

River Road Presbyterian Church

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The Witness
July 1, 2018



A Legacy Gift from You

Tomorrow's results are created by today's dreamers. Many people dream of a way to help our church thrive in the future. Some find that a good way to accomplish that is to designate River Road Presbyterian Church as the beneficiary of all or part of your retirement plan or life insurance policy. Another way is a testamentary gift of cash after your lifetime.

Estate planning offers you the opportunity to make an enduring statement of faith. Through this act of benevolence, you will leave a legacy that will be felt for years to come.

In the next few weeks, you will learn more about our new initiative to grow our endowment funds. A planned gift will build upon and extend River Road's ministry for years to come.

Summer Kids 2018

Last year's Summer Kids was so successful, that it is going to be offered again. Sign up online at rrpcusa.org.

Join us for Ark Adventure!
Ages 2 years to rising kindergarten
Wednesday Mornings
10:00 a.m. - noon
July 11, 18, 25 and August 1, 8



Summer Worship Begins July 1

Martin B. Williams Class
9:00 a.m., Room 01

One Worship Service
10:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Cookies and Lemonade
following Worship
in the Narthex

River Road Presbyterian Childcare Center

The Session and the Childcare Center Ministry are pleased to announce that Lisa S. Williams will become our new Director of the Childcare Center effective July 1. Ms. Williams has a Masters Degree in Education, has been a teacher in local public schools, and is a member of another Presbyterian USA church. We are grateful that current Director Melanie Davis is assisting Ms. Williams with the transition of the duties of Director. More announcements regarding Ms. Williams and opportunities to meet her will be forthcoming.

Lectionary

July 1 - 6th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27; *Psalm 130*

2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

July 8 - 7th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; *Psalm 48*

2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

July 15 - 8th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19; *Psalm 24*

Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29

July 22 - 9th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 7:1-14a; *Psalm 89:20-37*

Ephesians 2:11-22

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

July 29-10th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 11:1-15; *Psalm 14*

Ephesians 3:14-21; John 6:1-21

Joys and Concerns

Deacons have been assigned on a rotating basis to contact people on our weekly Joys and Concerns list. These individuals are willing to provide assistance in circumstances where other help might not be available. Please call Susan Hockman in the church office or one of the team members if you have a joy or concern to share.

July - Tim Evans

Join Our Church Family

The Session of River Road Presbyterian Church cordially invites anyone who believes in Jesus Christ to become a member of the Church. New members are received typically on the third Sunday of the month. If you are looking for a church home, please contact Susan Hockman at 740-7083 a week prior to the third Sunday to obtain information about the church and joining our church family.

***Saturday, July 7* Flying Squirrels Game - The game starts at 6:05 p.m. Buy a General Admission ticket for \$8. Meet up at the Bull Pen Bar. It is Tom Petty Tribute Night with Fireworks after the Game!**

***Friday, July 27* Wkndr. at Capital Ale House Music Hall - Wkndr. is playing for a free show at 8:00 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. Don't miss this favorite RRPC event!**



Extended Session

Extended Session takes a break during the summer so that we can worship all together as the family of God. If you need help with ways to keep your child engaged in worship, speak with Leigh Anne Ring.

Adult Sunday School

Martin B. Williams - Room 01

This class studies the Bible using the Present Word, a curriculum based on the Uniform Lesson Series. Upcoming lessons include:

July 1 - Parable of the Unforgiving Servant, Mathew 18:21-35; Floyd Cotton, teacher

July 8 - Jesus Criticizes Unjust Leaders, Matthew 23:1-4, 23-26; Andrew Sanders, teacher

July 15 - The Widow and the Unjust Judge, Luke 18:1-8, Pat Ellison, teacher

July 22 - Entering

God's Kingdom, Luke 13:22-30; Leigh Anne Ring, teacher

July 29 - Parable of the Great Dinner, Luke 14:15-24; Bill Osborne, teacher



Thank You!

Thank you to the following people who ushered in June: Jim Cieslak, Bob Dawson, Katie Dawson, Kimberly Dawson, Dianne Pollock, Cory Rayfield, Ron Sakach, Andy Spicknall, Bob Spicknall, and Jim Stewart. Your service to God and RRPC is much appreciated!

Sandy Spicknall

June Usher Captain.

Camp Scholarship Program

On Father's Day, RRPC volunteers delivered 6 students to Camp Hanover (CH) for 1- and 2-week camps. The next Sunday, 5 students joined them. Next month, 9 more students will do the same.

The **Camp Scholarship Program** at GH Reid ES was developed by our Mission and Service Ministry in concert with Richmond Public Schools (RPS) to reward students for making good grades (3.0+ GPA), coming to school prepared to learn every day, and demonstrating exemplary behavior in the classroom. Since its inception in 2011, this program has been fully funded by RRPC and coordinated by RRPC volunteers.

How the program works:

1. Scholarships are awarded during the month of February. Past scholarship winners are considered first. If the student's prior camp experience was positive and criteria are met during the new school year, scholarship renewal continues through the summer of 8th grade. This scholarship renewal process provides incentive to students; supports parents' efforts at home; helps build a bond between students, CH, and RRPC; and mirrors that of most college scholarships. Remaining scholarships are awarded to 3rd grade elementary students who have met the criteria and are recommended by the teaching staff at GH Reid ES.
2. Camp registration occurs during the month of March. During this meeting, parents chose camp dates and complete registration forms, students meet with licensed physicians or nurse practitioners for a required health exam, and new parents and students have the opportunity to meet Harry (CH Program Director).
3. Once-a-month after-school craft activities are held at Reid ES between registration and the start of summer camp to help students become more familiar with each other and talk about camp. This program has become a club of sorts and several middle schoolers have come back to participate.
4. Parents and students are invited to attend Camp Hanover's Open House in April and several families make the trip every spring.
5. RRPC Volunteers transport students between their homes and Camp Hanover at the beginning and end of camp week. Volunteers accompany the students through check-in and introduce them to their counselors. Campers are nervous and excited on the front end, filled with stories on the back end.
6. Each student receives a RRPC-logo string backpack of camping supplies, which includes a RRPC-logo water bottle, rain poncho, flashlight, a Bible for new campers, sunscreen, insect repellent wipes, and a t-shirt for the CH tie-dye activity.
7. Parents receive phone calls, letters, and reminder fliers prior to their children's camp experience. These various methods of verbal and written communication provide important information regarding registration, CH Open House, after-school activities, "what to expect" at camp, a packing list, medications, and driver assignments.
8. Camp Hanover Unit Directors are contacted during camp weeks to check on students. Following camp, parents and students are called for feedback on the camp experience.



Church Officers

Clerk of Session: Linda Thomas
Treasurer: Linwood Cobb
Assistant Treasurer: Sharon Cherry
Assistant Treasurer: Cheryl Duff

Session Class of 2018

Terry Byrne	Pratt Cherry	Jim Cuthbertson
Lee Ann McGhee	Dana Moore	Jim Stewart

Session Class of 2019

Patricia A. Avery	Lee Branch	T. J. Childress
Lesley Glotzl	Curt Manchester	Kristen Raper

Session Class of 2020

Ellen Guinther	Brooke Hearn	Dan Murray
Cory Rayfield	Sherry Scudder	Shel Thomas

Deacons Class of 2018

Kimberly Dawson		Jeff Glotzl
Kirsten Gregory		Scott Thornhill

Deacons Class of 2019

Judy Busch		Tim Evans
Nancy Gleason		Ken Hitchens

Deacons Class of 2020

Cathey Brown		Mike Donavant
Laura Murray		Melissa Schein

River Road Presbyterian Church

Defining Vision: Reach, Nurture, Send, and Serve

Vision—River Road Presbyterian Church is to be a vibrant congregation spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ. As a Christ-Centered Church, firmly grounded in the basic tenets of the Apostles' Creed, we will foster and encourage the spiritual growth of all in their faith journeys.

Mission—To introduce Jesus Christ to those who do not know Him; To deepen the faith of those who know Jesus Christ; and To demonstrate His way of love in service to the world.

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor and Head of Staff.....	Dr. Raymond R. Roberts (ext. 301)
Associate Pastor.....	Rev. Andrew Whitehead (ext. 304)
Director of Christian Education.....	Leigh Anne Ring (ext. 306)
Director of Music.....	Landry J. Duvall (ext. 311)
Assistant Director of Music/Organist.....	Marianne P. Crean
Assistant Director of Music.....	Philip S. Tickle
Director of Operations.....	Susan G. Hockman (ext. 300)
Administrative Assistant.....	Brenda Chavis (ext. 302)
Sexton.....	Larry E. Coleman (ext. 308)
High School Youth Intern.....	Morrigan E. Meadows
Middle School Youth Intern.....	Caitlin M. Hahn
Childcare Center Director.....	Lisa S. Williams (ext. 319)

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 Website: www.rrpcusa.org Concern Mailbox: 740-7083 ext. 352
 River Road Presbyterian Childcare Center Telephone: 740-2003

Pastor Emeritus: Dr. Richard L. Sommers

Prayers Day and Night

Petitioners, RRPC members or non-members may make prayer requests through voice mail by simply calling the church office at 740-7083, ext. 352.

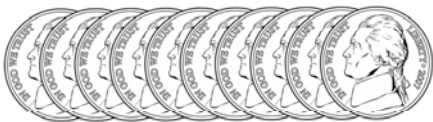


Deacon's Corner

Any member of RRPC unable to attend church who would like communion at home, please contact the church office at 740-7083 or Kirsten Gregory at 282-0772 to make arrangements. If you have a need for meals delivered to you, please contact Susan Hockman in the church office.

Upcoming Newsletter Deadlines

July 16 for August 1
 August 14 for September 1
 September 14 for October 1
 October 16 for November 1
 November 13 for December 1
 December 12 for January 1, 2019



Nickels for Hunger

Please note the Nickels for Hunger offerings are collected on the last Sunday of each month.

Be sure to regularly check the RRPC Church Calendar online at www.calendarwiz.com/rrpcusa.

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