

Richwood Presbyterian Church

1070 Richwood Road
Walton, Kentucky 41094
859-485-7200

www.richwoodpresbyterian.org * rpchurch@fuse.net

March 2021

Current Schedule

11:00 am Sunday

Virtual Worship on Facebook &

In-House Worship with social distancing

7:00 pm Wednesday

Lenten Dinner Series via Google Meet

(link on our website)

Daily

YouTube Scripture Reading

(link in Facebook)

Dear Congregation,

Thank you for all the gifts, cards, and well-wishes I have received for my retirement. I offer you my blessings and great expectations for the future.

My retirement and leaving of Richwood does not require me to terminate friendships; but

simply put, my retirement means I am not your pastor. No more involvement in church business, leadership, disagreements, or pastoral services. If you have any concerns, please discuss with your transitional pastor, new pastor, or session.

Please let me know about grandbabies born, or other special events in your personal lives. I love you all so very much. God Bless, Rhoda
Farewell signature quilt made by the congregation for Rev. Rhoda.



Mission

Food purchased and delivered to Community Action Commission. (CAC)

They are so grateful for our consistency in helping to keep food on the shelves.

Opportunity knocks with a variety of ways to give to the church:

Thank You
FOR

GIVING
GENEROUSLY

1. Traditional at the worship service.
2. Mail to the church.
3. Donate online.

Online is new to a lot of us but works very well. Go to the church website and click on **Sunday Worship**, then click on the button.



This will take you to online donations. This is through the PCUSA Foundation. They will process checks or credit cards and then let us know what has come through.

OR

You put your phone on camera and point it at the box in the bulletin and at the top of your screen will be a link that you press that will take you to the site where you can donate money to us.



Ash Wednesday was celebrated virtually.

Each Wednesday leading up to Holy week there will be a virtual gathering inviting you to join with your dinner or dessert at your home for a time of fellowship at 7pm, then to a study in the book of Mark.

Easter Egg Hunt



Our Easter Egg Hunt is being planned for Saturday, March 27 at 1 pm outside on the side of the hill. Volunteers needed for filling eggs and to scatter on the hill.



Lent Easter

We begin Holy Week with Palm Sunday Maundy Thursday and Good Friday details to be announced.

Easter Sunrise Service will be walking up to the top of the cemetery for a worship at 7am, Easter Worship at 11 am

Celebrating Our Risen Lord!

Birthdays

Jill Jantzen	Mar 3
Jackie Lakes	Mar 4
Fred Hester	Mar 5
Eve Roth	Mar 12
Gibby Mann	Mar 15
Reese Danzer	Mar 15
Patsy Spillman	Mar 18
Ann Gullion	Mar 22
Richard Griffith	Mar 22
Gracie Schafstall	Mar 23
Jim Cook	Mar 23
Rose Lakes	Mar 26
Brandi Nunn	Mar 28
Vickie Norris	Mar 28
Dick Broeg	Mar 30

Anniversaries

Jim & Sherry Lakes	Mar 5
Joe & Karrie Messina	Mar 28

February Session Highlights

Welcome to Rev. Terry Webster, as our transitional minister.

Session shared about items they have been working on such as the grant money for virtual worship video system.

Deacons are obtaining families for the Easter food Baskets. Keep an eye out for an email to order and help and sign-up for any food that is needed.

We voted on the general statistics for 2020 sent to PCUS, GA. Our Membership was 51: four losses and four gains; We had one Baptism. The remainder were related to education, ethnicity, and yearend budget balance. There was discussion about the issues and lack of performance with our phone system, internet and email that have been occurring. We are presently considering other avenues.

The Community Garden will be getting started very soon. This is an opportunity for children to gain more knowledge about how plants grow and how to take care of them. It also teaches them how we can help others less fortunate or just in need, with fresh vegetables. Volunteers are very much needed to help. **Contact Anita Reed if you would like to help.**

Christian Ed. is looking at ways to have virtual/in person Sunday School.

Christian Ed beginning to plan for VBS this summer.

Online offering through PCUSA Foundation has been set up and is easy to work with.

Annie Weible is going to have a yearly contract.

Liturgists are desperately needed. Sharon will be calling members of the congregation or you can call her if you are willing to volunteer.

We shared joys and concerns and closed in prayer.

Next meeting March 20th.



Dear Elders,

The beautiful wind chimes and generous monetary gif is very much appreciated. Thank you so much.

I am just waiting to hang the new chimes at a new home. Your loving support and friendship will always be remembered. You have played a wonderful part in my walk with GOD. My life has been so blessed by all of you. Richwood Church and

you will always hold a special space in my heart.

Peace love and joy!

~Barb Dartnall



Dear Deacons,

Thank you for the beautiful wind chimes and generous monetary gift. I can't wait to hang the chimes when I find a house.

I am so grateful for your friendship and support. All of you have played a meaningful part in my walk with God. You will always hold a special place in my heart. Richwood Church is a gift from God and a very, very special place.

God's blessings,

~Barb Dartnall

A message from your Office and Financial Assistant:

I just wanted to thank everyone for their faith in me to do this job and for their patience through this time of transition. If you have any problems or issues of any kind that concern me, please do not hesitate to contact me either by email or by my cell phone which is listed in our directory.

Thanks again & God
bless,

~Trinity Schafstall

The LIFE Line

Richwood Presbyterian Church

March 2021

Mission Statement

*The Richwood Presbyterian Church,
centered on Jesus Christ,
welcomes all persons,
provides teaching to enhance spiritual growth,
and fosters discipleship according to
the Lord's example and Biblical direction.*

Letter from your new interim Pastor,

It is great to be part of Richwood as your transitional minister. I have very much enjoyed meeting a few of you and I am really enjoying working with Annie and Jill for worship and with Trinity in the office. They are a real gift to me and the church. It is interesting also because it is my job to work myself out of a job, which I hope to do that work well for you! In case you are wondering, here is a short bio about me. I was born in Dallas as the youngest of 6 kids to a wonderful and pretty dysfunctional Catholic family. I attended SMU in Dallas majoring in Political Science and Journalism, fully planning on going to law school, following in my father's footsteps. Obviously, that didn't happen. While I was in college, I joined the Presbyterian church and after graduation I headed to Louisville for Seminary. It was there that I met my wife Marsha. Since graduation, I have had the chance to serve churches in Baton Rouge and New Orleans, Sioux City, Iowa, Atlanta, and then we moved to Northern KY in 2000 when I accepted a call at First Pres in Ft. Thomas. It was a great 18 years there. I had planned on sticking around for longer but when Marsha was diagnosed with cancer I decided to retire since the treatment for her involved a trip to Mayo-Clinic for 6-7 weeks. After retirement, I spent several months working for Family Promise of Northern KY and then accepted the position as Transitional Minister at Williamsburg. Other than my rather fanatical love for all things SMU, I mostly enjoy hiking with Marsha and our beagle.

I am really looking forward to my time at Richwood. There are very few rules to transitional ministry in-the-midst of the pandemic, so we are going to do our best to do what is needed so that we will be ready to call a new minister (which won't be me in case any of you ever wonder). I am encouraging everyone to be in prayer during the Lenten season as we take time to discern what God is doing at Richwood and where God wants us to go. After Easter, I hope that we can begin working at what needs to be done....asking who are we, how has the area changed around us changed and whether we are willing to change with it, what we want in a new minister and more. It will be fun. I am really hoping that sometime this summer that we can elect a nominating committee and begin the process of doing our self-study, preparing the Church Information Form and then the fun begins.

I know that this whole process is a bit nerve-racking, but it can also be incredibly rewarding for the whole church. So, what do I need you to do? Pray. And then pray some more. And then, pray after that. That is the foundation of what we are doing. One of the things I ask you to be praying about is who God will call to serve on the search committee. This group of people will work closely doing some amazing work and both the representatives of the Presbytery Committee of Minister and I, who will be working with them. Maybe God will be calling you?

Once again, I look forward to getting to know you. Don't hesitate to email me at towebster@yahoo.com or call me at 859-760-5286 if I can do anything for you.

Blessings,

Rev. Terry Webster