

Traditional Service of Worship

September 20, 202611:00 a.m.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out a Connect Card—available in the pews (drop it in the offering plate) or digitally via the QR code at the bottom right of this bulletin.

INTROIT

*HYMN

No. 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Please respond by reading the bold text aloud)

Leader: When demands and pressures pull us in every direction,
People: Christ is with us. We are not alone.
Leader: When we are distracted by the world around us or conflicted by waves within,
People: Christ is with us. We are not alone.
Leader: God is our refuge and our strength.
People: Let us return to Christ our Peace.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (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.

*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

Let no one be a stranger in the house of God. Please greet those around you.

*HYMN

No. 512

Stand By Me (verse 1)

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 16:1-8

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE & CENTERING PRAYER

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 four years old and younger.

ANTHEM

How Beautiful

Kimberly Fishman

Larson

PRAYER AND 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.

MISSION FOCUS: George Ridge, Wed. Clothing

OFFERTORY

Courtney

Give Me Jesus

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.

*OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God, you have given us so much. Receive these gifts and use all that we share to bring hope, healing, and love in Christ’s name. Amen.

*HYMN OF ILLUMINATION

No. 534

Be Still, My Soul

SCRIPTURE

Mark 4:35-41

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

SERMON:

Rev. Emily Knight

“Centered: Mid-Wave”

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

Love Lifted Me

I was sinking deep in sin, far from the peaceful shore, very deeply stained within, sinking to rise no more; But the Master of the sea heard my despairing cry, from the waters lifted me—now safe am I.

Refrain:

Love lifted me, Love lifted me, When nothing else could help, Love lifted me;
Love lifted me, Love lifted me, When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

All my heart to Him I give, ever to Him I'll cling, in His blessed presence live, ever His praises sing. Love so mighty and so true merits my soul's best songs; faithful, loving service, too, to Him belongs. [Refrain]

Souls in danger, look above, Jesus completely saves; He will lift you by His love out of the angry waves. He's the Master of the sea, billows His will obey; He your Savior wants to be— be saved today. [Refrain]

*THE BENEDICTION

→ Go in peace. Live with purpose. Love with courage. Amen.

POSTLUDE

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Prelude in d minor

*Congregation, please stand as you are able.

Worship Attendance - September 13, 2026

Contemporary Worship - In-person	57
Contemporary Worship- Online	11
Traditional Worship - In-person	114
Traditional Worship - Online	9
Total Worship	191

Serving in Worship Today

9 a.m. Contemporary Service

Nursery Helper: Marc Julia
Greeters: Sharon & Jeff Joos
Tech Team: Judy & Danny Marks

11 a.m. Traditional Service

Nursery Helper: Marc Julia
Greeters: Karen Fleming, Susan Siegel
Tech Team: Kaitlyn Fuller, Noah Thurgood
Usher: Brittany Bruce, Susan Siegel
Liturgist: David Holladay
Crucifer: Ellie Waters
Acolytes: DJ Flagler, EJ Waters

What’s Happening Today?

Worship: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. (Room 202 & 204)
Youth Group: 10:00 a.m. (Room 302)
Kids Club: 10:00 a.m. (Room 402)
Kids Choir: 10:30 a.m. (Room 403)
Chancel Ringers: 5:00 p.m. (Room 401)

What’s Happening This Week?

Board of Trustees Meeting: Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. (Library)
Tai Chi: Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. & Thursday at 7:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday Night Meals Served 5:15 p.m. (McCord Building)
Chancel Choir: Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. (Room 501)
Leadership Retreat: Saturday at 10:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Altar Flowers:

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

Meals Served Last Week: 156

Digital Connect Card

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9am A Sunday Spiritual Retreat

September 20, 2026

Welcome to Riverside Park United Methodist Church

Today's worship is an invitation to slow down, breathe deeply, and make space for God. We invite you to set aside the busyness of the week and simply be present to God's presence among us.

If you would like to share a prayer request or receive church updates, please fill out a Connect Card—available in the pews (drop it in the offering plate) or digitally via the QR code on the inside right corner of this bulletin.

Gather with Song

All Creatures Of Our God And King - David Crowder Band

Welcome & Invitation to Breathe

Scripture: Psalm 16:1-8

Graves Into Gardens - Brandon Lake

Greet One Another in Christ

Lovingkindness - Getty

Children's Message & Centering Prayer

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Announcements & Prayer

An invitation to bring our whole selves—our burdens, hopes, questions, and gratitude—into God's presence.

Mission Focus: George Ridge, Wed. Clothing

Offer Gifts to God

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail) - Hillsong

Scripture & Reflection on Mark 4:35-41

"Centered: Mid-Wave"
by Rev. Emily Knight

Closing Benediction:

Cornerstone - Edward Mote

→ *Go in peace. Live with purpose. Love with courage. Amen.*

RPUMC CHURCH CAMPUS TOUR
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH @ 10 A.M.
WEAR COMFY SHOES AND MEET
AT THE SANCTUARY WELCOME TABLE



NEW MEMBER CLASSES

Sundays Starting October 4
3-part class (10/4, 10/11, 10/18)
10 a.m. in the office library
(on the 2nd Floor)

Bible Blessing Sunday: October 4th

*Bring a Bible to worship
as we celebrate new third graders
receiving theirs.*

WOMEN IN MISSION

Sisters of Service
Tues., Oct. 13
6:30 p.m.
Parlor

Circle of Joy & Peace
Wed., Oct. 14
11 a.m.
Fellowship Hall

Circle of Hope
Thurs., Oct. 8
11 a.m.
Fellowship Hall



MENTAL HEALTH AND WHOLENESS

next gathering:

Friday, October 9 @ Noon

Bring your lunch and join the conversation.
2nd Fridays in the Church Office Library



**TRUNK
OR
TREAT**



**SUNDAY
OCTOBER
25TH**

Fuel the Mission & Give Online:

RPUMC.mywell.org →
(Select ACH transfers for lower
processing fees.)



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