

**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**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent - Communion**

**April 7, 2019**

**10:30 a.m.**

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING

**\*OPENING HYMN**

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

UMH 189

**Call To Worship**

Leader: When all we have hoped for and trusted in has let us down;

**People: There is Christ who reaches out to us.**

Leader: When the world seems dark and despairs threatens to close in upon us;

**People: There is Christ, reaching out for us.**

Leader: Come and let us worship the Lord who is always ready to reach out to us.

**People: We humbly come before the Lord in hope and faith. AMEN**

**Opening Prayer**

We come into your presence, O Lord, with so many burdens and concerns on our hearts. Help us to be open to your words of healing and restoration. Bring us closer to you. Enable us to discern your will for us that we may serve you more faithfully by serving others in need. In Christ’s name, we pray. AMEN.

**The Lectionary**

The 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

Isaiah 43: 16-21

Psalm 126

UMH 847

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Philippians 3:4b-14

Gradual Hymn

“Take My Life, and Let It Be”  
(Please stand and remain standing for the Gospel)

UMH 399

The Gospel

John 12: 1-8

MESSAGE

“Positioned for Transition”

Pastor Carolyn

## THE OFFERING

### Offering Scripture:

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. 1 Timothy 6:17

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Come to the Upper Room”  
The Chancel Choir

### \*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!*

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

UMH Pg. 13

The Lord's Prayer (Sung in Unison)  
Sharing the Bread & Cup  
Hymn “Beneath the Cross of Jesus  
Prayer of Thanksgiving

UMH 297

### \*CLOSING HYMN “When We all Get to Heaven”

UMH 701

### \*BLESSING

### \*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Amen”

### THE CHRIST LIGHT IS TAKEN INTO THE WORLD

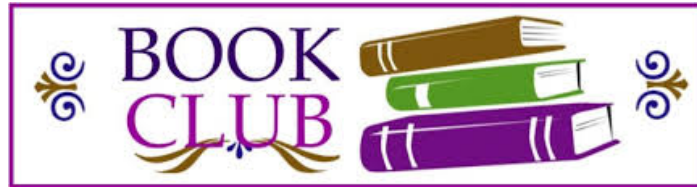
### POSTLUDE

Improvisation on *HEAVEN*

*The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God by Jim & Cheryl Chilcutt.*

*The flowers at the Cross are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Elsie Swain and Ruth Womer by their families.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019

Book Club has exciting plans in April. On April 10th, we plan to attend a book signing and author Q&A by "Mudbound" author, Hillary Jordan at 7 PM at the Chase Center. We will meet for dinner at 5:15 PM at Iron Hill Brewery. Please join us, even if it is just for dinner.

If you can be there on April 10 for dinner, please contact Paul Weaver so that a table can be reserved at Iron Hill

### May MESSENGER Articles

If you have an article for the May Messenger, please email it to [RPUMC@Rpumchurch.org](mailto:RPUMC@Rpumchurch.org) or drop it by the office by Thursday, April 18.

Thank you!

### BAGS OF BLESSINGS

#### Donations Needed

Please donate "single-serve" food items such as fruit cups, 8oz. water bottles, snack crackers, peanut butter, etc. and zip-lock gallon storage bags in support of this important adjunct ministry to our Free Lunch program. Volunteers are needed to fill the Bags of Blessings which are given out at the Free Lunch Ministry on Thursdays. Any questions - please contact Kathy Rogers, Missions Chair.

### FAMILY EGG HUNT & CONCERT

Saturday, April 20 – at 4:00 PM

Easter Egg hunt for children from toddlers to age 12 in the church yard (weather permitting) to be followed by a musical presentation of "The Cross – an Easter Journey" by the Chancel Choir and friends at 5:00 PM. Refreshments will be served before the musical so come early and share the joy of the Easter Egg hunt with children and their families.

## **CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP**

There is good news to share with friends and family - RPUMC has a convenient, modern, relaxed, and spirit-filled worship service at 4:30 PM every Sunday. Need to sleep in on a Sunday morning? Join us at 4:30 for some great music, encouraging and supportive scripture and a message of hope and joy!

***We're saving a seat for you!***

## **LENTEN SERVICES**

April 10 – St. James Episcopal Church – Newport  
All services are scheduled to start at 12 noon.

## **HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

Holy Thursday – RPUMC – 7:00 PM  
Good Friday – Peniel UMC – 12:00 noon  
Easter Sunrise – St. James Episcopal – 6:00 am

**VBS – “ROAR – Life is Wild – God is good!”**  
RPUMC and Wilmington COB to be held at RPUMC  
Sunday, June 23 – Thursday, June 27  
5:30 - 8:30 PM with dinner served each night.  
For Children ages 3 – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

## **COMING SOON**

Scout Sub-Sale after worship – April 28

## THIS WEEK

### **Sunday, April 7**

9:00 am Adult Sunday School  
10:00 am UMW Unit Meeting - Lounge  
10:00 am Fellowship Time - Extension  
10:30 am Worship and Children's Church  
11:30 am Farewell Luncheon for Joan Stadelman – Fellowship Hall  
4:30 pm Contemporary Worship – Fellowship Hall

### **Monday, April 8**

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

### **Tuesday, April 9**

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary  
8:00 pm AA Meeting – Fellowship Hall

### **Wednesday, April 10**

12:00 pm Lenten Service – St. James Episcopal Church  
5:15 pm Book Club to meet at Iron Hill Brewery for dinner/program

### **Thursday, April 11**

9am – 1pm The Shoppe at RPUMC  
11:30 am Free Lunch Ministry  
6:30 pm Chancel Bells  
7:15 pm Chancel Choir  
8:15 pm AA Meeting – Fellowship Hall

### **Friday, April 12**

10:00 am Disciple Bible Study – St. James Episcopal – Newport  
All Day Fellowship Hall Reserved

### **Saturday, April 13**

8:00 am Scouts in Youth Room for Junior Leadership training  
11:30 am UMW Garden Tea – Fellowship Hall

### **Sunday, April 14**

#### **Palm/Passion Sunday**

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  
4:30 pm Contemporary Worship – Chancel



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Ann Hague, Susan Cribb, Kelly Hynson, Randy Comegys, Jim Peel, Guy Campbell, Joyce, Lisa, Amber, our armed forces, police, firefighters & emergency personnel, the United States, Israel, justice, liberty, Mike Miller, RPUMC to grow, Elizabeth Keeth, Pat Rodenhiser, Brenda Williams, Susan & Ken Malone, Beth & John, all homeless and hungry families everywhere, all affected by storms & floods everywhere, all people in nursing homes and hospitals, Bob Evely, Roger Longest, Our military families, our government and job, Jim King, my church family, Sharon, Jen, Gladys, Terri, Adam, Preston, Jim Smith, Barbara Rhea, Wilbert Smith, Kathy & Richards Carvey, Valerie, Jeremy, Sal, Jenn, Elaine & Family, and Przywara Family, Noah, Ironside Family, Madison Family, Hayes Family, Amy, Jenn, Heather, Mike, Sal, Ryan, Erin, Dana, James, Sarah, Carol, Norma, Rich, Kay & Gil White, Carol & Gus, Clyde, Sandra W., Janis & Family, Dory, Emmett, Casey & Erin, Roger & Family, Nancy & Family, Donna, Jeff, Makena, Helen & Wilson, Aunt Maxine, Penny, the Cowan Family, Lisa Rohrer, John Hughes, Jack Hughes, Alvretta Crozier, Anna May Shewbrooks, Dot Scarborough, Scott Deaton & Family,, Linda Anders, church growth and direction, Emory & Lovedy Berkley, Less Turner, Joseph Hitchens, Zachary Berkley, my Father in his unchanging ways, love, peace, grace and serenity, Rose, Joan, Millie & Family, Debbie, Dave & Family, Donna & Family, Cheryl, Julia, Madison and James Stewart, Issis Davis, Yvonne Sadler and Family.

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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.  
Contemporary Worship.....4:30 P.M.  
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### **SERVING TODAY**

**LAY READER**

**FLOWER DELIVERY**

**GREETERS**

**MINISTERS**

**PASTOR**

**DIRECTOR, MUSIC MINISTRY**

**LAY LEADER**

**ACOLYTES**

Joan Stadelman

Please Volunteer

Ginger & George

Pettyjohn

Everyone

Rev. Carolyn Williams

Donald H. McFarland

Kathy A. Rogers

Emmett Swanson and

Emma Warfel

**Worship Attendance 3/31**

**88**

**Sunday School 3/31**

**11**

**Contemporary Worship 3/31**

**10**

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.