

BE HEALED

ONE STEP TOWARD HEALING FOR RICHMOND

EVENT GUIDE

SERVICE OF REPENTANCE & HEALING PRAYER WALK REPAIR FAIR

SATURDAY SEPT 9 10A - 2:30P

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East End Fellowship Renewing RVA Richmond's First Baptist Church St. John's United Church of Christ

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship and Song*

Jim Somerville Pastor, Richmond's First Baptist Church

Testimony

Welcome

Katie St. Germain Founder, Renewing RVA

Historical Account

Dr. Jerome Ross Pastor, Providence Park Baptist Church

LAMENT

Testimony

Sal Fratanduono RCLI Class of 2022 Nathan Walton Co-Pastor, East End Fellowship

Personal Reflection Time

Music: Purge Me*

REPENT

Testimony

Amy Starr Redwine Pastor, First Presbyterian Church

Liturgy of Repentance and Renewal*

Personal Reflection Time

Words of Comfort and Assurance*

Jim Somerville

Passing of the Peace*

Communion

*Please stand as you are able.

ORDER OF WORSHIP CONTINUED

FORGIVE

Testimony

Rev. Jessie Mejias Founder, Sunodia Prayer Counseling

Personal Reflection Time

NEXT STEPS

Blessing of the Descendants

Rev. Dr. Lisa Johnson Co-Pastoral Director, Richmond Hill

Benediction*

Jim Somerville

*Please stand as you are able.

GUIDED REFLECTION

O God, throughout the ages you have challenged your people to step out in faith and follow you. You have put purpose and direction in the lives of your people. With these commitments we make to You today, we have before us a new direction and a new purpose. We have set our feet on the pathway. Be our guide. Whisper in our ears when we need to make decisions. Hold us up if we start to stumble. May your Holy Spirit lead us in joyful song and fill us with eager anticipation. You are our vision, O God; lead us on our journey. Amen.

GUIDED REFLECTION

WHAT DOES A RENEWED AND RACIALLY HEALED RICHMOND LOOK LIKE TO YOU?

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WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP GOD IS ASKING YOU TO TAKE TO HELP MAKE THAT HAPPEN?

Explore pages 5-13 for ideas of next steps

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INNER HEALING

RENEWING RVA // RENEWINGRVA.ORG

Renewing RVA's purpose is to provide high-quality medical mental health services in conjunction with Biblical prayer ministry for the spiritual, mental, and physical flourishing of clients in need. Renewing RVA is able to accept children, adolescents and adults as clients; services are provided by a Family Nurse Practitioner who is also trained in Biblical prayer ministry. Renewing RVA is also the fiscal agent of the One Day event.

SUNODIA // SUNODIA.ORG

Sunodía Prayer Counseling is a Richmond-based ministry offering pastoral care to Christians needing inner healing. Through prayer, we help people connect to God, who alone can communicate the truth of their heart issues in a way that is loving and unique to them. Our mission is to serve the church and help "heal the brokenhearted and bind up their wounds" (Psalm 147:3).

READING

Be the Bridge: Pursuing God's Heart for Racial Reconciliation by Latasha Morrison // bethebridge.com

Faith, Race, and the Lost Cause: Confessions of a Southern Church by Christopher Alan Graham

Just Mercy by Bryan Stevenson

Richmond's Unhealed History by Ben Cambpell

The Color of Compromise by Jemar Tisby

SPIRITUAL FORMATION ABOUT ISSUES OF RACE

ARRABON // ARRABON.COM

Arrabon is a spiritual formation ministry that equips the American Church to actively and creatively pursue racial healing in their communities. Our workshops, coaching, and resources will equip your leadership teams to pursue lasting change by building a culture of reconciliation. Contact grow@arrabon.com to learn more about how Arrabon can guide your organization as you pursue the hard, but important work of racial healing.

INITIATIVES OF CHANGE // US.IOFC.ORG/WHO-WE-ARE

Initiatives of Change USA (IofC USA) is located in Richmond, Virginia and is part of a global network dedicated to working with communities and individuals to educate, inspire and transform society. As one of many chapters located in 100 countries and comprised of individuals from diverse cultures and backgrounds, IofC USA is dedicated to initiatives that bridge divides, sharing a more inclusive history, assisting faith communities in discovering and acting on the righteous pursuit of justice and peace, and confronting the failures of the past by addressing the needs of today.

RCLI // RCLIWEB.ORG

RCLI equips Christian leaders to pursue a thriving metro Richmond. RCLI's leadership program for Christian professionals focuses on professional development, civic influence, and spiritual formation – all directed toward our life together in metro Richmond.

RICHMOND HILL - KOINONIA SCHOOL OF RACE AND JUSTICE // RICHMONDHILLVA.ORG/PROGRAMS-EVENTS/KOINONIA

The Koinonia School of Race and Justice at Richmond Hill intends to be part of God's ministry of racial reconciliation and is grounded in the Christian tradition. We believe everyone can engage in reducing racism by being instruments of justice in their own sphere of influence. The school is designed to equip people in three ways: to engage in transformative and self reflective work around race; to engage in constructive dialogue regarding issues of race and justice; and to engage in the larger community to promote social justice.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

COMING TOGETHER VIRGINIA //

COMINGTOGETHERVIRGINIA.ORG Formerly Coming to the Table - RVA

Coming Together Virginia is a 501c3 non-profit focused on a vision of a racially healed world. We make a difference through allyship, connecting other nonprofit partners, faith-based organizations, and the community to bring intentional conversations to the forefront using a race and equity lens. By hosting facilitated dinner gatherings monthly, we focus on (1) truth-telling in history, (2) building inclusive relationships, (3) healing historical wounds and (4) taking informed action. Our work is cogenerative, addressing systems as well as supporting the needs of families. CT-VA is facing the past and facilitating the future.

FOR RICHMOND // FORRICHMOND.ORG

For Richmond unites the Church for the flourishing and transformation of Metro Richmond. We connect and equip Christian leaders from across sectors to collaborate around the deep needs of the city, including education, foster care, and racial healing. We also mobilize the Church in times of crisis to love and serve the city. The network currently consists of 220 churches, 61 nonprofits, 31 businesses, 4 county governments, 4 social service departments, and 2 school systems in Richmond City, Henrico, Hanover, and Chesterfield.

RICHMOND HILL // RICHMONDHILL.ORG

Richmond Hill is an ecumenical community praving and working for the healing of Metropolitan Richmond. Our praver and work is focused on unearthing and naming the pains of the past and the present; advocating for a just and equitable society, collaborating with allies and activists and creating a stronger community for present and future generations. The Dwelling for Enslaved Africans at Richmond Hill unearths the buried stories of those who endured unimaginable pain. We, at Richmond Hill, remember them. Our educational tours lift up the history through The Judy Project and the Dwelling. Two of our outreach programs, Armstrong Leadership Program and The Micah Program, focus on supporting youth from divested communities. These programs are always looking for faith communities and partners to mentor youth, read to children in schools, and uplift the next generation.

RISC // RISCRICHMOND.ORG

Richmonders Involved to Strengthen our Communities is a justice ministry organization made up of 22 congregations from throughout Richmond, Henrico, and Chesterfield. Founded in 2002, we use the power of large numbers of people to hold our public officials accountable, and solve critical community problems. We are not a direct service provider, rather we are a grassroots, direct action, multiissue organization.

EDUCATION

IMAGO DEI NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL //

IMAGODEIRICHMOND.ORG

Imago Dei opened in September 2021 with 34 students; today, the school serves over 90 students in PreK - 5th grade from the Richmond area. Imago Dei exists to offer a vibrant, rigorous, and holistic Christian education to economically and racially diverse families, with a particular focus on those families who have historically been disenfranchised from educational options. Imago Dei intentionally seeks to disrupt the pervasive, destructive legacy of hypersegregation by race and class in Richmond's educational ecosystem. Our educational model is rooted in the understanding that children are whole persons, each uniquely and beautifully reflecting their Creator.

RISE RICHMOND // RISERICHMOND.ORG Formerly CHAT

Together with families, neighbors, and community partners, Rise Richmond (formerly CHAT) is creating a world where students—particularly Black students from Richmond's East End—have access to excellent and equitable learning opportunities. Through its three programs (Rise After School, Rise Academy, and Rise Labs), Rise Richmond matches students' God-given potential with opportunity as they ascend new heights on their journeys of discovery, education, and growth.

HOUSING

URBAN HOPE // URBANHOPE.ORG

Founded in 2000, Urban Hope is a housing nonprofit that partners with clients to gain financial health; secure safe, quality, affordable rental housing; and chart pathways to homeownership. Our work is inspired by Christian faith, led by and centered on residents, and focused on the East End of Richmond, VA. In our rapidly changing neighborhood, we prioritize racial equity, are committed to anti-displacement practices and policies, and seek to repair past housing injustices and build towards an inclusive community where everyone can find a home.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

CIRCLE CENTER // CIRCLECENTERVA.ORG

Circle Center is a nonprofit adult day program dedicated to the well-being of older adults and their caregivers. Participants enjoy engaging programming throughout the day, along with nutritious meals and health monitoring and coordination. We firmly believe that every human being deserves the opportunity to enjoy companionship, feel a sense of purpose, and be treated with dignity and respect. And equally, we believe that their caregivers need and deserve support. We aim to provide these opportunities, within a comprehensive, person-centered care model, to anyone who can benefit from our services – regardless of their financial capacity.

ENCIRCLE // ENCIRCLEALL.ORG

Founded in 1888 as a Lutheran orphanage, enCircle has a rich history of growing to meet the needs of people who are often marginalized in our communities. In Richmond we provide foster care and other services to unaccompanied immigrant children coming from the southern U.S. border. We also serve adults with developmental disabilities, place local children in foster families, and provide trauma-informed counseling to children and adults. Our circle is wide, and all are included.

RVA HOPE CENTER // RVAHOPECENTER.ORG

RVA Hope Center's mission is to transform hearts and lives through the love and power of Jesus. We exist to love and serve the most at-risk, marginalized, and vulnerable, so that they can experience abundant life in Christ. This is accomplished through consistent youth programs in East End communities, and outreaches to the trafficked and exploited in Greater RVA.

INTO THE NEIGHBORHOOD //

INTOTHENEIGHBORHOOD.ORG

Into The Neighborhood, based off John 1:14 MSG, exists to love God, love people and equip others to do the same. We'd love to see mobilized, prepared people live out God's mission for their lives and reclaim, restore, and rebuild the landscape of their community - one neighborhood at a time. Join us in loving the Substance Use Disorder Recovery Community of Metro Richmond.



FOOD SECURITY

THE STREET FOODIES FOUNDATION // RVASTREETFOODIES.COM

The Street Foodies Foundation is a learning lab virtual school teaching Urban Social Enterprise as ministry outreach to the faith community. Urban Social Enterprise is a community engagement model that focuses on workforce development to build community wealth and assist health systems by increasing health equity through addressing social disparities, including food insecurity. RVA Street Foodies, today's food vendor, is the social enterprise business used by the Foundation.

TRANSPORTATION

RVA RAPID TRANSIT // RVARAPIDTRANSIT.ORG

RVA Rapid Transit is a local nonprofit dedicated to educating, organizing, and advocating for public transit across the Richmond region. Frequent, far-reaching public transit helps people lead healthier, more productive, and more interconnected lives. We believe that the Richmond region's long history of racism has led to a fractured and limited public transportation system. This impacts the historically marginalized, people of color, people with disabilities, and people with low incomes. These communities are central to the work we do.

GUIDED PRAYER

Pray for...

- The cleansing of the spirits of racism, oppression, subjugation, and superiority which linger in Richmond and the surrounding counties.
- The souls of all the departed, and especially those spiritual soldiers, black and white, who looked forward to the coming of God's kingdom in Richmond and the surrounding counties.
- Wisdom and courage to combat the continuing structures of racism and indifference which affect Richmond and its metropolitan counties.
- All of our citizens who do not have adequate housing, or whose housing is at risk of eviction or foreclosure.
- Relief and acknowledgement of the re-segregation and punitive discrimination of the public schools of the city of Richmond.
- Gun violence, indifference to gun violence, and the spirits of enmity, danger, and despair which sustain them in Richmond and the surrounding counties.
- The Mayor and City Council of Richmond, the Boards of Supervisors of metropolitan Richmond, and the Governor and General Assembly of Virginia, that they may have the wisdom and courage to build a healthy, and equitable community.
- The Christian churches of metropolitan Richmond, and the congregations of other faithful religions, that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit.
- The renewal of metropolitan Richmond as a comprehensive community of justice and opportunity for all, established on a foundation of racial equity.

All of our children.

