Riverside Presbyterian Church
February 2, 2020 ~ Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Ask an usher for audio hearing units.
Please silence your cell phones.
Childcare for children through preschool is available upstairs.

* Indicates please stand in body or Spirit.

Won’t You Be My Neighbor?
A sermon series on the wisdom of Mr. Rogers
**WE PREPARE**

CHIMING THE HOUR
WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

* PASSING THE PEACE (Responsive)
  
  The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
  
  And also with you.

**WE GATHER**

PRELUDE  
* Minuet from “The Musical Clocks”  
* Haydn

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Loud talkers and silent worriers,
boisterous talkers and lonely wallflowers:

**God gathers us together to be the Body of wonder and joy, of hope and healing.**

Bystanders with hands shoved into our pockets,
those who are afraid, whose feet are frozen in place:

**Jesus calls us to carry grace to outsiders,**
to walk with all those left behind.

Kids who never offer answers in class,
bashful folks whose tongues tie in knots:

**The Spirit anoints us to speak up for the voiceless,**
to partner with the poor to discover their gifts.

* HYMN 301  
* Let Us Build a House

INVITATION TO PRAYER

SUNG PRAYER FOR WHOLENESS

470 verse 3 *There Is a Longing in Our Hearts*

Guided Silent Prayer

Mister Rogers often invited people to spend a minute in silence thinking.
Today you are invited to call to mind those people who love you unconditionally.
ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE

SUNG RESPONSE 447 We Are Forgiven

WE LISTEN

TIME WITH CHILDREN Children are invited forward
Children are invited to stay in worship.

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 1:26-31
1 Corinthians 12:14-26

MEDITATION

* HYMN 795 Healer of Our Every Ill

WE RESPOND

MINUTE FOR MISSION

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM Lift High the Cross arr. Schalk

* SUNG RESPONSE 609 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE JOYFUL FEAST OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Communion is served by intinction.
Please come forward, tear off a piece of bread and dip it in the chalice. Return to your seats by
the outer aisles. The chalice contains juice and the cup wine. Crackers are gluten free.

INVITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Responsive)
We give thanks for the...to this moment in time.
We celebrate our common origin with everything that exists. We celebrate the...unique and personal expression. 

God is everywhere present. 
In grace-filled moments of sharing. 
In carefully created communities of loving solidarity. 
We are one...enable us to dare and to dream and to risk... 

Together may we re-imagine the world. 
Together may we work to make all things new. 
Together may we celebrate the possibilities and hope we each have and are called to share. 

Hear us as we pray the prayer Jesus taught: 

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

COMMUNION OF God’s People

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WE DEPART

* HYMN 498 Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

* BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE La Bamba from “Triptico Mexicano” Noble

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Liturgist: Cal Friend
Ushers: Scouts
Communion Servers: Serina Ranft, Deb Jansky, Lynda Nadkarni and Susanne Vogel
Flowers are donated by Troop 24 and Pack 24 Scouts.
Fellowship Time: is hosted by Troop 24 and Pack 24 Scouts.
Trustee of the Month: Patti Perry
ANNOUNCEMENTS

THEOLOGY ON TAP meets Mondays at 6:30 pm in the Social Hall. We are reading essays from the 1619 Project which recognizes the 400th anniversary of the beginning of American slavery. Please see Dale for a copy of the readings.

ALTERNATIVE SUPER BOWL EVENT Join us at Oakbrook 4 Theatre at 4:45 pm today for “Just Mercy.” Please secure your own tickets and plan to join us for dinner after the movie.

REFUGEE ONE FIESTA TACO DINNER at Ascension Lutheran Church, February 8 between 5pm and 8pm. The Taco Dinner is a joint function between RPC and Ascension Lutheran and provides 25% of the monies needed to resettle a family.
Advance ticket prices: $12/adults, $5/children.
Please consider lending a hand for a bit to help out with the upcoming taco dinner on February 8. Just click on the link below to check out the volunteer opportunities.
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094cafaf22a7f58-taco

Mission Work @ RPC

LOOSE COIN OFFERING—Today we dedicate all loose coins in the offering plates to the Presbytery of Chicago Hunger Fund.

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9, AFTER WORSHIP — Join the Mission Committee in bringing a dish to share. Invite anyone who would enjoy a free meal and good conversation. All are welcome!

CARERS TRUNK— In February the CARERS Trunk donations are for The Little Food Pantry. Please give non-perishable foods. Canned soups, meats and vegetables are needed.
**SCOUT SUNDAY** — Today we host Troop and Pack 24 and Riverside Girl Scouts for Scout Sunday. We recognize and celebrate the longstanding relationship between our church and Scouts. Coffee fellowship is hosted by Troop and Pack 24 today.

**SAVE THE DATE** — Troop 24/Pack 24 Pancake Breakfast: Saturday, March 7 from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm. Tickets are $5 if purchased in advance – available from scouts and the church office. Thank you for your support!

**PRESCHOOL NEWS**—We are now accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Applications are available outside the church office for both the morning and enrichment classes.

**FEBRUARY CALENDAR AND BIRTHDAYS** — Copies of the February calendar and birthdays are at the back of the sanctuary and in the rack by the office.

**SESSION HIGHLIGHTS** — January 2020:
- Re-elected Ellen Hamilton as RPC Treasurer and Mary Ann Sadilek as Clerk.
- Authorized the celebration of The Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of the month and on Maundy Thursday.
- Approved the Annual Statistical Report to be filed with the Office of the General Assembly.
- Assigned elders to RPC standing committees.
- Received training from Rev. Jackson on duties of Elders and Presbyterian polity, and reviewed financial reports.
- Received a resignation from Session from Martha Heine.

Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk of Session
BOARD AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS
Trustees: Brad Staubus
Deacons: Charlie Juister
Worship & Music—Lynda Nadkarni
Mission— Matt Lisle
Christian Education—Ben Dickerson
Outreach—
Personnel—Gwen Heine
Finance— Dennis Zander
Nominating—Frank Gangware

Members at large are needed for the following committees: Worship & Music, Mission, Outreach (speak to Lynda Nadkarni or Gwen Heine).

NEW EQUAL EXCHANGE FAIR TRADE ITEMS —There are many new organic fair-trade items for sale outside of Dale’s office (green, black and herbal tea, breakfast blend and French roast coffee, baking cocoa, chocolate chips, hot cocoa and new chocolates). Proceeds go to support the Senior High Mission Trip.

Christian Education

2020 SPRING SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE—Teachers needed! Please sign up outside the Christian Education Office.
February 2       No Class – Communion Sunday
February 9       Mary Anoints Jesus – John 12:1-8
February 16      No Class – Three-day weekend
February 23      Jesus Teaches – Matthew 5:1-9

HUMAN SCENE—Book of Luke, Sundays at 9:00 am in the Parlor.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP meets next Sunday, February 9 at 9:00 am.
**This Week**

**Today**
10:00 am Worship  
11:00 am Fellowship  
2:00 pm Worship at Cantata

**Monday**
5:30 pm Volleyball  
6:30 pm Theology on Tap

**Tuesday**
6:30 am Men’s Forum  
7:00 pm Deacons Meeting

**Wednesday**
4:15 pm Ringers & Singers  
6:30 pm acaBELLa Ringers  
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

**Thursday**
6:30 am Women’s Forum  
7:00 pm Preschool Committee Meeting

**Saturday**
5:00 pm Refugee One Taco Fiesta  
Dinner at Ascension Lutheran

**Sunday**
9:00 am Middle School Youth Group  
9:00 am Human Scene  
10:00 am Worship  
10:15 am Sunday School  
11:15 am Free Community Meal

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**Riverside Presbyterian Church**

116 Barrypoint Road, Riverside, IL 60546  
(708) 447-1520, rpcusa.org  
Sermons available at  
https://vimeo.com/riversidepresbyterian

**Our Mission Statement:**

We gather as a church to:  
Celebrate God’s presence,  
Nurture the Spiritual Life,  
Carry the light of Christ into the world,  
Serve God by serving others.

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**2019 Church Leadership**

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