**MIMOSA BRUNCH SUNDAY** - Join us after the service in the Social Hall for a Mimosa Brunch Fellowship hosted by the Youth Group. Free will donations for brunch will go for getting us to Arkansas and back for our Mission Trip to Heifer Ranch. Thank you for your support!

## **ALL CHURCH FAMILY WORK DAY SUNDAY** — 1 to 3 pm

## PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Thank you to Mary Ann Sadilek for joining the music ministry today.

Acolyte: Harriet Juister

Ushers: John Haugland, Connie Kelly, Keith, Rosalyn and Ellie Pearson

Liturgist: Steven Teune

Andrew Ministers: Patti Halline and Beverly Aieta Flowers this morning are given by Betsy Gardner.

Coffee Fellowship — Join us after the service in the Social Hall for a Mimosa Brunch. Fellowship hosted by the Youth Group. Free will donations for brunch will go getting us to Arkansas and back for our Mission Trip to Heifer Ranch. Thank you for your support!

Trustees of the Month: Nancy Jensen and Thom DeVries

## LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

In a little over a month, I get the honor of accompanying 12 of our youth to Heifer Ranch International in Perryville, Arkansas for our yearly youth mission trip. I think the yearly mission trip that our youth take is one of the most significant ministries that happen at RPC. Thanks to your contributions our young people have the opportunity to learn more about the world around them and discover what it means in concrete ways to be a Christian.

Our young people will spend five nights at the ranch learning about world hunger, sustainability issues, and spending time helping on the working farm. In addition to me, our adult chaperones are Ellen Hamilton, Matt Lisle, and Lisa Aulerich-Marciniak. The Christian Education Committee believes that everyone should have the opportunity to serve, so we started raising funds, and we have raised a significant amount of money, more than half of what we need. If you would like to help us reach our goal, there are ways you can be involved.

SUNDAY following worship the Youth will be serving a Mimosa Brunch after church. Casseroles, fresh baked goods, fruits, juice, and coffee are on the menu. Plan to stay after church and support the youth with a donation.

And you can always make a monetary donation to help our young people attend Heifer, simply make your check payable to RPC with a Youth Mission Trip note in the memo line and drop it in the offering plate.

You have the power to change a young person's life forever.

Dale

## **WORSHIP NOTES FOR MAY AND JUNE**

May 28 John 17:1-11

June 4 – Pentecost Sunday, Linda Wygant, Grace Seeds Ministry Preaching

**HUMAN SCENE** — Join us in the Parlor at 8:30 am every Sunday as Human Scene features a series of TED Talks on a variety of subjects. We will reflect on these stories through the lens of our Christian faith. **May 28** – Continuing our focus on nonviolent conflict resolution, we hear

from peacemaker Jamila Raqib, "The secret to effective nonviolent resistance." We ask, "In relation to what issue(s) could RPC be active in this way? What situations within our sphere of influence could we affect positively through applying these ideas?"

**TROOP 24 100**<sup>TH</sup> **ANNIVERSARY DINNER** — On Saturday May 20, 2017 at 5:00 p.m., Troop 24 will celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding. All scouts & leaders, former scouts & leaders, and family and community members are invited to a celebration at RPC including 5:00 program including historical re-enactors and skits, catered dinner & desserts following the program and optional campfire and camp-out at Riverside Scout Cabin. The cost for the dinner is \$10 per person. There is no cost for the Scout Cabin camp-out. Please register to attend by May 10 on the Troop website troop24riverside.com. If you have questions about the event, please contact Tim Lauger at <a href="It@lauger.com">It@lauger.com</a>.

**FAMILY DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT** — Join us for a fun night on Friday, May 26! Bring your family to watch "The Adventures of Robin Hood" with your RPC family. Dinner (pizza and salad) will be at 6:30. Previews and cartoons will start at 7:30 and the main show will start at 8. Plus, if you come at 6, you can really get into the spirit of things and **make your own Robin Hood hat!** And, all this for only **\$3 per person!** Please let us know if you will be attending—and how many people (so that we know we'll have enough for everyone)—by contacting the church office or Karl-Heinz Meyer (kalle1015@aol.com). Also, if you'd like to bring appetizers or baked goods to share, we won't refuse them!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** — Sunday school is on summer vacation. We would like to thank the following for their help throughout the school year: Dima Aieta, Jeanine Buttimer, Nancy Dvorak, Kip Friend, Patti Friend, Doug Harvin, Patti Halline, Sandra Kappmeyer, Connie Kelly, Natalie Lisle, Christine Long, Susan Lynch, Lisa Marciniak, Laura McLean, Rachel McLean, Lorraine Meyer, Donna Mitchell, Mary Ann Sadilek, Carrie Staubus, Susanne Vogel and Bryan Zander. Your support and guidance have made this another successful and fun year for all!

**GIRLS GROUP LAST MEETING!** All junior and senior high-aged girls are invited to join us after school from 4-5 pm on Wednesday May 24 for our last Girls Group meeting. If we have good weather, we will be outside for fun and games! If not, inside for fun and games! Hope to see you! Questions? Contact Tara at 708-606-2057

**WORSHIP AT THE SCOTTISH HOME SUNDAY** — The Deacons welcome any-and-all congregation members to join us in the worship service for the residents of The Scottish Home Sunday at 2 pm.

**CARERS CORNER MAY, Stars and Stripes Month** — The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 187 will be accepting our donation for their Packages Abroad program. Everything we donate will be used by a member of the armed services deployed abroad and by those who visit the USO at O'Hare Airport. Items needed are non-perishable snacks, personal care products, fun items to occupy their off-duty hours. A more comprehensive list will be posted next to the trunk.

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 187 is also hoping that we would submit a list of servicemen and servicewomen deployed abroad from our families, friends and neighbors. Send their name and their FPO or APO address to Kate Chard at kate.allan.chard@sbcglobal.net

**MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY IN RIVERSIDE** — Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 10 am in the St. Mary Parish Center (building by back parking lot). Everyone is invited. If you have any questions please call Tom Sisulak 708-447-3767.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AND BIRTHDAY OFFERING**— Presbyterian Women's Horizon Bible Study will be Wednesday, May 24 at 10:00 am in the parlor. All women are welcome and coffee is served as we discuss "Who is Jesus? What a Difference a Lens Makes" by Judy Yates Siker. Lesson Eight: According to the Other. Background Scripture: Genesis 12:1-4; Matthew 1:1; Galatians 3:6-7; 4:23-29. Key Scripture: Galatians 4:23-29 Sandy Kappmeyer will lead.

The Birthday Offering of Presbyterian Women celebrates Presbyterian women's history of mission giving. It was launched in 1922 to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Presbyterian Church in the United States (PCUS). Since that time, it has become an annual tradition and has funded nearly 100 major mission projects that continue to make a difference in the lives of women and children. The Birthday Offering will be collected at the gathering on May 24 by Marge Abbott.

**FOURTH OF JULY PARADE** — The Outreach Committee is looking for 5 or 6 RPC members to accompany RPC's unit in Riverside's 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. Contact Patti Friend at pfriend@luc.edu or Steve Marcus at 847-873-2813.

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS** — Summer hours will begin after Memorial Day. <u>During the summer the office will be open on Wednesdays and closed on Fridays</u>. The hours are 9 am to noon. Marika Floros will be staffing the office this summer. Donna Jones will continue to handle the contributions and financial statements over the summer.

**CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** — Statements through April 2017 have gone out. Please review your statement and let the office know if there are any corrections needed. If you did not receive your statement please contact Donna in the office or send an email to <a href="mailto:rpcstatements@rpcusa.org">rpcstatements@rpcusa.org</a>.

PER CAPITA FOR 2017— "Per Capita is a set amount of apportionment per member that congregations pay to the larger Presbyterian Church USA to share in the expenses associated with coordinating and performing the functions of our church's government." In other words, RPC pays \$33.38 per registered member to the Presbytery USA to fund things like leadership training, worldwide mission work, inter-church gatherings, seminary matters and the other resources that are provided to all members of the Presbytery. Consider this as a type of "dues" for being a member. Please consider paying your portion even if you have already pledged. Payments can be made by using the Per Capita envelope found in your pledge card box, regular check with "Per Capita" in the note section or online.