

# Traditional Service of Worship

7th Sunday after the Epiphany

February 24, 2019

11:00 A. M.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE: *Pastoral Melody* West

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:  
(Worshippers are asked to sign the registration pads located in the pews.)

CHORAL INTROIT

\*HYMN *When Morning Gilds the Skies* No. 185

\*CALL TO WORSHIP:  
(please respond by reading the bold text)

In this world, people will do you harm. They will be unreasonable and angry and self-centered and mean.

**Love them anyway.**

In this world, people will hate you. They will judge you, misunderstand you, attack and belittle you.

**Do good to them anyway.**

In this world, people will curse you, accuse you, take advantage and use you.

**Pray for them anyway.**

The way of Jesus is not for the faint of heart. It takes great strength to be merciful and forgive; to love and not condemn or judge.

**Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be good to us anyway.**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE/CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

ANTHEM *Lord, I Lift Your Name on High* Sherman  
Chancel Ringers

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Corinthians 13:1-8a  
LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.  
PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God!**

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS:  
*As forgiven and reconciled people, let us offer ourselves and gifts to God.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Lord, I Know I Been Changed* More  
Tony Quails and Chancel Choir

\*DOXOLOGY: No. 95  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Praise God above ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

\*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* No. 474

SCRIPTURE Luke 6:27-38

SERMON "Love Them Anyway."  
Rev. Emily Knight

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION: *Freely, Freely* No. 389

\*THE BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL RESPONSE (Please be seated)

POSTLUDE *Praeludium in C* Buxtehude

\*CONGREGATION PLEASE STAND

**AUDIO ASSISTANCE DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE.** Ask an usher if you would like to use one.

## Assisting in Today's Worship

LITURGIST: Bryan Davis  
HEAD USHER: Gordon Middleton  
USHER TEAM 3: Debbie Colbert, Alicia Dorsie-Frank, Karen Fleming, and Connie Hodges  
FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory of God.

## Sunday Attendance - February 17, 2019

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE	75
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE	84
YOUTH RETREAT	14
TOTAL WORSHIP	173
SALTY SERVANTS	25
NURSERY	5
SUNDAY SCHOOL/SMALL GROUPS	39

## What's Happening This Week?

### TODAY

Coffee Time: 8-10:15 am ~ Rhames Fellowship Hall  
Sunday School: 10:10 am ~ McCord and Education Bldg.  
RiverKids Praise: 11:00 am ~ Room 507  
Bracelet Making Event: 11-2 ~ Fellowship Hall

### MUSIC ACTIVITIES

Adult Bell Choir: Today at 5:00 pm ~ Room 201  
Chancel Choir: Wednesday at 7:30 pm ~ Room 501  
Children's Bell Choir: Wednesday at 6:00 pm ~ Room 201  
Praise Team: Wednesday at 6:00 pm ~ Sanctuary

### CLASSES

Community Classes at Riverside Park: Wednesday at 5:00, 6:00 and 6:30 pm  
Yoga: Wednesday, 5 pm and Friday, 12:15 pm  
Tai Chi: Wednesday, 6:30 pm and Saturday, 10:00 am  
The Life Center (Senior Adults): No TLC classes this week

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Trustees: Monday, 6:00 pm ~ Library  
Church Council: Tuesday, 6:00 pm ~ Library

## Announcements

TODAY: Stop by the Fellowship Hall between 11am - 2pm and help make bracelets for **Margaret's Memories**.



Confirmation 2019 begins NEXT SUNDAY( March 3rd at 3 pm in the chapel). All participants MUST REGISTER: Contact Mr. Evan or Pastor Emily to sign-up your student for confirmation:  
[pastoremy@riversideparkumc.com](mailto:pastoremy@riversideparkumc.com)

Get ready for Lent 2019:  
Lent begins March 6th.

As a church, we will read through the Gospel of Mark. Please consider hosting or joining a small group for the 40 days that lead up to Easter. What else might God be calling you to do?

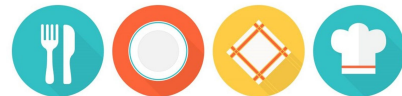


### Community Classes Update

This Wednesday (February 27th) is the last night of this session's classes. No classes on March 6th or 13th.

Next session (Spring Classes) begins March 27th with registration Night on March 20th.  
For more information visit [www.communityclassesRP.com](http://www.communityclassesRP.com)

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER



What's on the Menu?

THIS WEEK: February 27th: Baked Ziti  
March 6th (Ash Wednesday): Chicken & Broccoli Casserole

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for dinner: \$7/adult \$4/child

### Margaret's Memories Box Making Night

Join the Circle of Grace on March 7th at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall to help assemble memory boxes for Margaret's Memories.

## 9am CONTEMPORARY SERVICE 7th Sunday after the Epiphany

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### Gather with Song

*Heart Open Wide* - Citipointe Live  
**Welcome and Announcements**  
**Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 13:1-8a  
*One Thing Remains* - Jesus Culture

### Reception of New Members

### Greet/Share Peace in Christ

### Welcome the Children

*Worship activity bags are available to engage kids in worship  
Please return finished bags to the basket on the back row.*

### Pray for Each Other and the World

### Offer Gifts to God:

*How Deep the Father's Love for Us* - Stuart Townend  
*\*During the song, please place an offering in one of the baskets in the aisle. Kids can bring 'offering hearts' from the worship bags\**

### Proclaim God's Word:

Luke 6:27-38

"Love Them Anyway."  
Rev. Emily Knight

### Benediction and Sending.

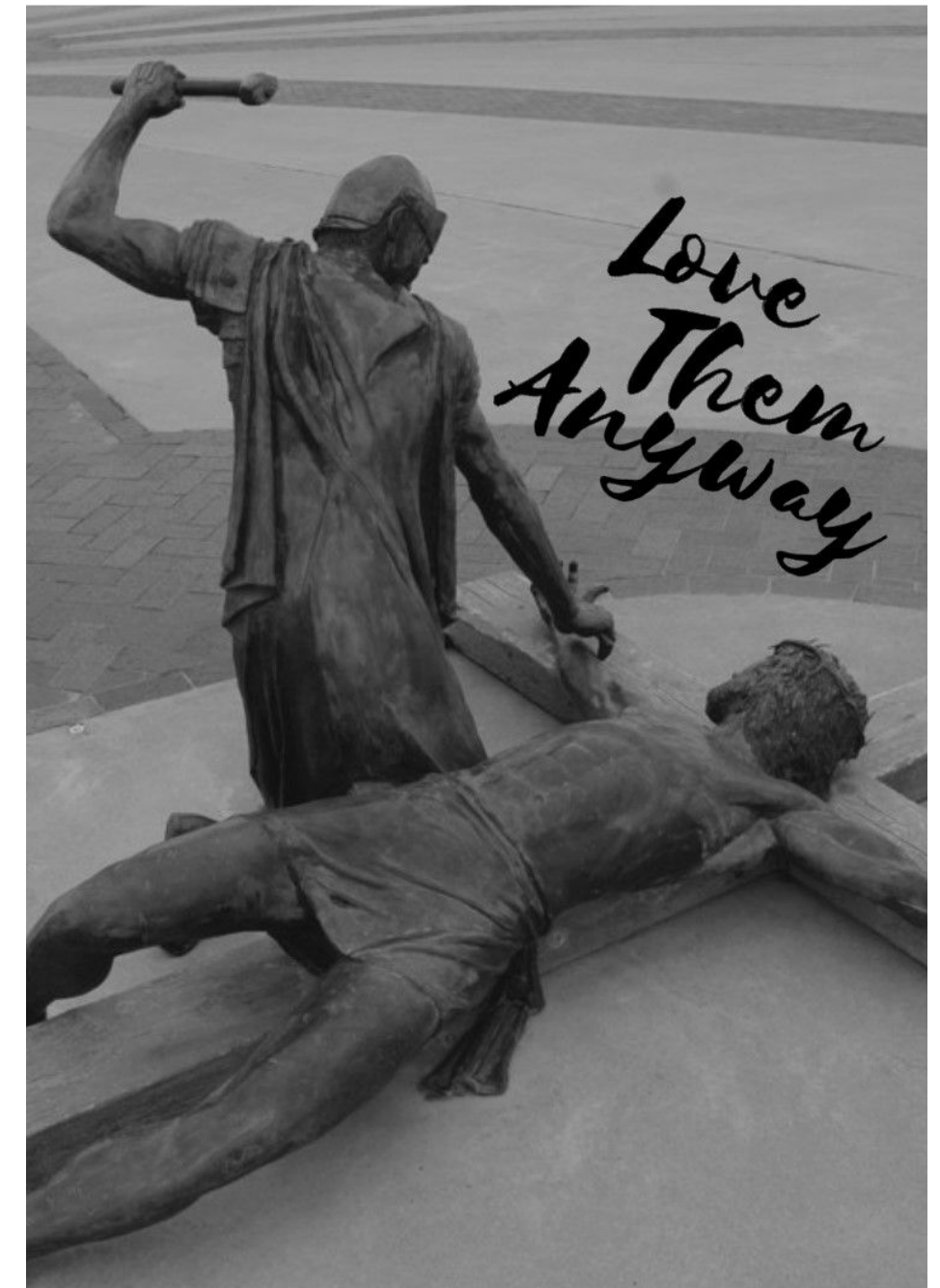
*Beautiful One* - Jeremy Camp

### Especially if this is your first Sunday, Welcome!

- We have gifts for first-time guests at the welcome table at the sanctuary entrance.
- Children are welcome to stay in worship, but our nursery is also open for the littlest ones (up to four years old). Please ask. We'll help you get there.
- We 'set the table' at the beginning of worship by carrying forward symbols of our faith: a cross, light, a bible, and baptism water. If you want to help with this, (especially children) line up at the sanctuary entrance before the service begins--all are welcome to help!



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