

JULY 2018

Down by the Riverside

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” Matthew 28:19-20

This very familiar missional text to the disciples has been at the very heart of Christian witness, evangelism, and ministry. It speaks to the mission the Lord has and our privilege, as Christ's disciples, in participating in that divine work. The Church saw unprecedented participation and engagement within the life and ministry of the church in the 1950s and 1960s. However, for many reasons, the church has found itself in a unfamiliar position of decreasing community participation. Greater and greater numbers of people in our community are no longer participating in the mission of God in an organized manner. Thankfully, the text reminds us that Jesus is ever alongside us within this journey of faith and mission. The message of the Gospel is just as relevant today as it has been the last 20+ centuries. Yet, how do we adapt to the challenges beset to the church today? How can we continue to seek to faithful and fruitful disciples of Jesus Christ in this day and time?

For those of us receiving this newsletter electronically, I'd like you to see this 2 minute video of the missional church. In the same manner as the Great Commission, its energy and impetus is sending the church into the world God has called us into. The video is here for you to click:

https://youtu.be/arxfLK_sd68

My hope is to cultivate a sermon series on what it means to be a missional church and explore alongside you opportunities that we, as Riverside Presbyterian Church, can resonate faithful discipleship in this very changing and challenging time.

Your servant in Christ,

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Adult Sunday School classes at RPC is on break for the summer and will resume again this fall! Be sure to watch for details later this summer!

**RIVERSIDE SUNDAY SCHOOL
OF INDONESIA
& PRAYER REQUESTS**

We thank God that the ministry in Mabah went well. They are very enthusiastic in learning and listening to God's Word. We have problem with one of our kids, his name is Riski. He is struggling lately with smoking and we have been talking to him but he won't listen. He is a bad example to other kids and we were trying to talk to his parents but they were not there. Please pray that we can find the solution to his problem and pray that God will soften his heart and enable him to stop smoking. As we shared last month we are hosted here by a wonderful family who their daughter-in-law is Muslim. Please remember them in your prayers, that God would open the way and bring her into Christ.

**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.



JULY News from the Riverside Presbyterian Women

*The 2018-2019 PW / Horizons Bible Study is entitled
God's Promise, I Am With You by Amy Poling Sutherlun.*

*This study will concentrate upon God's promise, to be with us in good times and bad and
to never forsake us. This study will take us through examples in the
Registration form included in the newsletter.*

JOIN PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

*What better place to learn about caring, about helping, about growing, about loving, and
about God's Word than with the members of Presbyterian Women.*

*We are women of faith forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the
Holy Spirit. We are nurturers. As caregivers, we care for and nourish individuals, our
families, our church, our community, and our world. We have a passion for mission.*

We reach out to give special service to those in need.

*We are women who are committed to care for ourselves, each other, our families, our
church, our community, and God. Come join us! Get involved! There are so many
opportunities for you to use your talents, to share your love, to make lasting and
committed friendships, and to learn about yourself and God.*

Gail Marshall, Publicity

**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 Sutherlun

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 Staffer/Minister of the Word**

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

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REGISTRATION FOR PWCFP BIBLE STUDY 2018



Name _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Church _____ Presbytery _____

Special Dietary Needs ? _____ TOTAL AMOUNT SENT \$ _____



JULY in the Kid's Corner One Room School House

Summer is here, and the vacations that come along with children out of school!

The children will not be meeting on July 1st - Happy Birthday to the USA!

After we reviewed the gifts of the Spirit, a couple of our young members volunteered to lead summer sessions, to practice using their gifts inside our church community. Robbie Ward has been preparing and leading for several weeks in June, and really would like a few more students. Do you have children who would like to be a part of Robbie's class? Do you have children who would like to lead? Do you know children who need encouragement just to participate? All are welcome.

Before the 10 AM worship service, we are once again acting 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 live in peace with others. Vicki Geiler, Kathir Spaeth, Stephanie White, Holly Martin all supervise, as we welcome children pre-K 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!

*July
Worship
Calendar*

**JULY 1
COMMUNION SUNDAY
10:00 AM SERVICE**

**JULY 8
10:00 AM SERVICE**

**JULY 15
10:00 AM SERVICE**

**JULY 22
10:00 AM SERVICE**

**JULY 29
10:00 AM SERVICE**



OLD FASHIONED HYMN SING coming in July! Mark your calendars for the 15th at 5:00 pm to join in a singing together of God's goodness and power with others. When we sing hymns in our church, we are uniting with those around us in a fantastically corporate, sensory experience. When we sing hymns of the past, we are sharing in faith with those who have gone before us. That's a connection!

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Family Promise®

Building communities, strengthening lives.

Family Promise guests will be hosted by Riverside week of July 8th. Please extend prayers for these homeless families that they find safe affordable housing and the resources to achieve self-sufficiency and lasting independence.

Pray for Riverside volunteers as our arrangements offer shelter, food and love.

You are invited any evening that week to visit Knox Parlor between 6:00 and 8:00 pm to meet our guests and share in conversation.

Thank you for your support.

CAPEVIEW SCHOOL SUMMER FOOD DRIVE

Riverside Presbyterian Church is combining efforts this summer with St David's by The Sea Episcopal Church to provide non perishable food for 20 at risk students for the months of July and August. Please bring your donations to church throughout the summer so these students may have nutrition this summer. Below is the list of items: Peanut Butter, Tuna Fish, Cereal, Raisins, Canned Fruit, Beef Stew, Beef Jerky, Applesauce, Pudding, Granola Bars, Power Bars, Cereal Bars, Ravioli, Spaghetti O's, Canned Soup with pull tabs, tomato Juice, Nuts, Trail Mix, Fruit Snacks, Dried Fruit, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Vegetables with pull tab, Mac and Cheese, Oatmeal packages, Rice, Beans.

Your donations are greatly appreciated!

July 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 COMMUNION SUNDAY 10a Worship	2 7p NA Meeting	3 9:30a Senior Fit	4 OFFICE CLOSED	5 9:30a Senior Fit OFFICE CLOSED	6	7
8 10a Worship	9 7p NA Meeting	10 9:30a Senior Fit	11 7:30a Men's Bible 10a Prayer Circle 7p Women's Bible	12 9:30a Senior Fit	13	14
15 10a Worship 5p Hymn Sing	16 10a Stewardship 7p NA Meeting	17 9:30a Senior Fit 7:00p Session	18 7:30a Men's Bible 10a Prayer Circle 7p Deborah's	19 9:30a Senior Fit	20	21
22 10a Worship	23 7p NA Meeting	24 9:30a Senior Fit	25 7:30a Men's Bible 10a Prayer Circle 7p Women's	26 9:30a Senior Fit	27	28
29 10a Worship	30 7p NA Meeting	31 9:30a Senior Fit				