



August 2, 2026
Tenth 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 tithe.ly.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
Mary Mullin

Class of 2028

Martha Williams
Fern Wolle
Bob Yost

The July/August issue of our newsletter ***Down by the Riverside*** has been sent out by email. 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):

Isaiah 55:1-5, *Psalm* 145:8-9, 14-21, Romans 9:1-5, Matthew 14:13-21

✦ Standing for those who are able

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

APPROACHING THE THRONE OF GRACE

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP: *"Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David"* (Isaiah 55:3).

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

"Morning Has Broken"

Gaelic Tune/arr. Eugénie Rocherolle (2006)

Jean Black, *Piano*

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP (from Isaiah 55:1-3)

Everyone come, come and refresh without money and without price.

Our hunger is not slight.

We thirst for harmony and hunger for integrity.

Listen together, for we have words of life.

Your yearning shall be filled; your longing shall be touched,

For there is a promise:

"My love for you shall be as for David.

Listen, you shall have good food and abundance."

✦ HYMN #393

"O Day of Rest and Gladness"

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✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

STIRRING OF THE SPIRIT

"Made Alive"

Citizens (2013)

"Raise a Hallelujah"

Bethel Music (2019)

Psalm 66 Praise Band / Keaton Belliveau, *Leader*

MAKING OUR CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord our God: We confess we do not always reflect your glory — You bless us so generously, but we often deny your blessing to others; you provide for us so richly, but we are slow to share your gifts.

Forgive us, O God. Restore and reorder our lives by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that we may proclaim with gratitude the great abundance of your love, to the glory of your holy name.

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

OFFERTORY

"I Will Arise and Go to Jesus"

Southern Folk/arr. Mark Hayes (2008)

Jean Black, *Piano*

✠ **DOXOLOGY #606**

OLD HUNDREDTH

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

READING AND HEARING GOD'S WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING — Isaiah 55:1-5 (*Old Testament*, p. 685)

Betsy Lancaster

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

✠ **HYMN #494**

"Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

QUEBEC

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING — Matthew 14:13-21 (*New Testament*, p. 16)

Pastor Teng

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

SERMON

"From Inaction to Compassion"

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

"Death Was Arrested"

North Point Worship (2015)

Psalm 66 Praise Band/Keaton Belliveau, *Leader*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

✠ **SONG #526**

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

LINSTEAD

✠ CHARGE AND BLESSING

✠ **SENDING SONG**

"One Thing Remains"

Jesus Culture (2012)

Psalm 66 Praise Band / Keaton Belliveau, *Leader*



We will be start our collection for The Children's Hunger Project July 12 - August 9, in preparation for our local children heading back to school. Please see the list of items needed:

- ◆ Fruit Cups, 4 oz. zero sugar added
- ◆ Apple Sauce, 4 oz. zero sugar added
- ◆ Fruit juice boxed 6.75 oz. 100% fruit juice
- ◆ Sunflower Kernels 1 oz. individual size
- ◆ Craisins 1 oz., individual boxes
- ◆ Belvita Breakfast Bars, 1.76 oz



- ◆ Teddy Grahams 1 oz. Individual snack size bags
- ◆ Goldfish Crackers, 1 oz. cheddar or whole grain pretzels
- ◆ Mac-n-Cheese microwaveable bowls (no boxes)
- ◆ Chef Boyardee 'Pop-a-top' microwaveable pasta
- ◆ Horizons Organic low-fat milk, 8 ounce



We will get together on Sunday, August 16 for a packing day!

Thank you for you continued generosity!



This Sunday's flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of all of our **August birthdays.**

SERMON NOTES

Diana Amtower has injured her hand (not seriously) and is unable to play today. In her absence, we welcome **Jean Black** who has been with us before. An accomplished accompanist, Jean frequently appears with the Space Coast Symphony, Brevard Symphony, and many other choral groups and theatrical productions here in Central Florida, as well as working with many Brevard County public school choirs and soloists, band and orchestra students. *Welcome back, Jean, and may God richly bless your ministry among us today!*

For **security reasons**, all entrance doors to the Sanctuary will be locked once the worship service begins. However, there will be someone by the door to let you in when you're by the door. Your kind understanding for our security concerns is deeply appreciated!

Men's Wednesday Bible Study — The Men's Bible study meets each Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. in Knox Hall. The men will be taking a 6-week break for the Summer, but will resume again to continue our study on Proverbs on September 2. We invite you to join us once we resume for Bible study, fellowship, and breakfast afterwards.

Anchor Youth — 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!*



First Tuesday Dinner Game Night

Bring Your Family & Friends!

Join us Tuesday August 4th for another Game Night! Bring board games for 4-7 people (with instructions included), card games, dominoes, easy 300 piece puzzle, etc.

If games are not your thing, come anyway to fellowship with the rest of us, or cheer on the winners. Dress comfortably and bring friends and/or family...older children welcome.

We will have dinner catered by Brano's Italian Grill. Menu will be Spaghetti with meatballs, cooked veggies, salad, bread dessert and beverages. Cost is \$12.00 per person.

RSVP sign up in Fellowship Hall the next two Sundays July 26th and August 2nd, or phone the church office or Betty Peterson.

Join us Tuesday August 4TH @ 6pm



August Birthdays

Mike Meighen	8/1
Bob Howard	8/2
Lindalee Torgler	8/4
Coleen Castillo	8/7
Tammy Ivan	8/18
Joe Fanning	8/28



Lift your prayers this week to the Throne of Grace for: **Tim Bright, Diana Amtower, Cathy Pfeiffer, Paula Yost, Rebecca Burns, Jane Lovett, Bill Cheney, Linda Harris, Cliff Schmitt, Glenn Stout, Roxanne Stout, Jorge & Coleen Castillo, Evelyn Whitehurst**; peace for Ukraine, Iran, Cuba, and the Middle East; earthquake victims and relief efforts in Japan, Venezuela, and the Philippines; and tornado victims and families in our nation.

DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday	Morning: Psalms 62; 145 / Evening: Psalms 73; 9 Judges 6:25-40; Acts 2:37-47; John 1:1-18
Tuesday	Morning: Psalms 12; 146 / Evening: Psalms 36; 7 Judges 7:1-18; Acts 3:1-11; John 1:19-28
Wednesday	Morning: Psalms 96; 147:1-11 / Evening: Psalms 132; 134 Judges 7:19–8:12; Acts 3:12-26; John 1:29-42
Thursday	Morning: Psalms 116; 147:12-20 / Evening: Psalms 26; 130 Judges 8:22-35; Acts 4:1-12; John 1:43-51
Friday	Morning: Psalms 84; 148 / Evening: Psalms 25; 40 Judges 9:1-16, 19-21; Acts 4:13-31; John 2:1-12
Saturday	Morning: Psalms 63; 149 / Evening: Psalms 125; 90 Judges 9:22-25, 50-57; Acts 4:32–5:11; John 2:13-25
Sunday	Morning: Psalms 103; 150 / Evening: Psalms 117; 139 Judges 11:1-11, 29-40; 2 Corinthians 11:21b-31; Mark 4:35-41

WHAT HAPPENED ON THIS DAY IN CHRISTIAN HISTORY

✦ When **William the Conqueror** of England died in 1087, his son **Rufus (William II)** moved quickly to seize the throne and is remembered as one of history's worst men. He derived perverse pleasure by watching men and animals tortured, and he vowed never to become a good man. Rufus passionately hated Christ, Christianity, and the clergy. On August 2, 1100, while hunting in the woods, he was struck by a powerful arrow from nowhere. He died quickly, and to no one's sorrow. No church bells tolled, no prayers were said for him, no alms given in his memory, no monuments built to his name. His younger brother **Henry** reigned in his stead. ✦ During the days of **Queen Mary**, **James Abbes**, a shoemaker from Stoke by Nayland, was burned at the stake on this day in 1555, according to **John Foxe** in his *Book of Martyrs*. As Abbes moved toward the stake, he urged the bystanders to cling to the truth and to seal the cause of Christ with their blood if need be — just as he was now doing. The young man seemed completely confident. To England's ruling elite as well as to the sheriff's servant, Abbes was a heretic for he held Reformation views. ✦ French-born **Isaac Jogues** was a colonial era Roman Catholic missionary to American Native Americans, for whom he was so burdened he was willing to give his life in the effort of reaching them with the gospel. On August 2, 1643, Jogues and his traveling party were ambushed by the Iroquois. The missionary could have escaped, but he willingly joined his captured companions. The group was mercilessly tortured by the Indians. Eventually Jogues was freed, but he returned to his mission and was again captured and killed by tomahawk. His murderer, however, was later converted and took the name "Isaac Jogues" as his baptism name.

THIS WEEK AT RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 2 - 9, 2026

Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | Monday - Thursday

Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	10:00 a.m.	Worship — <i>Tenth Sunday after Pentecost</i> (<i>Please prepare your heart for Holy Communion</i>)
	11:15 a.m.	Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Anchor Youth (Calvin Hall)
	6:00 p.m.	First Tuesday Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Stitchin' Sisters (Calvin Hall)
	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Circle (Calvin Hall)
	3:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (Knox Hall)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	10:00 a.m.	Worship — <i>Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost</i>
	11:15 a.m.	Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
		Worship & Sacrament Team Meeting (Knox 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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