



**Richardson Park United Methodist Church**  
*Celebrating Over 100 Years of Ministry*

*The mission of Richardson Park United Methodist Church is to help people experience the amazing love of God and develop a vital relationship with Jesus Christ*

And He said to them,  
“Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.”  
*Mark 16:15 NRSV*



Reverend Candy Miles, Pastor

*Welcome to RPUMC Worship Service*

“We greet you with the love and peace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.  
We are a church committed to God’s mission and purpose for the world.  
We pray you are blessed in worship with us this morning.”

May 17, 2026



## RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

### AFFIRMATION OF PURPOSE

Beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we welcome you into this household of faith called Richardson Park United Methodist Church. You are no longer merely sojourners, but equal citizens here. You have confessed your faith in our Lord by your participation in worship and the other activities here. Today you join us in full communion, accepting all of the privileges and responsibilities that come with such a commitment.

### INTRODUCTIONS

**Pastor:** Janet Brush and Mia Martin, will you continue to participate regularly in worship, engage with us in Christian service and fellowship, and give of your heart and resources to further the work of the Gospel here?

**Response:** “I will, with God’s help.”

**Pastor:** Will you be loyal to The United Methodist Church, and uphold it by your prayers, your presence, your gifts and your service?

**Response:** “I will.”

**Pastor:** Do you promise to live into the peace, prosperity and purpose of Richardson Park United Methodist Church as God shall strengthen and sustain you?

**Response:** “I will, with God’s help.”

### PASTORAL PRAYER

“Almighty and Everlasting God, may your hand always be upon these, your servants, who have made this commitment to membership here today. May your Holy Spirit be ever present with them, as well as with all of us. Lead us all together in the knowledge and obedience of your Word that we may continue to serve you in this life and dwell with you in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.”

And I hereby officially and gladly welcome and receive you both into the membership of this congregation. We are truly happy that you’re now members of this Church family. As it says at Ephesians 2:19: “You are no longer a stranger or alien, but a fellow citizen with the saints and members of the household of God.”

And to you, Church, I commend to your love and care Janet Brush and Mia Martin whom we receive into the membership of this congregation:

**We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ's holy church, and bid you welcome to this congregation of The United Methodist Church.**

**With you we lift up our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service.**

**With God's' help, we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that, surrounded by steadfast love, you may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.**

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit bless, preserve and keep you all now and forever more.

**AMEN.**



**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Gospel: Luke 24:46-53  
New Testament Epistle: Acts 1:8-11a &  
Hebrews 4:14-16

Linda Keffer

**SERMONIC HYMN**

“O, How I Love Jesus”

UMH 170

**SERMON**

***TO LIVE WITH AN ASCENSION ATTITUDE***

Rev. Miles

**PRAYER FOR RENEWED CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

Rev. Miles

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

UMH 140

**\*BENEDICTION**

Rev. Miles

**\*CONGREGATIONAL “AMEN” & RECESSIONAL**

**POSTLUDE**

“I Will Give Thanks” Psalm 7:17

Janet Brush, Organist

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*The flowers at the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my sister Mary Alice Bair and her husband Johnson W. Bair by Sharyn Murray.*

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# Prayer Requests



- Cassandra King, Rebecca King, James King, Mindy King, Bindy Sue King, Clover King, Reggie King, Liam King, Jamie Webb
- KC, Mia, Manda, Franny, Steph, Kortni, grandkids, Aunt Frannie
- Elizabeth C. Keeth, Pat Rodenhiser, Beth Kwaitowski, Brenda Williams, Susan and Ken Malone, Houston A. Rogers, Mark Rogers, Troy Rogers, Grant Rogers, Kathy A. Rogers, all veterans, Gaza and Ukraine, farmers and truckers, all mothers everywhere, homeless & hungry families everywhere, military families, law enforcement, DE State Police, PA State Police, Pastor Tony & Ann Arrington, world peace, highway safety, highway workers everywhere, students & teachers
- Darryl & Jeanne Remedio, John & Donna Mahoney, Gary & Sue Pinkowski, Don & Crissy Montgomery, Gene & Tracy Filliben, Pastor Tony & Anne, Millie Bradshaw & family, the Wolski family, Don Moyer, Sam Rosado, our armed forces, all law enforcement, fire fighters & EMTs, the United States, Israel, justice, liberty
- Preston, Shanon, Jen, Sandy, Janet, Gladys, Betsey, Karen
- Efrain DeJesus, Jr., Alize DeJesus, Haley DeJesus, Madeline Torres, Efrain DeJesus, Sr.
- Myself, Ethel Trader, to get a voucher and place to live. That everything goes well Monday and Wednesday. And for Cassandra and Marie and everyone here. Mia, Pastor Miles, Sandy and Rose and anyone who needs prayer. Thank you Lord Jesus, Father God. Amen.
- Shirley Delpizzo and family, Steven, Tonja, Natalie, Hillary, Sharon, Amanda, Mozes

<u>SERVING TODAY</u>	<u>WORSHIP ATTENDANCE</u>	05/10/26
WORSHIP LEADER: LINDA KEFFER	SUNDAY SCHOOL	0
GREETER: MARIE WALKER	WORSHIP	35
MUSICIAN: JANET BRUSH		

### *About RPUM Church*

The first services were held under a large tree in 1907 at the corner of Belmont Avenue and DuPont Road. The first church building was completed in 1908 at Glenrich Avenue and Eureka Street. The church relocated to its current location in 1926, and the present sanctuary was built in 1950. Richardson Park United Methodist Church has had a long and distinguished ministry in the community dedicated to producing fruit that is pleasing to the Lord. This tradition continues today.

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