

# AUGUST 2018

## *Down by the Riverside*

Thank you so much for reading this newsletter and thank you to all the contributors to the newsletter keeping us aware of the happenings and ministry opportunities at Riverside Presbyterian Church!

As a means to develop greater communication with RPC friends and family, and considering the time of year when most of our winter resident family are away from the Cocoa Beach area, the office would like to know how effective our newsletter has been and also ideas on how to improve. Please click the survey link to complete a 5 question survey that will help us improve our newsletter.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/S6C3TBN>

Thank you so very much!

Your Riverside Presbyterian Church Family

**Rev. Michael Hafele**  
Pastor

**Diana Amtower**  
Organist

**Elizabeth Britton**  
Office Manager

**Chuck Torgler**  
Sexton

**Cecilia Quist**  
Nursery

**Karen Ward**  
Audio

**Doug Kasimier**  
Treasurer

**Travis Smith**  
Band Worship  
Leader

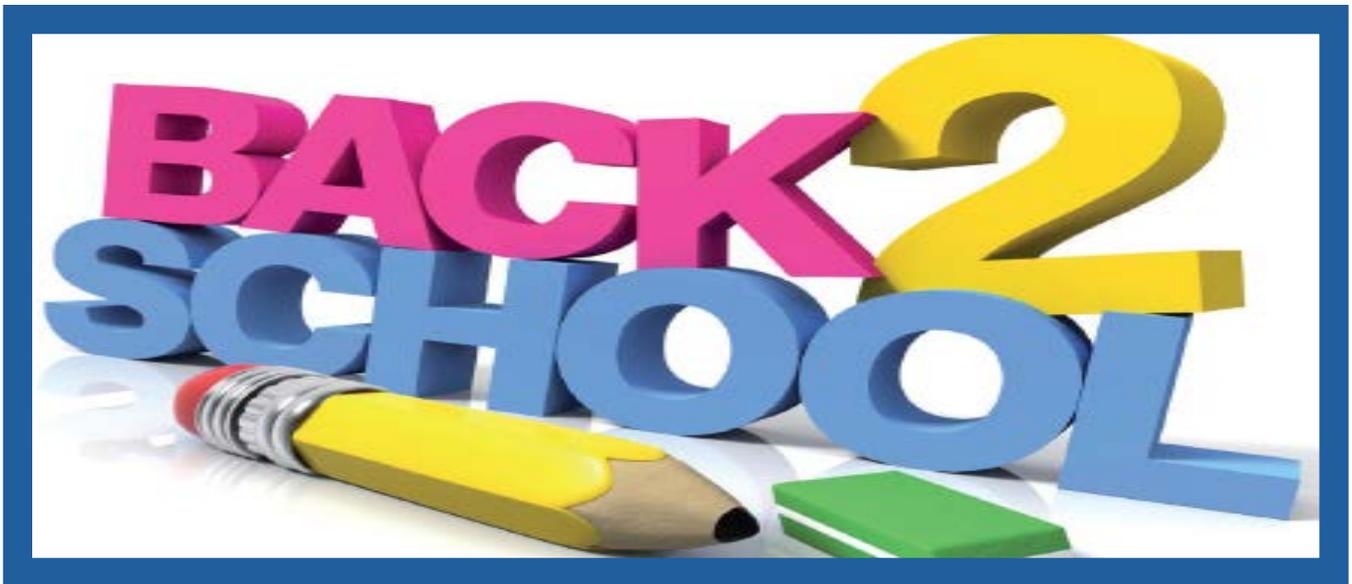
# *August Worship Calendar*

**AUGUST 5  
COMMUNION SUNDAY  
10:00 AM SERVICE**

**AUGUST 12  
10:00 AM SERVICE**

**AUGUST 19  
10:00 AM SERVICE**

**AUGUST 26  
10:00 AM SERVICE**



**JUST A REMIINDER!!**

**SCHOOL STARTS ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 10TH!  
PLEASE WATCH OUT FOR THE CHILDREN  
AND THE SCHOOL BUSES!!!**



RPC has three Women's Circles:

Hannah Circle  
Third Tuesday at 1:00 pm  
in Knox Parlor

Rebekah Circle  
Third Thursday at 9:30 am  
in Knox Parlor

Deborah Circle  
Third Wednesday at 7:00 pm  
in Knox Parlor

All women are cordially invited to attend a Circle. Please contact the Circle most convenient for you. We look forward to welcoming anyone who is interested.

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS  
FOR THIS FALL'S  
BIBLE STUDY  
MONDAYS  
@ 1:00 PM**

**The Monday Bible Study will begin on Monday, October 29 at 1 pm in Knox Parlor.**

**For this term, we will study, "Discerning the Voice of God" written by Priscilla Shirer.**

**The books will cost approximately \$14. The study is for 7 weeks and includes a teaching video and 5 days of homework each week.**

**Please let Sherrell Fischer know by October 21 if you would like her to order you a book at [sherrell@cfl.rr.com](mailto:sherrell@cfl.rr.com).**

AUGUST News from the Riverside Presbyterian Women

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN  
CENTRAL FLORIDA PRESBYTERY  
2018 BIBLE STUDY**



**Sat., August 18, 2018  
Park Lake Presbyterian Church**

**309 E Colonial Drive, Orlando, FL 32801**

**407-841-6550**

**God's Promises: I Am With You**  
by Amy Poling Sutherland

the **HORIZONS** 2018-2019 Study



**Check-in begins: 9:00 a.m.;**  
**Study begins: 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.**  
**Cost: \$10.00 - due August 3rd;**  
**late registration \$15 after the 3rd.**  
**Cost includes Breakfast, Lunch, and support supplies.**

**PRESENTER:**  
**Christina Greenawalt,**  
**CFP Administrator/Minister of the Word**

*Please send in your registration form and check [ payable to PW ] to:*

**Jennifer Jonas**  
**154 Valmura Drive**  
**Casselberry, FL 32707 Cell: 321-279-4143 [jennifer.jonas@aspect.com](mailto:jennifer.jonas@aspect.com)**

REGISTRATION FOR PWCFP BIBLE STUDY 2018



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_ Presbytery \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary Needs \$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL AMOUNT SENT \$ \_\_\_\_\_



## AUGUST in the Kid's Corner One Room School House

Before the 10 AM worship service, we are continuing to meet during the summer as a “One Room” School House for children and youth of all ages; we meet at 9 AM in the Pfeiffer Room next to Fellowship Hall.

These lessons continue to provide guidance to the young members of our church family to praise, thank, and celebrate our God, and to use individual Gifts of the Spirit to live in community with others. Vicki Geiler, Kathie Spaeth, Stephanie White, Holly Martin supervise, as we welcome children pre-kindergarten through elementary (and sometimes beyond), for lessons enhanced with activities. Come and join us . . . we can always use an extra set of adult volunteer hands!

BLOOD DRIVE will be Sunday, August 12th from 8:00 AM-1:00 PM.  
All donors will receive a OneBlood t-shirt and a wellness checkup including blood pressure, temperature, iron count, pulse and cholesterol screening!



*You are invited to our next Women's Ministry Event  
Come join us,  
Grow into the woman God is calling you to be*

## *FLOURISH*

HOSTED BY MERRITT ISLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

One Day Woman's Retreat  
Saturday, September 29, 2018

RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
3400 N. ATLANTIC AVENUE  
COCOA BEACH, FLORIDA

Save \$5.00 - Register early by Sunday, August 26th - \$60.00  
Registration after August 26th - \$65.00  
Final Deadline, Friday, September 14th

Cost includes: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner  
Gift Bag, Craft, Activities

*All women of faith are welcome at this Retreat, so please feel encouraged to invite a family member or friend to attend.*

Questions about the Retreat?  
Contact Marilyn Smoot  
msmoot46@gmail.com or 321-223-4842



## *Women's Retreat Registration Form 2018*

Complete and turn in/mail with your payment to Merritt Island Presbyterian Church (MIPC)  
600 South Tropical Trail, Merritt Island, FL. 32952

\$60.00 if registered by August 26th, \$65.00 after August 26th, Final Deadline, September 14th

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Special Needs \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Included with Registration:

Full Payment: (by August 26) \$60.00 \_\_\_\_\_ (after August 26) \$65.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Checks should be made payable to Merritt Island Presbyterian Church, designated  
"Women's Retreat"



**CENTRAL  
FLORIDA  
PRESBYTERY**



**FISH - Saturday, August 25th, 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

**FISH Registration is Open.**

**FISH is our annual event for those who are involved in educational ministries in their churches.**

**It's for pastors, Christian educators, Sunday school teachers, youth leaders, Commissioned pastors, and anyone involved in teaching in the church.**

**Go to <http://www.cfpresbytery.org/equip.html> to take a look at the 16 workshops being offered.**

**Don't miss out on Lunch and Learn featuring  
Rev. Rebecca Barnes,  
Presbyterian Hunger Program Coordinator.**



## *Musically speaking . . . .*

Psalm 98: 1, 4-6: Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him. Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music; make music to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing, with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn – shout for joy before the Lord, the King.

Ephesians 5:19: speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit.  
Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord.

The music at Riverside Presbyterian is alive with love and joy for the Lord! While the choirs are taking a well deserved summer break and the handbells head out for refurbishment, we have been lucky enough to have several people share their musical talent with us. I hope that you have enjoyed their music ministry as much as I have! While I am busy planning music through the end of 2018, please prayerfully consider joining one of our choirs when rehearsals begin again in early September. Are you thinking you're not good enough? Or maybe you don't read music? Come join us anyway! The only prerequisite is to come with a heart filled with love for the Lord! Come sing, come ring, or come share your musical instrument. Still have questions?

Feel free to chat with me after any church service or just call: Diana Amtower (410)353-5983

Make a

Joyful  
noise

Unto The  
Lord!

Blessings, Diana

**COMMUNITY HYMN SING**

**AUGUST 12, 2018**

**SUNDAY, 5 PM**

**SANCTUARY**

**SINGING TOGETHER OF GOD'S GOODNESS AND  
POWER IS UPLIFTING PRAYER THAT UNITES A  
COMMUNITY WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER.**



*We are a blessed group to be able to offer support to Family Promise homeless families. Just as they are so thankful for finding FP and us, we all should give thanks to our merciful and loving God for being a part of this ministry and its continued success.*

*This last visit was like no other of its kind and required enormous flexibility. It was the first requiring four bedrooms to accommodate 11 family members; our largest group. However, expecting and planning this number, it commenced short a family of four (now 11) and continued to reduce in numbers to its conclusion with only a entering new family - a father and daughter. Our meal providers readjusted constantly by some having bought supplies early, some changing menus, some caught home cooking and others generally moving schedules. It was different, but created no hardships with Jack Sprunger keeping in touch with volunteers. Our visits are all different. You are all so great!*

*A training session was run a weeks before. Four trainees were present with still four in the wings. Before 2019, another class will be offered. It's important to recruit to lessen the load. One of our new volunteers - Kathy McCray - came to observe, help serve and host; a smart way to get a feel for this simple task as well as enjoy our visitor's gratitude.*

*Our next visit can be anticipated early next year. In the interim, program news will be forwarded.*

*Thank you,  
Dick Gerhardt*

## ***MUSIC BY THE RIVER***

*will present another all-star cast of prodigies from the local area.*

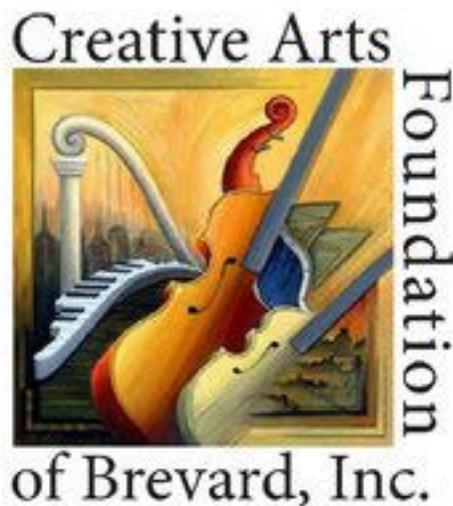
*Music By The River Concert*

*Fabulous one hour live concert*

*Riverside Presbyterian Church Sanctuary*

*3400 North Atlantic Avenue, Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931*

*Next Performance: Sunday, August 26, 3:30 p.m.*



*Music by the River is a concert series produced by the Creative Arts Foundation of Brevard which showcases live performance by various accomplished young students of music on the last Sunday of the month during season.*

*Music by the River features talented and upcoming young musical performers, singers, musicians, and just all around exciting and vibrant youth performing for you to the best of their abilities.*

*The line up of truly amazing young stars always changes from month to month.*

*You want to make certain you are at each and every performance encouraging and applauding the virtuosos discovered and showcased just for you at the Creative Arts Foundation of Brevard's Music by the River.*

*Music by the River concert seasons typically run from August through April. However, check back to the web site for updates and additional information: [www.cafob.org](http://www.cafob.org)*

*Show times typically start at 3:30 p.m. and CAFOB suggests a casual dress as the shows run approximately 75 to 90 minutes.*

# notes



**Prayer Circle meets every Wednesday  
in Knox Parlor at 10:00 am.**

**If you have a desire to pray for the congregation and the  
community, please join us!**



**There will be NO  
Senior Exercise Class  
for the month of August!  
Classes will resume after  
Labor Day,  
September 4th!**

# August 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>5</b> COMMUNION SUNDAY 10a Worship 11a Kid's Choir	<b>6</b> 7p NA Meeting	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b> 7:30a Men's Bible 9:30a Care & Support 10a Prayer Circle 7p Women's Bible	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>12</b> 10a Worship 11a Kid's Choir Blood Drive 5p Hymn Sing	<b>13</b> 7p NA Meeting	<b>14</b> 7:00p Deacons	<b>8</b> 7:30a Men's Bible 10a Prayer Circle 7p Women's Bible	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>19</b> 10a Worship 11a Kid's Choir	<b>20</b> 10a Stewardship 7p NA Meeting	<b>21</b> 7:00p Session	<b>15</b> 7:30a Men's Bible 10a Prayer Circle 7p Women's Bible	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>26</b> 10a Worship 11a Kid's Choir 3:30p Music by the River	<b>27</b> Election	<b>28</b>	<b>22</b> 7:30a Men's Bible 10a Prayer Circle 7p Deborah's	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
	<b>29</b> Election	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b> 7:30a Men's Bible 10a Prayer Circle 7p Women's Bible	<b>31</b>		