

...growing disciples who make a difference

# December 3, 2023

## Welcome!

Are you visiting with us? Whether in-person or on Facebook Live, we welcome you to our worship services! We would love to get to know you and find out how we can best serve you.

#### Connect

To get connected, talk to any ministry leader or call the church office at 859-623-3580. You may also fill out a physical connect card or online at <a href="mailto:richmondfumc.org/connect">richmondfumc.org/connect</a>.

#### Worship

Current Series: Prologue: The Advent of Time

We are most familiar with the Christmas story as it is told in Luke's gospel; the angels, the shepherds, a baby in a manger. We are also familiar with the nativity story from Matthew, including Joseph's dream. The Evil King Herod, and the Magi. Seldom do we think of the first chapter of John as a Christmas story at all. In fact, though, this chapter also details God's coming to earth in human form

## Today: John 1: 1-5

John tells us that Christ was present and active in the creation of the world, and that his coming is the beginning of a New Creation.



Hymns in Today's Service

Hail To the Lord's Anointed (#203) Lord of the Dance (#261) O Little Town of Bethlehem (#230)

## HOW CAN WE HELP?

Assisted-listening devices are available. Ask a greeter!



Childcare: Birth to 3 years of age Opens 15 minutes before service

Children's Discipleship: 4yr to 5th grade Departs from the Sanctuary when announced during our service.

## This Week: December 3rd - 9th

Sunday: PICS for Directory @ Services

12:00 - Fellowship Meal - Gym

1:00 - Thrive Planning Meeting - MMC 213

1:00 - Sunday Women's Study GP-MMC 202

1:00 - Football Watch - Gym

6:30 - That the World May Know -Sanctuary

# Monday:

\*\* 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr

5:30 - An Hour of Prayer - Chapel

6:30 - Women's Ministry - MMC 202

7:00 - Pickleball

## Tuesday:

\*\* 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr

## Wednesday:

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12:00 - Pickleball

5:30 - Wednesday Supper

6:30 - Wednesday Classes

6:30 - Children's Ministries

6:30 - Youth Ministries

6:30 - Men's Ministries

7:30 - Adult Choir Practice

8:00 - Thrive Band Practice

#### Thursday:

\*\* 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr

10:00 - Women's Journey Class - MMC 202

7:00 - 9:00pm - Basketball Shoot Around

# Friday

9:00 - 12:00 Pickleball

#### Saturday

\*\* Based on Volunteer Availability

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! You'll be Blessed!
Deliver Food to the Needy in our local area.
Ride the Van for only a 2 hour shift.
In conjunction with God's Outreach.
Contact the Church Office or Dave Purvis.

#### Our Mission

(Mt 28:19-20)

After His resurrection, Jesus gave his disciples this mission:
"...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."

Our purpose is to "grow disciples who make a difference."



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# **Prayer Concerns and Celebrations**

To have your concern or celebration added to this list, contact the church office. Requests will remain for 3 weeks.

# **Prayer Concerns**

Scott Deyo

Tristan (Yehor Vitel's brother-in-law)

Dee Vitatoe (friend of Lauren & Savannah Thompson)
Mike Blakeney (his brother Tom passed away; prayers for
Tom's daughter)

Don Calitri (his sister, Ernestine is dealing with heart issues)

# **Our Military**

Army: Sam Lisle, Special Ops William McCoy Jason Glen, Hawaii

Tyler Anderson, Colorado Springs Marines: John R. Glenn, Quantico

Air Force: Traver Harvey, Fairbanks, Alaska

National Guard: Tom Petit

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Unity Sunday December 10, 10:30 FUMC Budgeted Giving for 2023

\$706,600

Giving Needed thru 11/26/23

\$652,246.56

Giving Received thru 11/26/23

\$649,211.92

Thank you for your continued faithfulness in giving to FUMC!

You may give to the ministries of the church at https://pushpay.com/g/richmondfumc

# Sharing Ministry

NOVEMBER Served 14 Families \$639.39

2 Books & 2 Stuffed Animals



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