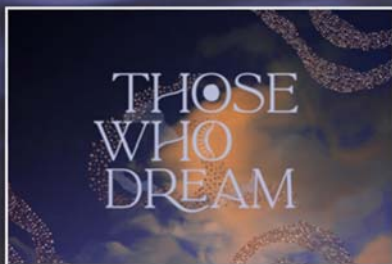


ADVENT AT RPC Riverside Presbyterian Church
ANNOUNCEMENTS
NOVEMBER 22, 2020

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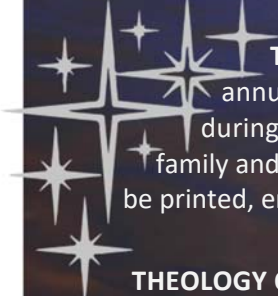


Advent is for the dreamers in all of us—those who dream of a deeper connection with God and those who dream of a better world. It's for those who dream of comfort and for those who have given up on their dreams. It's for those whose dreams have been crushed and for those who show us that dreams take time. Join us this Advent as we dream alongside

prophets and angels, Mary and the Magi. Join us as we seek and sow God's dreams for our world.

DAILY ADVENT DEVOTIONALS which follow our theme for Advent are available . If you would like to receive one, please contact the office.

FAITH FORMATION—the Faith Formation Sunday School packets for Advent, explore what it means to live as a people who recognize powerful lessons are learned in the dark.



THE MESSIAH—Throughout Advent two soloists from our annual Messiah Concert will sing selections from the Messiah during worship. You can express your love in memory or honor of family and friends through a financial donation. Your dedications will be printed, emailed and included in the December 20 worship service.

THEOLOGY OF TAP-During December as we explore your favorite Advent & Christmas hymns. Email Pastor Dale your favorite and then join us on Zoom, Monday's at 7:00 p.m. [https://zoom.us/j/935547600?](https://zoom.us/j/935547600?pwd=cTV0YTR4YkErT0twWmExUXlTc3ozQT09)
[Meeting ID: 935 547 600 Passcode: 636553](https://zoom.us/j/935547600?pwd=cTV0YTR4YkErT0twWmExUXlTc3ozQT09)

CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING—This Offering addresses the support needed by some of our leaders, including supporting leadership development for communities of color, and providing support for Presbyterian church workers in their time of need.

ADVENT TIME OF REFLECTION – The sanctuary will be open, by reservation, to allow you to come and spend time in prayer and witness the beauty of our sanctuary during Advent. (continued on next page)

ADVENT TIME OF REFLECTION – (continued) Time slots are 30 minutes each with a maximum of 6 people. The south door and one restroom will be open. The rest of the building is closed. Slots are available morning, afternoon, evening.

Please sign up on SignUp Genius <https://bit.ly/2JVINbL> or call the church office. The following slots are open:



- Tuesday, December 1: 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm
- Wednesday, December 2: 10:00 am – 10:30 am, 11:00 am – 11:30 am, 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm, 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm
- Thursday, December 3: 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm
- Sunday, December 6: 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm, 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm
- Monday, December 7: 10:00 am – 10:30 am, 11:00 am – 11:30 am
- Tuesday, December 8: 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm
- Wednesday, December 9: 10:00 am – 10:30 am, 11:00 am – 11:30 am, 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm, 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm
- Thursday, December 10: 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm
- Sunday, December 13: 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm, 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm
- Monday, December 14: 10:00 am – 10:30 am, 11:00 am – 11:30 am
- Tuesday, December 15: 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm
- Wednesday, December 16: 10:00 am – 10:30 am, 11:00 am – 11:30 am
- Thursday, December 17: 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm, 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm, 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Christmas *Scavenger Hunt*

SCAVENGER HUNT-Calling all people who would like to get out of the house and do good! From December 1 - 15 we will hold a scavenger hunt. You will be given a list of four fun activities and a bonus activity.

Head out solo or pack your pod into a car and complete them any time within those two weeks. For each activity, you will take a photo (or two). Your submitted photos will be part of a worship service after Christmas. All participants will win a prize.

The best part about this (besides participating as it fits into your schedule) is that it works no matter where you live! Intrigued? Want more information? Contact Lynda Nadkarni at lmn@floros.org or 708-288-0899.

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>.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ◆ Prayers for Baby Austin and his family as he is not expected to make it to his first birthday. Austin's grandmother is a dear friend of Jeanine Buttimer.
- ◆ Prayers for Porter Graham, Jeanine Buttimer's cousin who is hospitalized with covid-19.
- ◆ Joyce Van Cura
- ◆ Jack Smith
- ◆ Judy Lynch, Susan Lynch's sister-in-law
- ◆ Monica Wood

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>



The church staff including preschool teachers follow COOK County travel quarantine guidelines. If you are coming to the church building (to drop off items, stock the food pantry, etc) you are asked to follow quarantine guidelines. 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/>

Please use hand sanitizer, and wear a mask. Everyone should sing in for contact tracing. Please sign your name, date and time you are in the building in the book provided.



GIFT CARDS FOR THE HOLIDAYS — Especially this year when shopping is more difficult, you can help the RPC Preschool and get a head start on holiday shopping using gift cards from Shop with Scrip. The office has order forms. Please return your order form with a check made out to RPC in the office by Thursday for following week delivery. THIS IS AN ONGOING FUNDRAISER.



SERRV & EARN FUNDRAISER

Because of the Corona Virus 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.



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Plan ahead for the Fall 2020 special offers:

Nov 21-22: Free \$10 Gift Card with every \$50+ purchase Promo Code: SEGC20

Dec 5-6: Free ground shipping Promo Code: SESNOWMAN20

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