



Fall 2022

Dear Riverside Children, Youth and Families:

This fall will be a wonderful time to jump into life at Riverside. Homecoming Sunday is just around the corner. We are welcoming a new senior minister, we are kicking off new children's programs, and we are excited to be together again! The Faith Formation Team has been hard at work, planning for a brand new year. Here are some key Sundays to mark in your calendars:

September 18:

- Before worship on September 18 we will have a **Family Breakfast and Registration Meeting** at 9:30am in 9T. Join us for fellowship and information, and of course, breakfast.
- September 18 is also **Homecoming Sunday!** This is the official start to our fall semester, but this year families will enjoy Homecoming together in worship. We will have a "family section" if that appeals to your family, and we will also provide Borrow Bags for children which include coloring pages, fidgets, and crayons. That service begins at 10:45am.

September 25:

- This is the final Sunday for Rev. Michael Livingston. Families are welcome to remain in the Nave, but children are also invited to join us for a **Kids Kick-off Party** during worship where we will celebrate and learn about a famous party in the Bible. Join us in Room 9T.

October 2:

- Welcome Rev. Thorne! This is **Rev. Adriene Thorne's first Sunday** with us and it is also Communion Sunday. We will follow the same protocol as we did on Homecoming Sunday with a family section and Borrow Bags available. All are welcome to participate in communion with us. We want to have all Children, youth and families in worship this Sunday as we give Rev. Thorne a warm Riverside welcome!

October 9:

- **Limitless Launch Sunday!** We *finally* launch our weekly children (1st grade – 6th grade) and youth (7th – 12th grade) worship service called *Limitless*. It is a time of singing, games, Bible Stories, and small groups. It will be a blast!

Preschool: We hope to open the nursery and preschool soon. Stay tuned for more information!

Children's Choirs: The children's choirs (Rising Voices and Cherubs) begin on September 25 and meet each week at 9:30am before the service. We move the children directly from choir to children's worship or worship in the Nave, depending upon the Sunday.

There you go! We cannot wait to show you what is in store for children and youth at Riverside. You won't want to miss it! You can also register ahead of time for the fall program year at trcnyc.org/faithformation We look forward to seeing you!

Grace and peace,

Riverside Faith Formation Team

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