

LIFE OF OUR COMMUNITY

THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS BULLETIN

DECEMBER 10 - DECEMBER 24

party
WITH A PURPOSE
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15
6PM IN ASSEMBLY HALL

GRATEFUL
GIFT MARKET
DECEMBER 3, 10, 17 & 24
IN SOUTH HALL AFTER WORSHIP



Tickets On Sale Now!

UPCOMING HIGHLIGHTS:

- Visit the Grateful Gift Market on December 10, 17 & 24
 - Party with a Purpose on December 15
- Celebrate the Candlelight Carol Festival on December 17
- Deepen your Advent experience at trcnyc.org/SimpleGifts



THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK

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Candlelight Carol Festival

Sunday, December 17 | 3:30 p.m. in the Nave

Join us in the Nave on Sunday, December 17 for the longstanding tradition at The Riverside Church that has become an essential part of Christmas in New York City. This service of music and light combines carillon, organ, harp, and all of the choirs of The Riverside Church, culminating in a ritual sharing of candlelight illuminating the Nave. Visit www.trcnyc.org/Candlelight2017 for more information and to purchase tickets.



Party with a Purpose

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Join us for a fun evening for a good cause filled with raffles, dancing, kids crafts and much more! We are collecting toys for Children's Aid Society of New York and the many children they assist in life. For more information visit www.trcnyc.org/PartyWithAPurpose17.



Grateful Gift Market

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For more information visit www.trcnyc.org/GratefulGiftMarket.

Listen to Ms. Christian Peele talk more about the Grateful Gift Market on a recent episode of A Look Ahead. Listen now at www.trcnyc.org/ALookAhead.



Simple Gifts: Advent 2017

As we move through the season of Advent toward Christmas, I often find that swirling holiday images and expectations feel more urgent and my own life sorely lacking in comparison. But Advent invites us into a posture of waiting. And as we wait for wonder and peace to be born in our world again, we can do the spiritual work of looking intentionally for all the simple gifts of the lives we live.

Our texts during Advent invite us to welcome the gifts of light, food, music, and travel. Our daily Advent prompts help us live into an abundance of simple gifts all around us. How is your life enriched by the simple gifts of being human in a community and a world created by the God of love?

These daily prompts will create space for action and reflection. You can pick up an Advent book at the church and you can find the daily prompts on our website, our Facebook page, and our Twitter account. You can share your reflections online at www.trcnyc.org/SimpleGifts and on social media with #RiversideAdvent.

I hope you will celebrate this Advent season with us in worship, in person, online, and wherever you are.

Happy Advent,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Pastor Amy'.

Be Sure To Make Your Christmas Flower Donation

With your donation of \$50 to the Flower Fund, Riverside Florist Ms. Vera Smith-Holzman and the Flower Guild will create beautiful floral arrangements for the Chancel on December 17 and 24. Honoree names will be listed in worship materials during the holiday season. Donate online at www.trcnyc.org/giveflowers

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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.
December 10: Ms. Farley Lord | December 17: Ms. Colleen Birchett | December 24: No Morning Light

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 is celebrated the first Sunday of each month.

December 10: Rev. Amy Butler | December 17: Rev. Ellen Robison | December 24: Rev. Amy Butler

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

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

December 13: Rev. Ellen Robison | December 20: Rev. Kevin Wright

Join us for Advent, Christmas, and New Year's Eve

Sunday, December 10

Advent II Worship Service

Christmas Pageant at 10:45 a.m. in Nave

Service of Hope & Consolation

3:00 p.m. in Assembly Hall

Sunday, December 17

Advent III Worship Service

10:45 a.m. in the Nave

Candlelight Carol Festival

3:30 p.m. in the Nave

Sunday, December 24

Advent IV Worship Service

10:45 a.m. in the Nave

Christmas Eve: Service for Children & Families

4:00 p.m. in the Nave

Christmas Eve: Service of Lessons & Carols

8:00 p.m. in the Nave

Sunday, December 31

Sunday Morning Worship Service

10:45 a.m. in the Nave

New Year's Eve Watch Night Service with Rev. Dr. James Forbes

10:00 p.m. in the Nave

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 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.

December Action: Harlem Holiday Book Drive

Wednesday, December 6 - Friday, December 15

Each year, this Holiday Book Drive collects thousands of new and like-new books to benefit Harlem children, parents, and other community members living in homeless shelters, havens for victims of domestic violence, and other transitional-living facilities here in our community. Books may be dropped off in the TRC Visitor's Center. For questions, contact Daniel Conover at dconover@trcnyc.org.



Education Ministry & Faith Formation

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

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

Women of the Bible

Eldonia Goode | Sundays 11/12 & 12/10 | 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

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.

Upcoming Events

Christmas Pageant and Worship in the Nave

December 10 | 10:45 a.m. | Nave

Youth & Parents Meeting/Lunch with Pastor Bruce

December 17 | 12:35 p.m. | Multipurpose Room



FAMILY MINUTE



Family Minute

conversation starters for you and your family

Have you seen the Family Minute?

It's a new online resource and conversation starter for you and your family. In each episode Ms. Amanda Meisenheimer, our Associate Minister of Children & Families, introduces a topic and provides helpful tips for you and your family. You can find them on The Riverside Church YouTube channel, Facebook page, and on our website at <https://www.trcnyc.org/families/>.

Episode 1: I Have Something Important to Tell You

Episode 2: Family Protest

Episode 3: Lying and Trust (*coming soon*)

Baptism Orientation

Sunday, December 17 | 12:45 pm | 318 MLK

Interested in being baptized? Riverside will be conducting baptisms on Sunday, January 7 during the 10:45 worship service. Individuals or parents of infants interested in baptism must attend the baptism orientation class.

To sign up for the orientation class contact Lennith Santos Santana at lsantana@trcnyc.org or 212-870-6833.

Movies @ Riverside presents *STEP*

Sunday, December 31 | 1:00 & 3:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room

Join us for a screening and discussion of the film *STEP*. Light refreshments will be available.

Spiritual Life Retreat

January 19-21, 2018 | Ossining, NY

Join Ms. Christian Peele, MDiv for the 2018 Spiritual Life Retreat at the Mariandale Retreat & Conference Center in Ossining, NY.

The theme is "The Journey of a Life of Faith: Reflection on the Book of Job." Registration costs \$225 and includes 6 meals and housing.

Contact Daniel Conover at dconover@trcnyc.org for more information.

The Grateful Living Series

The Grateful Living Series speaks to the Office of Stewardship and Development's double emphasis on fundraising and 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 contact Rev. Dustin Pickett at dpickett@trcnyc.org or visit www.trcnyc.org/GratefulLivingSeries



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The proceeds from every gift purchased at the Grateful Gift Market will support Riverside programs. Help spread Riverside's prophetic witness by purchasing items from the Grateful Gift Market for your family and friends!

December 10, December 17 & December 24 after Worship in South Hall

UPCOMING TOWER LEAGUE EVENTS

Tower League: Christmas Lunch on December 14th at 12:00 p.m. in 9T

The Tower League's annual Christmas celebration includes food, fellowship, and live music. Please bring a new, unwrapped nonviolent toy for the Prison Ministry. Make your reservation by Dec. 8 with Rev. Lynn Harper lharper@trcnyc.org; 212-870-6753. Cost: \$20 per person (financial assistance available)!

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LAY LEADERSHIP AT RIVERSIDE

Interested in serving on one of Riverside's commissions or committees? Riverside's Nominating Committee welcomes you to answer God's call. Whether you are a new member or you've been here for many years, we encourage you to continue your path of spiritual growth through lay leadership at The Riverside Church.

Find out more and listen to conversations with commission and committee members at www.trcnyc.org/LayLeadership.

MUSIC AT RIVERSIDE

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December 17 at 3:30 p.m. in the Nave | Doors open at 2:30 p.m.

Visit www.trcnyc.org/Candlelight2017 for more information and to purchase tickets.



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.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

- 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
- 1:00 p.m. Adjourned Annual Meeting • South Hall
Theatre of the Oppressed Uptown • 13T
- 3:00 p.m. Service of Consolation and Hope • Assembly Hall

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

- 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, DECEMBER 12

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

- 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: Christmas Lunch • 9T (For more info see page 4)
- 6:00 p.m. Weeknight Prayer • Meditation Chapel

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

- 6:00 p.m. Party with a Purpose • Assembly Hall (For more info see page 4)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

- 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. Ellen Robison, preaching • Nave
- 12:30 p.m. Coffee Hour (Lunch is available for purchase) • South Hall Lobby

- 12:45 p.m. Youth & Parents Meeting/Lunch with Pastor Bruce • Multipurpose Room
Baptism Orientation • 318 MLK (For more info see page 3)
- 1:00 p.m. Theatre of the Oppressed Uptown • 13T
Men's Class: • 411 MLK
Business and Professionals Women's Club Christmas Tea • 9T
- 1:30 p.m. Latino Ministry • 430 MLK
- 3:30 p.m. Candlelight Carol Festival • Nave (For more info see page 4)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

- 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 Chape
- 7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous • 7C

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

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

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

- 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
- 1:00 p.m. Theatre of the Oppressed Uptown • 13T
Poetry Group • 423 MLK
- 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve: Service for Children and Families • Nave
- 8:00 p.m. Christmas Eve: Service of Lessons and Carols • Nave

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. • MLK 321

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 lharper@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.

*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.



Join Rev. Kevin Wright and Rev. Jim Keat as they explore the future of the church in our world on Church Talk, a new show from The Riverside Church. Visit www.trcnyc.org/ChurchTalk to watch the latest episodes.



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A Look Ahead
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Facebook Live
trcnyc.org/FacebookLive

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
rjohnson@trcnyc.org | 212.870.6750

Mr. Brian Simpson: Director of Communications and Strategy
bsimpson@trcnyc.org | 212.870.6765

CONNECT WITH THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH



WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT RIVERSIDE



@JennyBoylan

On this first Sunday of Advent, the Sunday of HOPE! I want to remind everyone that hope is something we have to find, and work for, and to sustain in our hearts. It's work. (Especially now). We will make this dark world green again. @RiversideNYC @PastorAmyTRC— Jenny B. (@JennyBoylan) December 3, 2017.

@thedrewpowell

"In the face of evil we will DEMAND the LIGHT!" Powerful message from @PastorAmyTRC especially this week. @RiversideNYC. 🙏

@faithleadership

Varied skills, gained in a parish and the White House, work together to inform the shape of my call's expression, writes @christianppee

@annakmeyer

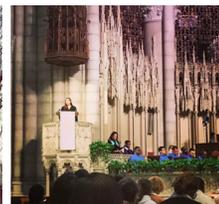
Church is meaningless unless it's relevant to your life. That's why we need more leaders like @PastorAmyTRC and more churches like @RiversideNYC. Forever grateful to be part of the witness of this community. <https://t.co/UyNdg2ACjL>— Anna Meyer (@annakmeyer) December 1, 2017



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