

## Richardson Park United Methodist Church

13th 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

**VBS KNIGHTS OF THE NORTH WRAP UP**

Miss Beth

### CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Though storms rage around me, I will clothe myself with the whole armor of God.

**People: I will fasten the belt of truth about my waist.**

Leader: I will place strength and determination as my shoes to aid me in my ministry and mission for God.

**People: I will take up the shield of faith with which I shall defend against evil ways.**

Leader: I will pray diligently at all times, offering prayers and supplication to God.

**People: The helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit will accompany my on my journey.**

Leader: Be strong in the Lord who provides for your every need.

**People: I place my confidence and trust in God always. AMEN.**

### OPENING PRAYERS:

In the beauty of this place, we have come to pray, to worship, to receive healing and hope. We come from the struggles and triumphs of the week, needing to feel the soothing presence of God. Lord, be with us this day. Calm and soothe our souls. Cause us to rejoice that you have provided a special place where we may gather to talk of your presence and love; to sing your praises; and to be empowered to go forth to serve you. 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:** “Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus” UMH 514

Presentation of Gifts: \*Doxology UMH 94

**TODAY’S SCRIPTURE:** **1st Reading:** Ephesians 6:10-20  
**\*Gospel:** John 6:56-59 Rev. Carolyn Williams

**THE MESSAGE:** “Dressed For Victory” Rev. Carolyn Williams

**CLOSING SONG:** “Soldiers of Christ, Arise” UMH 513

**POSTLUDE:** Improvisation on *Diademata*

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 Leonard P. Gibney by his daughter, Lynn Lafferty.*

### 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 will be closed August 26th and September 2nd and will reopen on September 9th for shopping in the afternoons by appointment only. You can schedule your appointment by giving Sandy a call at (302) 593-3395. Thank you.

### What’s Happening

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

10:30 AM – WORSHIP & CHILDREN’S CHURCH

10:30 AM – VBS – FH

11:30 AM – COUNCIL MTG. – LOUNGE

4:30 PM – CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP – FH

#### MONDAY, AUGUST 23

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 24

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 26

9 AM – 11 AM – BMG – EXT.

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM – FREE LUNCH

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 27

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

10:30 AM – WORSHIP AND CHILDREN’S CHURCH

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, Sheldon Edwards, Jim Kings, Mary Lou Boyce, Diane Boyce, Dave and Dot Goss, Frank Pugh, Carol Bolyard, Karen Stewart, Don and Claudia McFarland, Brenda Tucker, Maverick Zane, Jim and Mary Tucker, Frad and Carol Tucker, Dick and Judy Tucker, Shirly Snapp, Lewis, Rob, Neal, Tom, Scott, Kevin, Denise, Mike, Dave Madison, Eric, Jim Smith, Fischer family, Alice Boulden, Paul, our country, Janet, Cassandra King, Rebecca King, James King, Sugar King, Al King, Skibinski 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, travel mercies, beach safety, Cindi Melrath, Barbara Vena, all affected by the wildfires, flooding, storms, earthquakes in Haiti, homes and hungry families, Chicago Police family, First Responders, newborns and children, all in nursing homes and hospitals and staff, highway workers, farmers and families, law enforcement, our country leaders, our church leaders, our President and cabinet, Bob Truitt, Rev. Carolyn Williams and family, Michael Doc and family, Tracy, our church, our community, our prayers

<u>SERVING TODAY</u>	WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	8/15/21	45
GREETER: NEAL DAVIS	LIVE ENGAGEMENT AM WORSHIP		6
	SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN		—
	CONTEMPORARY SERVICE		—
	LIVE ENGAGEMENT PM WORSHIP		6

*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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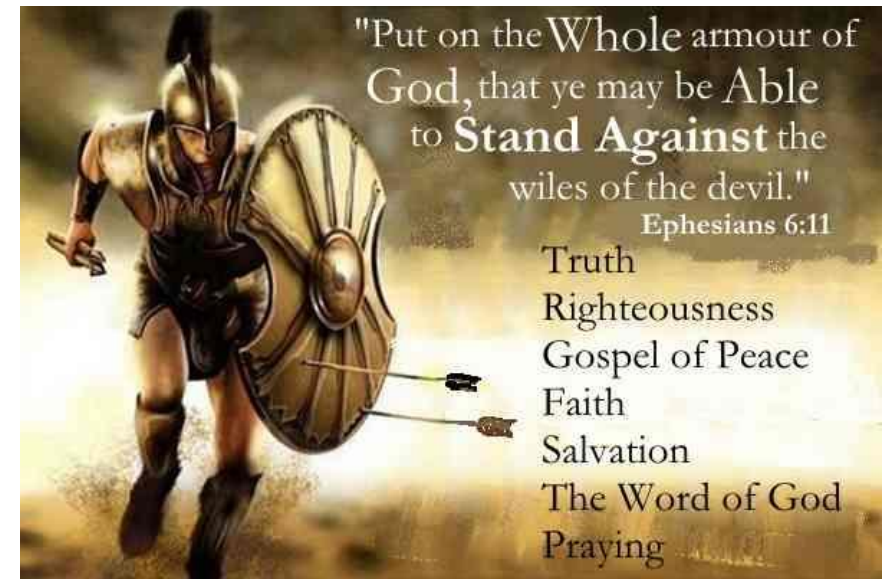
*Celebrating Over 100 Years of Ministry*

*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*

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 22, 2021*