

**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
Epiphany Sunday- Communion

January 6, 2019

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE "Gifts of Finest Wheat" Charles Callaghan

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING

*OPENING HYMN "We Three Kings" UMH 254

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O Come, Let us Adore Him, Christ the Lord!

People: The Star in the dark sky heralded His Coming.

Leader: Led by the light of the Star, the Wise Ones came to pay homage.

People: We, too, come to the stable, seeking the infant King.

Leader: Come, Arise! Shine! The Light has come.

People: God's Light of love is shining upon us. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Loving God, who breaks through the darkness of doubt and despair, be with us this day as we hear of the visit of the Wise Ones, who risked everything to follow a Star. Let us open our hearts and be willing to risk receiving the gift of gracious Love that you have to offer us in the form of our Savior, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

The 1st Reading Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 (UMH 795 – Response 2)

Response: Defend the needy and the poor; let justice and peace abound.

Give the king your justice, O God,
and your righteousness to a king's son.

May he judge your people with righteousness,
and your poor with justice.

May the mountains yield prosperity for the people, and the hills, in righteousness.

May he defend the cause of the poor of the people, give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.

May he live while the sun endures, and as long as the moon, throughout all generations.

May he be like rain that falls on the mown grass, like showers that water the earth.

In his days may righteousness flourish and peace abound, until the moon is no more.

R: Defend the needy and the poor; let justice and peace abound.

May the kings of Tarshish and of the isles render him tribute, may the kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts.

May all kings fall down before him, all nations give him service.

For he delivers the needy when they call, the poor and those who have no helper.

He has pity on the weak and the needy,
and saves the lives of the needy.

From oppression and violence he redeems their life; and precious is their blood in his sight.

R: Defend the needy and the poor; let justice and peace abound.

The 2nd Reading Ephesians 3: 1-12

Hymn "The First Noel" vs. 1 & 5 UMH 245
(Please stand and remain standing for the Gospel)

The Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

MESSAGE "Find " Pastor Carolyn

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN "From a Distant Home" UMH 243
Pease 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 GREAT THANKSGIVING UMH Pg. 13

The Lord's Prayer (Sung in Unison)

Sharing the Bread & Cup

Hymn "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" UMH 629

Prayer

*CLOSING HYMN "Rise Up, O Men of God" UMH 576

*BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Amen"

THE CHRIST LIGHT IS TAKEN INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE Improvisation on *FESTAL SONG*

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Carroll and Roberta Truitt and Shirley Godfrey by Robert Truitt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



The January Book Club meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lounge. Our book will be "Bear Town" by Frederik Backman.

At our December meeting, Book Club discussed "Mudbound" by Hillary Jordan. 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 11 AM – 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.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 6

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 Missions Meeting – Lounge
4:30 pm Contemporary Worship – Fellowship Hall

Monday, January 7

6:30 pm Girl Scout Troop 279 – Youth Room
6:30 pm Girl Scout Troop 329 – Extension
6:30 pm Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm Cub Scouts – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 8

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

Wednesday, January 9

12:00 pm Ruth Circle - Lounge
6:30 pm Book Club - Lounge

Thursday, January 10

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

Friday, January 10

10:00 am Disciple Bible Study – Peniel UMC

Saturday, January 12

No Events

Sunday, January 13 Human Relations 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 – Fellowship Hall



PRAYER REQUESTS

Clyde, Sandra N., Shirley Delpizzo, Nancy Corrigan, Sahron & Mozes, Amanda, Steven & Tonja, Natalie & Hillary, Bob & Phlyss Thomas family, Pat Cummings & Family, All Church family that have moved on, Family of Christian Bauerly, John & JD Hughes, Noah Bauerly, Jim Smith, Barbara Rhea, Wilbert Smith, Nancy Motley, Kathy & Richard Cravey, Valerie, Jeremy, Sal, Jenn & Przywara Family, Alvretta Crozier, Anna Mae Shewbrooks, Dot Scarborough, Scott Deaton & Family, Meagan Deaton, President Trump and Family, Our Government & Jobs, Peace Now! The family of our friend, Bob Ashton, Donna Rogers & Family, Military families, Cindi Melrath, Bob Stancavage, Marian Jackson, Reg & Mickey Hirst & family, All newborns, Travel Mercies, Kristi Doughty & Father, Elizabeth Keeth, Pat & Chris Rodenhiser, Brenda Williams, Susan & Ken Malone, Beth & John, Tamson & Veronika & Constantin, Raven, Riley & Ryder, Grant Rogers & family, Houston Rogers & Family, Joann & Jerry Armstrong, Cathell Family, Narvell Family, Sisk Family, Krys & Mario, "My wonderful family who love me and care what happens to me", Rev. Carolyn and all Pastors, Evelyn Casey, Rose Davis, Sean Casey, Peggy & Joe.

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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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Worship Attendance 12/30

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Sunday School 12/31

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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.