

LIFE OF OUR COMMUNITY

THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS BULLETIN

OCTOBER 15 - OCTOBER 29

**CROP
HUNGER WALK**
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

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**GRATEFUL
DAY OF SERVICE**
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21 | 10AM



THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH
STEWARDSHIP & DEVELOPMENT

HOPE & HOOPS
THE RIVERSIDE HAWKS ANNUAL GALA
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2017
6:30 pm - Cocktails & Silent Auction
7:30 pm - Dinner Program & Live Auction

HONORING

Dr. Emily Anderson Educator	Ryan Field Sports Anchor WABC-TV	Ralph James Molloy '87, Harvard '91
Crystal McCrary Producer, Director and Author	Nicole Pulphus	Baby Hawks
		Jumaane Saunders

**Children's
Sabbath
2017**

UPCOMING HIGHLIGHTS:

- New York City CROP Walk is October 15
- Riverside Hawks Annual Hope & Hoops Gala on October 19
 - Grateful Day of Service on October 21
 - Children's Sabbath on October 22



THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK



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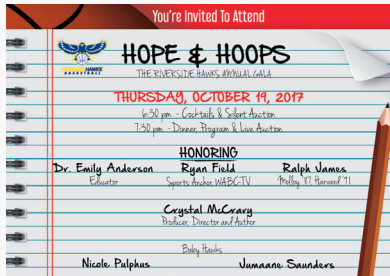
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Join Team Riverside as we raise money to fight hunger and poverty internationally and locally, including for Riverside's Food Pantry, by walking in the 2017 New York City CROP Hunger Walk. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/y9p6xhxm> to register to walk or make a donation. For more information, contact dconover@trcnyc.org.

Check in begins at 1 PM at Church of the Epiphany, 74th St. and York Ave. Riversiders can travel together after Sunday service or just meet there. The walk begins at 2:00 p.m. and ends back at Church of the Epiphany for a reception.



Riverside Hawks Annual Hope & Hoops Gala Thursday, October 19 at 6:30 p.m. in South Hall

Make plans to attend or support the annual Riverside Hawks Hope & Hoops Annual Gala. You are invited to become a sponsor or make a donation by calling 212.870.6811.

6:30 p.m.: Cocktails and Silent Auction

7:30 p.m.: Dinner, Program, and Live Auction

For more information visit www.RiversideHawks.org.



Grateful Day of Service

Saturday, October 21 at 10:00 a.m. at Sakura Park

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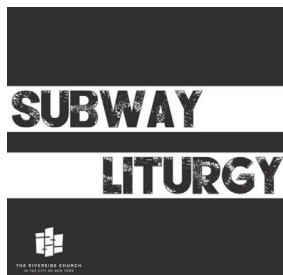
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Sunday, October 22 during service in the Nave

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For more information visit trcnyc.org/ChildrensSabbath2017.

Listen to Rev. Ellen Robison talk about what why Children's Sabbath is important on the latest episode of A Look Ahead. Listen now at trcnyc.org/ALookAhead.



Subway Liturgy: finding the sacred in every story

Listen to new episodes in the latest season of Subway Liturgy.

Visit trcnyc.org/SubwayLiturgy to hear every episode. Find out more about more about Digital Discipleship on page 7.

VISIT TRCNYC.ORG FOR THE LATEST UPDATES

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

8:30 a.m. Morning Light • Christ Chapel

An intimate gathering for meditation, Scripture, homily, discussion, and communion.

9:30 a.m. Open Bible Study • 330 MLK

10:45 a.m. Worship Celebration with Rev. Amy Butler, preaching • Nave

Join us for Coffee Hour in South Hall Lobby immediately after worship. Lunch is available for purchase.

1:00 p.m. Theatre of the Oppressed Uptown • 13T

In the Theatre of the Oppressed, "spectator" is a bad word. Be a spectator who acts (spect-actor) and become fluent in the human language of theatre. Contact Jeremiah Kyle Drake at theatreoftheoppressedtrc@gmail.com.

Men's Class • 411 MLK

Join Dr. Lawrence Brown, a leading drug treatment expert, in a discussion of the growing drug epidemic in America: "Feeling Good or Feeling Better; the Incomplete Story of Addiction".

James Baldwin's America • 311 MLK

Join literary scholar, Dr. John Howard, in a discussion of one of America's greatest writers, whose work explains the past and helps us better understand the present. This event is free and is sponsored by the Riverside Church's Education Ministry.

"Have You Had The Conversation?" discussion • 9T

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Latino Ministry: Liturgical Celebration • 15T

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

10:00 a.m. Art of Movement • 411 MLK

4:00 p.m. Tai Chi Class • Childcare Room off Cloister Lobby

6:00 p.m. Weeknight Prayer • Meditation Chapel

7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous • 7C

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

6:45 p.m. Mindful Meditation • 13T

7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous • 7C

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

5:30 p.m. Centering Prayer • Meditation Chapel

All are welcome to join us for a brief reading with discussion, followed by a 20-minute silent meditation.

6:30 p.m. Intermediate Biblical Hebrew • 314 MLK

7:00 p.m. Space for Grace with Fr. Michael Lapsley, preaching • Assembly Hall

An informal celebration of praise, Scripture, and prayer.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

9:00 a.m. Tower League: Art of Movement (Men's Class) • 411 MLK
Tower League: Fall Day Trip • Star Lake

Join us as we travel to Star Lake, a senior adult camp retreat center in Bloomingdale, NJ, to enjoy a day by the lake of relaxation and renewal. Cost is \$40/person. Scholarships are available. Sign up by October 12. Contact Rev. Lynn Casteel Harper at lharper@trcnyc.org or 212-870-6753 to register.

10:00 a.m. Tower League: Art of Movement (Open to All) • 411 MLK
11:00 a.m. Tower League: Art of Movement (Special Attention) • 411 MLK
6:00 p.m. Weeknight Prayer • Meditation Chapel
6:30 p.m. Riverside Hawks Annual Hope & Hoops Gala • South Hall

Make plans to attend or support the annual Riverside Hawks Hope & Hoops Annual Gala. You are invited to become a sponsor or make a donation by calling 212.870.6811. Cocktails and Silent Auction at 6:30 p.m. Dinner, Program, and Live Auction at 7:30 p.m. For more information visit www.RiversideHawks.org.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:45 a.m. Day of Meditation • 20T
10:00 a.m. Grateful Day of Service • Sakura Park

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7:00 p.m. Cultural Saturdays • 10T
A Concert for the Resistance of the Indigenous People of the Americas with Nery Olivares & Ivan Dominguez.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22 | CHILDREN'S SABBATH

8:30 a.m. Morning Light • Christ Chapel
An intimate gathering for meditation, Scripture, homily, discussion, and communion.
9:30 a.m. Open Bible Study • 330 MLK
10:45 a.m. Worship Celebration with Dr. Marian Wright Edelman, preaching • Nave

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Join us for Coffee Hour in South Hall Lobby immediately after worship. Lunch is available for purchase.

12:30 p.m. Money Matters: Financial Planning Seminar Series (Session 2) • 15T
1:00 p.m. Theatre of the Oppressed Uptown • 13T

In the Theatre of the Oppressed, "spectator" is a bad word. Be a spectator who acts (spect-actor) and become fluent in the human language of theatre. Contact Jeremiah Kyle Drake at theatreoftheoppressedtrc@gmail.com.

Poetry Group • 323 MLK
Latino Ministry: Liturgical Celebration • 15T

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

10:00 a.m. Art of Movement • 411 MLK
4:00 p.m. Tai Chi Class • Childcare Room off Cloister Lobby
6:00 p.m. Weeknight Prayer • Meditation Chapel
7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous • 7C

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

- 6:45 p.m. Mindful Meditation • 13T
7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous • 7C

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

- 5:30 p.m. Centering Prayer • Meditation Chapel
All are welcome to join us for a brief reading with discussion, followed by a 20-minute silent meditation.
- 7:00 p.m. Space for Grace with Rev. Jim Keat, preaching • Assembly Hall
An informal celebration of praise, Scripture, and prayer.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 9:00 a.m. Tower League: Art of Movement (Men's Class) • 411 MLK
10:00 a.m. Tower League: Art of Movement (Open to All) • 411 MLK
11:00 a.m. Tower League: Art of Movement (Special Attention) • 411 MLK
12:00 p.m. Tower League: Bible Study with Ms. Christian Peele, MDiv • 9T-Library
1:00 p.m. Tower League: Meditation (open to anyone) • 9T-Library
Tower League: Lunch • 9T
2:00 p.m. Tower League: Finding the Poet Within: It's Never Too Late • 9T
The Director of the Writing Center for Creative Aging, Shelley Benaroya, is returning to Tower League to lead the group in a poetry workshop. No experience necessary!
- 6:00 p.m. Weeknight Prayer • Meditation Chapel
7:00 p.m. The Color of Whiteness: Engaging White Privilege and Identity in Faith and Society • 20T
This is four-part series about how white people in the United States often struggle to engage the dynamics of race in our culture, and particularly the unique identity and privileges that white people hold in society.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Light • Christ Chapel
An intimate gathering for meditation, Scripture, homily, discussion, and communion.
- 9:30 a.m. Open Bible Study • 330 MLK
10:45 a.m. Worship Celebration with Rev. Amy Butler, preaching • Nave
Join us for Coffee Hour in South Hall Lobby immediately after worship. Lunch is available for purchase.
- 12:30 p.m. Grateful Gathering • South Hall
It's time to party! Join us after worship in South Hall as we showcase the impact of your giving and serving at The Riverside Church during Riverside's quarterly Grateful Gathering!
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- Latino Ministry: Liturgical Celebration • 15T
South African Support Group • 10T
The South African Support Group will meet today to discuss a proposed trip to South Africa in August of 2018

Upcoming News/Events Highlights

Feeling Good or Feeling Better: the Incomplete Story of Addiction on October 15 in MLK 411

At 1:00 p.m. join Dr. Lawrence Brown, a leading drug treatment expert, for a discussion of the growing drug epidemic in America.

Dr. Brown is the Chief Executive Officer at START Treatment and Recovery Centers of Brooklyn & Manhattan, New York. He is also a member of New York State's Public Health and Health Planning Council and the Behavioral Health Services Advisory Council. The New York Academy of Medicine, the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology, and CPDD bestowed the distinction of Fellow on Dr. Brown. ASAM bestowed the recognition of Distinguished Fellow on Dr. Brown. He also serves as Medical Advisor to the National Football League.

This event is sponsored by The Men's Class of The Riverside Church.

"Have You Had The Conversation?" discussion on October 15 in 20T

When it comes to end-of-life care, talking matters. Facilitator Claudia Rocha Ferreira of The Conversation Project® at Union Theological Seminary will help participants think about and talk about end-of-life wishes. Adults of all ages are invited to come and gain resources for discussing this important topic.

From 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Refreshments will be provided

Hosted by The Riverside Business and Professional Women's Club

Children's Sabbath on October 22 in the Nave

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Journey for Justice on October 29

Journey for Justice is a project conceived by Riverside's youth that seeks to support two social justice causes of great concern to them. These two areas of concern are health services for LGBTQ youth and hurricane relief in the Caribbean. The Riverside Youth will be walking 100 blocks on October 29, 2017 in order to raise awareness around these two issues, and also to demonstrate solidarity with both victims of hurricanes and LGBTQ youth

who must take "many steps" to secure a healthy and safe life. On October 15 and 22nd the youth will have a table set up during coffee hour to seek financial pledges of support from congregational members. Proceeds from the walk will be split evenly between Caribbean hurricane relief and LGBTQ Health Services for Youth offered by the LGBTQ Community Center of New York City. For more information please contact Rev. Kevin Wright at kwright@trcnyc.org or 212-870-6868.

RIVERSIDE YOUTHS'
JOURNEY ———
FOR JUSTICE

Harvest Festival on October 31 in the Cloister Lounge

Children and youth, ages 16 and under, are invited to join us for the 2017 Harvest Festival, an event filled with games, food, and candy (obviously) from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Admission is free and everyone is invited to wear a costume.

To RSVP email lsantana@trcnyc.org or call 212-870-6833.

Adults can help us serve our community's children and youth by participating in our Candy Drive. Drop off unopened bags of wrapped candy at the Education Department on the third floor before Sunday, October 29 or purchase candy at our Amazon Wishlist. (We prefer candy without nuts.)

The Color of Whiteness: Engaging White Privilege and Identity in Faith and Society on October 26, November 2, 9 & 16 in 10T

White people in the United States often struggle to engage the dynamics of race in our culture, and particularly the unique identity and privileges that white people hold in society. This class will create a positive and brave space in which to unpack why this is such a struggle; provide resources for overcoming that challenge and engaging the realities of white racial identity and privilege in America; and consider how Christianity can and must play a positive role in this work.

This event will take place as part of a four-part series that begins on October 26, 2017. Future sessions will take place on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm in 20T. Dates of future sessions are November 2, November 9, and November 16. By obtaining a free ticket you are granted access to all four sessions. Reserve your spot by visiting <https://whiteprivilege.eventbrite.com>.

Music at Riverside

Visit trcnyc.org/music/#events for more information and a complete listing of Music at Riverside events.

Early Music Foundation with Geert D'Hollander, Guest Carillonner on Sunday, October 15 at 2:00 pm in The Nave

Manhattan School of Music Symphony Orchestra Conducted by Leonard Slatkin on Friday, October 27

Riverside's Mission and Social Justice Ministries Sponsor Live Justice Now

"Justice is really love in calculation. Justice is love correcting that which revolts against love."

--Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Live Justice Now is a monthly initiative of The Riverside Church's Mission and Social Justice ministries. Each month we will suggest actions that both respond to current events and challenges of our day, and advocate for greater justice for communities most vulnerable to abuse and exploitation. Visit www.trcnyc.org/LiveJusticeNow for all the details.



Our nation and world are experiencing a great need for truth, justice, and compassion. In response, Riverside is committed to providing faithful Christian witness and action. Please join us as we put our faith to work and follow the words of the prophet who told us what God requires: do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God (Micah 6:8). For more information, contact Daniel Conover at dconover@trcnyc.org or 212.870.6909.

October Action:

New York City CROP Walk

Sunday, October 15

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The Grateful Living Series

The Grateful Living Series speaks to the Office of Stewardship and Development's double emphasis on fundraising & formation.

This interactive learning experience is designed to deepen the congregation's understanding of the tenets of Christian Stewardship and the five seeds of gratitude. Beginning in September and ending in December, this interactive journey will include book discussions, financial planning seminars, service opportunities, and moments of fellowship.



For more information and to RSVP, visit www.trcnyc.org/GratefulLivingSeries

Money Matters: Financial Planning Seminar Series

Smart Woman Securities, will teach a series of seminars on financial education. The goal of this series is to provide an introduction to basic financial concepts and to equip participants with knowledge to further investigate topics of need or interest on their own.

October 22, November 12

Grateful Gathering

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October 29

Living into Community Book Discussion: Grateful Book Club

Author Christine Pohl offers that there are four core practices that sustain healthy community: gratitude, promise-keeping, truthfulness, and hospitality. Together, participants will explore these core practices and how they are lived out at Riverside, during a three-month book club discussion.

October 31, November 21, December 8

Sending Ahead: Creating our Legacies

Join the recently-launched Riverside Legacy Giving Ministry for a creative and interactive workshop to imagine what you will "send ahead" in the world after your lifetime. All ages are welcome!

November 5

Next Quarterly Grateful Gathering is October 29 After Worship in South Hall

It's time to party! Join us after worship in South Hall as we showcase the impact of your giving and serving at The Riverside Church during Riverside's quarterly Grateful Gatherings. The theme of Riverside's year-long giving and serving campaign is "Grateful," because we're all grateful for the love, community, and prophetic ministry of our church. Come enjoy music, food, and games for the entire family and see for yourself what gratitude-infused giving and serving can do! For more information, contact Stewardship and Development at stewardship@trcnyc.org or 212.870.6782.

Education Ministry & Faith Formation News/Events

Sign Up for a Fall Small Group Class

We all have questions about life, faith, and our role in the world. Come explore them in a safe and caring environment where hard questions are welcome. Our Faith Formation classes offer a variety of group experiences that will allow you to study Scripture, engage in theological reflection, and deepen your faith. Sign up at www.trcnyc.org/smallgroups.

From Dream to Reality: A Radical Study of the Book of Acts

Prof. Monique J. Fortune | Sundays 9/24-12/17 | 9:30-10:30 a.m. | Meditation Chapel

Struggling Against Domination and Violence: Walter Wink's The Powers That Be

Rev. Dr. Alan Bentz-Letts | Sundays 9/24-12/3 | 9:00-10:30 a.m. | 316 MLK

Exploring 'The 7 Deadly Sins' in Today's World & in Short Stories

Prof. Luvon Roberson | Sundays 9/24-12/10 | 9:00-10:30 a.m. | 318 MLK

Painting the Stars: Science, Religion and an Evolving Faith

Dr. Ronald Lonesome | Sundays 11/5-12/17 | 9:30-10:30 a.m. | 320 MLK

The Color of Whiteness: Engaging White Privilege and Identity in Faith and Society

Rev. J.C. Austin | Thursdays 10/26-11/16 | 7:00-8:30 p.m. | 330 MLK | Sign up on trcnyc.eventbrite.com.

Women of the Bible

Eldonia Goode | Sundays 10/1-11/5 | 1:00-2:30 p.m. | 316 MLK

An Introduction to Biblical Language (Sessions 1-2) | Absolute Beginner's Biblical Hebrew (Sessions 3-14)

Laura Harris | Sundays 9/17-12/17 | 9:30-10:30 a.m. | 314 MLK

Intermediate Biblical Hebrew

Laura Harris | Wednesdays 9/20-12/6 | 6:30-8:00 p.m. | 314 MLK

Advanced Biblical Hebrew

Laura Harris | Sundays 9/24-12/17 | 1:00-4:00 p.m. | 314 MLK

Parent Committee News & Volunteer Opportunities

Are you interested in serving in a worship-leading capacity with our children? Do you have musical gifts or storytelling gifts, or some other worshipful offering that you might use in a family worship service? Contact Amanda Meisenheimer at mmeisenheimer@trcnyc.org with your ideas.

English Conversation Partners Program

Riverside Church's English Conversation Partners Program continues its volunteer global ministry to graduate students new to the city. One-to-one tutor/student conversations are to be seen meeting throughout the church daily. International students should visit the ECPP table during coffee hour after worship to learn about the program, which connects students with tutors for weekly conversations. Contact ECPP at englishconversation4@gmail.com.

Riverside Kids Worship

Sunday mornings • 10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Register, check, in and pickup

PreK - K: MLK • 6th floor

Upcoming Events

CYF Learning Summit

on Oct 22 at 1:00 p.m. in 9T. Visit trcnyc.org/event/CYFLearningSummit to find out more.

Lego Party

on Oct 22 at 1:00 p.m. in 411 MLK. Visit trcnyc.org/event/LegoParty to find out more.

Journey for Justice

on Oct 29 at 9:45 a.m. Visit trcnyc.org/event/JourneyForJustice to find out more.

Harvest Festival

on Oct 31 at 4:30 p.m. starting in Cloister Lounge. Visit trcnyc.org/event/HarvestFestival2017 to find out more.



Digital Discipleship

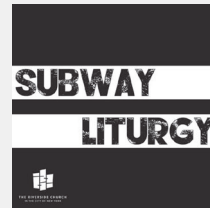
We all encounter God in different ways. In an increasingly digital world, that includes videos, podcasts, and online media. Engage the Riverside community wherever you are through our original digital content.



THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK

Weekly Sermons

Sermons from the Riverside Church
trcnyc.org/SermonPodcast



Subway Liturgy

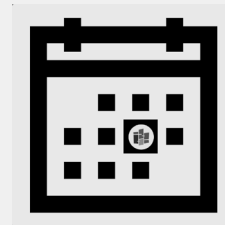
Finding the sacred in every story
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Welcome to Riverside

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The Church is not a building,
the Church is the people
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A Look Ahead

A behind the scenes look
at upcoming events
trcnyc.org/ALookAhead

Visit trcnyc.org/DigitalDiscipleship to find more video and audio content including past sermons, worship services, and more.

Strengthen Your Connection to Riverside

Listen to the Previous Week's Worship Service on 106.7 Lite-FM

Enjoy the previous Sunday's Worship service on 106.7 Lite-FM at 5:00 a.m. each Sunday morning.

Watch or Listen to the Sunday Worship Service Live or Anytime Online

Watch or listen to each Sunday's Worship service live or on demand at www.trcnyc.org/digitaldiscipleship.

Sign Up for the Weekly Riverside Email Newsletter

If you would like to receive the weekly eNewsletter from The Riverside Church, visit www.trcnyc.org to sign up.

Purchase Tickets or RSVP to Events Online Using Riverside's Official Eventbrite

Riverside hosts many great events and performances throughout the year. Visit trcnyc.eventbrite.com to purchase tickets.

Consider Having Your Wedding at The Riverside Church

Looking for the perfect venue for your wedding and reception? Call the Weddings Office at 212.870.6762 for details.

Recognize a Riverside Employee or Staff Member Doing Great Work

Observe great work? Recognize it by filling out a card in the Welcome Center or visiting <http://tinyurl.com/trcstaffrecognition>.

Riverside Recycles

Riverside Recycles, a joint initiative of the Building Committee, Riverside Youth, and Beloved Earth Community, is our new recycling initiative. Look for new recycling bins around the church. Recycling is already in place for church operations and staff offices - now congregants can do our part!

Ordination at Riverside

Riverside is graced with many people who feel called to ordained ministry. As you think about whether you are among them, below are some basics to begin with:

- You have been a member of Riverside for at least one year, and active in its programs, pledging, and worship.
- You have received or are studying for an M.Div. degree from an accredited seminary.
- You are clear about the denomination in which you wish to serve — whether the American Baptist Churches or the United Church of Christ — and why you need ordination to pursue this service.
- You live within commuting distance of Riverside, are in good health, and can concentrate on developing the professional skills and spiritual maturity necessary for ordained ministry.
- If in your discernment you feel ready to take the next step, start the process by picking up a data sheet and outline called “Coming into Care at Riverside” from the Senior Minister’s office.

Remember Your Loved Ones by Giving to the Flower Fund

With your donation of \$150 to the Flower Fund, Riverside Florist Ms. Vera Smith-Holzman and the Flower Guild will create beautiful floral arrangements for the Chancel. Contact Vera at 212.870.6817.

- **Give & Submit Your Message Online:** Ensure your honoree names and messages are included in the bulletin. Submit your honoree messages for bulletin publication at <http://tinyurl.com/trcflowers>.
- You can also send your contribution and honoree message to: Stewardship, The Riverside Church, 490 Riverside Drive, New York, NY 10027. The memo line on your check MUST indicate “Flower Fund” for proper processing.

Donation & Volunteer Opportunities

Open Hands Volunteer Portal

Experience the vibrant work of Riverside by signing up for volunteer opportunities at <https://apps.trcnyc.org/volunteer>.

Bring Your Food Pantry Donations to Worship on Sundays and Wednesdays

One in five New Yorkers lives in a home that is food insecure. At the same time, over the last few years, a number of pantries have been forced to close their doors, and while we have managed to serve the increased number of guests visiting our pantry, the strain has been tremendous. Food collections are taken every Sunday at Worship, and Wednesday at Space for Grace. Please bring food items and cash donations to support the Food Pantry.

SELECT COMMISSION & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Below are the typical meeting dates, times, and locations for select Commissions/Committees. Always contact the Commission/Committee in advance to confirm meeting dates, times, and room locations, especially for meetings that fall on holidays and during the summer. All dates, times, and locations are subject to change without notice.

Audit Committee Quarterly at Call of Chair • TBD	Budget & Planning Committee 3rd Tues at 6:30 p.m. • 20T	Building Committee 1st Tues at 7:00 p.m. • 20T
Church Council 4th Mon at 6:45 p.m. • 20T	Executive Committee 3rd Mon at 5:30 p.m. • Conference Call	Membership & Parish Life Comm. 2nd Mon at 6:30 p.m. • 327 MLK
Education Commission 2nd Mon at 6:30 p.m. • 311 MLK	Nominating Committee 2nd Tues at 6:30 p.m. • 20T	Ordination Committee 3rd Tues at 6:45 p.m. • Multipurpose
Mission & Social Justice Comm. 2nd Mon at 6:30 p.m. • Multipurpose	Sharing Fund Committee 1st Mon at 6:30 p.m. • Multipurpose	Social Services Committee 1st Sun at 1:00 p.m. • 503T
Personnel & Salary Committee 1st Mon at 6:00 p.m. • 240 MLK	Stewardship Committee 3rd Tues at 6:30 p.m. • 327 MLK	Worship Commission 2nd Mon at 6:45 p.m. • 320 MLK

Other Regular Meetings at Riverside

Tower League Meets Every Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in 9T / 9T-Library

A supportive, caring community of older adults, the Tower League offers programs that enrich body, mind, and spirit. All are welcome. Contact: Rev. Lynn Harper at lharp@trcnyc.org.

African Fellowship Group Meets 2nd Sunday of the Month at 1:00 p.m. in 20T

Beloved Earth Community Meets 1st Saturday of the Month at 12:00 noon in the Multipurpose Room

Riverside Black Lives Matter Planning Committee

Meets as needed. Contact: Ruby Sprott at rubysprott@gmail.com for more information and meeting schedule. All are welcome.

The Book Club Meets 2nd Saturday of the Month, September-June at 11:00 a.m. in 20T

The group engages in lively and critical discussion of a selected book together. All are welcome.

Business and Professional Women's Club Meets 1st Sunday of the Month, September-June at 1:30 p.m. in 240 MLK

Meets the first Sunday of each month, Sept.-June, at 1:30 p.m. in 240 MLK. Contact: Linda D. Lewis at ldlewis747@aol.com.

Men's Class Meets 3rd Sunday of the Month at 1:00 p.m. in 311 MLK

Poetry Group Meets 4th Sunday of the Month at 1:00 p.m. in 323 MLK

Riverside's Sojourners Detention Visitation Program Visits Elizabeth, NJ Detention Center on Saturdays Twice Monthly

Sojourners recruits, trains, and mentors volunteers and transports visitors two Saturdays a month to bring hope and encouragement to asylum seekers and other noncriminal non-citizens. Carpools are available from Riverside and from near Port Authority. Contact frances.connell@gmail.com.

Tai Chi Class Meets Every Monday at 4:00 p.m., September-Mid-July in Childcare Room off Cloister Lobby

All are welcome. Contact: sacumason@gmail.com or 201.871.8633.

Matthew 5:4 Grief Support Group

This grief support group is for men/women who have suffered the loss of a spouse. Contact: Rev. Debra Northern at dnorthern@trcnyc.org.

By-Laws Subcommittee Seeks Input

The Church Council recently appointed a By-Laws Subcommittee to review and make recommendations on Riverside's current by-laws. If you have questions or suggestions, please contact one of the subcommittee's members (Jacqueline Hopkins, Barbara Mellor, Frank Nelson, Rick O'Keefe, or George Walker) or email bylawscom@trcnyc.org.

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What People Are Saying About Riverside!

@MarissaEsque

Thanks for boldly standing on the side of Justice and Gospel truth! Grateful to be part of the @RiversideNYC family. 🙏

@iliffontheroad

In #report2017 we recall our #BeyondVietnam events in April with @RiversideNYC and @VeteransOfHope. What was your favorite insight?

@wanda_lotus

Thank you, body, for waking up just in time for me to participate in worship with @RiversideNYC from home.

@PastorAmyTRC

Okay, it wasn't as scary as I thought it might be. Live from the top of the @RiversideNYC bell tower. Check it out!

@Jessi4JC

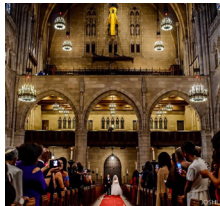
This week, as I prepare for worship, I'm thankful for these resources from @riversidenyc. Perhaps you will be too.



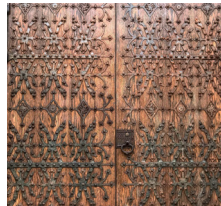
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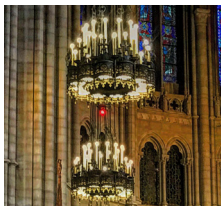
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Alert Compassionate Care

Do you know of someone who can't make it to church due to illness, surgery, crisis, or other challenge? Have you noticed someone missing from their regular seat in the pew? Have a prayer request?

If you think that one of our brothers or sisters might be in need of compassionate care, or if you have a personal prayer request, please take a moment to let us know. If you know something, say something. Contact the Office of Parish Care **212.870.6741** or email dnorthern@trcnyc.org.

Clergy On Call

Pastoral Care is pleased to offer Clergy on Call when there is a life event or crisis which creates a need for pastoral care outside of regular office hours. Congregants may reach Clergy on Call by calling **212.870.6712**, and a member of the clergy will respond as soon as possible.

Clergy On Call is specifically designated for Riverside members who are experiencing an emergency such as illness, death, accident, or hospitalization as well as those who urgently require prayer.

Please be aware that financial assistance and other social service-related calls will not be responded to by Clergy on Call.

For pastoral needs during business hours, contact the Parish Care Office at 212.870.6909.

Receive Congregational Care Info by Email

Subscribe to email updates on prayer requests, illnesses, and memorial services at <http://tinyurl.com/trccareupdates>.

Questions? Comments?

Contact Riverside Communications

Have questions about Riverside events? Does your ministry or group have news to share? Send your questions, comments, or news to communications@trcnyc.org.

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