



June 15, 2025

Trinity Sunday



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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.riversidepresbyterianchurch.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: riversidepresbyterianchurch.org. The worship service is livestreamed and is available on the church's website: <https://www.youtube.com/@riversidepresbyterianchurch8946>. 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.

Trinity Sunday is the First Sunday after Pentecost on the Christian liturgical calendar. Trinity Sunday celebrates the Christian doctrine of the Trinity, the three persons of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Trinity Sunday is the first Sunday in the second period of Ordinary Time, or the Time after Pentecost, a period which continues until Advent and is characterized by the use of green as the predominant liturgical color; however, as this is a feast which takes precedence over the occurring Sunday, white is used instead.

SESSION

Class of 2025

Mark Gordon
Carl Plaugher
Tom White

Class of 2026

Terri Beeler
Anda Ray
Ann Stone
Debbie Burleigh, *Clerk*

Class of 2027

Bob Howard
Meghan Johnson
Paula Yost

DIACONATE

Class of 2025

Susan White
Fern Wolle

Class of 2026

Janice Eastes
Carolyn Hattaway
Tammy Ivan

Class of 2027

Jorge Castillo

The June 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 July), 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 C):

Proverbs 8:1-4,22-31; *Psalms* 8; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

✦ Standing for those who are able

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

APPROACHING THE THRONE OF GRACE

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP: *"Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God . . . because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us"* (Romans 5:1-2, 5b).

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

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

Arioso
Diana Amtower, *Organ*

G. F. Handel (1685-1765)

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

From the very whisper of Creation, God poured forth love.

We rejoice in God for the blessing of his deep and abiding love.

In the fullness of time, God sent Jesus as the revelation of God's own self.

We give glory to Jesus for showing us the Father in the flesh.

When we thought all hope was lost, God sent the Holy Spirit to heal and to guide.

Praise and glory to the Holy Spirit for leading and sustaining us.

✦ HYMN #1

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

NICAEA

✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

✦ STIRRING OF THE SPIRIT

"King of Kings"

Hillsong Worship (2019)

"What a Beautiful Name"

Hillsong Worship (2017)

Psalm 66 Praise Band / Keaton Belliveau, *Leader*

MAKING OUR CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty Triune God: We confess our failure to give ourselves fully to you — Fear and doubt often keep us clinging to our own way, our lack of trust keeps us thinking you will lead us to a place we don't want to go, and we fail to see you as our Advocate and Friend.

Forgive us, O Lord. Free us from ourselves. Change our hearts so that we will respond to your guidance with joy and obedience. Restore us to be the people you created us to be, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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.

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Nicene Creed" (A.D. 325)

***We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.***

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.***

***For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.***

***For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.***

***On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.***

***He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.***

***We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.***

***We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. 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

Girard Middleton

CALL TO OFFERING

Pastor Teng

OFFERTORY

"Leaning" Elmquist, Maher, Morgan, Sooter (2022)
Chancel Choir / Diana Amtower, *Director*

✠DOXOLOGY #606

OLD HUNDREDTH

✠PRAYER OF DEDICATION

READING AND HEARING GOD'S WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING — Romans 5:1-5 (N.T., p. 155)
The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

Elder Mick Ray

✠HYMN #353

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

SOLID ROCK

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING — John 16:12-15 (N.T., p. 110)
The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

Pastor Teng

SERMON

"A Christian's Guide to The Trinity"

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

. . . Lord, in your mercy, ***hear our 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.

✠HYMN #2

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

ITALIAN HYMN

✠CHARGE AND BLESSING

✠SENDING SONG

"Happy Day"

Jesus Culture (2012)

SUNDAY FLOWERS

This Sunday's flowers are given to the glory of God by **the Fellowship Team**
and in honor of Pastor Bill & Karen Teng.

SERMON NOTES

PSALM 66 PRAISE BAND

Guitar / Vocals — Keaton Belliveau, *Leader*

Bass guitar — Rafael Perez

Drums — Ryan Perez

Keyboard — Andrey Plata

Backup Vocals — Madalynn Pearson

Backup Vocals — Jordan Boggs

Backup Vocals — Trinity Plata

DISCIPLE — *Under the Tree of Life* is the final study in the four-phase Disciple program. The study concentrates on the Writings (Old Testament books not in the Torah or the Prophets), the Gospel of John, and Revelation. Join us each Monday at 1:00 p.m. in Knox Hall led by Pastor Bill. *All are welcome!*

Vacation Bible School — Rockledge Presbyterian Church will be hosting Vacation Bible School for children ages 4-12 on **June 23 – 27**, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. If you know a child that would like to attend, sign up by scanning the QR code provided here or go to their website at www.myvbs.org/RPC2025.



America the Beautiful Concert — **June 29 at 3:30 p.m.** Riverside will host the Dr. Vernon Boushell *America the Beautiful* concert to honor America, featuring The Space Coast Symphony Winds Orchestra. A free ticket is available by going to www.riversidepresbyterianchurch.org ("Events/Event Tickets") or call for a will call ticket at 321-222-7875.

K – 5th Grade Sunday School — The K – 5th grades is now on summer break. Class will resume on September 7. We are looking for new leader(s) for this class. If you are interested in this position, please contact the office or **Teri Beeler**. *Many, many thanks to Nelson & Kathy McCray for their leadership and dedicated service for the past year!*

GRIEF MATTERS

The sudden or expected loss of a beloved pastor is a deeply felt experience — not only personally, but communally, as a spiritual leader's presence often shapes the identity, rhythm, and vision of the congregation. On the anniversary of Pastor Chris Carson's passing, and to help the congregation continue processing the grief and loss that have been felt in this last year, Session is offering a two-session Grief Workshop led by **the Rev. Dr. Martin Concepción**, a Presbyterian pastor and Bereavement Services Manager for VITAS Healthcare in Melbourne, to be held on **Tuesdays, July 1 & 8**, following a dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Workshop I — 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 1 (part of the First Tuesday Dinner)

Together in Grief, Together in Hope: A Faith-Centered Journey through Communal Loss

This compassionate, interactive workshop is designed to help faith communities navigate the collective grief of losing a pastor. Through theological reflection, psychological insight, and communal dialogue, participants will gain tools to honor their grief, understand the grieving process, and move toward healing while cherishing their pastor's legacy.

Workshop II — 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 8 (a dinner will be served)

Finding Meaning and Hope: A Congregation's Journey through Grief

This workshop is designed to support our church community as we navigate the complex emotions of loss together. Through shared reflection, scripture, and open conversation, we aim to acknowledge our grief, explore how faith can bring purpose in the midst of sorrow, and inspire hope for the future. Our goal is to foster healing, strengthen our communal bonds, and encourage each member to find renewed meaning and peace on this journey.

(For the objectives of these workshops, please consult the June newsletter.)

Reserve your space by calling the church office at 321-783-6085 or sending an email to office@riversidepresbyterianchurch.org.



Lift your prayers this week to the Throne of Grace for: **Lee Bean, Tim Bright, Jerry Swan, Linda Lee Torgler, Meghan Johnson, Stanley** (Tristan Boggs' uncle), **Rebecca Burns, Jane Lovett, Diane Whitehurst, Rob Lancaster, Glenn Stout, Victor** (Jorge Castillo's friend), **Margot** (Vickie Olcott's friend), **John House** (Jorge's friend), **Allyson McElheny** (Priscilla's friend), **Debbie** (Vicki's cousin), **Joan** (Nancy Ragland's mother), **Patricia Fulford** (Wanda's friend), **Mike Feis** (Wanda's neighbor), **Liz** (Meagan's daughter), **Mike** (Meagan's father), **Sue Colley, Malcolm, David Steinburg** (Lindalee Torgler's friend); housing situation for **Pastor Bill & Karen Teng**; peace for Ukraine and the Middle East.

DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday	Morning: Psalms 5; 145 / Evening: Psalms 82; 29 1 Samuel 1:1-20; Acts 1:1-14; Luke 20:9-19
Tuesday	Morning: Psalms 42; 146 / Evening: Psalms 102; 133 1 Samuel 1:21-2:11; Acts 1:15-26; Luke 20:19-26
Wednesday	Morning: Psalms 89: 1-18; 147:1-11 / Evening: Psalms 1: 33 1 Samuel 2:12-26; Acts 2:1-21; Luke 20:27-40
Thursday	Morning: Psalms 97; 147:12-20 / Evening: Psalms 16; 62 1 Samuel 2:27-36; Acts 2:22-36; Luke 20:41-21:4
Friday	Morning: Psalms 51; 148 / Evening: Psalms 142; 65 1 Samuel 3:1-21; Acts 2:37-47; Luke 21:5-19
Saturday	Morning: Psalms 104; 149 / Evening: Psalms 138; 98 1 Samuel 4:1b-11; Acts 4:32-5:11; Luke 21:20-28
Sunday	Morning: Psalms 19; 150 / Evening: Psalms 81; 113 1 Samuel 4:12-22; James 1:1-18; Matthew 19:23-30

WHAT HAPPENED ON THIS DAY IN CHRISTIAN HISTORY

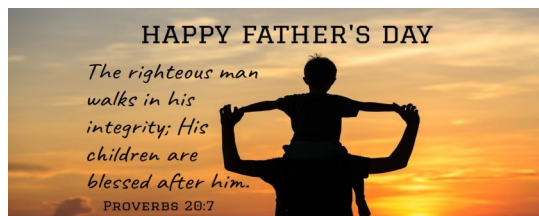
✠ On June 15, 1215, **King John** put his seal on the *Magna Carta* at Runnymede, which had been heavily influenced by Archbishop **Stephen Langton**, and established some basic rights for the people of England. ✠ On June 15, 1520, **Pope Leo X** issued his famous *Exsurge Domine*, which began "Arise, O Lord . . . a wild boar has invaded your vineyard." The wild boar was **Martin Luther** who was threatened with excommunication if he would not recant his beliefs. The document condemned Luther as a heretic on 41 counts and branded him an enemy of the Roman Catholic Church. ✠ On June 15, 1551, **Theodore Beza** took sick while at Lausanne during the plague. His worried friend, **John Calvin**, wrote: "I am concerned about the loss the church would suffer if in the midst of his career he should suddenly be removed by death. I hope . . . that he will be given back to us in answer to our prayers." Calvin's prayers were answered. Beza had yet a half-century to minister. ✠ **Catholics** in Massachusetts were finally granted religious freedom by the state constitution of June 15, 1780. ✠ **Samuel J. Mills** was dedicated to foreign missions by his mother before his birth in 1783. He became a Christian at age 17, and was a participant in the famous 1806 "Haystack Prayer Meeting" that launched America's first foreign missionary program. He died at age 35 on this day in 1818 while returning from a missionary trip to Africa. ✠ On June 15, 1951, missionary **William C. Easton** was leading a youth service in Columbia, South America. The police burst in and seized him and four young men. They were clubbed, whipped, dunked in cold water, stripped, and forced to roll in hot ashes. The next morning upon his release, Easton told the police, "I forgive you in the name of Jesus Christ."

THIS WEEK AT RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 15 - 22, 2025

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

Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School Classes
	10:00 a.m.	Worship — <i>Trinity Sunday</i> (<i>Father's Day</i>)
	11:15 a.m.	Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)
Monday	1:00 p.m.	Disciples Class (Knox Hall)
Tuesday	1:00 p.m.	HRR Circle (Knox Hall)
	6:00 p.m.	Session (Knox Hall)
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study & Breakfast (Knox Hall)
	9:30 a.m.	Stitchin' Sisters (Calvin Hall)
	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Circle (Knox Hall)
	2:00 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>Second Sunday after Pentecost</i>
	11:15 a.m.	Fellowship Time (Fellowship Hall)



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