



June 7, 2026

Second Sunday after Pentecost



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On behalf of Riverside Presbyterian, it is our pleasure to welcome you to worship this morning. The opportunity to worship together as the Family is one of God's greatest gifts. It is our hope that this time and place will be a grounding place for us all, one that enables us to live as freely and fully as God intends.

STEWARDSHIP



To support the ministry of Riverside Presbyterian Church, contributions may be sent to the church office or you may pledge electronically at www.riversidepc.org or scan the QR code on the left to give through tithely.com.

Do you want to get a head start in preparing for Sunday worship? The Sunday worship bulletin is now being linked in the Friday e-mail, together with the livestreaming web link, which are also posted on the church's website: riversidepc.org. The worship service is livestreamed and available on the church's website: <https://www.riversidepc.org/watch-live>. Please spread the word to those who are interested in worshipping with us online.

The term "voluntary" is used to denote a piece of music or improvisation for instrument, played before, during, or at the end of a church service.

The Season after Pentecost, also called **Ordinary Time**, begins the day after Pentecost and ends the day before the First Sunday of Advent. It may include twenty-three to twenty-eight Sundays, depending on the date of Easter, but the first Sunday is always **Trinity Sunday**, and the last Sunday is always the Sunday of **the Reign of Christ or Christ the King**. Although the scripture lessons in the lectionary for this half of the year go in a semi-continuous cycle through books of the Bible rather than follow a theme, the gospel lessons cover Jesus' teaching ministry and the church's mission in the world. The liturgical color for this season is GREEN, signifying growth in Christ, except on Communion Sundays when it is white.

SESSION

Class of 2026

Teri Beeler
Anda Ray
Ann Stone

Class of 2027

Bob Howard
Meghan Johnson
Paula Yost

Class of 2028

Girard Middleton
Carl Plaughter (26)
Tom White (26)

DIACONATE

Class of 2026

Janice Eastes
Carolyn Hattaway
Tammy Ivan

Class of 2027

Jorge Castillo

Class of 2028

Martha Williams
Fern Wolle
Bob Yost

The June issue of our newsletter *Down by the Riverside* has been sent out by email last week. If you wish to have a hard copy, it is available in the church office and the narthex. If you're interested in receiving our electronic monthly newsletter (except for January and August), please leave your e-mail address. If you wish to receive a hard copy by mail, please call the church office at 321-783-6085.

Lectionary Readings for Today (Year A):

Genesis 12:1-9; *Psalms* 33:1-12; Romans 4:13-25; Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

✦ **Standing for those who are able**

People's response in ***bold & italic*** type

APPROACHING THE THRONE OF GRACE

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP: *"[Jesus] said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick ... For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners'"* (Matthew 9:12b, 13c).

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

Deacon Bob Yost

GREETINGS & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE SHARED

Pastor Bill Teng

The Lord be with you. ***And also with you***

. . . The grace and peace of the Lord be with you. ***And also with you.***

VOLUNTARY

"Trumpet in Dialogue"

Louis Nicolas Clerbault (1710)

Diana Amtower, *Organ*

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Praise God! Sing to God a new song!

***God's word is honorable,
and all God's work is done in faithfulness.***

God loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the steadfast love of God.

Stand in awe of God, for God created all things.

So, rejoice in the Lord and give praises to God's holy name!

✦ **HYMN #49**

"The God of Abraham Praise"

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✦ **PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Pastor Jane Wesson

STIRRING OF THE SPIRIT

"Stand in Your Love"

Josh Baldwin (2018)

"How Great Is Our God"

Chris Tomlin (2011)

Psalm 66 Praise Band / Keaton Belliveau, *Leader*

MAKING OUR CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful Giver and Preserver of life: We thank you for your never-ending care for us. You have always met our needs and you have never let us down. Yet our confidence in you often wavers — we have tried to take care of our own selves, rather than trusting that you will watch carefully over us wherever you may lead us.

Forgive our lack of faith, loving God. By your Spirit enable us to believe that your promises are indeed dependable, and so to stake our lives on them; all to the glory of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

SILENT REFLECTION (*Reflecting on the Prayer of Confession*)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

... Friends, believe the Good News. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God. Amen.

✦ **PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

. . . The Peace of Christ be with you. ***And also with you.***

GIVING TO GOD

TIME FOR CHILDREN & FUSION YOUTH

Pastor Teng

CALL TO OFFERING

Pastor Wesson

OFFERTORY

“How Can It Be”
Madalynn Pearson, Solo / Diana Amtower, Piano

Lauren Daigle (2015)

✦ DOXOLOGY #606

OLD HUNDREDTH

✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

READING AND HEARING GOD’S WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING — Romans 4:13-25 (*New Testament, p. 155*)
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

✦ HYMN #305

“Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!”

DARWALL’S 148TH

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING — Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26 (*New Testament, p. 9*)
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Pastor Teng

SERMON

“Hope for the Nobodies!”

SEALING THE WORD - HOLY COMMUNION

SCRIPTURE SENTENCES

INSTITUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO PARTAKE

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC

“Good, Good Father”
Psalm 66 Praise Band / Keaton Belliveau, Leader

Chris Tomlin (2010)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦ HYMN #515

“I Come with Joy”

DOVE OF PEACE

✦ CHARGE AND BLESSING

✦ SENDING SONG

“This Is Amazing Grace”
Psalm 66 Praise Band / Keaton Belliveau, Leader

Bethel Music (2013)



This Sunday's flowers are given to the glory of God by **Ron & Midge Bray** and in celebration of their **50th Wedding Anniversary**.

CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Riverside Session has called a Congregational Meeting to be held **next Sunday, June 14**, immediately following worship, for the sole purpose of electing **Mary Mullin** to serve on the **Diaconate** in the **Class of 2027**. Since there is still one more vacancy for that class, nomination from the floor is encouraged (but must secure prior consent from nominee). All church members are urged to remain for the meeting.



SERMON NOTES

We will be honoring our graduates next Sunday, June 14 during worship — If you have a graduate in your family (high school, college, or graduate school anywhere), please send their name, school, and degree (when appropriate) to the church office as soon as possible.

Dr. Vernon Boushell’s “America Together” Concert — Join us **Sunday, June 28 at 3:30 p.m.** for a concert to honor America and celebrate our freedom, directed by Aaron Collins and performance by Space Coast Symphony Winds Orchestra. A free ticket is required and can be obtained on our website riversidepc.org, “Events/Event Ticket” or call **321-222-7875**, our will call ticket line.



CELEBRATING RIVERSIDE’S 70TH YEAR OF MINISTRY IN 2026

When the Space Shuttle Challenger exploded during liftoff in 1986, Riverside Presbyterian Church was there to help the community grieve and heal from the tragic loss of life. As we look back at our fourth decade of service, we are compelled to move forward to ensure that we remain a vibrant and caring part of the Space Coast. Next month, our focus shifts to 1996-2005. Please let the Anniversary Committee know if there’s something special you’d like us to showcase!



Tuesday nights at 5:30 p.m. in Calvin Hall our Youth ages 12 - 18 come together in a safe, relaxed, and inviting place to gather together. As the group grows, one or more rooms in Calvin Hall will become a space where young people can belong, laugh, and be themselves. Evenings will include social time (and sometimes dinner!), games, movies, and a cozy coffee-house atmosphere, followed by a short, Bible-based conversation grounded in faith and real life.

Please pray that youth will respond by being here!

June Birthdays

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| Cathy Seeger | 6/3 | Judy Howard | 6/13 |
| Louise Segura | 6/4 | Mary Baldwin | 6/14 |
| Sandy Bean | 6/5 | Judy George | 6/14 |
| Carl Plaugher | 6/5 | Anda Ray | 6/14 |
| | | Fern Wolle | 6/28 |



Lift your prayers this week to the Throne of Grace for: **Cathy Pfeiffer, Paula Yost, Rebecca Burns, Jane Lovett, Bill Cheney, Linda Harris, Clift Schmitt, Walter & Wanda Scott, Glenn Stout, Roxanne Stout, Jorge & Coleen Castillo, Evelyn Whitehurst**; peace for Ukraine, Iran, Cuba, and the Middle East.

DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

- Monday** Morning: Psalms 62 145 / Evening: Psalms 73; 9
Ecclesiastes 7:1-14; Galatians 4:12-20; Matthew 15:21-28
- Tuesday** Morning: Psalms 12; 146 / Evening: Psalms 36; 7
Ecclesiastes 8:14–9:10; Galatians 4:21-31; Matthew 15:29-39
- Wednesday** Morning: Psalms 96; 147:1-11 / Evening: Psalms 132; 134
Ecclesiastes 9:11-18; Galatians 5:1-15; Matthew 16:1-12
- Thursday** Morning: Psalms 116; 147:12-20 / Evening: Psalms 26; 130
Ecclesiastes 11:1-8; Galatians 5:16-24; Matthew 16:13-20
- Friday** Morning: Psalms 84; 148 / Evening: Psalms 25; 40
Ecclesiastes 11:9–12:14; Galatians 5:25–6:10; Matthew 16:21-28
- Saturday** Morning: Psalms 63; 149 / Evening: Psalms 125; 90
Numbers 3:1-13; Galatians 6:11-18; Matthew 17:1-13
- Sunday** Morning: Psalms 103; 150 / Evening: Psalms 117; 139
Numbers 6:22-27; Acts 13:1-12; Luke 12:41-48

WHAT HAPPENED ON THIS DAY IN CHRISTIAN HISTORY

✦ The birth of **Sir James Young Simpson** was on June 7, 1811. He was a dedicated Christian and Scottish medical doctor who discovered how to use chloroform to put patients to sleep during surgery. When some in the clergy grew critical of anesthesia, Simpson pointed to Genesis 2, when God put Adam to sleep before removing one of his ribs. ✦ Following their wedding, missionaries **Samuel and Marie Gobat** left Beuggen, Germany, for Ethiopia and the Middle East on June 7, 1834. Their story is one of extreme suffering, but they eventually founded thirty-seven schools in Palestine, twelve churches, and several hospitals. ✦ **Franz Xavier Gruber**, Austrian church organist, died on this day in 1863. He is best known for having composed the music for the Christmas carol, "*Silent Night*." Another famous hymnist died on this day in 1878. **Knowles Shaw**, a singing evangelist in the west and the author of "*Bringing in the Sheaves*," was killed in a train wreck just outside of Dallas, Texas. ✦ And today marks the anniversary of **Charles Spurgeon's** last sermon at the Metropolitan Tabernacle in London. He was exhausted in ministry, burdened by denominational conflict, and physically heavy and weak. He ended his sermon without knowing these would be his last words in the pulpit: "*These forty years and more have I served him, blessed be his name! And I have had nothing but love from him. I would be glad to continue yet another forty years in the same dear service here below if so it pleased him.*" That afternoon he fell ill, and shortly afterward left for the south of France hoping for recovery. He passed away at the Hotel Beau Rivage in Menton, France. ✦ "*The Old Rugged Cross*" was sung for the first time on June 7, 1913, as its author, evangelist **George Bennard**, held meetings in Pokagon, Michigan.

THIS WEEK AT RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 7 - 14, 2026

Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Monday - Thursday

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| Sunday | 9:00 a.m. | Sunday School Classes |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Worship — <i>Second Sunday after Pentecost</i> (Please prepare your heart for Holy Communion) |
| | 11:15 a.m. | Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall) Communications Team (Knox Hall) |
| Tuesday | 5:30 p.m. | Anchor Youth (Calvin Hall) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Diaconate (Knox Hall) |
| Wednesday | 8:30 a.m. | Men's Bible Study & Breakfast (Knox Hall) |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Prayer Circle (Calvin Hall) |
| | 3:00 p.m. | Women's Bible Study (Knox Hall) |
| Thursday | 7:00 p.m. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |
| Sunday | 9:00 a.m. | Sunday School Classes |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Worship — <i>Third Sunday after Pentecost</i> |
| | 11:15 a.m. | Called Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary) |
| | 11:25 a.m. | Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall) |

PSALM 66 PRAISE BAND

Guitar / Vocal — Keaton Belliveau, *Leader*
Bass guitar — Rafael Perez
Drums — Ryan Perez
Keyboard — Andrey Plata
Backup Vocals — Madalynn Pearson & Jordan Boggs

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