meeting, we will discuss "Ordinary Grace" by William Kent Krueger. Our November book will be "The Man I Never Met" by Adam Schefter. Coming soon (November?) will be "Beartown" by Fredrik Backman and "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.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 23

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

Monday, September 24

6:30 pm	Girl Scouts – Extension
6:30 pm	Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, September 25

8:00 pm	AA Meeting – Fellowship Hall
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Wednesday, September 26

6:30 pm	Youth Ministry Planning Meeting - Lounge
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Thursday, September 27

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

Friday, September 28

10:00 am	Disciple – RPUMC – Lounge
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Saturday, September 29 Extension Reserved

8:30 am	Sojourner's Place – Meet in Parking Lot
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Sunday, September 30

9:00 am	Adult Sunday School – Lounge
10:00 am	Fellowship Time - Extension
10:30 am	Worship and Children's Church
12:00 pm	Membership Class – Lounge
3:00 pm	Nominations Committee - Lounge
4:30 pm	Contemporary Worship – 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, Julia Lynch, all in the path of all natural disasters, Ann Hague, Susan Cribb, Kelly Hynson, Randy Comegys, Guy Campbell, Jim Peel, Joyce, Amber, Lisa, Mary, Pam, John and Donna, Darryl and Jeanne, Gene and Tracy, our armed forces, police, firefighters and emergency personnel, justice, liberty, Linda Muldoon, the Johnson family, Tia Williams, Ryan Williams, Karlyn Moffett, Rose Davis, Evelyn Casey, all those who are ill, Pastor Carolyn and pastors worldwide, Glenda Donnelly, Millie, Donna, Neal, Clyde, Betty, Scott, Janis and family, Roger and family, Nancy and family, Donna, Jeff and Makena, Dory, Emmett, Casey and Erin, Aunt Maxine, Penny, Helen and Wilson, people affected by hurricane Florence, Sue Davis, Sherrell Wilks, John Hughes, JD Hughes, Shirley Delpizzo, Nancy Corrigan, Steven, Tonja, Natalie, Hillary, Sharon, Mozes, Amanda, Chris Martnick, Aliana, Linda Anderson, the Ironside family, the Hayes family, the Madison family, Amy, Sal, Ralph, the Dellinger family, Lucy, Ed, the Boscer family, Barbara, Jim Smith, Barbara Rhea, Nancy Motley, Kathy and Richard Cravey, Valerie, Jeremy, Jenn, Eli and the Przywara family, Alvretta Crozier, Anna Mae Shewbrooks, Dot Scarborough, Scott Deaton and family, Donald Trump and family, world peace, our government and jobs, Elizabeth Keeth, Susan and Ken Malone, Pat and Chris Rodenhiser, Brenda Willams, Beth and John, Tamson and Constantin and Veronicka, Houston Rogers and family, Grant Rogers and family, all power company employees, travel mercies, all civilians in Syria, all those in hospitals and nursing homes, Judy Fox, Ginny Love, Donna, Pat, Shirley, Lovedy, Janet and Ron Flower, Jane Small, Don's Christy, Kimberly Stevenson, Isaac Blevins.

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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.....4:30 P.M.
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SERVING TODAY

LAY READER

Ed Ide

FLOWERS

Ruth Circle

GREETERS

Debbie Freebery and
Beth Davis

MINISTERS

Everyone

PASTOR

Carolyn Williams

DIRECTOR, MUSIC MINISTRY

Donald H. McFarland

LAY LEADER

Kathy A. Rogers

ACOLYTES

Emmett Swanson and
Emma Warfel

SECRETARY

Harriet-Ann van Boven

Worship Attendance 9/16 AM

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Worship Attendance 9/16 PM

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Sunday School 9/16

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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.