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### Next Steps

Wondering what your Next Steps with Riverside might be? The Session would love to explore this with you! We meet the 1st Sunday of every month, at 9:00 am in the Judea Room in the Knox (office) building. All questions and people are welcome!

### Stewardship

To support the ministry of Riverside Presbyterian Church, contributions may be sent to the church office or you may pledge electronically at [www.riversidepresbyterianchurch.org](http://www.riversidepresbyterianchurch.org) or scan the QR code to give through [tithely.com](http://tithely.com).



### Church Officers

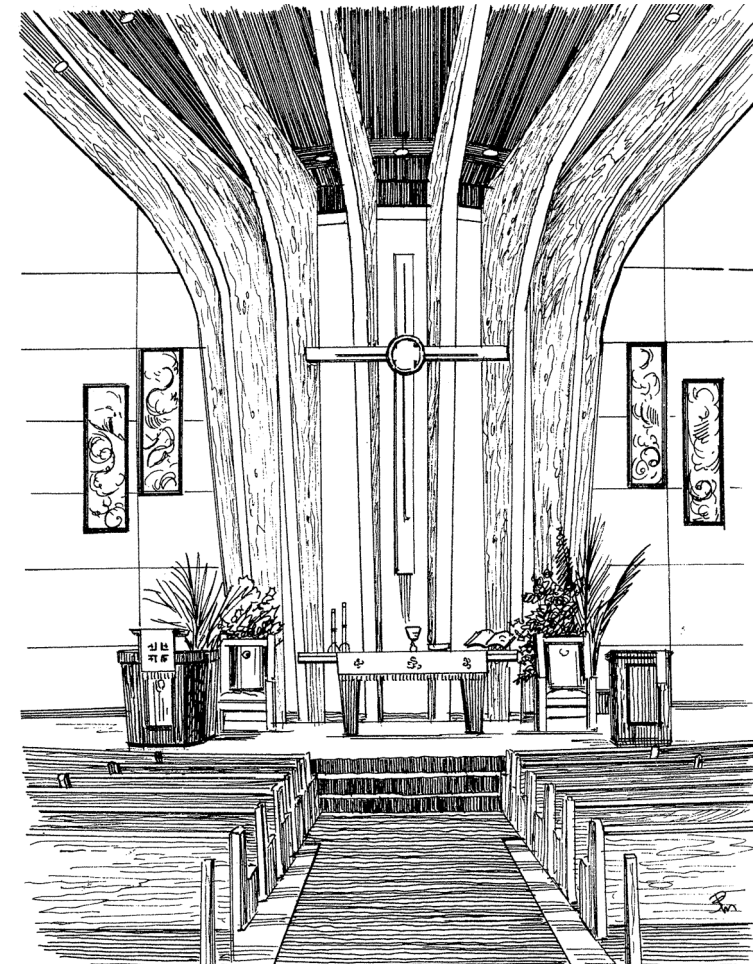
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October 6, 2024

20th Sunday after Pentecost



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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9am to 2 pm

October 6, 2024 ~ 10am Worship

**Prelude**

**Welcome and News of the Kingdom**

**\*Stirring of the Spirit #263**     *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

**Prayer of Confession, the Lord's Prayer and Silent Confession**

Merciful Lord, you know that we are stubborn and willful. We believe that we know the right way to do everything and to heal all the troubles of the world. We resort to extraordinary means to provide healing only to find that we have not placed our trust in your redeeming love. Our efforts fall far short of the goal of reconciliation. Forgive us our stubbornness and arrogance. Heal our wounded souls and restore hope and compassion to our relationships with you and with each other. Lift us up and cause us to serve you by serving others in this world. We pray in Jesus' name as we have been 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.

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**Passing of the Peace**

**A Time for Children and Fusion Youth**

**\*Hymn of Preparation #664**     *Morning Has Broken*

**Offering**

*\*Please stand if able*

**\*Doxology**

**Old Testament Reading**     Genesis 2:18-24

**Special Music**     *Come Find Forgiveness and Love*     Riverside Chancel Choir

**Prayer of the People and for Illumination**

**Gospel Reading**     Mark 10:2-16

**Sermon**     What God Has Joined Together     Rev. Robert Ward

**Sacrament of Communion**

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing of the Elements

Communion Special Music

Andrew Hiers

**\*Hymn of Service #547**     *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Welcome**

On behalf of Riverside Presbyterian, it is our pleasure to welcome you to worship this morning. The opportunity to worship together as the Family is one of God's greatest gifts.

It is our hope that this time and place will be a grounding place for us all, one that enables us to live as freely and fully as God intends.

**Sunday Flowers**

This Sunday's flowers are provided by Tom and Susan White in honor of all those who have birthdays in October.



Worship October 6, 2024

Welcome to worship! We are excited you are here!  
As you attend worship today, use this sheet to help  
you stay engaged and learn.

Today's passage comes from Mark 10:2-16

2 Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, 'Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?' 3 He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 4 They said, 'Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.' 5 But Jesus said to them, 'Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. 6 But from the beginning of creation, "God made them male and female." 7 "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, 8 and the two shall become one flesh." So they are no longer two, but one flesh. 9 Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.' 10 Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. 11 He said to them, 'Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; 12 and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.' 13 People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. 14 But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. 15 Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' 16 And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Underline what you like in today's passage.

**Circle** what is confusing in the passage.

Put a **box** around the main part.

If you were speaking about today's passage, what would you say?

What word did you hear over and over today?  
What does it mean?

What is one "take away" from worship today  
that will influence you/your ministry?

What was your favorite song today? What about it  
resonated with you?

What nice thing did you do for another today?  
What did you do? Why did you do it?

God loves you – as does your church family!!!

## Upcoming Events

|       |       |          |                             |       |       |          |                           |
|-------|-------|----------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|----------|---------------------------|
| Sun   | 10/6  | 9:00 am  | Sunday School               | Sun   | 10/20 | 9:00 am  | Sunday School             |
|       |       | 10:00 am | Worship - S                 |       |       | 10:00 am | Worship - S               |
|       |       | 11:00 am | Fellowship Time - FH        |       |       | 11:00 am | Fellowship Time - FH      |
|       |       | 11:00 am | Communications Meeting - KH | Mon   | 10/21 | 7:00 pm  | NA Meeting - FH           |
| Mon   | 10/7  | 7:00 pm  | NA Meeting - FH             | Tues  | 10/22 | 7:00 pm  | Session Meeting - KH/Z    |
| Tues  | 10/8  | 7:00 pm  | Deacons Meeting - KH/Z      | Wed   | 10/23 | 8:30 am  | Men's Bible Study - KH/Z  |
| Wed   | 10/9  | 8:30 am  | Men's Bible Study - KH/Z    |       |       | 10:00 am | Prayer Circle - KH        |
|       |       | 10:00 am | Prayer Circle - KH          |       |       | 7:00 pm  | Women's Bible Study - KH  |
|       |       | 7:00 pm  | Women's Bible Study - KH    | Thurs | 10/24 | 7:00 pm  | Choir Rehearsal - S       |
| Thurs | 10/10 | 7:00 pm  | Choir Rehearsal - S         | Sat   | 10/26 | 4:00 pm  | Trunk or Treat            |
|       |       | 7:00 pm  | Christian Education - Z     | Sun   | 10/27 | 9:00 am  | Sunday School             |
| Sun   | 10/13 | 9:00 am  | Sunday School               |       |       | 10:00 am | Worship - S               |
|       |       | 10:00 am | Worship - S                 |       |       | 11:00 am | Fellowship Time - FH      |
|       |       | 11:00 am | Fellowship Time - FH        | Mon   | 10/28 | 6:30 pm  | Community Engagement - Z  |
|       |       | 11:00 am | Worship & Sacrament - KH    |       |       | 7:00 pm  | NA Meeting - FH           |
|       |       | 4:00 pm  | Blues Brothers Concert - S  | Tues  | 10/29 | 6:00 pm  | First Tuesday Dinner - FH |
| Mon   | 10/14 | 7:00 pm  | NA Meeting - FH             | Wed   | 10/30 | 8:30 am  | Men's Bible Study - KH/Z  |
| Tues  | 10/15 | 1:00 pm  | HRR Circle - KH             |       |       | 9:30 am  | Stitchin' Sisters - CH    |
| Wed   | 10/16 | 8:30 am  | Men's Bible Study - KH/Z    |       |       | 10:00 am | Prayer Circle - KH        |
|       |       | 9:30 am  | Stitchin' Sisters - CH      |       |       | 7:00 pm  | Women's Bible Study - KH  |
|       |       | 10:00 am | Prayer Circle - KH          | Thurs | 10/31 | 7:00 pm  | Choir Rehearsal - S       |
|       |       | 7:00 pm  | Women's Bible Study         |       |       |          |                           |
| Thurs | 10/17 | 7:00 pm  | Choir Rehearsal - S         |       |       |          |                           |

(S = Sanctuary    FH= Fellowship Hall    KH = Knox Hall    CH= Calvin Hall    Z = Zoom)

### Blues Brothers Tribute Concert

Mark Your Calendars! Sunday, October 13th, 4pm, Riverside Presbyterian Church will host a Jake and Elwood Blues tribute concert featuring Derek & The Slammers & The Slammer Horn Section! The proceeds of the concert will be going to the benefit the charity organization, "I Am a Freedom Fighter". Tickets are \$20 each and available for purchase online at [www.riversidepresbyterianchurch.org](http://www.riversidepresbyterianchurch.org).

### Trunk or Treat

Join us Saturday, October 26th from 4pm - 6pm for Trunk or Treat! There will be food trucks, music and candy! Come out and decorate the trunk of your car and pass out candy to our kids! If you are not able to pass out candy, please consider donating candy for the event. You can drop off any donated candy to the church office.

### Warm Clothing Collection

We will again be collecting warm clothing for those in need up north and at home. Heavier coats, sweaters, and pants will be sent to the homeless people in North Philadelphia and the lighter weight warm clothing will be given to our local homeless in Cocoa. You can drop off your donations in the collection boxes located in the Sanctuary Narthex and Fellowship Hall.



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