

**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

## Third Sunday After the Epiphany

January 27, 2019

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING

\***OPENING HYMN** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" UMH 139

### CALL TO WORSHIP

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**People: We are called to be God's people.**

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**People: We are called to be the body of Christ.**

Leader: Come let us worship God, who binds us together in love and service.

### Opening Prayer

Bountiful God, you have blessed us with so many gifts. In this time of worship, may we be open to receiving these gifts. Help us claim our gifts and use them to bring liberation and justice to a hurting world. May the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable to you. May the transforming Spirit of joy and unity bind us together as your body, that we may be your hands and feet and voice in this, your world. Amen.

### The Lectionary

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** from the Old Testament Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

**Psalm 19** Response 1 UMH 750

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** from the New Testament 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Hymn "Let All Things Now Living" (vs. 1) TFWS 2008  
(Please stand and remain standing for the Gospel)

**The Gospel**

Luke 4: 14-21

**Call to Prayer**

"I Sought the Lord"

UMH 341

**Prayers of the People**

**THE OFFERING**

Offering Scripture: Give liberally and be ungrudging when you do so, for on this account the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. Deuteronomy 15:10

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Come We That Love the Lord"

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!*

**THE MESSAGE**

"Today"

Pastor Carolyn Williams

\***CLOSING HYMN** "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" UMH 157

\*BLESSING

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

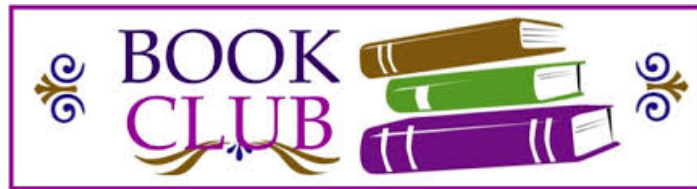
"Amen"

THE CHRIST LIGHT IS TAKEN INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE Improvisation on *DUKE STREET*

*The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of H. Clarke Powell, by Lee Powell.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### **COMING SOON! WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2019**

Join author Robyn S. Brown, Deacon & Associate Pastor at Centreville United Methodist Church, as she discusses her Christian novel, "BEN." Get deeper into God's word through this story of faith, love, and life with our Savior. This will be a joint presentation of Book Club and Bible Study. The book may be purchased online at [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com), and is available both in paperback and Kindle (digital) versions.

### **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. 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!

## **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 has prepared the February Messenger, 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 or Sandy Ide, or the Office know if you would like to have memorial flowers on that day.

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

Mark your calendars and plan to join us on Sunday, February 17, right after worship for a Fellowship Lunch celebrating God's Love! Our menu will include soup and sandwiches. All are welcome!

## **REBEKAH CIRCLE**

Please see Marlene Johnson for your February assignments for upcoming meetings.

## **THIS WEEK**

### **Sunday, January 27**

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

### **Monday, January 28**

6:30 pm Girl Scout Troop – Extension  
6:30 pm Boy & Cub Scouts – Fellowship Hall  
Religious Training

### **Tuesday, January 29**

8:00 pm AA Meeting – Fellowship Hall

### **Wednesday, January 30**

No events scheduled

### **Thursday, January 31**

9:00 am – 1:00 pm 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, February 1**

10:00 am Disciple Bible Study – Peniel UMC

### **Saturday, February 2**

9:30 am – 12:30pm Extension Reserved

### **Sunday, February 3**

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



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Clyde Nafzinger Shirley Delpizzo Harriett Ann Van Boven, General Conference, RPUMC, Pastor Carolyn, Church Council, Trustees, Homeless People, Shut-ins, President Trump, Congress, Justin Rosini, Richards Quann, Margerita & Bill Storms, Kristi Doughty, John Hughes, J. D. Hughes, Sherrell Wilks, Janis & Family, Roger & Family, Nancy & Family, Donna, Jeff & Makena, Dory, Emmett, Casey & Erin, Aunt Maxine, Helen & Wilson, Chuck, Nancy Corrigan, Sharon & Mozes, Amanda, Steven & Tonja, Natalie, Hillary, Jean, Jerry Paoli, Linda Anderson, This Church – its vision, ministries, and outreach, Billy Williamson, Sal, Heather, Jenn, Noah, Mike, David, Madison Family, Phillip Ironside Family, Hayes Family, Jim Smith, Barbara Rhea, Wilbert Smith, Nancy Motley, Kathy & Richard, Valerie, Jeremy, Jenn, Sal & Betty Lovedy, Przywara Family, Elizabeth Keeth, Pat Rodenhiser & Family, Beth & John, Brenda Williams, Susan & Ken Malone, Tamson, Veronica, Constantin, Raven, Riley, Ryder, Grant Rogers & Family, Houston Rogers & Family, Cindi Melrath, Bob Stancavage, Marian Jackson, Andy & Melissa Jackson, All newborns, Peg & Mickey Hirst & Family, Philadelphia Police Department, Travel mercies, Alvretta Crozier, Dot Scarborough, Scot Deaton & Family, Anna Mae Shewbrooks, Jane Small, Michelle, Mary F., Joseph Hitchens, Donald Trump & Family, All Military Families, Our Government & Jobs, Peace on Earth, All homeless and hungry everywhere.

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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**

**FLOWERS (Delivery)**

**GREETERS**

**MINISTERS**

**PASTOR**

**DIRECTOR, MUSIC MINISTRY**

**LAY LEADER**

**ACOLYTES**

**SECRETARY**

Dave Rogers

**Please volunteer**

Janet Hughes &

Mary Alfaro

Everyone

Rev. Carolyn Williams

Donald H. McFarland

Kathy A. Rogers

Emmett Swanson and

Emma Warfel

Harriet-Ann van Boven

**Worship Attendance 1/20/19**

57

**Sunday School**

9

**Contemporary Worship**

6

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.