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| Steve Jewett <i>Finance & Administration</i> | Shawnee Wakeman <i>Finance & Administration</i> | Glenn Jones <i>Finance & Administration</i> |
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| Jim Rockel <i>Building & Grounds</i> | Billy Carriker <i>Building & Grounds</i> | Jim Pharr <i>Building and Grounds</i> |
| Dave Mowery <i>Christian Education</i> | Thomas Heavey <i>Christian Education</i> | Kathy Dulin <i>Christian Education</i> |

Congregational Connections meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm
 Building and Grounds meets the 1st Monday of each month at 6:30pm
 The Worship Team meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00pm
 Christian Education meets the 2nd Sunday of each month at 9:00am
 Finance meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm



Ten Cents A Meal - Ten Cents-a-Meal invites every member of our congregation to prayerfully contribute a few cents at each meal to help alleviate hunger and poverty. Ideally, contributions come from “living more simply so that others may simply live.” Participation in Ten Cents-a-Meal is also a commitment to share with others in response to Jesus’ command, “You give them something to eat.” We are asking each family to contribute ten cents every time you sit down for a meal, and then bring that money once a month to church to be collected during Worship Service. Collections will be made the first Sunday of each month, and sent to Presbytery quarterly. We will also have donation jars out on Wednesday evening during fellowship. All monies collected will be used by our Presbytery to help fight hunger in our area.

REMINDER TO BRING YOUR DONATIONS TO SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 3!!

Rocky River Presbyterian Church

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May 27, 2018
Trinity Sunday
11:00am

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 Church Administrator: Cyndi Conway • 704-455-2479 • churchadmin@rockyriver.org
 Director of Christian Education: Sharon Vanpelt • 704-455-2479 • dce@rockyriver.org
 Youth Director: JD McNutt • 704-455-2479 • youthrrpc@gmail.com
Office Hours: Mon. thru Thurs. 9:30 to 4:30 and Friday 9:30 to 12:30
In honor of Memorial Day our church office will be closed on Monday, May 28

Gathering

PRELUDE

(Let us prepare our hearts for worship • Please silence your cell phones)

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Evan Spickard

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITARIAN CALL TO WORSHIP (by Rev. J. Lee Hill)

One: Let us worship the Triune God.

All: Let us worship the One who spoke in the beginning and created something out of nothing.

One: Let us worship the Triune God.

All: Let us worship the One who took on the clothing of humanity to set those who were oppressed free.

One: Let us worship the Triune God.

All: Let us worship the One whose Spirit rests continually upon us, calling us from destructive endings to bright new beginnings.

† HYMN #150

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

† CALL TO CONFESSION

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR TRINITY SUNDAY

Holy and triune God,

You alone live in perfect relationship, One God in three persons, Mutual and loving, Ever seeking reconciliation and unity.

You have called us to live in your completion, yet

We confess that our relationships are imperfect and

We are incomplete without you.

We are selfish and greedy.

We are anxious and resenting.

We feel the shame of our foolish behavior and brokenness.

We have allowed sin to drive us apart from one another

And from you.

Forgive us and restore us,

Draw us close and bind us together in your mercy.

May we long for wholeness and peace,

May we strive toward gratitude and grace

In the saving name of your son, Jesus Christ,

By the working power of your Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Time of Silent Confession

Children's Ministry

Sharon Vanpelt, Director of Christian Education - dce@rockyriver.org

Sunday School - Sunday morning at 10:00am. Godly Play

Kindergarten thru 2nd grade Room 203, 3rd thru 5th grade Room 206. The Godly Play approach helps children to explore their faith through story, to gain religious language and to enhance their spiritual experience through wonder and play. Based on Montessori principles and developed using a spiral curriculum, the Godly Play method serves children through early, middle and late childhood and beyond.

Questions? Contact Sharon Vanpelt at 704-455-2479/dce@rockyriver.org



SAVE THE DATE FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

August 5 thru 9 • Sunday thru Thursday

We are also looking for these items to borrow: Artificial Christmas trees, canopies or tents, fake bushes/trees, and inflatable rafts.

Volunteers needed as well!!! Contact Sharon Vanpelt if you have any of the items we need or want to volunteer to help!

Grad Sunday - June 3. Please let Sharon know if you have anyone graduating from high school, grad school or any other technical or professional program.

Youth Ministry

JD McNutt, Youth Director - youthrrpc@gmail.com

Sunday School—Sunday Morning at 10:00am down in the basement (Room B-6) - Middle School and High School youth gather each week before worship service.

Bible Study every Wednesday at 6:45pm after dinner

Youth Calendar:

May 27 - No Youth—Memorial Day Weekend

Questions? Contact JD McNutt at 704-287-6732/youthrrpc@gmail.com

YOUTH MISSION TRIP!!! JUNE 17—23 • Frakes, Kentucky

JD and the Youth will be heading to Henderson Settlement, in Frakes Kentucky for their mission trip this summer. We will be needing adult chaperones to go on this trip as well. It's not too late to register! Let JD know if you want to go!! Cost is \$250.



Please pray for Emily Tipton as she heads to Haiti for a week long mission trip with Haiti Outreach Ministries (HOM) in Port-au-Prince Haiti. Her group will be painting The House of Hope, a girls home in the neighborhood. The house has 14 rooms and they will be responsible for painting all of it!! She will also be visiting an orphanage, the Port-au-Prince museum and Papiyon enterprises. Anyone that knows Emily knows that she has a servant's heart, and we are not surprised that she has chosen to continue mission work even while in college. You will be in our thoughts and prayers Emily, until you return on June 2.

Rocky River Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 27, 2018

Welcome, guests and friends!

What a blessing that God led you to worship with us today!

Visitors—please sign our friendship pad, and let us know if there is anything we can do for you. We invite you to join us for our Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner. We serve at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$5 per person \$15 per family. Menu: Bistro Grilled Chicken

Worship Packets for preschool children are available in the vestibule and located in our red activity bags. These packets are designed to help children participate in worship. Please return the bags to the vestibule as you leave the service.

Nursery and childcare services are always available during service for infants through Kindergarten.

Interested in membership? Contact our Church Administrator, Cyndi Conway, to arrange a meeting with our Pastor, Neal Carter. 704-455-2479 or churchadmin@rockyriver.org

VISITS FROM THE PASTOR— Please remember to let us know if someone is in the hospital, is ill, or just needs a visit from the pastor. This ministry is so important to Neal and to our church—knowing that your pastor and church family are here to support you in your time of need is one of the blessings of being a member at RRPC. Call the office at 704-455-2479 or Neal directly on his cell phone **(REALLY—CALL HIS CELL PHONE!) at 910-280-9688.**

Loan Status

Education Building Loan as of:
4/30/2018 **\$435,905**
Minimum Monthly Payment \$5,110

Thank you to everyone that pledged to our Capital Campaign

Stewardship Report

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|------------------------|-----------|
| 2018 Budget | \$379,548 |
| Total given YTD | \$129,331 |
| Amt. needed per month: | \$ 31,629 |
| Total for May | \$ 20,789 |
| Amount needed Weekly | \$ 7,299 |
| Total for May 20 | \$ 7,052 |

Thank you for your faithful giving.

We are still looking for a couple people to take over a route that our church services on the 2nd Monday of each month. Cabarrus Meals on Wheels provides a great opportunity for people to volunteer and make a difference in the life of a senior. Delivery volunteers pick up meals from our office and hand-deliver them directly to seniors' homes.

Meals on Wheels is also important because we provide a safety check every day to seniors who are living at home.

If you would like to be a part of this wonderful ministry—contact Teri Stafford at 704-455-6322

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON & PASSING THE PEACE

One: Friends believe the good news of the gospel.

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

Let us exchange a word of peace with our neighbors and remain standing for our Response to Forgiveness

† RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Gloria Patri

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Proclaim to us, O Spirit, the holy word of life. Tell us who we are and to whom we belong so that we may live with gratitude for all that You have done. Amen.

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Sharon Vanpelt

ANTHEM

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 6:1-13 (page 635)

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

The Voice of God is Calling

Neal Carter

Responding to the Word

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Apostle's Creed)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

† HYMN #394

There Is a Balm in Gilead



Ending Senior Hunger in Cabarrus County

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Neal Carter

“Come to the Table of Grace” *(Congregation to sing)*

**Come to the table of grace.
Come to the table of grace.
This is God’s table; it’s not yours or mine.
Come to the table of grace.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE BY INTINCTION

The Lord’s Table is open to all who trust in Jesus Christ. Please come forward to partake in communion by intinction.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament, you have given us your Son, who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Sending

† HYMN #525

Here I Am, Lord

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep us forever; Grant us peace, perfect peace, strength in every endeavor; Lift up your eyes and see His face, love will leave you never; May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep us forever.

† Please stand if you are able

Worship Ministry

Choir Chime Ringer, Today: Evan Spickard

Next Week: Anna Talton

Worship Assistant, Today: Gigi Hunnicutt

Next Week: Kathy Linker

Ushers, Today: Reggie Hunnicutt, Chris Bechtol, Dave Miller, Traci Bird, Jim Stafford, King McCachren

Next Week: Robin Hartsell, Butch McDonald, Danny Tankersley, Jim Pharr, Ruth McDonald, Patrick Spickard

A Time for Children, Today: Sharon Vanpelt

Next Week: Joey Dulin

Nursery Volunteers, Today: Dori Swaringen; Pam McCachren

Next Week: Mandy Williams; Chris and Magan Bechtol

Bread Ministry Baker, This Week: Jean Hager

Next Week: Cathy Jewett

Godly Play: Godly Play I - Joey/Niki; Godly Play II - Sharon/Magan

Next Week: Godly Play I - Jane/Beau; Godly Play II - Ashley/Cindy S

Please Keep in Your Prayers:

Jeannette Lefler, sister of Dale Ritchie; Shirley and Bill Moose, friends of Vance Horton; John Rankin; Will Harris, nephew of Cyndi Conway (battling leukemia); Julia Wainwright, friend of Alice Williams; Jim Avery, friend of Cyndi Conway (recently diagnosed with cancer) Ashelyn Earley; Roman Shepard; Mary Alexander; Michelle Pena Clark, daughter-in-law of Jerry and Linda Clark; Ann Glosson; Phyllis Griffin; Teresa Faw, family of Alice Williams; Kay Jenkins, friend of Jerry Clark; David Rowan, co-worker of Bob Carter; Margaret Earley; Neil Cochran; Amber Ritter, co-worker of Deb Carter; Kathleen Baczewski, mother of Joseph Baczewski; Harley and Teresa Vea, friends of Janet Little; Margaret Hale; Bob D’Ameilo, friend of Laura Milliken; Anna Melvin; Shorty McCachren; Mandy Ide; Lavada Freeman; Pat McDonald; Marie Hildreth; Bob Boswell, father of Dori Swaringen; Wes and Ree Abernathy; Benita Schirtzinger, mother of Darren Bird; Sam Peterson, friend of Priscilla Giuliano; Alan Cochran, brother of Neil Cochran; Ann Jones, daughter of Ray and Priscilla Clawson; Sonya Moorehead, friend of Jerry Clark; Lindy and Helene Linenberger; Ouida Harman; Jim Busse, friend of Stephanie Campbell; Amy Hicks; Brendan Milliken; Seville Funk; Marlene Howard; Kay Nalbhone; Jimmy McDonald; Linda Modzelesky; Bob Brombacher; Teresa Williams; Zackie Moore.