

**WELCOME TO**  
Richardson Park United Methodist Church  
**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE - AUGUST 15, 2021**

**Welcome**

**Opening Songs:**

**Today's Scripture:** Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. <sup>2</sup> As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there. <sup>3</sup> They said to each other, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. <sup>4</sup> Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth." <sup>5</sup> But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. <sup>6</sup> The Lord said, "If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. <sup>7</sup> Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other." <sup>8</sup> So the Lord scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. <sup>9</sup> That is why it was called Babel—because there the Lord confused the language of the whole world. From there the Lord scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

**Message:** "Our Way or God's Way"

**Songs**

**Closing Blessings**

***Announcements & Events***

Book Club – On Thursday, July 15, we met 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 12 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 is 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](http://www.rpumchurch.org)

***What's Happening***

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 15**

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**

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM – BMG – EXT.

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM – FREE LUNCH – DOOR PICK UP

THE SHOPPE – SCHEDULED AFTERNOON APPOINTMENTS

*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

10:30AM – VBS – FH

11:30AM – COUNCIL MTG. – LOUNGE

4:30 PM – CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP –FH

*Sermon Notes*

**Richardson Park United Methodist Church**

*Celebrating Over 100 Years of Ministry*

*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.*

**Come...let us make a name for ourselves.**  
(Gen. 11:4)



*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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