

# THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF RIGA

Pastor  
Music Director/Organist

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## SUNDAY MORNING March 17, 10:00 AM

"I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord" Psalm 122:1

Prelude

Welcome and Greeting

Announcements

Joys and Concerns/Our Morning Prayer

The Call to Worship:

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

**People: May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear Him.**

Leader: Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

**People: Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights.**

**All:** Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence is in Him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream.

Opening Hymn "Be Strong in the Lord" #661

**Unison Prayer:** Heavenly Father, you have filled the world with beauty. Open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works; that, rejoicing in your whole creation, we may learn to serve you with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

And now we pray using the words Jesus taught us. "**Our Father who art in Heaven. . .**"

Gloria Patri - #805 and Apostle's Creed - Front Cover of Hymnal

For the young and young at heart--

Bible Reading: 2 Corinthians 10:3-6

Message: Prayer-full Life: Empowered, Aligned, & Blessed

Offertory/Prayer of Dedication

Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" #809

Closing Hymn "Sweet Hour of Prayer" #623

Benediction

Benediction Response "Alleluia", Verse 1 #114

Postlude

\* If you would like prayer, feel free to go to the front of the church at the end of the service.

Please join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall following the service.

## CONSIDER SUPPORTING OUR MISSIONS

**Upendo Children's Village, Malawi, Africa** is currently home to more than 60 orphaned, abandoned, and endangered children. We help to provide a safe home, medical attention, regular meals, proper clothing, a sound education, and most importantly, the love of God.

**Riga Community Food Cupboard:** Items needed: Pasta, sauce, and jelly.

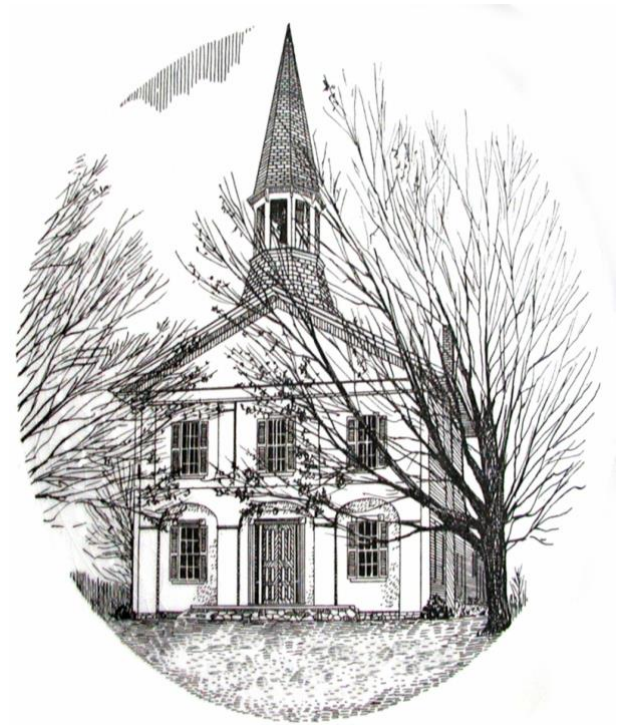
### OFFICE HOURS

Please call the church at (585) 293-2070 to schedule a pastoral session with Pastor Joann.

### Calendar of Events

Exploring Membership class	Today, after fellowship
Rummage Sale	March 22 & 23
Palm Sunday	March 24
Good Friday Service (6:30pm)	March 29
Resurrection Sunday (Easter)	March 31
Easter Breakfast (8:30 am)	March 31
Bible Study, Wednesdays (6:30pm)	March 13- 27

Please pray for continued healing for: Gail Speares, Gary Mayewski, Gary Knepschild, Roger Pimm, Cheryl Toyama, Craig Williams



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*Check out our new website at [www.rigachurch.org](http://www.rigachurch.org)!*

We are grateful for God's Spirit that prompted you to worship with us today and hope you find a meaningful experience in your time with us. We thank you for the prayers you brought and for the witness you made to the world by being in the Lord's house today. We invite you to worship with us again; our church family will always welcome you!

**Please sign our Guest Book.**

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