

August 13, 2023

11th Sunday after Pentecost



Come Worship the Living



PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

UMH 451

1 Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou
art;

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my
light.

3 Great God of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright
heaven's Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

2 Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true
Word;

I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;

Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou
art.

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE

Acts 12:1-19

NIV

It was about this time that King Herod arrested some who belonged to the church, intending to persecute them. 2 He had James, the brother of John, put to death with the sword. 3 When he saw that this met with approval among the Jews, he proceeded to seize Peter also. This happened during the Festival of Unleavened Bread. 4 After arresting him, he put him in prison, handing him over to be guarded by four squads of four soldiers each. Herod intended to bring him out for public trial after the Passover.

5 So Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him.

6 The night before Herod was to bring him to trial, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries stood guard at the entrance. 7 Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him up. "Quick, get up!" he said, and the chains fell off Peter's wrists.

8 Then the angel said to him, "Put on your clothes and sandals." And Peter did so. "Wrap your cloak around you and follow me," the angel told him. 9 Peter followed him out of the prison, but he had no idea that what the angel was doing was really happening; he thought he was seeing a vision. 10 They passed the first and second guards and came to the iron gate leading to the city. It opened for them by itself, and they went through it. When they had walked the length of one street, suddenly the angel left him.

11 Then Peter came to himself and said, "Now I know without a doubt that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from Herod's clutches and from everything the Jewish people were hoping would happen."

12 When this had dawned on him, he went to the house of Mary the mother of John, also called Mark, where many people had gathered and were praying. 13 Peter knocked at the outer entrance, and a servant named Rhoda came to answer the door. 14 When she recognized Peter's voice, she was so overjoyed she ran back without opening it and exclaimed, "Peter is at the door!"

15 "You're out of your mind," they told her. When she kept insisting that it was so, they said, "It must be his angel."

16 But Peter kept on knocking, and when they opened the door and saw him, they were astonished. 17 Peter motioned with his hand for them to be quiet and described how the Lord had brought him out of prison. "Tell James and the other brothers and sisters about this," he said, and then he left for another place.

18 In the morning, there was no small commotion among the soldiers as to what had become of Peter. 19 After Herod had a thorough search made for him and did not find him, he cross-examined the guards and ordered that they be executed.

Then Herod went from Judea to Caesarea and stayed there.

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

DRAWING CIRCLES OF PRAYER AROUND:

Henry Gonzalez

Steve Meadows—July 19 surgery recovery

Fred Snyder

Family of Curtis Walsh

Robert Earl Williams Jr.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Full calendar can be found at www.ramseymemorial.org

August 15	Leadership Board	6:00 pm, ZOOM
August 17	Prayer Group	11:00 am
August 20	12th Sunday after Pentecost	10:00 am, Sanctuary
August 24	Prayer Group	11:00 am
August 26	Neighborhood Supper	5:00 pm, CLC
August 27	13th Sunday after Pentecost	10:00 am, Sanctuary

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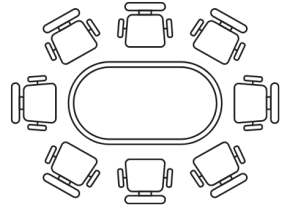


ANNOUNCEMENTS

LEADERSHIP BOARD

Ramsey Church's governance structure, the Leadership Board, will hold its monthly meeting THIS Tuesday, August 15 at 6:00pm ON ZOOM.

All are invited. Please contact the church office if you would like the ZOOM link. The ZOOM link for each meeting is the same from month to month. If you have received the link in the past, you may use it for the upcoming meeting.

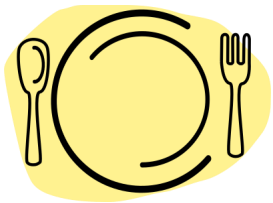


PRAYER WALK

Our annual Prayer Walk around J.L. Francis Elementary School (5146 Snead Road, Richmond) will be held on Sunday, August 20 at 11:30am. Meet in the bus loop at the school to join us in circling the school in prayer.

WORK DAY

The next work day at Journey in Amelia will be August 26 from 9 am until noon. If you can help, contact Russ Cottrell at russellcottrell1945@gmail.com



NEIGHBORHOOD SUPPER

Ramsey's next Neighborhood Supper will be Saturday, August 26 at 5:00 pm in the CLC. Come join us!

BIBLE STUDY

Our ongoing Ladies Bible Study is going to be starting a study on Revelation. We meet on Mondays from 10:00 to 11:30 at the church and would love to have you join us! Call Deborah (804-624-8390) about any questions you may have.

