

**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
First Sunday After the Epiphany

January 13, 2019 Baptism of the Lord 10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING

*** OPENING HYMN** "How Firm a Foundation" UMH 529

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our God is a God of power and strength!

People: God has created each of us with tender care.

Leader: Our God is a God of majesty and awe!

People: God walks with each of us every step of the way.

Leader: Our God is a God of glory and wonder!

People: God loves each of us with tenderness and passion.

Leader: Our God calls us each by name.

People: God calls each of us to unite in worship together!

Opening Prayer

Holy God of glory and majesty, you have called us by name.

We pray in this moment for the courage and the strength to answer your call. As we open our ears to hear the story of your Son's baptism, open our hearts also, that we may experience again the renewing power of rebirth in the Holy Spirit. Inspire us in this time of worship, that we may claim our own identity as your beloved children. We pray in the name of our brother, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Lectionary

1st Reading from The Old Testament Isaiah 43:1-7

Psalm 29 UMH 761

2nd Reading from The New Testament Acts 8:14-17

Hymn "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" (vs. 1&2) UMH 420
(Please stand and remain standing for the Gospel)

The Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

Call to Prayer "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" (vs. 3&4) UMH 420

THE OFFERING

Offering Scripture: "Some give freely yet grow all the richer;
others withhold what is due, and only suffer want."

Proverbs 11:24

OFFERTORY HYMN

"Spirit Song"

UMH 347

Please join the Choir in Singing

*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 Message

"You Are Beloved"

Pastor Carolyn Williams

*CLOSING HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

UMH 89

*BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Amen"

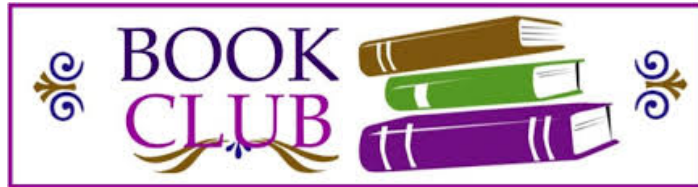
THE CHRIST LIGHT IS TAKEN INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on *HYMN TO JOY*

*The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God
The flowers at the cross this morning are given by Richard Locke*

ANNOUNCEMENTS



If you see a book that you like or have one to suggest, or if you are just in the mood for lively conversation and good fellowship, please join us at a future meeting. We look forward to seeing you soon.

KOINONIA GROUP

Mark your calendars for the following meeting/luncheon
Saturday, January 19 12 Noon – Extension

BAGS OF BLESSINGS Volunteer Needed

Charlene Workman will be leaving for Florida in early January. A volunteer is needed to fill the Bags of Blessings which are given out at the Free Lunch Ministry on Thursdays. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Rogers, Missions Chair.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP – SUNDAY at 4:30pm

Have you shared the “Good News” about our relaxed, Contemporary Worship Service? Perhaps you have a friend who can’t make it on Sunday mornings but Sunday afternoon at 4:30pm might be perfect, or didn’t feel like getting up yourself? Sunday at 4:30 pm is your “do-over” opportunity, to catch up with the Lord. Invite a friend, or better yet, bring them! Have a cup of coffee or tea, enjoy some spirit-filled music and find a blessing for yourself in the message. We hope to see you and your friends soon!

MUSIC NOTES

Chancel Bells will begin regular rehearsals on Thursday, January 17
at 6:30pm.

Honoring Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Keeping the Dream Alive

On Monday, January 21, there will be a special worship service celebrating the life and legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at Grace United Methodist Church, 900 N. Washington St., Wilmington. Following the short service, there will be a panel discussion on the topic "How Can We Keep Dr. King's Dream Alive in 2019?" The service will begin at 9:30am and the panel discussion will continue until 12 noon.

OFFICE WORK

Please keep our office volunteers in your prayers as we work through the absence of Harriet Ann. During this time, Don McFarland is preparing the bulletins for worship services, Brenda Tucker is preparing the February Messenger (*please get articles and information to her by Monday, January 14*), and Janet Dickerson is daily handling office duties as required. Please be sure and get appropriate information to these folks so that they can be sure nothing gets "lost in the shuffle." Thank you!

FLOWERS IN FEBRUARY

If you are interested, we have an opening for Flowers at the Altar on Sunday, February 24. Please let Ed Ide, Sandy Swain, or the Office know if you would like to have memorial flowers on that day.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 13

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 – Fellowship Hall

Monday, January 14

6:30 pm Girl Scout Troop 329 – Extension
6:30 pm Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm Cub Scouts – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 15

8:00 pm AA Meeting – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 16

7:00 pm Bible Study - Lounge

Thursday, January 17

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

Friday, January 18

10:00 am Disciple Bible Study – Peniel UMC

Saturday, January 19

12:00 pm Koinonia Class Gathering

Sunday, January 20 **Human Relations Day**

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



PRAYER REQUESTS

Clyde, Betty B, All of our Scout Troops., Shirley Delpizzo, Nancy Corrigan, Amanda, Steven & Tonja, Natalie & Hillary, Jean Nichols, Kristi Doughty and family, Robert Shaleen, Kathryn Russell, Cindi Melrath, Jose Espejo & family, JoAnn & Jerry Armstrong, Maddie, Janis & family, Nancy & family, Roger & family, Donna, Jeff & Makena, Dory, Emmett, Casey & Erin, Aunt Maxine, Helen & Wilson, Penny, The Long family, Taiya, Teonya, Kim, Ida, The Harris family, The Graves & Brown family, Harry Williams, Sr., Harry Williams, Jr., Leonard Williams, Sr., Quadaire Sadler, Yvonne Sadler and family, Gloria Williams, James Stewart, Madison Stewart, Sandra Grinnage, Randy, Olivea & Colleen, Gillian Ide & Jim Smith, Barbara Rhea, Wilbert Smith, Nancy Motley, Kathy & Richards Cravey, Valerie, Brianna, Jeremy, Jenn, Sal & Przyntra Family, Ryan, Erin, Daniel, Sarah, Dana, James, Kelliana, Ruth, Sarah and Beth Davis, Louie, Shaun Lovell, Becky & Dave Williams, Elizabeth, Keeth, Pat & Chris Rodenhiser, Brenda Williams, Susan & Ken Malone, Beth & John, Tamson, Veronika, Constantin, Raven, Riley, Ryder, Grant Rogers & family, Houston Rogers & family, Cindi Melrath, Bob Stancavage, Marian Jackson, Melissa & Andy Jackson, Peg & Mickey Hirst and family, All Newborns, Military families everywhere, Philadelphia Police Department, Law Enforcement Safety, travel mercies, Alvretta Crozier, Dot Scarborough, Anna Mae Shewsbury, Scott Deaton, Donald Trump and family, Our Government & Jobs, Cathell Family, Norvell Family, Sisk Family, Krys & Mario, Harriett Ann Van Boven, Betty Swain.

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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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FLOWERS

GREETERS

MINISTERS

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LAY LEADER

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Paul Weaver

Please volunteer

Lee Powell &

Kathy Gibbons

Everyone

Rev. Carolyn Williams

Donald H. McFarland

Kathy A. Rogers

Emmett Swanson and

Emma Warfel

Harriet-Ann van Boven

Worship Attendance 1/6/19

65

Sunday School 1/6/19

10

Contemporary Worship

12

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.