

# THE SPARK

June 2026

Embodying Love - Demanding Justice - Transforming the World

## Summer Water Days

Beat the heat and join your Riviera Family  
for some summer fun after church!

RSVP to Emma Cottrell at  
[rivierapresfaithformation@gmail.com](mailto:rivierapresfaithformation@gmail.com)

May 31 - Venetian Pool  
June 28 - Pinecrest Gardens  
July 26 - Crandon Park  
2 pm - venue closing



# LETTER FROM PASTOR KIM

Dear Riviera Presbyterian Church Family,

As we enter a new month, as school comes to an end, and as some of us begin different summer rhythms, we begin a new sermon series at Riviera Presbyterian Church. The series will be “GOD on the MOVE.” We will be in the lectionary texts of Genesis, following the first stories of God’s people. We will learn about “the beginnings” of God’s people, and how God moved with the people as they moved. As we hear how God challenged and called his first people to change and move, may it encourage us to be faithful and open to move as God directs us.

This series comes to us in a time when the church is in a space of movement and change. It is my hope that we may find comfort as we hear these stories, knowing that God goes with us wherever we go.

I am grateful for to each of you – for your patience and grace as the church tries to lean into a new way forward. As we all know, the one constant in life (besides God's love and grace) is that change is always around us. It is up to us as people of faith to learn how to continue forward faithfully as a church community. And, I continue to feel your faithfulness.

May we know that God continues to walk with us as we continue to carve our way forward into the unknown together.

Peace and blessings,

Rev. Kim Robles

Pastor, Riviera Presbyterian Church

## CALL OUT FOR VOLUNTEERS

We need volunteers for livestream worship and for photography for our updated website. If you have some gifts in either of these areas, or would like to learn, please reach out to Laura Fothergill ([laura.fothergill@gmail.com](mailto:laura.fothergill@gmail.com)) and Pastor Kim ([pastor@ppcusa.org](mailto:pastor@ppcusa.org)).

# LIVING OUR MISSION ... LEAP

Riviera Presbyterian Church



## EASTERTIDE DRIVE

You can locate the collection box in the Welcome Area/Narthex.

As we celebrate the gift of new life, help women in our community with a new start! To support our friends at LEAP, we will be collecting the following items:

- Full-size shampoo, conditioner, and body wash
- Loofahs and washcloths
- Full-size lotion
- Hair ties and brushes
- Full-size deodorant
- Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- Pads and Tampons
- Body wipes and baby wipes
- Sunscreen
- Hand sanitizer
- Bras, socks, and underwear (S/M/L/XL)



# LIVING OUR MISSION ... CCC

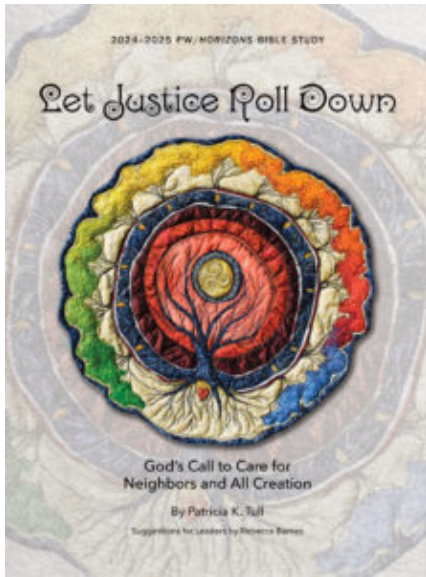


## Caps off to our CCC VPK Class of 2026!

What a joyful year of learning, laughter, friendship, and growth. We are so proud of our little graduates and all they've accomplished.

The future is bright—congratulations, Class of 2026! Your CCC & RPC families are cheering you on every step of the way.

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION-FAITH FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP



## UPDATE:

The Women's Study Group is moving to the second Thursday of the month starting in June.

See you on Zoom on June 11 at 7:30pm.

Please reach out to Karen Collier (kc33134@aol.com) for Zoom information.

We will continue our conversation on

“What do we do with troubling texts in the Bible?”

Bring your questions, your perspectives, and even your doubts.



THEOLOGY  
**uncorked**

See you June 14 at  
5:30pm

at  
**Berries in the Grove**  
2884 SW 27 Ave



After worship on Sunday, June 7 join us for First Sunday Brunch.

Bring a dish to share and spend time with your church family.

All are invited to share this meal together.

## PERSONNEL – MEET CAROL



Carol Naveira joined the Riviera Presbyterian office staff in July 2025 as bookkeeper. She has spent over four decades cultivating a unique, multi-faceted career, balancing a distinguished tenure as an orchestral flutist with extensive experience in non-profit financial management, administrative operations, executive support, and global visa and immigration compliance.

Born in New York City and raised in the metropolitan areas of NYC and South Florida, she has been a mainstay of the Miami cultural and professional landscape for the past 30 years. As a classical musician, Ms. Naveira is most notably recognized as the principal flutist for the Miami Symphony Orchestra, a position she has held since 1994 after joining the ensemble at its inception in 1989. Extending her talents to education, she serves as a woodwind coach and guest teaching artist for such schools as Ransom Everglades, Gulliver Preparatory and Pembroke Pines Charter Middle Schools. In parallel to her artistic endeavors, Ms. Naveira has amassed over 15 cumulative years of operational experience within non-profit organizations in the areas of finance, communications, and compliance.

From 2010-24, she served on the artistic and administrative staff of the Greater Miami Youth Symphony as Symphony manager, woodwind coach and bookkeeper. More recently, she has specialized in visa and immigration services including Biden Humanitarian Parole and OI visa cases.

# LIVING OUR MISSION..YES INSTITUTE



## YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED TO A YES INSTITUTE & RIVIERA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COMMUNITY GATHERING

A celebration of friendship, community  
and 30 years of YES Institute

What to expect:

- A short presentation on RPC and YES Institute history together
- Potluck lunch provided by RPC
- Good energy and a celebratory atmosphere!



**Sunday**  
June 28, 2026



**10:30 AM – Noon**  
(Following 9am service)



**YES Institute Offices**  
5275 Sunset Drive  
Miami, FL 33143

*Space is limited ; We'd love to see you there!  
For more information, please contact  
YES Institute or Riviera Presbyterian Church.*



**YES Institute**  
305-663-7195



**RPC**  
305-666-8586



**WORSHIP**

# Guided Labyrinth Walk

**6.26.26 | 7 PM**

**Pinecrest Presbyterian Church  
@ Fellowship Hall  
10400 SW SW 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue,  
Pinecrest, FL 33156**

# SPF COMMITTEE

## Stewardship, Property, Finance Committee:

The meeting date has been changed to the 1st Monday of the month at 6:30 via zoom. Next meeting is June 1.

Thanks to Rey for overseeing the property and lighting/LED updates, as well as recent AC issues. Soon there will be a new AC and wall repairs done for the kitchen.

100% Per Capita Campaign will be occurring in June, encouraging everyone to please pay your \$40. membership per capital fees that are sent yearly from RPC to the Presbytery. You can pay your per capita online via our website at [www.rivierachurch.org/give](http://www.rivierachurch.org/give)

Members: Kathy Stults, John German, Rey Prieto, Tania Socarras, Kyle Dettloff, and we could always use you!!!

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9:00am Sunday Worship Service  
Office Hours M - R 9:30-5:30 pm  
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