

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

APRIL 15 - APRIL 29

ENGLISH HANDBELL FESTIVAL

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THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK



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UPCOMING HIGHLIGHTS



40th Annual English Handbell Festival

Sunday, April 15 | 4:00 p.m. | Nave

The Riverside Ringers host a weekend gathering of bell choirs from throughout the region, combining forces to perform a glorious concert on this Sunday afternoon.

For more info visit trcnyc.org/Handbell40.



Get to Know the 2018 Candidates for Lay Leadership

Sunday, April 22 | 12:45 p.m. | South Hall

Get to know the 2018 Lay Leadership and pick up your election packet at the annual Conversation with the Candidates. And be sure to save the date for the Annual Meeting on Sunday, May 20.

Find out more at trcnyc.org/LayLeadership.



Congregational Forum

Sunday, April 29 | 1:00 p.m. | South Hall

Riverside has received an offer to purchase McGiffert Hall now owned by Union Theological Seminary – the building just to the north of the Claremont entrance to the church. Come and learn more about this opportunity during a Congregational Forum on April 29.

There will only be one informational forum as we must quickly respond to the offer due to the time limits in the Right of First Offer (“ROFO”).



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Weddings at Riverside Open House

Saturday, April 21 | 11:30 a.m. | Assembly Hall



Riverside's Flower Ministry Donation

Make a donation to The Riverside Church Flower Ministry as we celebrate the retirement of Ms. Vera Smith-Holzman on Sunday, April 22 after over twenty years of beautiful work as the Riverside Florist.

Visit trcnyc.org/giveflowers to make a donation today.

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Worship at The Riverside Church

Morning Light | Sundays at 8:30 a.m. in Christ Chapel

An intimate early Sunday morning service incorporating meditation, Scripture reading, and weekly communion.

April 15: Derrick Jordan | April 22: Colleen Birchett | April 29: Rev. Ellen Robison

Sunday Morning Worship | Sundays at 10:45 a.m. in the Nave

Our traditional Sunday service, held in the beautiful Nave, follows the lectionary and liturgical calendar and is centered around Scripture, preaching, music, and prayer. Communion normally is celebrated the first Sunday of each month.

April 15: Rev. Amy Butler | April 22: Rev. Amy Butler | April 29: Rev. Bertram Johnson

Space for Grace | Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in Assembly Hall

Our Wednesday evening service is celebratory and less formal, featuring preaching, prayer, and gospel-inspired music to revive the spirit and get you through the week.

April 18: Rev. Jim Keat | April 25: Rev. Rachel Johnson

Sign Up For a Small Group

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.

Open Bible Study

Ongoing on Sundays | 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. | 330 MLK | Facilitated by Various Leaders

A weekly group that studies the lectionary Scripture passages used in worship each week. Get a head start on the sermon by studying the Bible together in a relaxed and conversational atmosphere.

The Mystery of God

Sundays from 6/3/18 to 6/24/18 | 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. | 318 MLK | Facilitated by Dr. Alan Bentz-Letts

How do we go about considering a God who is like an energy force flowing through the entire universe and at the same time a being whom one can address personally, in thanksgiving and in supplication? We encounter this God in the Bible. This group will take up these, and similar, questions as presented in Paul Tillich's little book, *Biblical Religion and the Search for Ultimate Reality*.

Tattoos on the Heart

Sundays on May 6, 13, and 20 | 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. | 316 MLK | Facilitated by Rev. Kevin Wright

This group will explore concepts of love, compassion, and grace through the stories of Fr. Greg Boyle, the founder of Homeboy Industries, which is the largest and most successful gang rehabilitation program in America. Together we will walk through Fr. Greg's funny and fast-paced book to learn what lessons his encounters with gang members in Los Angeles can teach us about our own faith journeys.

Women of the Bible

Second Sunday of the Month from February to June | 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. | Meditation Chapel | Facilitated by Elaine Goode

Engage in a lively discussion of women in the Bible and how they relate to women of today.

Intermediate-Advanced Biblical Hebrew

Sundays until 5/27/18 | 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. | 314 MLK | Facilitated by Laura Harris

Beginner's Biblical Hebrew

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Mission and Social Justice

"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 an initiative of Riverside's Mission and Social Justice ministries. It suggests actions for response to the great need for truth, justice and compassion in our world. 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, visit www.trcnyc.org/LiveJusticeNow or contact Daniel Conover, dconover@trcnyc.org or 212-870-6909.



#CLOSErikers

The City of New York spends on average \$247K to house a person at Rikers Island annually. By comparison we only spend \$22K on students in NYC public schools. Rikers Island Jail has become a torture chamber that disproportionately denies basic human rights to our neighbors who are poor and people of color. Congregations around the city are working to keep the #Closerikers campaign in the light. To learn more of what you can do to close Rikers and protect those who need it most visit the MSJ table during coffee hour or visit closerikers.com.

Volunteer with Coming Home

How do you share God's love with people who were previously incarcerated? Riverside's Coming Home ministry supports personal healing and growth, skill development, and reintegration into community. For more information or to volunteer with the program, contact Jade de Saussure, Program Director, at jdesaussure@trcnyc.org.

Sojourners Visitation Training

Sunday, April 22 | 1:00 p.m. | 20T

Asylum seekers can spend months, even years, in windowless detention centers before they win asylum or are deported. Riverside's Sojourners ministry responds by deploying volunteers to visit detainees, providing hope, solidarity, and a link to the outside world.

Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival is up and running!

Riverside's participation in the national Poor People's Campaign is up and running! Join us in this important movement to call out poverty, racism, militarism and the war economy, and ecological devastation and shape public policy that is "morally defensible, constitutionally consistent and economically sane" (Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II).



The campaign is chaired by Dr. Barber and by the Rev. Dr. Liz Theoharis. Riverside's Church Council and Mission and Social Justice Commission have unanimously and enthusiastically endorsed the Poor People's Campaign.

Phase One of this multi-year effort will be "40 Days of Action." For six Mondays beginning May 14, It will feature coordinated demonstrations in 40 state capitals, including Albany. There are ways for everyone to be involved, from phone banking to risking arrest for "nonviolent moral fusion direct action."

We encourage you to:

- Register your interest by emailing ppcatriverside@gmail.com
- Join the Poor People's Campaign online at poorpeoplescampaign.org or by filling out a form available at the MSJ table at Sunday fellowship hour.
- Participate in "Multi-Faith Strategies for Non-Violent Direct Action" on May 2 at the Interchurch Center. Day-long conference includes 1-4 p.m. training in nonviolent civil disobedience. Find out more and register now at interfaithcenter.org/mmr35.
- Read the campaign's "Souls of Poor Folk Audit," released April 10 at ips-dc.org/souls-of-poor-folks
- Stay tuned for more events including Riverside Church participation in Monday actions in Albany.
- Join the webinar on Wednesday, April 18, 7:00-8:30 p.m. for updates on the campaign in New York State, an overview of the upcoming 40 Days of Action, and ways to get involved. Click here to register. Even if you can't make it, you'll receive a recording of the webinar if you register. <https://bit.ly/2GTjnZN>

LIFT EVERY VOICE AND VOTE

Having an informed, activated electorate is central to every just and thriving democracy. And it is the responsibility of our government to represent all its people. For this to happen we must ensure that every eligible citizen is registered to vote.

Do you have a couple of hours a month to help get members of the Harlem/Morningside Heights community registered to vote? If you have an interest and want to learn what you can do to help get out the vote contact the Mission and Social Justice Department at 212.870.6909 or dconover@trcnyc.org. And/or stop by the MSJ and Education Commission voter registration and volunteer tables at Sunday fellowship hour.

"Wisdom and Wonder," the Summer Spiritual Life Retreat

June 1-3 | Facilitated by Rev. Ellen Robison | Holy Cross Monastery, West Park, NY

To attend, please make check(s) or money order payable to: The Riverside Church of New York and hand to any member of the Spiritual Life Retreat Committee or mail check to: Carol Garvin, 2875 Bainbridge Avenue #7B, Bronx, NY 10458. Note: cancellations after May 27, 2018 will be refunded at 25% less than the total paid.

Price is \$225.00 (includes room/board, 6 meals)



Van Harriman Concert

Sunday, April 29 | 3:00 p.m. | 10T

A Musical Poetical Benefit for the Food Pantry of The Riverside Church with Van Harriman on the Violoncello. Additional musicians include Diana Broderick, Robert Cane, Jon Edwards, Alison Nowak, and Bill Williams.

Suggested Donation: \$20

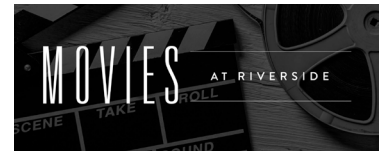
For more information contact Daniel Conover at dconover@trcnyc.org



MOVIES AT RIVERSIDE

American Blackout | April 29 | 1:00 p.m. & 3:00 p.m. | Multipurpose Room

Saturday Church | May 27 | 1:00 p.m. & 3:00 p.m. | Multipurpose Room



UPCOMING TOWER LEAGUE EVENTS

Tower League: Service Project on April 19 at 2:00 p.m. in 9T

Rev. Ellen Robison, Minister of Worship & the Arts, will explore prayer through the lens of the arts: writing, music, visual art, dance and drama.

Tower League: Vocal Ease Performance on April 26 at 2:00 p.m. in 9T

Vocal Ease is non-profit volunteer singing organization that performs a cabaret-style show, with four professional singers & piano accompaniment. Please invite friends to this lively and enlivening show!

GROW GRATEFULLY

Why does Stewardship and Development focus on both fundraising and fostering a deeper understanding of Christian stewardship? Because Christian stewardship is not just about how we use our money, it's about how we live our lives in communion with God and each other. Using learning tools like worship, education, and dialogue, Stewardship and Development supports and shapes people of faith as they strive to show generosity in every aspect of their lives and better understand the connection between faith and giving.

For more information contact Stewardship & Development at stewardship@trcnyc.org or visit www.trcnyc.org/Grateful



Education Ministry & Faith Formation

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.

Interested in Baptism?

The next opportunity for infants and adults to be baptized will be on Sunday, June 10 during the morning worship service (10:45 a.m.). Individuals interested in being baptized or having their infants baptized on this date should attend the Baptism Orientation class. Please contact Lennith Santos-Santana at lsantana@trcnyc.org or 212-870-6833 for more information or to register for the orientation class.

Tax Bill Discussion

Sunday, April 15 | 1:00 p.m. | Multipurpose Room

Are you curious about the new tax bill relating to 2018 and beyond? How does the tax bill affect you, the church, and the country? Join us for a Tax bill discussion where many questions will be answered. The discussion will be led by people involved in Education, Stewardship, and Mission and Social Justice. Snacks will be provided.

Confirmation Class: Faith Passage

Sunday, April 22 | 12:45 p.m. | 323 MLK

Confirmation classes run every other week January 28th – June 18th. Classes are designed for youth in grades 7-12. Students and parents are encouraged to engage this interactive faith passage journey together. During this journey students will choose a service project as well as attend a confirmation retreat in August. Confirmation Sunday will take place on September 16. For more information contact Bruce Lamb at blamb@trcnyc.org.



FAITH PASSAGE
CONFIRMATION AT THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH

Adult Christian Education Committee 20th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, April 22 | 9:00 a.m. | 330 MLK

The Adult Christian Education Committee at the Riverside Church of New York is celebrating their 20th Anniversary with a special Open Bible Study: Fishbowl Edition (Facilitators are from all stages of ACEC formation.) Light breakfast and donations to the Education Ministry are welcome.

For information contact Charlene Wingate at (917) 719-6497 or ACEC@trcnyc.org.

Register at <https://acec20th.eventbrite.com>

Discover How Our Stories Stick Together

Join us on May 6 at 1:00 p.m. to participate in a fun community-building event called Story Chain. Story Chain is an exciting and engaging way to connect with people at Riverside and learn how their life's stories connect with yours. If you've ever wanted to get to know your neighbors at Riverside better, this is your chance. The cost to attend is \$5 and lunch will be provided. A very limited number of tickets will be available at the door. Space is limited so sign up fast by visiting storychain.eventbrite.com.

Pastors' Pub

Tuesday, May 1 | 7:00 p.m. | South Hall Lobby

On May 1 we will be having a Pastors' Pub Event that is designed to help build up healthy lay leaders before the election. Join your clergy for a time of fun and fellowship at our pop-up pub in South Hall Lobby on May 1 at 7:00 pm. Pastors' Pub is an informal, casual event where you have the chance to get to know your pastors better while noshing on scrumptious food and participating in some fun party games. You'll also have the chance to ask our pastors any questions you have about the Bible, theology, or the Christian faith. This event is open to everyone 21+ years of age. The cost is \$5 to attend and includes food and drink. Purchase tickets at trcpastorspub.eventbrite.com.

Youth Ministry's Game & Movie Night

Friday, May 11 | 6:00 p.m. | 323MLK

Join us for dinner, games and a movie! Grades 7-12 are invited

RSVP to Rev. Bruce Lamb at 212.870.6828 or Blamb@trcnyc.org

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Rising Voices Concert

Celebrate the talents of our gifted young people in an afternoon of music and fellowship. This year's program will feature spirituals, gospel music, and contemporary compositions from around the world.

Sunday, May 6 | 1:00 p.m. | 10T



Strengthen Your Connection to Riverside

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.

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. 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.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Light • Christ Chapel
9:30 a.m. Open Bible Study • 330 MLK
10:45 a.m. Worship Celebration with Rev. Amy Butler, preaching • Nave
12:30 p.m. Coffee Hour (Lunch is available for purchase) • South Hall Lobby
Intermediate-Advanced Biblical Hebrew • 314 MLK
1:00 p.m. Theatre of the Oppressed Uptown • 13T
Beginner's Biblical Hebrew • 316 MLK
Men's Class • 411 MLK
Tax Bill Discussion • Multipurpose Room
3:00 p.m. 40th Annual English Handbell Festival • Nave **(For more info see page 5)**

MONDAY, APRIL 16

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

- 7:00 p.m. Mindful Meditation • Child Care Room off Cloister Lobby
Narcotics Anonymous • 7C

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

- 5:30 p.m. Centering Prayer • Meditation Chapel
7:00 p.m. Space for Grace with Jim Keat, preaching • Assembly Hall

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

- 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 Rev. Lynn Casteel Harper • 9T Library
1:00 p.m. Tower League: Meditation (open to anyone) • 9T-Library
Tower League: Lunch • 9T
2:00 p.m. Tower League: Service Project • 9T **(For more info see page 3)**
6:00 p.m. Weeknight Prayer • Meditation Chapel

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

- 11:30 a.m. Weddings at Riverside Open House • Assembly Hall

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Light • Christ Chapel
9:30 a.m. Open Bible Study • 330 MLK
10:45 a.m. Worship Celebration with Rev. Amy Butler, preaching • Nave
Farewell Celebration for Ms. Vera Smith-Holzman will be in South Hall Lobby immediately after worship service.
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Intermediate-Advanced Biblical Hebrew • 314 MLK
12:45 p.m. Conversation with the Candidates • South Hall
1:00 p.m. Theatre of the Oppressed Uptown • 13T
Beginner's Biblical Hebrew • 316 MLK
Poetry Group • 423 MLK
Confirmation Class: Faith Passage • 323 MLK
Sojourners Training • 20T
2:00 p.m. Ecclesia Ministry • Marcus Garvey Park

MONDAY, APRIL 23

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

- 7:00 p.m. Mindful Meditation • Child Care Room off Cloister Lobby
Narcotics Anonymous • 7C

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

- 5:30 p.m. Centering Prayer • Meditation Chapel
7:00 p.m. Space for Grace with Rev. Rachel Johnson, preaching • Assembly Hall

THURSDAY, APRIL 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
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SUNDAY, APRIL 29

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SAVE THE DATE

June 2 - June 7
Social Services Ministry Spring Sale

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

Church Council
4th Mon at 6:45 p.m. • 20T

Education Commission
2nd Mon at 6:30 p.m. • 311 MLK

Mission & Social Justice Comm.
2nd Mon at 6:30 p.m. • 321 MLK

Personnel & Salary Committee
1st Mon at 6:00 p.m. • 240 MLK

Budget & Planning Committee
3rd Tues at 6:30 p.m. • 20T

Executive Committee
3rd Mon at 5:30 p.m. • Conference Call

Nominating Committee
2nd Tues at 6:30 p.m. • 20T

Sharing Fund Committee
1st Mon at 6:30 p.m. • Multipurpose

Stewardship Committee
3rd Tues at 6:30 p.m. • 327 MLK

Building Committee
1st Tues at 7:00 p.m. • 20T

Membership & Parish Life Comm.
2nd Mon at 6:30 p.m. • 327 MLK

Ordination Committee
3rd Tues at 6:45 p.m. • Multipurpose

Social Services Committee
1st Sun at 1:00 p.m. • 503T

Worship Commission
2nd Mon at 6:45 p.m. • 320 MLK

Other Regular Meetings at Riverside

Theatre of the Oppressed Uptown Every Sunday at 1:00 p.m. in 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.

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

Ecclesia meets every 4th Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. in Marcus Garvey park for worship. All are welcome to attend.

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 Spratt at rubyspratt@gmail.com for more information and meeting schedule. All are welcome.

The Riverside 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 to bring hope and encouragement to bring hope and encouragement to asylum seekers and other vulnerable non-citizens in ICE detention. 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.

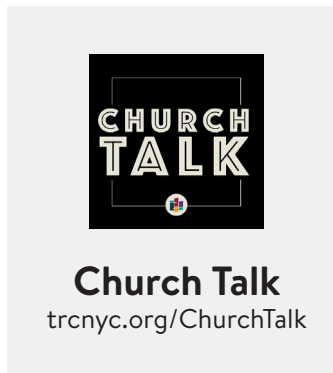
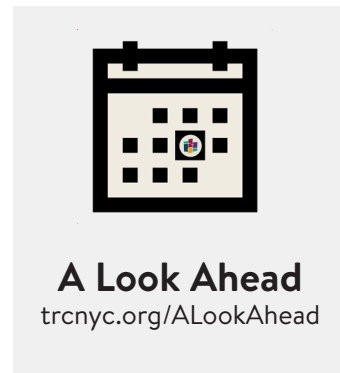
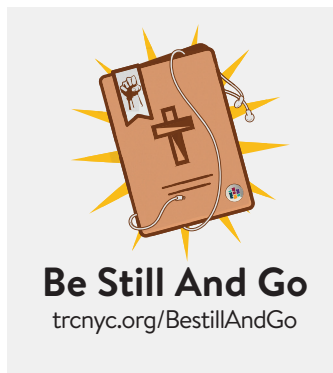
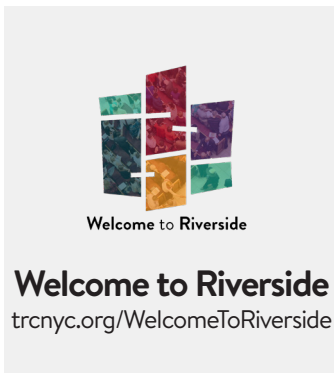
Matthew 5:4 Grief Support Group

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

*Always contact the meeting organizer(s) in advance to confirm meeting dates, times, and room locations, especially for meetings that fall on holidays or during the summer. All dates, times, and locations are subject to change without notice.

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 at www.trcnyc.org/DigitalDiscipleship.



Receive Congregational Care Info

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

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.

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.

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.

Rev. Rachel Johnson: Executive Minister of Communications
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Photos from Easter Sunday at The Riverside Church



@joefav

Walking by @RiversideNYC on a gloomy Wednesday just over a half century to the day when #MLK made one of his most impactful speeches here. #MLK50

@carolynlb

Just wonderful to wake up to @RiversideNYC's beautiful bells this morning (and join for worship as well)!

@AlexanderMcCoy4

Went to Easter services @RiversideNYC and had tears running down my face. It's a powerful manifestation of the diverse, justice-centered America I desperately believe in and am fighting to help build. Like growing up in a desert scrounging for water and suddenly finding an oasis.

@DSAVeterans

MLK's "Beyond Vietnam" speech at @RiversideNYC on April 4th, 1967 was 51 years ago today and its message is more relevant today than it was then. We've never needed the revolution Dr. King spoke of more than we do now #MLK50

@NYGovCuomo

Honored to commemorate the memory of Martin Luther King Jr. at Riverside Church tonight. The obligation to continue Dr. King's work now, more than ever, rests in our hands. #MLK50



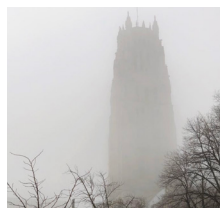
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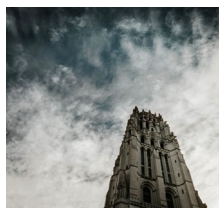
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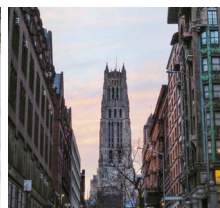
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