

DEACONS POTLUCK — Sunday, October 28 — Please bring a dish to share. The theme is “Fall Festival” – foods we turn to when the weather changes. Hosted by Paula McCracken.

DAILY DEVOTIONALS— Copies of the November-December Upper Room are in the rack outside the church office.

THE BOULEVARD HAPPY NEW YEAR — Save the date — Sunday, December 30, 3:30- 6:00 pm. We are planning a little New Year’s celebration for the residents. Mark your calendars and join the fun!

IRUKA AJEMBA MEMORIAL — Thanks to all those who contributed. We have succeeded in raising the funds we need to place a headstone on Iruka Ajemba's grave. When the stone is placed, we will take a photo of it and display it in the church.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Thank you to the acaBELLa Ringers for joining today’s Ministry of Music.

Ushers: Deb and Dessa Myers, Elizabeth Musick

Liturgist: Steve Marcus

Andrew Ministers: Cyril Friend and Connie Kelly

Flowers today are given by the Mancini family in honor of Lydia

Waterman and Dorothy Stack and in celebration of Anthony’s baptism.

Coffee Fellowship today is hosted by the Finance Committee.

Trustees of the Month: Susan Deems-Dluhy and Connie Nestor

Mission Statement

We gather as a church family to:

Celebrate God’s Presence ~ Nurture the Spiritual Life

Carry the Light of Christ into the World ~ Serve God by Serving Others

RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dale Jackson, Pastor 502-592-1617 (pastor@rpcusa.org)

Linda Hutcheson, Office Manager (rpcoffice@rpcusa.org)

Marika Floros, Office Assistant (rpcoffice@rpcusa.org)

Dr. Sally Sloane, Minister of Music (musikhse@comcast.net)

Diante Johnson, Christian Educator (diant_e_johnson@yahoo.com)

Ellen Hamilton, Treasurer (treasurer@rpcusa.org)

Susan Lisle, Preschool Director (rpcpreschool@rpcusa.org)

Riverside Presbyterian Church

116 Barrypoint Road, Riverside, IL 60546 ~ (708) 447-1520 ~ rpcusa.org

October 21, 2018 ~ **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Today

10:00 am Worship

11:00 Fellowship

11:15 Small Group

Gathering

2:00 pm Caledonia

Monday

6:30 pm Theology on

Tap

Tuesday

6:30 am Men’s Forum

Wednesday

10:00 am Women’s

Circle

4:15 pm Riverside

Ringers & Singers

6:30 acaBELLa Ringers

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday

6:30 am Women’s

Forum

Friday

Office Closed

7:00 pm Friday Night

Fellowship

Sunday

9:00 am Human Scene

9:00 Sunday School

10:00 Worship

11:00 Fellowship

11:15 Mission

Committee Meeting

12:00 pm Small Group

Gathering

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday

9:00 am – 3:00 pm



THEOLOGY ON TAP – Mondays, dinner at 6:30 with discussion at 7:00. We meet at the Grapevine, 9 W Hillgrove Ave, La Grange, IL 60525. We are studying *Misquoting Jesus: The Story Behind Who Changed the Bible and Why* by Bart Ehrman. When Ehrman first began to study the texts of the Bible in their original languages he was startled to discover the multitude of mistakes and intentional alterations that had been made by earlier translators. In *Misquoting Jesus*, Ehrman tells the story behind the mistakes and changes that ancient scribes made to the New Testament and shows the great impact they had upon the Bible we use today. The book can be purchased on Amazon (use the church’s Smile button) for \$15.00.

WORSHIP – During October and November we turn our attention to the Capital Campaign and our annual Stewardship Campaign. The theme of the campaigns is the hymn *Let Us Build a House* by Marty Haugen. Although it was written for a church dedication, this text is not about a physical structure but a spiritual one. The building is at best only a vessel for the essential love and hope, life and faith, peace and justice, hospitality and nurture that form the worshiping community. *Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions. All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL —Sunday School is open to all ages. There is a separate class for Jr. High students. Please make sure your children attend. If you have any questions regarding Sunday School feel free to call, text or email Diante. Email: diante_johnson@yahoo.com cell: 773-387-3779

Below are the dates and lessons that will be covered on those dates:

Fall Sunday School Lessons and Dates

October 28 – Free from Slavery

November 4 - The Red Sea

YOUTH GROUP —Jr. High Youth Group met this morning. If your child missed it, the details will be emailed by Diante later today. Please be sure Diante has your email address.

FRIDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP – OCTOBER 26 — Please bring your favorite beverage and appetizer to share and join your fellow party-goers for Friday Night Fellowship at Ellen Hamilton’s house on Friday, October 26th. Party starts at 7 pm – 213 Woodside Road. Be there or be square!

CARERS CORNER OCTOBER— This autumn the CARERS trunk will be ready and waiting for donations of nonperishable foods. Remember - NO glass jars or flimsy plastic cups. They’re breakable. The contributions will be distributed to local food pantries.

COMPANIONS JOURNEYING TOGETHER is a prison ministry which consists of sending Christmas cards to prisoners. There are packs of 10 cards located on a table by the CARERS trunk. Please take one or more packs and follow the GUIDELINES listed with the cards. Deadline is Sunday, October 28.

WOMEN’S CIRCLE for Fellowship and Study — Wednesday, October 24 at 10:00 am in the Social Hall. All women are welcome to join us for coffee, fellowship and study as we discuss “*God’s Promise*” by Amy Poling Sutherland. God’s promise to be with us allows us to consider the surprising and powerful intimacy of God’s willingness to be with us in all our circumstances. Lesson Three “God with Us in Our Discouragement”. Kate Chard, Leader.

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS — We need canned vegetables, soups, fruit, canned or vacuum-packed sausages, canned or vacuum-packed ready-to-eat meals (beef ravioli, beef-a-roni), peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, oatmeal, small containers of laundry detergent, small boxes of raisins and trail mix. **No drink mixes needed at this time. No dried beans.** Thank you!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE - Today marks the kickoff of our Capital Campaign, which is running concurrently with our Stewardship Campaign that will fund our program and mission budget for 2019. As you look around and see all the wonderful work that has been done, know that we need to raise funds to pay for the improvements and repairs.

To help you learn more about all of this, you are invited to sign up to attend a small group gathering. At the gathering you will receive information about our three-year campaign, a pledge card, and stewardship information for the 2019 general budget. Sign-up sheets are available on Capital Campaign Table in the Social Hall this morning and then they will be in the hall outside of Dale’s office. It is important for every member to choose one of these dates and attend a small group gathering.

Small Group Gathering Dates

Sunday, October 21 - 11:15 am in the Parlor,
child care will be provided

Sunday, October 28 – 12:30 pm at Caroline Tecson’s home,
299 Bloomingbank Road, Riverside.

Tuesday, October 30 – 7:00 pm at Ellen Hamilton’s home,
213 Woodside Drive, Riverside

Choir and Bell Choir members (and their significant others) are encouraged to attend and everyone else is welcome.

Thursday, November 1 - 7:00 pm at The Quincy Street Distillery,
39 E Quincy St, Riverside

This includes a lemon-tea whisky punch and popcorn,
up to 3 (1/4 oz) tastings, and a 10-minute tour of the distillery.

Thursday, November 8 - 7:00 pm at The Quincy Street Distillery,
39 E Quincy St, Riverside

This includes a lemon-tea whisky punch and popcorn,
up to 3 (1/4 oz) tastings, and a 10-minute tour of the distillery.

Saturday, November 10 - 11:00 am at Allan Halline & Patti Perry’s home,
257 Bartram Road, Riverside

Sunday, November 11 - 11:15 am in the Parlor,
child care will be provided

Sunday, November 18 – 3:00 pm at Dale Jackson and Dennis Cobb’s
home, 2505 Keystone Ave. North Riverside

NEW MEMBER INFORMATIONAL MEETING – Sunday, October 28 at 11:15 in the upstairs Parlor. Anyone interested in joining RPC or more information is invited to attend.