



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



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.”

October 4, 2026

19th Sunday after Pentecost

ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Please rise in spirit or body*

PRELUDE "Come to the Table/Life-Giving Bread" *R. Manalo* (Ps. 34; 1,8)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Holy God, Maker of heaven and earth, out of your great love for the world you sent us your beloved Son – but we sent him to his death. Have mercy on us, O Lord; forgive us, renew us, restore us so that we may be the people of your vineyard and bear good fruit for your holy realm; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We live in a world that entices us with influence, power, and accolades.

Many: We choose to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call.

One: Sometimes we find ourselves wishing for heaven without working to bring heaven to earth.

Many: We choose to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call to live righteously here and now.

One: Other times, we find ourselves exhausted by working for the gospel, wondering if anything we do is making a difference.

Many: We remind one another to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call, leaning on Christ as the source of our perseverance and hope.

One: Beloved, God calls us not to escape this world but to build the kingdom of God in this place and in this time.

Many: We choose to press on toward the prize of the heavenly call to embody God's mercy and justice as we build God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven.

***OPENING HYMN**

"God of Grand and God of Glory"

UMH 577

CALL FOR JOYS & CONCERNS WITH PASTORAL PRAYER

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 19

Philippians 3:4b-14

*Matthew 21:33-46

SERMON

Be A Goldfish

HYMN

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

UMH 64

THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO OFFERING

RECEIVING OF TITHES & GIFTS

***DOXOLOGY**

“All Things Come of Thee”

UMH 588

OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison)

Faithful Shepherd, you call us beyond our resumes and our trophies, beyond what we have been toward who we are becoming in Christ. As we lay these gifts before you, free us from clinging to what we think gives us worth. Turn our eyes toward the future you are unfolding. Let our giving press us deeper into mercy, widen the circle of belonging, and shape us into people who embody your justice and grace. Keep us moving; keep us growing; keep us following. We press on toward your kin-dom, trusting you to lead. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Here I Am, Lord”

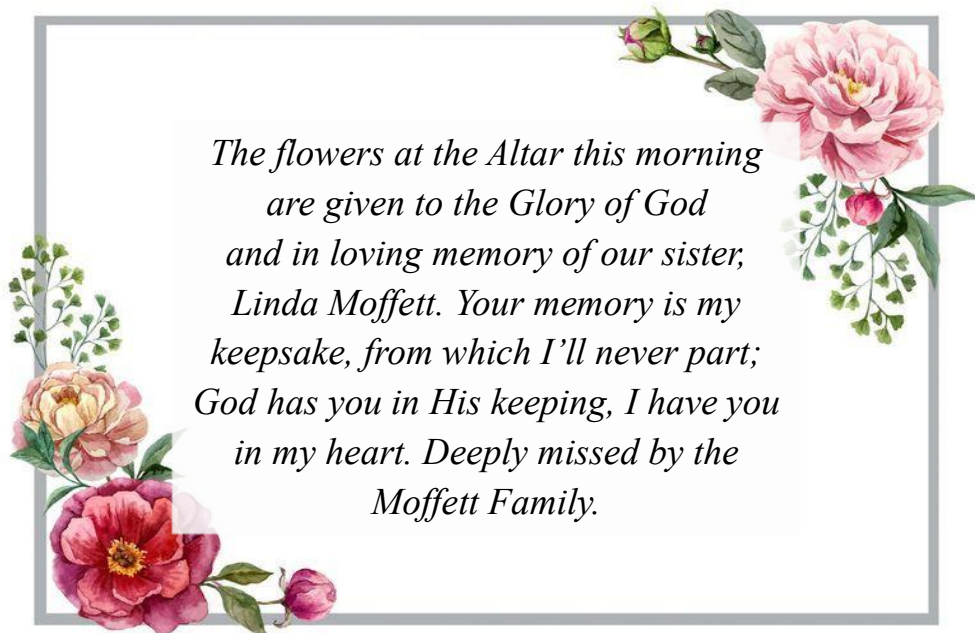
UMH 593

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL “AMEN” & RECESSIONAL

POSTLUDE

"He Has Made Me Glad" (Ps.100:2, 4; 118:24)



*The flowers at the Altar this morning
are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of our sister,
Linda Moffett. Your memory is my
keepsake, from which I'll never part;
God has you in His keeping, I have you
in my heart. Deeply missed by the
Moffett Family.*

Prayer Requests



- KC, Mia, Manda, Franny, Steph, Kortni, grandkids, Dave, Joe, Taylor, Annette, Aunt Frannie, Aunt Becky
- Shirley Delpizzo and family, Steven, Tonja, Natalie, Hillary, Sharon, Amanda, Mozes
- Cassandra King, Rebecca King, James King, Tundra King, Yukon King, Steven Beaver
- Darryl and Jeanne Remedio; John and Donna Mahoney; Gary and Sue Pinkowski; Don and Crissy Montgomery; Gene and Tracy Filliben; Tim and Jacqueline Megginson; Millie Bradshaw & family; Pastor Tony and Anne; Dennis Green; Sam Rosado; Don Moyer; the Wolski family; our armed forces; all law enforcement, fire fighters and EMTs; the United States; Isreal; justice; liberty
- Eric, Max, Wayne, Daimon, Hayes family, Scott, Mike, Gracie, Przywara family, Heather, Michael, patience, Jarvis, Devon
- Elizabeth C. Keeth; Pat Rodenhiser; Beth Kwaitowski; Brenda Williams; Susan and Ken Malone; Kathy A. Rogers; Houston A. Rogers; Mark Rogers; Troy Rogers; Grant Rogers; people of Hawaiian Islands; people of Outer Banks; Gaza and Ukraine; all effected by storms; travel mercies; first responders; homeless and hungry families everywhere; Yvonne and Uncle Cliff; hospital workers; military families; Bill VanSant; Audrey and Brad; Les Gommer; Morgan Richardson; Hannah, Madeline, and Ronnie; people of Pacific and Atlantic Coasts of North America; DE State Police; PA State Police; U.S. Armed Forces everywhere; Gentry, Cora, Mackenzie and Craig
- Vanessa Taylor, Brandi Kosloski, Donna Slaven and her son Greg, my son Michael

SERVING TODAY:

WORSHIP LEADER: LINDA KEFFER MUSICIAN: JANET BRUSH
HEAD USHER: DAVE ROGERS GREETER: MARIE WALKER
AUDIO/ VISUALS: DENNIS JOHNSON, BRENDA TUCKER,
and JANET DICKERSON

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 9/27/26:

WORSHIP: 36

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