



Riverside Presbyterian Church

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SERRV & EARN FUNDRAISER

FREE GIFT WITH PURCHASE OCTOBER 31 — NOVEMBER 1

During covid many of you are probably shopping online for Christmas gifts. Consider shopping with Serrv International, which is a way to support artisans world-wide, the church and to have your gifts delivered to your recipients. It's never been easier to change a life for the better. Now thru **December 31**,

when you buy handmade gifts, baking items and home decor using the web link below, 20% of your purchase will be donated to **RPC**. You'll do a world of good by supporting this Serrv & Earn fundraiser. I hope you'll shop and share the web link today:

<https://www.serrv.org/?a=RPC>



Catalogs are available in the office. If you would like to make arrangements to pick one up or have it mailed to you, let us know. We can help you place your order as well since all orders need to be placed online.

Dedicated to fighting poverty through fair trade since 1949, Serrv International works with nearly 8,000 artisans and farmers in 24 countries to bring you the world's most beautiful handcrafted items.

Plan ahead for the Fall 2020 special offers:

Oct 31 – Nov 1: Free gift with purchase

Nov 14-15: Free ground shipping

Nov 21-22: Free \$10 Gift Card with every \$50+ purchase

Dec 5-6: Free ground shipping



TIME CHANGE —Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour on Saturday, October 31. You can make up for that hour of sleep you lost in the spring!



The church staff including preschool teachers follow COOK County travel quarantine guidelines.

TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS



If you are coming to the church building (to drop off items, stock the food pantry, etc) you are asked to follow quarantine guidelines. So if you have visited a state on the quarantine list please DO

NOT enter the church building. You may find out which states are covered here: <https://cookcountypublichealth.org/communicable-diseases/covid-19/covid-19-travel-guidance/>

STEWARDSHIP 2021 —Please return your 2021 Estimate of Giving Card as soon as possible. If you would like to fill out your card online, go to this link: <https://forms.gle/xcWqML4DjcgntCFj8>



October 11—November 14 We are spending time witnessing Hebrew Bible stories of God urging the people forward in times when it seems there’s no way out. We will recall our own narratives and affirm the strength God gives us to find a way through.

November 22—Virtual Pet Blessing. More information to come but start emailing Pastor Dale pictures of your furry or scaly or feathery loved ones now!!

ZOOM SUNDAY INFORMATION—Sunday morning you may call and listen to the worship service by dialing 1(312)626-6799 and using meeting ID: 973 5627 6934; Password: 960995. Stay on the line after worship and join us for Coffee Fellowship. If you are joining Coffee Fellowship after viewing worship on YouTube follow this link: <https://bit.ly/RPCFellowship>.

CALLING ALL TABLECLOTHS! Do you have any round, green RPC tablecloths at home? We are missing several tablecloths that may have been taken home to launder. If you have any, please return them to the office or contact the office. Thank you!



The **WOMEN’S CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY** is scheduled to meet on Zoom or telephone on Wednesday, October 28 at 10:30. We will be studying Lesson 3 of the book "Into the Light". We look forward to the gathering!

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/98513169535?](https://zoom.us/j/98513169535?pwd=SU9RZDJ2Vm42QkrzTmJHOUtmMHcvQT09)

[pwd=SU9RZDJ2Vm42QkrzTmJHOUtmMHcvQT09](https://zoom.us/j/98513169535?pwd=SU9RZDJ2Vm42QkrzTmJHOUtmMHcvQT09)

Meeting ID: 985 1316 9535, Passcode: 899045, Dial by your location +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)



THEOLOGY ON TAP Drawing All Things To God: A Series on the life of Jesus. Jesus' birth welcomed something greater into human form. Through the recorded accounts of his life, Jesus' teachings pointed to a connected way of living in relationship to God, one another, our meals, our positions and possessions, and to the

Earth. To people who find themselves detached from such things, who had exhausted themselves and their means, Jesus came with a message: *Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you'll recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly.* There is no reading required prior to the meeting. Login information to join the ZOOM discussion. <https://zoom.us/j/935547600?pwd=cTV0YTR4YkErT0twWmExUXlTc3ozQT09> Meeting ID: 935 547 600 Passcode: 636553

- ◆ Prayers for Donna Ulrich, who had hip surgery on October 22.
- ◆ Continued prayers for Nathan Nadkarni, Lynda's nephew.
- ◆ Joyce Van Cura
- ◆ Jack Smith
- ◆ Judy Lynch, Susan Lynch's sister-in-law
- ◆ Monica Wood



FAITH FORMATION — Intergenerational Sunday School started Sunday, September 27. All ages will enjoy our new curriculum called: *An Illustrated Earth: Celebrating God's Creation*. The curriculum is designed to draw you into conversations with biblical stories that relate to elements of God's creation. Accompanying videos are available on our YouTube channel. Contact the church office if you'd like to arrange to pick up a packet or have it mailed to you.

DAILY DEVOTIONAL — The November-December edition of The Upper Room is available. Please contact the church office to arrange a time to pick it up or have it mailed to you.



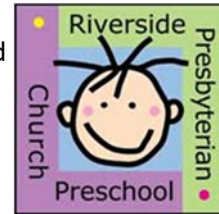


A SERVICE OF LAMENT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25 3-4:30PM VIA ZOOM
 PRE-REGISTER: bit.ly/ServiceofLamentRegister
 Preacher: The Rev. Denise Anderson, former co-moderator of the General Assembly and Coordinator of Racial and Intercultural Justice, PMA

Please have a candle available for the service. Worship will follow the pattern of Psalms of communal lament and following the service there will be a small group discussion.

PRESCHOOL NEWS —Through the month of September, the Preschool conducted Zoom classes for two groups (younger and older) of preschoolers. Our website has been updated with a Parent Portal with fun educational videos made by Mrs. Kanatas and Mrs. Lisle and other resources. We also delivered packets of activities to each of the children's homes.



In October we began a hybrid model. The younger children come to Preschool on Tuesdays, each group has a Zoom class on Wednesday, and the older group comes to Preschool on Thursdays. We play in the playground, have circle time on towels and have been enjoying watching the big machinery working at the Swim Club. This past week, Mrs. Kanatas and I met the children at the Brookfield Zoo, one group on Tuesday and one group on Thursday. All the while we wear our masks.

Conducting Preschool during this difficult time has been a challenge but the children are so happy to be together and are really good at keeping their masks on. We are hopeful that we can continue to meet in person through the end of the year!

2020 CHURCH LEADERSHIP			
Elders	2020	2021	2022
	Frank Gangware	Gwen Heine	Ben Dickerson
	Lynda Nadkarni	Allan Halline	Ellen Hamilton
	Dennis Zander	Matt Lisle	Serina Ranft
			Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk
Deacons	Lloyd Bradbury	Deb Jansky	Claire Gangware
	Charlie Juister	Wendy Seifert	Sylvia Schade
	Sally Sloane	Joyce Van Cura	Susanne Vogel
	Jeanne Smith		
Trustees	Patti Perry	Thom DeVries	Paula McCracken
	Doug Harvin	Fred Mitchell	Tom Radigan
	Hank Vogel	Mike Heine	Brad Staubus