

Richardson Park United Methodist Church
12th Sunday after Pentecost – Morning Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRELUDE: Summer Hymn Sing – Please call out your favorite hymn, number and title and we will sing the first and last verse of three choices

Welcome & Greeting each other in Peace

***OPENING SONG:** “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” UMH 127

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Come, be nourished by the words and witness of Jesus Christ.

People: He came that we might know of God’s absolute, steadfast love for us.

Leader: Receive the gift of the Bread of Life and hunger no more.

People: We are grateful for Jesus Christ, who has given to us this magnificent gift.

Leader: Come, let us worship and rejoice!

People: Let us sing our praises to God. AMEN.

OPENING PRAYERS:

Lord of life and hope, we gather this day seeking nourishment for our souls and healing for our spirits. Give to us your living bread, that having been nourished in soul and spirit, we may be witnesses to your transforming love. Through the ministry and mission of Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life, we offer this prayer. AMEN.

Joys & Concerns, Naming those in need of prayer

“Let us hold these thoughts and names in our hearts as we sing our Prayer Song.”

PRAYER SONG: “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian” (Vs. 1&4) UMH 402

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Reception of Tithes & Gifts

OFFERTORY SONG: “Be Thou My Vision” UMH 451

Presentation of Gifts: *Doxology UMH 94

TODAY’S SCRIPTURE: **1st Reading:** Ephesians 5:15-20
***Gospel:** John 6:51-58 Rev. Carolyn Williams

THE MESSAGE: “The Best Meal I Ever Ate” Rev. Carolyn Williams

CLOSING SONG: “O Word of God Incarnate” UMH 598

POSTLUDE: Improvisation on *Munich*

Let us depart in joy and take Christ to all!

*Please stand as you are able at these points in the service.

*The flowers at the cross are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my brother,
Douglas Allen by Debbie Freebery.*

Announcements & Events

Book Club – On Thursday, July 15, we met at in the lounge to discuss “Too Good to be True”, by Carola Lovering. We had a very interesting discussion about the book. During the next month, we will read “The Four Winds”, by Kristin Hannah”. All are invited to read the book and join us on **Thursday, August 12th at 7 pm** in the Lounge at RPUMC. Expect lively conversation and good fellowship. Starting in September, we plan to move our meetings to the second Friday of the month. We have been holding our copies of the second book in Rev. Robyn Brown’s trilogy, “SAM. A Ghost Story” in hopes that we can have her join us at the church. Rev. Brown’s visit to RPUMC to discuss “Ben” was a book club highlight, and we are hoping that (in time), she will be able to join us again. Look for additional communication. Coming attractions will include “In a Book Club Far Away” by Tif Marcelo and “The Midnight Library” by Matt Haig. In addition, on October 22, 2021, at 7 PM we will visit the Chase Center to hear Min Jin Lee speak, after dinner at Iron Hill Brewery @ 5. Min Jin Lee is the author of “Pachinko” and her talk was originally planned for last April. Thanks, Paul

Free Lunch – Free Lunch program is continuing every Thursday 11:30 AM-12:30 PM. We prepare a hot lunch in a take-out container at the main door of the church. Each person also receives a ‘bag of blessings’. Our group of dedicated volunteers work on Wednesday mornings preparing food and the ‘bags of blessings’ to hand out. We are averaging about 60 meals a week. Contributions of items are always accepted. Some church members pick up meals and deliver them to family and elderly neighbors. Thank you for your contributions. ~Joe Tucker

Grief Share – COVID 19 has interrupted the way we do things in the church, but it has no power to interrupt how we are called to be the Church. Believe it or not, through the church God can use COVID for good. One of the ways I see this manifesting is the door God opened for RPUMC to partner with Mt. Pisgah and provide a much needed ministry, “*Grief Share*” is now online and is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life’s most difficult experiences. Don’t go through the grieving process alone. Our online group will have the final meeting of this Grief Share session on **September 8th at 7 pm**. You must register: <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/126159> on “Mount Pisgah UMC group” page. You’ll receive a confirmation email. Any questions or have trouble registering please call the office of RPUMC (302) 654-0961 speak with Pastor Carolyn or Jennifer Christy from Mt. Pisgah UMC at (410) 810-0110.

The Shoppe at RPUMC – The Shoppe is currently **OPEN** for shopping on Thursday afternoons only. You must however schedule an appointment; please give Sandy a call (302) 593-3395. Thank you.

VBS – Join us for an exciting quest at the 2021 VBS “Knights of North Castle” from **Friday, August 20-22!** Young knights will discover how God’s strength empowers them to accept the call to wear the armor of God as they live out a call for truth, justice, peace, and a life of faith in God. Games and crafts, with lots of fun, music, and Jesus along the way! Sign up today at www.rpumchurch.org

What’s Happening

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

10:30 AM – WORSHIP & CHILDREN’S CHURCH

11:30 AM – MISSIONS TEAM SCHOOL KIT ASSEMBLY – FH

11:30 AM – TRUSTEE MTG. – LOUNGE

4:30 PM – CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP – FH

MONDAY, AUGUST 16

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

9 AM – 11 AM – BMG – EXT.

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM – FREE LUNCH

THE SHOPPE – SCHEDULED AFTERNOON APPOINTMENTS ONLY

PROCEEDS BENEFIT MISSION/OUTREACH

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20 – CHURCH RESERVED FOR VBS

6:30-8:30 PM – VBS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21 – CHURCH RESERVED FOR VBS

9:30-11:30 AM – VBS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

10:30 AM – WORSHIP AND CHILDREN’S CHURCH

10:30 AM – VBS – FH

11:30 AM – COUNCIL MTG. – LOUNGE

4:30 PM – CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP – FH



Joan Stadelman, Barbara Sayles, JoAnn and Sam Guidry, Joe Tucker, 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, Liz Heatwole, John Sagrati Sr., homeless animals, Amy Gould and family, Sister Morgan, Connie Pondok, Sean Short, Kim and baby Dakota, Jessica Etter and family, Felicia Etter and family, Julia Lynch, Crozier family, Anna Mae Shewbrooks, Dianna Deaton and family, Cherie Krebs, Shirley Delpizzo, Steven, Tonja, Natalie, Hillary, Sharon, Amanda, Mozes, Neal, Lewis, Sheldon, Don, Cassandra King, Rebecca King, James King, Al King, Astrid King, Franny and Marty Twardus, Clyde and Carolyn, Kim King, Highway workers and safety, newborns and children, school safety and opening, fighter fighters out west, Eric, Tom, Denise, Dave Madison, Kevin, Scott, Alice Boulden, Jim Smith, Fischer family, Mike, patience, our country, Jenn, Hayes family, Beth and family, Elizabeth Keeth, Pat Rodenhiser, Beth and John, Brenda Williams, Susan and Ken Malone, Houston Rogers, Troy Rogers, Grant Rogers, Melissa Jackson, Donald and Marian Jackson, travel mercies, beach safety, lifeguards, Cindi Melrath, Barbara Vena, all affected by wildfires, flooding, storms, earthquakes, homeless and hungry families, first responders, law enforcement, Gus and Carol, Ralph and Vicky, Donna Gerhold, Frank Pugh, Mary Lou Boyce, Rev. Spedden and Donna, Rose Davis, Francis Reynolds, Joan's sister, Don and Claudia McFarland, Dave and Dot Goss, Ed and Sandy Ide, Dave and Sandi Swain, Marvin and Betty Swain, Fred and Carol Tucker, Carol Bolyard, Karen Stewarts, Jim and Mary Tucker, Dick and Judy Tucker, Bill and Marqueta Storms, Frank Pugh, Diane Boyce, Jennifer Boyce and family, our country leaders, our church leaders, our President and cabinet, Bob Truitt, Marvick Zane, our country, Rev. Carolyn Williams and family, Michael Doc and family, our youth, our church, our community, our prayers

<u>SERVING TODAY</u>	WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	8/8/21	43
GREETER: NEAL DAVIS	LIVE ENGAGEMENT AM WORSHIP		4
	SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN		—
	CONTEMPORARY SERVICE		4
	LIVE ENGAGEMENT PM WORSHIP		3

About RPUM Church

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.

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Richardson Park United Methodist Church

Celebrating Over 100 Years of Ministry

The mission of Richarson Park United Methodist Church is to help people experience the amazing love of God and develop a vital relationship with Jesus Christ

And He said to them,
 “Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.”
Mark 16:15 NRSV



Welcome to RPUMC Worship Service

August 15, 2021