

## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*The dust is almost gone and the joyous sounds of our new Colby pipe organ will soon fill the air! Most everything is in place and the final voicing and tuning of the pipes is in process. Thank you again for your patience!*

### Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 26, 2018

10:00 am Worship Service  
no Communion

"In our world full of strangers, estranged from their own past, culture and country, from their neighbors, friends and family, from their deepest self and their God, we witness a painful search for a hospitable place where life can be lived without fear and where community can be found."  
*Henri Nouwen*

PRELUDE MUSIC FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION  
*Swing Low, Sweet Chariot* Wallis Willis, c. 1865 American Spiritual  
The Lisa Kelly / JB Scott Jazz Sextet

THREE CHIMES (THE TRINITY)

CHORAL INTROIT (Hymn 582)  
*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* Summer Choir GLORY TO GOD

GREETING

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

**All: And also to you.**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Unison) Psalm 46: 1, 4 - 5

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**People: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,**

**All: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;  
God will help it when the morning dawns.**

Pastor: Let us worship and give thanks to the God in the midst of our city.

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 14

*For the Beauty of the Earth* DIX

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison) Bill Hoff

**Almighty God, we have gone our own way, not loving you as we ought, nor loving our neighbors as ourselves.**

**You have given us the sanctity of cities in order to find peace as we work together, yet we continue to live as if only ourselves matter.**

**You have given us the sanctity of the church in order to offer protection and unconditional love for all, and especially the children, yet our leaders have done evil to those children and defiling the office they share in your name.**

**You have given us leaders to speak the truth and witness to the civic and humane virtues of honesty, responsibility, and respect, yet our leaders have questioned even the very nature of truth itself.**

**Forgive us O God in the name of the one Jesus Christ who wept over the city saying, "would that you had known the things that make for peace."**

**Then, by your Spirit, give us the strength and courage to live together as Christ lived with us, so that our faith may overshadow our politics, and our compassion overcome our greed. In Christ's name. 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

ANTHEM  
*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Robert Robinson  
The Lisa Kelly / JB Scott Jazz Sextet

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN Steve Goyer

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Emily Heeg

\*HYMN 761  
*Called as Partners in Christ's Service* BEECHER

SCRIPTURE LESSON  
Revelation 21: 1 - 6 NT Pg 234

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "The Holy City According to Mr. Rogers" Steve Goyer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER Bill Hoff

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
Offertory Ensemble  
*I Can See Clearly Now* Johnny Nash (1868 - 1917)  
The Lisa Kelly / JB Scott Jazz Sextet

\*Doxology (Hymn-Tune 609--LASST UNS ERFREUEN)  
**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, Whose pow'r uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Prayer of Dedication Breanna Sooter

\*HYMN 727  
*Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* THE SERVANT SONG

\*CHARGE AND DISMISSAL

\*CHORAL RESPONSE  
*Go, My Children, with My Blessing* (Hymn 547) AR HYDY NOS

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY  
*When the Saints Go Marching In* American Gospel Hymn  
The Lisa Kelly / JB Scott Jazz Sextet

*\* Please stand if able*

*Many thanks to our guest musicians, Lisa Kelly, vocals; JB Scott, trumpet;  
Dave Steinmeyer, trombone; Aaron Lehrian, piano; Dennis Marks, bass;  
Jeremy Smith, drums*

*\*\* 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 - ask an usher about a **Welcome Bag** for you in the Narthex. Look in your pew rack for the new **Prayer Request & Comment Cards**.  
The Mission of the Month is **Sewing Hope for Downtown Ecumenical Services Council (DESC)**.



## Grow

**Young Adult Women's Small Group**.....Monday, August 27, 7:30 pm  
A biweekly meeting for women in their late 20s and 30s. Join them as they build spiritual friendships and a deeper connection to God. Interested? Contact group leader, Jessica Andes, at 407-488-7886.

**Men's Monthly Gathering**.....Resumes Tuesday, September 4, 7:00 am, Bittering Hall  
All men of the church are invited to enjoy a hot breakfast and conversation, plus a brief devotional or discussion. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month. Alan Bliss, President of the Jacksonville Historical Society, will be our guest speaker September 4.

*Be sure to visit our website (www.rpcjax.org) for updates to the calendar.*



## Connect

- **Rally Day Potluck Dinner** **Today, Kissling Hall, 11:00 am**  
*Everyone* is invited to join us for lunch and great fellowship in Kissling Hall after the worship service.
- **Children's Choir** **Park Street Underground**  
Learn about faith and music by making music, singing and playing instruments and games. Children can participate on Wednesdays or Sundays or both. Sundays, 9:00 - 9:30 am; Wednesdays 5:45 - 6:30 pm - Session 1: September 5 - October 24.
- **Lunch Buddies**  
Do you have a lunch break and work downtown or in Riverside? For 30 minutes once a week during lunchtime, you can be a friend to a young student at West Riverside Elementary. You can play games, read books, or just talk. What a difference it makes to the kid and what a difference it will make for you! For information email [parabud@gmail.com](mailto:parabud@gmail.com) or [jeangrantdooley@gmail.com](mailto:jeangrantdooley@gmail.com).
- **Early Bird Sign-up for College Secret Pals!**  
Secret Pals keep in touch with college students during the school year by letters, cards, or care packages: 2 or 3 times in the fall and 2 or 3 times in the spring. Students are already signing-up so sign-up to be a Secret Pal today! Contact: [jeangrantdooley@gmail.com](mailto:jeangrantdooley@gmail.com). (Parents, please send us your student's college address.)
- **Join one of the Presbyterian Women Circles!**  
All Riverside women are members of Presbyterian Women. Welcome! PW is a church-wide organization committed to nurturing faith through prayer, service and Bible study. Interested in learning more? Contact Emily Heeg at the church office (904) 355-4585 x 15 or visit [rpcjax.org/learn/presbyterian-women](http://rpcjax.org/learn/presbyterian-women).

**FALL FUN AND FELLOWSHIP IS COMING!**  
Visit [www.rpcjax.org](http://www.rpcjax.org) for more information and details.

**REMINDER for LABOR DAY WEEKEND**  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**  
10:00 am Worship Service Only  
no Sunday School  
*Church Office Closed Monday, Sept. 3*

**SYMPATHY**  
to Debbie Cusick and family on the death of her son, Brock, on August 19, 2018.  
His service was held on Thursday, August 23, 2018.

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS**  
are given in loving memory of Dolly and Sam Day and Carolyn Day Pfohl,  
by the Day and Julian Families. The flowers were arranged by Ella Jones.

## THIS WEEK

TODAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Rally Day!</b></li> <li>• <i>Service/Neighborhood Projects</i></li> <li>• <i>Church-wide Potluck Lunch</i></li> </ul>
AUG 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Young Adult Women's Small Group</b></li> </ul>
AUG 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Gentle Yoga:</b> <i>4114 Herschel St., Ste 108</i></li> </ul>
<b>COMING UP ...</b>	
SEP 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</b> <i>Labor Day Holiday</i> Reopens Tues., Sep 4, 8:30 am</li> </ul>
SEP 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Men's Monthly Gathering</b></li> </ul>
SEP 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wednesday Night Resumes</b></li> </ul>

**Financial Update through July 2018**

<u>Pledged Revenue Budgeted:</u>	\$701,000
<u>Pledged Revenue Received:</u>	\$692,403
<u>Excess or (Shortfall):</u>	(\$8,597)

Year-to-date through July, the pledged revenue received is slightly lower than the budgeted amount. Please continue to support our church through your contributions as we enter the final few months of the year. Thank you.

**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**

Brenda Alexander, Julie Baker, Roberta Birch, Tina Burrow, Claudia Coley's father, Donna Cotton, Chuck Davidson, Jackie Davis, Martha Davis, Scott & Hope DiGiusto (Carol's son & daughter-in-law), Nancy Drought, Joe Eberly, Jane Estes, Lockwood Greene (Jane Lockwood's grandson), Winn Hampton (son of Wade Hampton), Doug Hutchins (Denise Brennan's father), Allan Knight, Angela Knight, Merle Lear, Jacque Loomis, Gunnar Miller (Betsy Miller's husband), John Ormand (Lisa Taylor's brother), Myra Pattishall, Mersida Porcic, Bill Schilling, Carol Schoenberger, Diane Schwalbe, Mildred Taylor, Reggie Touchton, Thelma Vincent, George Ward (Laura Crooks' brother)

**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, Ruth Lisso, Olive Mahoney, Minerva Mason (Marcy Moody's mother), Velva Moll, Judi Perdue, Dannette Robinson, Edna Teachey, 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.)*