

Traditional Service of Worship

25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2023

11:00 a.m.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

Kauffmann

Now Thank We All Our God

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please fill out a Connect Card located in the pew pocket or scan the QR code on the bottom right side of this bulletin.)

\*HYMN

No. 694

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Please respond by reading the bold text aloud.)

Give thanks to the Lord and praise God’s name.

**Make known God’s deeds to the nations!**

Praise God with a loud voice and tell of Christ’s work in your life.

**We rejoice and seek the Lord!**

THE APOSTLES’ 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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*GLORIA PATRI

No. 70

**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.**

\*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Let no one be a stranger in the house of God.

Please take this opportunity to greet those around you.

\*HYMN

No. 131

We Gather Together (Verse 1)

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 105:1-5

One: *The Word of God for the people of God.*

**All: Thanks be to God!**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

We value the gift of generations, so all kids are invited to grab a worship bag (or coloring supplies) and remain in the sanctuary as part of worship. The nursery is open and available for kids aged four and younger.

ANTHEM

Sherman

*Grazioso*

Chancel Ringers

STEWARDSHIP BLESSING & 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, forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Shaw

*O Clap Your Hands Together All Ye People*

A Thanksgiving Anthem

Chancel Choir

\*DOXOLOGY

No. 95

**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.**

\*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION

No. 87

*What Gift Can We Bring?*

SCRIPTURE

Luke 17:11-19

One: *The Word of God for the people of God.*

**All: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Rev. Emily Knight

“Leprosy for Thanksgiving”

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION

No. 102

*Now Thank We All Our God*

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

Karg-Elert

*Nun danket alle Gott (Marche triomphale)*

*Worship Attendance* - November 12, 2023

Contemporary Worship- In-person	61
Contemporary Worship- Online	8
Traditional Worship- In-person	103
Traditional Worship- Online	21
Total Worship	193

*Today’s Handbell selection*

*Grazioso* is written in memory of a handbell ringer named Norma who died of cancer. The music tells the story of Norma’s life, her struggle with illness, and her ultimate journey to heaven. Each section of the music reflects this journey.

The piece begins with a lovely, peaceful introductory theme. You will then hear a transition (the music darkens, depicting her struggle with the illness). It will move to a minor key, then the bass bells will bring out a very haunting melody reflecting Norma's diagnosis and battle with cancer.

As the piece progresses, you will hear the ringers play very steady chords with echos (ringers will gently touch their bells to the table), which represents Norma's heartbeat. As Norma's heartbeat becomes more troubled, then ceases, the piece will become suddenly quiet. The higher bells begin to mallet a very ethereal melody representing Norma's ascension to her final resting place.

As Christians, we know that is not the end of her story, so Norma's theme returns, played very majestically, as a celebration of her life.

*Serving in Worship Today*

Greeters 9 a.m.: Tim Bush, Chris Schmitz

Tech Team 9 a.m.: Judy & Danny Marks

Liturgist 9 a.m.: JoAnn Goodwin

Greeters 11 a.m.: Karen Fleming, Alicia Frank

Tech Team 11 a.m.: Millie Hudson, Britt Scott

Ushers: T. J. Laforty, Abel Hernandez

Crucifer: Rhys Weisman

Acolytes: Diana Laforty, Andrew Strong

Liturgist 11 a.m.: Kit Thomas

*What’s Happening This Week?*

Chancel Ringers: Today at 5:00 p.m. (Room 201)

Church Council: Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. (Library)

Tai Chi: Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Yoga: Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. (Parlor)

Wednesday Night Ministry: Wed. at 5:30 p.m. (McCord Building)

The church office will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

*Altar Flowers*

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Bettye Stilley.

The THANKSGIVING ALTAR is given in honor of our Board of Trustees by John Larsen.

*Free Wednesday Meals Served:* 178

Please fill out a connect card to let us know you were here today. You can find one in the pew pocket or scan here for an online card.





Especially if this is your first Sunday or first time in a while,  
**Welcome**  
to Riverside Park United Methodist Church!  
*We are glad that you are here.*

**CONTEMPORARY SERVICE**  
**25th Sunday after Pentecost**

November 19, 2023 9:00 a.m.

**Gather with Song**

*Left it in the Water* - We The Kingdom

**Welcome! Greet one another in Christ!**

*Take My Life and Let it Be* - Reawaken Hymns

**Scripture:** Psalm 105:1-5

*Praise You Anywhere* - Brandon Lake

**Children's Message**

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**Announcements**

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**Stewardship Blessing**

**Offer Gifts to God**

*Gratitude* - Brandon Lake

**Proclaim God's Word**

Luke 17:11-19

"Leprosy for Thanksgiving"

Rev. Emily Knight

**Benediction and Sending**

*I Thank God* - Maverick City



Throughout November we are collecting canned goods for our ministry partners at the Trinity Lutheran food bank. Collection baskets are in the breezeway & by the McCord entrance.

**HANGING OF THE GREENS**

Nov 26th @ Noon (after worship)

Volunteers needed to help assemble the tree, fluff the garland, hang wreaths, etc.

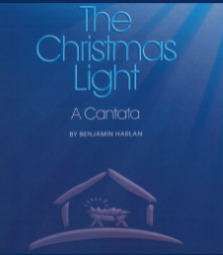


**Navy Band Southeast Holiday Concert**

RPUMC Sanctuary

Sunday, December 10th at 4:30 p.m.

Free Concert for the Community.



**The Christmas Light**

presented by the Chancel Choir, Praise Team, Kid's Choir, and chamber orchestra  
Sunday, December 17th at 10:30 a.m.  
Christmas Cantata One Service.



12/20 Blue Christmas Service at 6:30 p.m.

12/24 Regular Sunday Worship 9 & 11 a.m.

Christmas Eve Worship 4:30 & 7 p.m.



Offerings can be placed in the sanctuary offering plates, mailed to the church (819 Park St. Jacksonville, FL 32204) or given online using "MyWell" (code to the right): [www.mywell.org/give/rpumc](http://www.mywell.org/give/rpumc)



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