

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### Fifth Sunday in Lent April 7, 2019

8:30 am Worship Service

11:00 am Worship Service  
with Communion at both services

"Just beyond yourself...It's where you need to be.

Half a step into self-forgetting and the rest  
restored by what you'll meet.

There is a road... always beckoning.

When you see the two sides of it closing  
together at that far horizon and deep in  
the foundations of your own heart at exactly  
the same time, that's how you know it's the  
road you have to follow.

That's how you know it's where you have to go.

That's how you know you have to go.

That's how you know.

Just beyond yourself...  
it's where you need to be."

*Just Beyond Yourself*  
David Whyte

**Hearing Loops**  
instructions are located in the Narthex

PRELUDE MUSIC FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION  
*Elegy* Sir G.T. Thalben-Ball (1896 - 1987)  
Lois Gurney, organ

THREE CHIMES (THE TRINITY)

(11:00 am) CHORAL INTROIT  
*Do Not Be Afraid* Philip Stopford (b. 1977)  
Chancel Choir; Ken Mixon, director

GREETING

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 43: 18 - 19

Pastor: Remember not the former things,

People: **nor consider the things of old.**

Pastor: "Behold I am doing a new thing," says the Lord,

People: **now it springs forth, do we not perceive it?**

All: **Let us worship and give praise to God.**

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 372 AZMON  
*O for a World*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison) Emily Heeg

**Holy and loving God, we deplore the coldness of our love, the  
feebleness of our faith, the poverty of our service. Forgive us, and free  
us from the chains of our past transgressions; set us free to serve you  
with willing mind and undivided heart; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.** (Silent prayer of Confession)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn 423) SARADAY  
**Create in me a clean heart, O God; create in me a clean heart, O God;  
create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

(11:00 am) BAPTISM OF WILLA LAYNE GRAHAM  
Daughter of Charley and Luetta Graham

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN Bill Hoff

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Emily Heeg  
Reception of New Members

\*HYMN 215 WONDROUS LOVE  
*What Wondrous Love Is This*

SCRIPTURE LESSON OT Page 688  
Isaiah 43: 16 - 21

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "God of the *New Thing*" Steve Goyer

(8:30 am) ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICER (see insert)  
Jenny Parker

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
(8:30 am) Offertory  
*Bist du bei mir* J. S. Bach (1685 - 1750)  
Susan Pardue, viola; Lois Gurney, piano

(11:00 am) Offertory  
*Offertory* John Ness Beck (1930 - 1987)  
*With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high?  
Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, Shall I come before Him with yearling calves?  
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give  
Him my first born for my transgressions, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?  
He has shown you, O man, He has shown you what is good, what does the Lord require of you  
but to do justice and to love kindness, and to walk humbly, walk humbly with your God?*  
Chancel Choir; Lois Gurney, piano; Ken Mixon, director

\*Doxology (Hymn 606-Tune 607--OLD HUNDREDTH)

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

\*Prayer of Dedication Bill Hoff

HOLY COMMUNION Ernest Bloch (1880 - 1959)  
*Kol Nidrei* Susan Pardue, viola; Lois Gurney, piano

\*HYMN 803 RESIGNATION  
*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

\*CHARGE AND DISMISSAL

\*CHORAL RESPONSE (Hymn 541) RANDOLPH  
*God Be with You Till We Meet Again*  
Chancel Choir; Ken Mixon, director

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY  
*Herald March* Mark Thewes (b. 1977)  
Lois Gurney, organ

\* Please stand if able

\*\* We recycle - please place your used bulletin in one of the baskets  
by the doors as you exit.

# WELCOME TO RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

First-time visitors, **Welcome!** Please be sure to sign in on the pew pads. Look in your pew rack for the new *Prayer Request & Comment Cards*.  
The Mission of the Month is **Community Organization Outreach**.



**Grow** Look for all Sunday School Options Listed on Church Door Posters

## SUNDAY SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

- New Members Class** . . . . . **Today 9:30 am**  
Anyone interested in learning more about Riverside Presbyterian Church is welcome to come. The class will meet in Rev. Goyer's office. Questions? Contact [emily.heeg@rpcjax.org](mailto:emily.heeg@rpcjax.org) or 904-355-4585 x15.
- Summer Screen Time and More** . . . . . **Today Ed Bldg Rm 302/303**  
**Led by Erin Bailey from The Social Family.** Parents and Guardians, come discover positive ways your children can use screen time every day. Make a plan to limit summer screen time and encourage their best ideas.
- Online Safety for Grandparents** . . . . . **Sunday April 14, Ed Bldg Rm 302/303**  
Erin Bailey will introduce ways to protect yourself from identity theft and common problems on social media.  
**NOTE: There is no Wednesday Study on April 10, 2019.**  
The "To Kill a Mockingbird" study resumes April 17, 2019 at 9:30 am in Thompson Parlor.
- Riverside Apartments Monthly Bible Study** . . . . . **Monday April 15, 6:30 pm**  
Sponsored by the Presbyterian Women of Riverside Presbyterian Church, this group will meet at the Apartments on the third Monday of each month at 6:30 pm. The group will be studying, "God's Promise: I am With You," led by Jeanette Hoffman and Wendy Mueller. Both men and women are invited.

Be sure to visit our website ([www.rpcjax.org](http://www.rpcjax.org)) for updates to the calendar.



## Connect

- **Change for Haiti** . . . . . **Today**  
Donate your loose change on the way out and for a better life for our Haiti neighbors.
- **Youth Group with Dinner** . . . . . **Today 5:00 - 7:00 pm**  
Join us for Youth Group in the Youth Bldg (729 Post). We will continue working on Youth Sunday preparations and then will be playing GROG. If you don't know what it is, come! It's so much fun.
- **RPC Youth Plant Sale** . . . . . **Today Bittering Hall**  
Today is plant pickup!
- **RPC Summer Programs** . . . . . **Sign Up Now!**  
It's time to sign up for Vacation Bible School, Summer in the City, Reviving Baseball in the Inner-city and RPC Youth Trips! For VBS and SiC: [www.rpcjax.org/learn/children](http://www.rpcjax.org/learn/children) For RBI: [www.rpcjax.org/rbi](http://www.rpcjax.org/rbi)  
For Youth Trips: [www.rpcjax.org/learn/youth](http://www.rpcjax.org/learn/youth)
- **Riversiders Adult Potluck** . . . . . **Today 6:00 - 8:00 pm**  
Riversiders, an all adult church potluck, will be at the home of Cleve and Norma Farnell, 4900 Ortega Blvd. Please contact Emily Heeg at 355-4585 x 15 if child care is needed.
- **Palm Sunday Lunch and Easter Egg Hunt** . . . . . **Sunday April 14**  
Join us after the 11:00 am worship service for a special Palm Sunday Lunch followed by a Children's Easter Egg Hunt. Reservations for the lunch can be made online at [www.rpcjax.org/Sundays](http://www.rpcjax.org/Sundays) or by calling the church office. Suggested cost for the meal is \$8 per adult, \$5 per child or \$25 per family.
- **Goyer Celebration Potluck!** . . . . . **Sunday April 28 Noon - 2:00 pm, Rice Sports Zone**  
Join us as we celebrate the 14 years of ministry with Steve and Anita Goyer with an all church picnic/potluck! We are asking last names beginning with A-L bring sides or salads and M-Z bring desserts.
- **April Lunch & Learn: Museum Of Arts and Science in Daytona** . . . . . **Tuesday April 30, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm**  
Let's go to MOAS in Daytona Beach! Check out their website at [www.moas.org](http://www.moas.org) for more information about their current exhibits. We will take a break from our tour for a box lunch from the Honey-Baked Ham Cafe at the Museum. Bus will pick us up at the Riverside Presbyterian Apartments. Cost \$25 includes lunch.
- **Iona Pilgrimage Tour** . . . . . **September 6 - 15, 2019**  
Join us on our 2019 trip as we travel through Scotland visiting Presbyterian Heritage sites & concluding our trip on Iona. Reservation deposits are due now. Contact [carol.digiusto@rpcjax.org](mailto:carol.digiusto@rpcjax.org) with questions.



## Serve

- **Serve at Sulzbacher** . . . . . **Thursday April 11**  
The 2nd Thursday of each month is RPC's day to cook and serve over 400 meals to people experiencing homelessness in Jacksonville. Each month 6-ish volunteers are needed to serve dinner. Cooks are needed at 3:00 pm. Servers at 5:45 pm. Sign up at [www.rpcjax.org/sulzbacher](http://www.rpcjax.org/sulzbacher)
- **Pastoral Counseling Services Third Annual 411 Gala - ALOHA!** . . . . . **Thursday April 11, 6:00 - 8:00 pm**  
"A Celebration of the Healthiest You!" Students/Young Professionals: \$25 Adults: \$65 Friday Musicales, 645 Oak Street, Jacksonville, FL 32204
- **Help Needed for Vacation Bible School (VBS)**  
Vacation Bible School is June 3 to 7 from 9:00 am - Noon. Can you volunteer? One day or the whole week. Please contact Emily Heeg at (904) 355-4585 x 15 or [emily.heeg@rpcjax.org](mailto:emily.heeg@rpcjax.org)
- **Sunday Greeters Needed**  
We are looking for volunteers to meet our visitors at the doors by making them feel welcome with a sincere greeting and a friendly presence. Please contact Tina at (904) 729-5851 or [trgoedtke@att.net](mailto:trgoedtke@att.net)

Today's **Holy Grounds** is brought to you by **Ryan and Karen Prince in Honor of the Community Life Committee**. Weekly volunteers to help serve are being sought. Contact Jan Nicholas.

## THIS WEEK

TODAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunday School Classes</li> <li>• New Members Class</li> <li>• Summer Screen Time and More</li> <li>• Youth Plant Pickup Day</li> <li>• Riversiders Potluck Dinner</li> <li>• Joyful Noise Youth Choir - 4 pm</li> <li>• Youth Group</li> </ul>
Apr 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contemplative Lenten Service</li> </ul>
Apr 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Serve at Sulzbacher</li> <li>• Pastoral Counseling Services Gala</li> </ul>
<b>COMING UP ...</b>	
Apr 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online Safety for Grandparents</li> <li>• Palm Sunday Lunch &amp; Easter Egg Hunt</li> </ul>
Apr 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RPA Monthly Bible Study</li> </ul>
Apr 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wednesday Study: To Kill a Mockingbird, 9:30 am</li> </ul>

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS**  
are given in loving memory of  
Jennie S. Chalmers and Henry Loomis,  
by Jacqueline Loomis, Charley,  
Robert & Heidi, Lisa & David,  
Peggy Sue & Johnny Williams and  
grandchildren.  
The flowers were arranged by  
Kay Armstrong.

**FRIDAY APRIL 19**  
**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSERS AT NOON**  
**MONDAY APRIL 22**  
**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED ALL DAY**

**Pastor**  
Rev. Dr. Steve Goyer  
**Associate Pastor**  
Rev. Bill Hoff  
**Parish Associate for Pastoral Care Ministries**  
Rev. Dr. Carol DiGiusto  
**Music Ministry**  
Dr. Lois Gurney  
**Education & Spiritual Nurture Ministries and Communication Team**  
Emily Heeg  
**Youth Ministry and Communication Team**  
Breanna Sooter  
**Community Life & Community Outreach Ministries**  
Jan Nicholas  
**Business, Property & Administration**  
Jack Higson  
**RPDS Headmaster**  
Ben Ketchum

### SERVICE THROUGH PRAYER

Jack Adams (son of Bill Adams), Kay Atkins, Roberta Birch, Tina Burrow, Isabel Chambers (Diane Schwalbe's sister), Dale Child, Claudia Coley's father, Martha Davis, Chuck & Judy Davidson, Nancy Drought, Jane Estes, Rannie French (Julie Handley's sister), Katie Gartner (Geoff Gartner's daughter-in-law), Madelyne Gillis (Ken Mixon's mother-in-law), Lockwood Greene (Jane & Jack Lockwood's grandson), Winn Hampton (son of Wade Hampton), Doug Hutchins (Denise Brennan's father), Allan Knight, Angela Knight, Betsy Langston, Joan Madison, Howard & Sharon Mann (Jon Mann's brother and sister-in-law), Joe Meux, Gunnar Miller (Betsy Miller's husband), Mark Mueller (Jane Ellen Pollock's son), John Ormand (Lisa Taylor's brother), Mersida Porcic, Bill Schilling, Carol Schoenberger, Mae & Norm Singletary (Carol Proctor's parents), Mildred Taylor, Reggie Touchton, Cristy Turner (Anita Jones' niece)

### Rehab, Assisted, Nursing Homes and Long-Term Care

Shirley Ballowe, Mary Brown, Margie de Bauernfeind, Gerald Faircloth, Peggy Fannin, Jack & Betty Hazard, Jim Hodge, Norma Hooker, Olive Mahoney, Minerva Mason (Marcy Moody's mother), Velva Moll, Myra Pattishall, Judi Perdue, Dannette Robinson, Bill & Suzanne Tomlinson, Bunny Wilkinson, Ruth Wrenshall

### In the Armed Forces

Noah Althuis, Andy Berner, Dave Brosche, Brandon Campbell, Gray Creed, Carl Crumpler, Reginald Hicks, Matt McCullough, Carson McKendree, Chris Rattigan  
*(If you would like more information on any of those listed, please call the church office at 355-4585.)*

## SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION FOR DEACONS AND ELDERS CLASS OF 2022

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you?

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?

**(For Elders)** Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love, forgiveness and justice of Jesus Christ?

**(For Deacons)** Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need? In your ministry will you try to show the love, forgiveness and justice of Jesus Christ?

### **Constitutional Questions to Congregation**

Do we the members of Riverside Presbyterian Church, accept these elders and deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

### **Laying on of Hands --Prayer --Charge**

You are now elders and deacons in the Church of Jesus Christ and for this congregation. Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Amen.

## **ELDERS**

### **Completing Service Class of 2019**

Rebecca Creed  
Jennifer Edwards  
David Pierson  
Cheryl Sapora  
Mary Spuhler  
David Wrenn (Youth)

### **Beginning Service Class of 2022**

Emily Coll (Youth/2020)  
Karla Newton  
Ed Pratt-Dannals  
Brooke Rice  
Hilary Shipp  
Diane Tuttle  
Matt Weaver

## **DEACONS**

### **Completing Service Class of 2019**

Debbie Crumpler  
Bobbie Gittings  
Virginia Hunt  
Sherry McDonald  
Jessica Stevenson  
Karen Weaver

### **Beginning Service Class of 2022**

Ryan Ashley  
Frances Howey  
Jenny Parker  
Bette Strickler

## **TRUSTEES**

### **Beginning Service Class of 2022**

Mark Harbison  
Marcy Moody  
Debbie Pierson

# ***Lent: A Spiritual Journey***

## **Riverside's Journey through Lent**

We are called by God to look with honesty at the wilderness places in our hearts and lives. We may discover that it is only in the sharing of our human vulnerability that our potential for resurrection is to be found. This is our spiritual journey in the season of Lent. In Christ, we keep alive the rumor that somewhere there is singing, somewhere people dance, and even in the darkest places, the Light glows. Observe the six weeks of Lent with intention and in community at Riverside.

### **DURING LENT**

#### ***To Kill a Mockingbird***

**Wednesdays March 13-April 17, 10:00 am in the Thompson Parlor**

Led by Rev. Steve Goyer, this study will focus on the Christian themes found in Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mockingbird*.

#### ***Mid Week Contemplative Service***

**Wednesdays 12:00 -12:30 pm**

Each Wednesday during Lent, beginning on Wednesday, March 13, Riverside will have a 30 minute contemplative service of prayer, meditation and readings. Come to this oasis of stillness as a Lenten spiritual practice in the midst of your week and bring a friend or co-worker.

#### ***Stations of the Cross***

**Beginning on Monday April 1**

The Stations of the Cross are a 14 step devotion that commemorates Jesus' last day on earth as a man. Participants take a mini pilgrimage as they move from station to station recalling and meditating on specific events from Christ's last day. Specific and simple instructions are given at each station. Everyone, including children, are invited to participate.

#### **Days and Times:**

##### **Monday**

April 1 ☩ Noon - 1:00 pm

##### **Wednesdays**

April 3, 10, 17 ☩ 11:00 am - Noon and 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

##### **Thursdays**

April 4, 11, 18 ☩ 9:00 - 10:00 am

April 11 ☩ 3:00 - 4:00 pm

##### **Friday**

April 19 ☩ 11:00 am - Noon and 1:00 - 2:00 pm

##### **Sundays**

April 7 and 14 ☩ Noon - 1:00 pm

April 7 ☩ 9:45 - 10:30 am



## **HOLY WEEK**

### ***Palm Sunday April 14***

8:30 am and 11:00 am - Worship Services  
9:30 am - Sunday School for all ages  
12:00 pm - Palm Sunday Lunch and Easter Egg Hunt

### ***Maundy Thursday April 18***

7:00 pm - Maundy Thursday Worship Service

### ***Good Friday April 19***

12:00 pm - Good Friday Service of Healing and Remembrance

### ***Easter Sunday April 21***

8:30 and 11:00 am - Worship Services  
9:30 am - Sunday School for all ages

During Sunday School, children's classes will go outside to place flowers on the cross (in courtyard on Park St.) There will also be a craft station, water and lemonade. All ages are welcomed to join us for this casual gathering before worship.



### **Sign up for Lenten Daily Prayers**

Riverside Presbyterian Church is sending out daily prayers during the season of Lent.

If you would like to receive these daily prayers,  
please go to <http://rpcjax.org/resources/sign-up-for-emails> and sign up for  
Lenten Daily Prayers.