

**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 BASIS OF UNITY
IS NOT SIMILARITY.
THE BASIS OF UNITY
IS CHRIST.**

COLE BROWN



*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 Easter

May 19, 2019

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING

***OPENING HYMN**

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

UMH 548

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let praise to God resound in the heavens!

People: Let praise to God fill the earth!

Leader: Let all God’s angels offer praise and rejoicing!

People: Let all God’s creatures sing praise and joy!

Leader: Open your hearts and spirits today.

People: Let us praise the Lord today and always! AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Gracious and Loving God, we are grateful that you have called us together this day, drawing us from darkness to the glory of your light. May our spirits rejoice at the good news you have for us today. Open our hearts to your healing love, for we ask this in Christ’s Name. AMEN.

The Lectionary

1st Reading

Acts 11:1-18

Psalm 148

UMH 861

2nd Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

Hymn

“Blessed Be the Name”

UMH 63

The Gospel

John 13:31-35

CALL TO PRAYER

“Lead Me, Lord”

UMH 473

Prayers of the People

Silent Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

UMH 895

THE OFFERING

Offering Scripture: “A generous person will be enriched, and one who gives water will get water.” Proverbs 11:25

Offertory Anthem “Help Us Accept Each Other” UMH 560
(Please join The Chancel 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!*

THE MESSAGE “Transforming Division into Unity” Pastor Carolyn Williams

***CLOSING HYMN** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” UMH 384

***BLESSING**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** “Amen”

THE CHRIST LIGHT IS TAKEN INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE *BEECHER*

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my husband, Johnson W. Bair, by Mary Alice Bair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAGS OF BLESSINGS - DONATIONS NEEDED

Please donate “single-serve” food items such as granola bars, fruit cups, pudding cups, 8oz. water bottles, snack crackers, cookies, peanut butter, etc. and zip-lock quart 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.

VBS - DONATIONS NEEDED

It's that time of year again. Vacation Bible School is right around the corner and promises to be an exciting one. As you all are aware, we serve dinner to the attending kids and volunteers each night. To offset the cost of food and supplies, we are asking for items in donations for approximately 75 people. Perishables (not needed until Sunday, June 23, and Non-perishables (can be dropped off at the church any time before VBS Sunday).

Gift cards and/or cash donations are also most welcome and appreciated. They can be given to Janet Dickerson.

GRIEF SHARE

Grief Share is a support group that meets bi-weekly. You'll find it to be a warm, caring, environment and will come to see the group as an “oasis” on your long journey through grief. The next meeting is being held on Saturday, May 25th “Challenges of Grief”

ALTER FLOWER OPENING

Altar flowers are available on Sunday, June 2. Cost for two vases is \$30.00. If you are interested in reserving, please contact Sandy Ide (302)593-3395

FREE LUNCH THURSDAY

Due to a health issue, Bob Evelyn is currently unable to coordinate “Free Lunch Thursday.” In order to keep this vital ministry going we are in need of support from the congregation. If you can help or know anyone who can help, the following volunteer support is needed:

- Coordination of weekly meals
- Purchasing items needed weekly (budget is available)
- Food prep on Wednesday's
- Dessert donations

For additional information, please see Sandy Ide

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - MEETING

Sunday, May 26 – 12:00pm – VBS full team planning and Safe Sanctuary Review with lunch provided. Please come as soon as your respective church services have ended. We will eat lunch first and wait for everyone to arrive from both churches before we start the meeting.

Thank you for volunteering to help with ROAR VBS this summer! It promises to be an exciting event as it is every year and I know God will move in the hearts of the children who attend! -Beth

MEMBER UPDATE – JOAN STADELMAN

Joan called to say that she misses everyone already. Her new address: 351 Crossing Boulevard, Building 4, Apt. 421, Orange Park, FL 32073



CALLING ALL GRADUATES!!



We invite you to submit the names of all students graduating this year from high school, college, and graduate degree programs to the church office, 654-0961 or rpumc@rpumchurch.org. Please include the name and location of the school, plus the diploma or degree they will receive. These very special people and their accomplishments will be recognized at our June 9 Worship Service.

CAP

CAP is in need of plastic bags. If you have any plastic bags from grocery shopping, please bring them in, it would be of great help. Also, the following food items are needed for their pantry:
small jars of peanut butter and jelly, tuna fish, spaghetti sauce.

OFFICE - JUNE MESSENGER

Please have articles and information for the June Messenger to the church by Thursday, May 23. Email to rpumc@rpumchurch.org or drop off to the office. Thank you -Jennifer



Father's Day Recognition

This year on Father's Day, June 16, RPUMC will honor our fathers and other important men in our lives by raising money for Boy Scout Troop 339 and Cup Pack 339 here at RPUMC. Help us help our young people as we celebrate together on Father's Day.

If you would like to make a contribution to this worthy cause, please make your check payable to RPUMC and specify Father's Day Campaign. Donations are due to the church office by Sunday, June 2. Your special person will be honored in our June 16 Worship Bulletin.

Special Father's Day Campaign

I/we _____
honor the following men:

In honor of: _____

In memory of: _____

Amount of Contribution: \$ _____

THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 19

9:00 am Adult Sunday School
10:00 am Fellowship Time - Extension
10:30 am Worship and Children's Church
3:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting – Fellowship Hall
4:30 pm Contemporary Worship – Chancel

Monday, May 20

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

Tuesday, May 21

8:00 pm AA Meeting – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 22

No events scheduled

Thursday, May 23

9:00 am-1:00 pm The Shoppe at RPUMC
11:30 am Free Lunch Ministry
8:15 pm AA Meeting – Fellowship Hall

Friday, May 24

10:00 am Disciple Bible Study – St. James UMC

Saturday May 25

10:00 am-12:00 pm Grief Share - Lounge

Sunday, May 26

9:00 am Adult Sunday School
10:00 am Fellowship Time - Extension
10:30 am Worship and Children's Church
3:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting – Fellowship Hall
4:30 pm Contemporary Worship – Fellowship Hall



PRAYER REQUESTS

Dave Rice, 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, Sister Morgan, Connie Pondok, Sean Short and Kim and baby Dakota, Jessica Etter and family, Felicia Etter and family, Ed Ide, Julia Lynch, Dot Scarborough, Anna Mae Shewbrooks, Ann Hague, Susan Cribb, Kelly Hynson, Jim Peel, Guy Campbell, Randy Comegys, Jim King, Mike Miller, Dave Rogers, Joyce Pierce, a growing RPUMC, Janis and family, Nancy and family, Roger and family, Donna, Jeff and Makena, Dory Emmett, Casey and Erin, Helen and Wilson, Aunt Maxine, Penny, Bryan Beckley, All Mothers, reconciling community, Emory Beckley, Przywara Family, Cynthia Brown, Shirley Delpizzo, Nancy Corrigan, Jean Nichols, Kay & Gab White, Cathell Family, Sisk Family, Krys & Mario, Norvell Family, Ryan, Erin, Freya, Dana, James, Kelliann, Daniel, Sarah, Danny, Richard & Norma Allen, John Hughes, Jessica Martin, Sharon, Jen, Gladys, Terri, Preston, Adam, Alvretta Crozier, Anna Mae Shewbrooks, Dot Scarborough, Scott Deaton and family, Elizabeth Keeth, Pat Rodenhiser & Family, Brenda Williams & Family, Susan & Ken Malone & Family, Beth & John, Jennifer & Madeline & Bryce & William, Raven & Riley & Ryder, Tamson & Veronicka & Constantin, Grant Rogers & Family, Houston Rogers & Family, Jim King, Bob Evely, People of Paris, France, World Peace, Christians everywhere, Donald Trump & Family, our armed forces, all law enforcement, firefighters and emergency personnel, justice, liberty, Granny Jo, Yvonne Mitten's Mom, Ironside Family, Hayes Family, Madison Family, Sal, Noah, Danielle, Hailey.

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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

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Dave Rogers

Please volunteer

Marie Walker &

Shirl Snapp

Everyone

Rev. Carolyn Williams

Donald H. McFarland

Kathy A. Rogers

Emmett Swanson and

Emma Warfel

Jennifer Boyce

Worship Attendance 5/2/19

58

Sunday School

9

Contemporary Worship

9

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.