

SEPTEMBER 2018

Down by the Riverside

Dear Riverside Family:

As you are aware, our Office Manager Liz will be taking a leave of absence to be present with her grandchild from Labor Day through the Christmas season. Our love and prayers go with Liz for safe travels as she will be heading to Kansas City during the week and return on weekends. We absolutely look forward to her return with us and give witness to a congregation who lives out our commitment to families!

In the interim period, we welcome Kaitlin Petrillose to join us in ministry and to carry us through the very busy time of year. Kaitlin is well qualified and your welcome of her and help with transitioning to this wonderful Church is incredibly helpful for our success. Kaitlin is a graduate of the University of Texas- Austin and has experience in a vast array of professions as well as familiarity in serving in a church. Welcome to Kaitlin in her ministry to Christ and to the wonderful people here at Riverside Presbyterian Church!

For us to make this transition and interim as smooth as possible, your help is incredibly necessary. It is a good manner to consider that Kaitlin is not familiar with you, so introduce yourself (even if you have been a member for 60 years), walk with her through your needs and guide her through how you'd like to be served. Use the incredible hospitality that Riverside Presbyterian Church is known for. Be Christlike in patience as well as an encouraging voice for her as she takes on this very important role for RPC. Offer assistance to help in a manner that gives glory to Christ and witness to your commitment to RPC. Above all, outdo one another in love and care for Kaitlin and her family.

We are blessed to have Kaitlin serve Jesus Christ and Riverside Presbyterian Church in this time and we are confident that the Lord who sustains this Church will offer all of us new opportunities to reflect the love and grace and Jesus Christ.

Blessings to you in Christ,

Rev. Michael Hafele

Pastor, Riverside Presbyterian Church

**Rev. Michael
Hafele**
Pastor

**Diana
Amtower**
Organist

**Kaitlin
Petrillose**
Office Manager

Chuck Torgler
Sexton

Cecilia Quist
Nursery

Karen Ward
Audio

Doug Kasimier
Treasurer

Travis Smith
Band Worship
Leader

September Worship

**SEPTEMBER 2
COMMUNION SUNDAY
10:00 AM SERVICE**

**SEPTEMBER 9
10:00 AM SERVICE**

**SEPTEMBER 16
10:00 AM SERVICE**

**SEPTEMBER 23
10:00 AM SERVICE**

**SEPTEMBER 30
10:00 AM SERVICE**

GET READY for a potluck picnic
GET SET by bringing salads, beaches, chips,
veggies or desserts to share
GO to Fellowship Hall
on September 16th at 11:30 AM
Meats and drinks will be provided!
Hosted by our Deacons with love!



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!

POTLUCK





Baptism in the Reformed Tradition
Starting September 9th
Rev. Michael Hafele, Facilitator

Baptism is fundamental to our understanding of God's divine work in Jesus Christ as well as our acceptance as God's people. But what is baptism, where is it in the Bible? How do Presbyterians and other Reformed churches understand it? Why is it relevant to us today and especially for RPC?

This 8 week series will offer an exploration into the biblical/theological, the practical, and the missional facets of baptism.

This equipping opportunity will be meeting in Knox Parlor at 9:00am on Sundays before worship service.

**Walking Through the Lectionary
w Rev. Mike
Starting September 10th**

Are you interested in walking through the Scripture texts for the sermons the coming week? Are you wondering some of the background to the texts, the connections, the opportunities to offer your insights into the sermon for Sunday? In this equipping opportunity, we will journey through the lectionary together in a relaxed "off campus" setting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Classes Meet Weekly:
Mondays 7:00PM at Florida Beer Company in Cape Canaveral
(starting 9/10)
Wednesdays 12noon at Juice and Java in Cocoa Beach
(starting 9/12)**



CENTRAL FLORIDA PRESBYTERY

INTERNATIONAL PEACEMAKER AMAL NASSAR FROM PALESTINE

Visiting Central Florida Presbytery
September 26 - October 1, 2018

Amal Nassar and her family have spent 20 years welcoming visitors from around the world to their West Bank farm called the Tent of Nations.

They cultivate peace, reconciliation, and nonviolence through children's summer camps and education for women, proclaiming boldly: "we refuse to be enemies."

This is a wonderful opportunity for us to hear firsthand about the reality of daily life in Palestine. Mission Development Committee is working on the schedule of Amal's visit at our Presbytery between September 26 through October 1.

If you would like to hear about her experience at your church, please let us know.

For more information call: 386-589-9327 or Email: cpjflorida@gmail.com

*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**

**Registration \$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 encour-
aged 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"



RIVERSIDE CHANCEL CHOIR will begin rehearsals
on September 6th at 7 PM.

Join the fun and sing glory to God each Sunday.



***MUSIC BY THE RIVER** will present another fabulous one hour
live concert with an all-star cast of prodigies from the local area.*

Music By The River Concert

Riverside Presbyterian Church Sanctuary

3400 North Atlantic Avenue, Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931

Next Performance: Sunday, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 3:30 PM

Make a
Joyful
noise
Unto The
Lord!

**COMMUNITY HYMN
SING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2018
SUNDAY, 5 PM
SANCTUARY**

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

September 2018

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

2
COMMUNION
SUNDAY
10a Worship
11a Kid's Choir

9
10a Worship
11a Kid's Choir
Blood Drive

16
10a Worship
11a Kid's Choir
11:30a Potluck
5p Hymn Sing

23
10a Worship
11a Kid's Choir

30
10a Worship
11a Kid's Choir
3:30p
Music by the River

3
7p NA Meeting

10
7p NA Meeting

17
10a Stewardship
7p NA Meeting

24
7p NA Meeting

31
7p NA Meeting

4
9:30 AM Senior
Exercise Class

11
9:30 AM Senior
Exercise Class
7:00p Deacons

18
9:30 AM Senior
Exercise Class
7:00p Session

25
9:30 AM Senior
Exercise Class
7PM OMEC

5
7:30a Men's Bible
9:30 a Care &
Support
10a Prayer Circle

12
7:30a Men's Bible
10a Prayer Circle
7p Women's Bible

19
7:30a Men's Bible
10a Prayer Circle
7p Deborah's

26
7:30a Men's Bible
10a Prayer Circle
7p Women's Bible

6
9:30 AM Senior
Exercise Class

13
9:30 AM Senior
Exercise Class

20
9:30 AM Senior
Exercise Class

27
9:30 AM Senior
Exercise Class

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