



Richmond First United Methodist Church

...growing disciples who make a difference

December 17, 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 richmondfumc.org/connect.

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 1:9-13

John describes Jesus as "the true light." Light is what helps us see, and true light should help us see more clearly...



Hymns in Today's Service

*There's a Song in the Air (#249)
O Come, O Come, Emanuel (#211)
The Spirit Song(#347)*

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 17 - 23

Sunday:

10:00 - Traditional Worship Service
11:00 - Thrive Contemporary Service
12:00 - Fellowship Meal - Gym
6:30 - That the World May Know - Sanctuary

Monday:

** 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr
3:00 - Women's Ministry-Trip Children's Hm
5:30 - An Hour of Prayer - Chapel
6:30 - SPRC - Parlor
7:00 - Pickleball

Tuesday:

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

Wednesday:

** 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr
12:00 - Pickleball
7:30 - Adult Choir Practice
8:00 - Thrive Band Practice

Thursday:

** 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr
6:30 - Finance Team - Parlor
7:00 - 9:00 pm - 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

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."
(Mt 28:19-20)

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

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Prayer Concerns and Celebrations

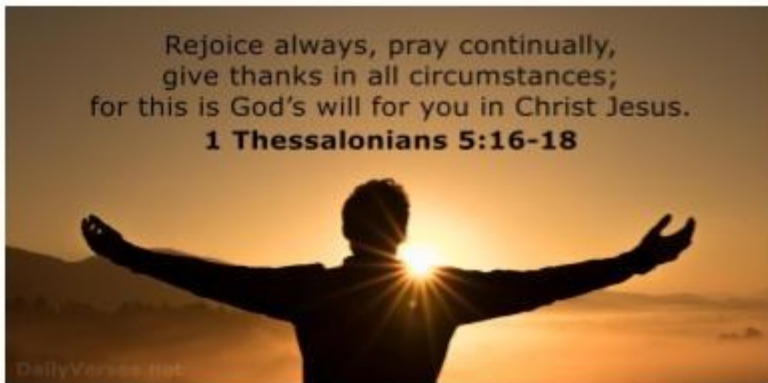
To have your concern or celebration added to this list, contact the church office. **Requests will remain for 3 weeks.**

Prayer Concerns

Scott Deyo
Tristan (Yehor Vitel's brother-in-law)
Dee Vitatoe (friend of Lauren & Savannah Thompson)
Judy Calitri (her sister, Becky Conley, is in palliative care)
Anonymous request (Brooke & family)

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



*Unity
Sunday*

FUMC Budgeted Giving for 2023

\$706,600

Giving Needed thru 12/10/23

\$679,423.50

Giving Received thru 12/10/23

\$674,503.61

*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

An Hour of Prayer

Mon-5:30 pm

MMC Chapel

ALL WELCOME



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