

In the Life of the Church



At Riverside Baptist Church, our one law is love of God and neighbor. In this diverse community, we celebrate all identities, orientations, gender equality, and racial diversity. We draw the circle of God's love large here. Whoever you are and wherever you are on the journey, you are included.

If you'd like to receive our weekly email newsletter, please email rsbc@riversidedc.org

Brunch and Learn With Us

Join us on Sunday, March 19th at 12pm for a Brunch and Listening Circle with the SW Churches and Community Housing Presidents. This will be a time for all of us to come together and hear from the community presidents of Syphax, James Creek, and Greenleaf about the challenges our neighbors are facing in these SW housing communities. This will be hosted at Westminster Presbyterian Church, located at 400 I St SW. Riverside DC is one of the sponsors. Let us show up for our community, listen, and learn how to support each other.

NEEDED: 3 volunteers from each church to help with serving food and child care. Contact pastor@riversidedc.org to get involved.

Pray For:; Lillie Ransom; Freda White's sister, Virginia Howerton & Family; EJ Hill; Terryn Nelson and her sister, Rachelle Nelson, niece and nephew Cecilly and Hasaan, and family friend Robert Napson; Lynda Gyles's aunt, Heidi DeVaugh; Terri Battle and her mother, Claudia Green; Karl Maxwell and his brother, Kenneth Maxwell; Edward Harris's mother, Ruth Harris; Edith Booker; Annie Abbott; Tanya Bethel and her mother, Ruby McCrary; Gale Miller's mother, Marian Miller; Lillie Ransom's sister Teriea and her husband, Jerry; Sheba Greene's daughter Donna; Dr. Bledsoe's mother, Peggy Bledsoe

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Detail from Water of Life sculpture
Chester Cathedral, UK

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Riverside Baptist Church

The Worship of God

MARCH 12, 2023

10:00 A.M.

Prelude

Call to Worship

*Songs of Praise - see the song sheet insert

Invocation

Welcome and Announcements

Visitors - We are so excited that you are joining us, in-person and online! If this is your first time, please fill out a welcome card in the pew or scan the QR Code on the back of the bulletin. We'd love to get to know you better.

*The Peace of Christ

*O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!*

*Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.*

Offertory

*Response

We Give Thee but Thine Own

*We give thee but thine own whate'er the gift may be
All that we have is thine alone, a trust oh Lord from thee. Amen.*

*Prayer of Thanks

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Please join in the prayer using the language you prefer

*Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy/your name
Thy/Your kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread
Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.*

*And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine/yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen*

(Note the use of "kin-dom" in place of the traditional "kingdom." This term was first coined by Ada Maria Isasi-Diaz. It emphasizes relationality, community, and equity as the basis of God's reign.)

Scripture Lesson

Hebrews 4:12-16 (page NT 171)

Selected and read by Deacon Jonathan Holley

Anthem

Sermon Lesson

John 4:1-26, 39 (page NT 72)

Sermon

Rev. Mia M. McClain

Invitation to Community

At this time, anyone who is interested in prayer, inquiring about baptism, or becoming a member of this community may come up to the front. You may also find a deacon immediately after worship by the communion table.

Hymn - see the song sheet insert

The Ordinance of Holy Communion

Communion Litany – see the insert

Communion Prayer

Institution

Sharing of the Meal

Please come to the table as directed by a deacon

*Benediction

*Closing Song

Go Now in Peace

*Go now in peace: never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others, so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen, amen, amen.*

. * for those who are able, please stand