

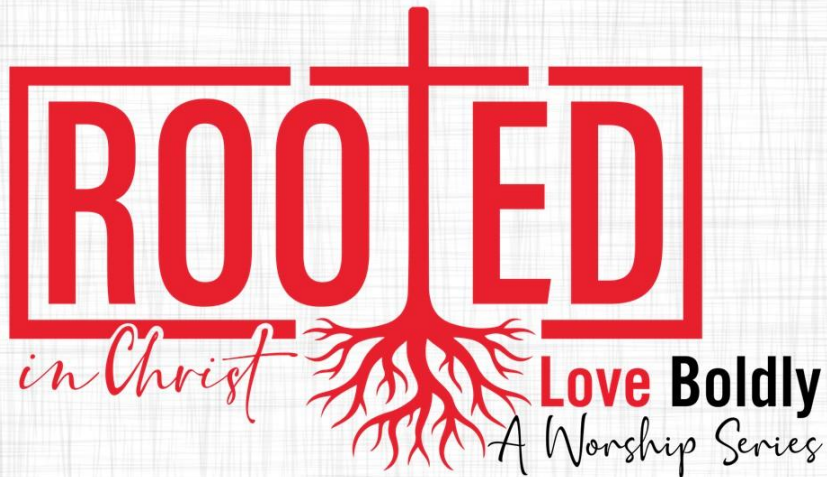


Richardson Park United Methodist Church

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

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



ROOTED
in Christ **Love Boldly**
A Worship Series
Grounded in our Baptismal Vows



Casey Houtz, Pastor

Welcome to RPUMC Worship Service

“We greet you with the love and peace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
We are a church committed to God’s mission and purpose for the world.
We pray you are blessed in worship with us this morning.”

August 2, 2026

10th Sunday after Pentecost
ORDER OF WORSHIP
**Please rise in spirit or body*

PRELUDE "The Way That God Loves" *W. Mercer* Janet Brush, Organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Kathy Rogers

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

God of generous love, we come before you today seeking to know you and your will. Root us in your grace. Guide us to your boldness. Claim us as your own so that we may be transformed by love and to love, today and all days. Amen.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Siblings in Christ, through the waters of baptism, we are claimed, washed clean, and called.

Many: We come to remember who we are and whose we are.

One: We are called to renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of our sin.

Many: We turn away from all that separates us from God and our neighbor.

One: Let us worship the God who claims us, redeems us, and sends us forth in love.

Many: With joy and thanksgiving, we worship God!

***OPENING HYMN** "Come, We That Love the Lord" UMH 732

**CALL FOR JOYS & CONCERNS
WITH PASTORAL PRAYER** Pastor Casey Houtz

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION Janet Brush, Organist

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Pastor Casey Houtz

SCRIPTURE READINGS Ephesians 3:14-21 Kathy Rogers

SERMON *Week 1: Tell the Whole Truth (part 1)* Pastor Casey Houtz

HYMN "Let Us Break Bread Together" UMH 618

THE LORD'S SUPPER Pastor Casey Houtz

INVITATION TO OFFERING Pastor Casey Houtz

RECEIVING OF TITHES & GIFTS

***DOXOLOGY** "All Things Come of Thee" UMH 588

OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison)

Kathy Rogers

Attentive God, you see us as we are and meet us in the movement of our days. As we bring these gifts, shape our lives to reflect your righteousness — faithful in love, honest in action, steady in compassion. Open our eyes to behold your face in the neighbors we serve and the work we share. Let our giving become praise in motion, a testimony that we seek your presence not only in stillness, but in faithful steps forward. Receive these offerings as signs of our trust and our desire to live in right relationship with you and with one another, until we are satisfied in the likeness of your grace. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Lord, Speak to Me”

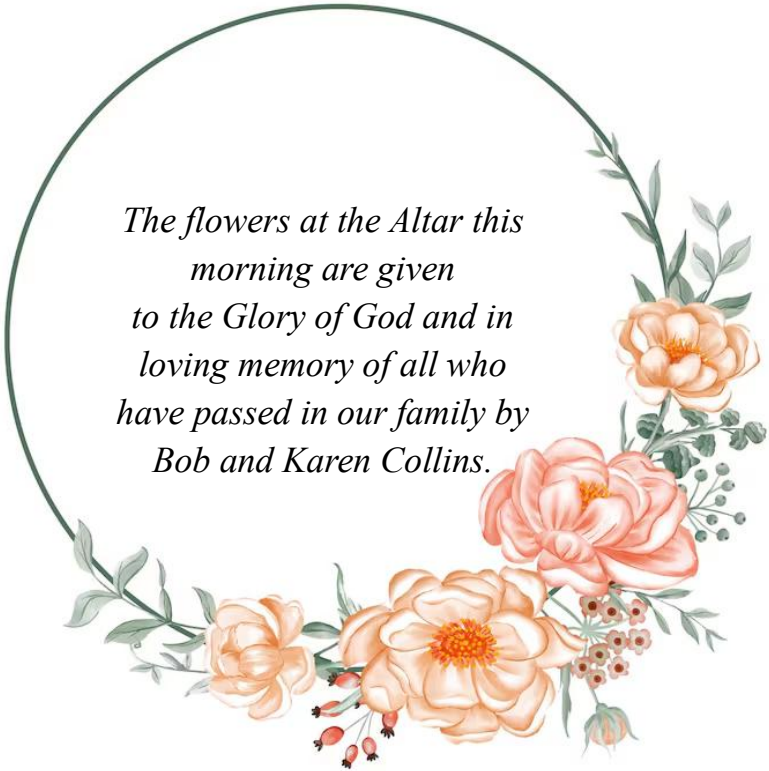
UMH 463

BENEDICTION

Pastor Casey Houtz

CONGREGATIONAL “AMEN” & RECESSIONAL**POSTLUDE**"Majesty, Worship His Majesty!" *J. Hayford*

Janet Brush, Organist



*The flowers at the Altar this
morning are given
to the Glory of God and in
loving memory of all who
have passed in our family by
Bob and Karen Collins.*

Prayer Requests



- Elizabeth C. Keeth, Pat Rodenhiser, Beth Kwaitowski, Brenda Williams, Susan and Ken Malone, Houston A. Rogers, Kathy A. Rogers, Grant Rogers, Troy Rogers, Mark Rogers, Gail Frazer, Robert Shaheen, travel mercies, Les Gommer, Audry and Brad, Libby and Angelo Pacheco, Bill Van Sant, DE State Police, PA State Police, first responders, people of Venezuela, Gaza and Ukraine, newborns and children, Madeline, Hannah and Ronnie, Yvonne and Uncle Cliff, all homeless and hungry families everywhere, Fran Tebbutt, Robby's parents in North Carolina, Morgan Richardson, Joann Armstrong, Camp Pecometh, Janet Brush, all effected by fires and floods, people of France, Spain, and Greece
- KC, Mia, Franny, Manda, grandkids, JR, Sharon, Frannie, Becky, Annette, Martin family
- Shirley Delpizzo and family, Steven, Tonja, Natalie, Hillary, Sharon, Amanda, Mozes
- Eric, Mac, Przywara Family, Hayes Family, Daimon, Wayne, Marlo, Heather, Scott, Michael, Gracie, Devon, Mike, wisdom
- Rebecca King, Stewart King, Liam King, James King, Cassandra King, Mindy King, Trixie King, Jack King, Linda Peterson, Rusty King, April, Zach, Susan Naughton
- Darryl and Jeanne Remedio, John and Donna Mahoney, Gary and Sue Pinkowski, Don and Crissy Montgomery, Gene and Tracy Filliben, Millie Bradshaw & family, the Wolski family, Don Moyer, Pastor Tony and Anne, Sam Rosado, our armed forces, all law enforcement, fire fighters and EMTs, the United States, Isreal, justice, liberty
- Joey Anderson, Cheri Anderson, Joanne Cooper, Terry Walklett
- Haley DeJesus, Madeline Torres

SERVING TODAY:

WORSHIP LEADER: KATHY ROGERS

MUSICIAN: JANET BRUSH

HEAD USHER: DAVE ROGERS

GREETER: MARIE WALKER

AUDIO/ VISUALS: DENNIS JOHNSON, BRENDA TUCKER,
and JANET DICKERSON

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 7/26/26:

WORSHIP: 38

The background of the entire image is a dense, overlapping collection of colorful balloons. The colors include red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple. The balloons are rendered with a glossy, 3D effect, showing highlights and shadows that give them a sense of depth and volume. They are scattered across the frame, creating a festive and celebratory atmosphere.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Kathy Evelyn August 03

Scott Doughty August 04

Jacalyn Foraker August 08

Isbella Warfel August 08

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

RPUMC 2026 “Back To School” Supplies Donations Request

As the summer comes to a close and preparations begin for children of all ages to go back to school, we are asking for school supplies donations; one is for much needed items for use in classrooms and one is for supplies for children in our community and at Richardson Park Elementary School.



The ***top three most needed items** for the classrooms include:

1. Tissues
2. Disinfecting Wipes (i.e., Clorox or Lysol wipes in canisters)
3. Glue Sticks

RPUMC Missions will provide the bookbags, but the ***top four basic items needed** to go inside include:

1. Loose Leaf Paper Packs
2. Single Subject Spiral Notebooks
3. #2 Pencils
4. Pencil Sharpeners

***These items are needed by Thursday, August 16th.**

We are asking for donations of any of these items and all donations are greatly appreciated! All these items can be found in Dollar Stores, Walmart, Staples or Grocery Stores. If you would rather give a monetary donation, we'll gratefully do the shopping!

Bookbags with basic school supplies will be offered to the children in our community through our Friends In Need Ministry.

Pastor Casey Houtz will pray over the items as well as for the children, teachers, administrators and the educational programs for this school year.

The items for school classrooms will be delivered to Richardson Park and Richey Elementary School and bookbags may be requested at the Olde Shoppe on Thursdays or picked up on request by contacting the church office.

Please pray for the safety, health and education of our children and thank you in advance for your school supplies donations and support for the children in our area!



July 23, 2026

Richardson Park UMC
11 N Maryland Ave.
Wilmington, DE 19804

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your congregation's generous gift of \$10,000.00 to Pecometh Camp & Retreat Ministries. Your support comes at a time when it is needed most, and we are deeply grateful for your partnership in helping restore our grounds and facilities.

Following the July 4 microburst, our grounds sustained significant damage, including countless fallen trees, damaged cabins, and impacted buildings. While we are thankful that no one was injured and that camp has continued, the cleanup and recovery efforts are just beginning.

Your gift will help provide the resources needed for debris removal, equipment rentals, repairs, and other unexpected expenses as we work to restore Pecometh. Every contribution, no matter the size, is helping us take another step toward recovery while ensuring our ministry continues to serve campers, retreat guests, and families.

We are grateful for your generosity and your belief in the mission of Pecometh. Thank you for standing with us during this time and helping preserve this special place where lives are transformed through Christian hospitality and programming.

With your support, we look forward to restoring what was damaged and continuing our ministry for generations to come.

Yours in Christ,

Augie Lankford
Executive Director

Thank you!

Phil Rekitzke
Director of Development

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10-13, 2026
6:00 - 8:00 P.M.



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Methodist Church**
115 E. Market St.,
Newport, Delaware



**SPECIAL YOUTH CELEBRATION SERVICE ON
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH!**

Please join us as the children share their
bodybuilding songs and stories.



COME GROW STRONG IN FAITH & FUN!

Join the UMM for a
GREAT NIGHT
 of Baseball

WILMINGTON
Blue Rocks VS. *FREDERICK
 Keys*

★ **FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2026** ★
 ★ **6:35 PM** ★
Frawley Stadium
 — WILMINGTON, DELAWARE —

★ TICKETS ★
\$13.00

Fireworks
 AFTER THE GAME! ★

For Tickets & Info:
JOHN RIDGEWAY | **LANELL BENSON**
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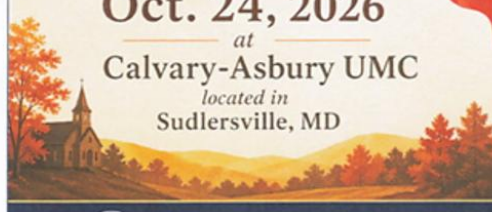
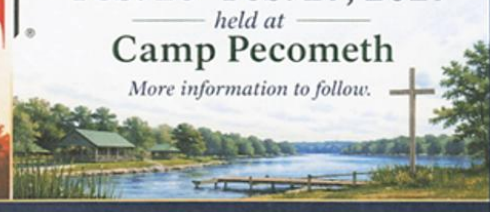

Save the Dates
 UPPER SHORE
LAY ACADEMY

FALL 2026
 Oct. 17 and
 Oct. 24, 2026
 at
 Calvary-Asbury UMC
 located in
 Sudlersville, MD

**EARLY SPRING
 CLASSES**
 Feb. 26–Feb. 27, 2027
 held at
 Camp Pecometh
 More information to follow.

Contact Pastor Mary Ellen Harris, CLM
 at 443-553-0420 or Jennifer Christy, CLM
 at 443-480-2377



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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH

★ NOON – 3:00 PM ★

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★ TWO BIG
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COME HOME! ★

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so that there is
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Back to Church Sunday

FAITH. FOOD. FAMILY. FOREVER. ★

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:00 AM

FOLLOWED BY AN

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FREE BRUNCH** ★

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LET'S CELEBRATE OUR FAITH & FUTURE!



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♥ *All Are Welcome!* ★



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