

Name \_\_\_\_\_

- First time guest
- Returning guest
- Interested in baptism or membership
- Member

### New Contact Information

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### Sermon Interest Survey

This summer and fall, what kinds of things would you be interested in hearing/learning about?

#### People/Stories

- Women of the New Testament
- Jacob
- The Flood

#### Books of the Bible

- Exodus
- Acts
- Hebrews

#### Other Themes

- Creation Care
- Africa and the Bible
- Non-western spiritualities

Other ideas:

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RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK

From the beginning of the Jesus movement, followers of Christ declared that there is no Jew or Greek, no slave or free, nor is there male and female. We, the people of Two Rivers United Methodist Church join in this movement of the Holy Spirit and declare that we celebrate the diversity of our neighborhood and the world.

We welcome and affirm people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual and affectional orientation, who are also of every age, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital, and social status, and so much more. We believe that the body of Christ is more vital in its ministry when the whole diversity of the human family may enjoy full participation and leadership in the Church.

We welcome all who have known the pain of exclusion or discrimination in the Church and society, and acknowledge the pain caused by the history of exclusionary policies of the United Methodist Church. We will continue to work toward a more inclusive Church and invite you to join us in following Jesus Christ on the Way, marked by greater hospitality, kindness, justice, peace, understanding, and mutual respect.

### Announcements for May 10, 2026

Swahili Sunday School—10:45 am Asbury Parlor  
Kids & Youth Sunday School - 10:45 am 3rd floor  
Adult Sunday School - 10:45 am 1st floor

#### Discipleship Schedule

Monday Bible Study meets at noon in Epworth Hall. Wednesday Prayer & Devotion Time meets on Facebook Live and Zoom at noon every week. Zoom Meeting ID # for Wednesday is 961 006 728. The Zoom meeting can also be joined by phone simply by dialing 312-626-6799. Once connected, dial the Meeting ID # 961 006 728, and you will join in the conversation.

**ChangeMakers** The ChangeMakers Team is set to meet on Saturday afternoons in May. Most will be at 1:00 p.m. We will be building on work done on the February meeting, which identified five core values. This will be the launching point to produce a new vision statement and mission statement. The next step will be to identify ministry areas based on the vision statement, and create some SMART goals for each ministry area. SMART goals are measurable and attainable. The core values identified in our first meeting are connection, justice, discipleship, empathy, and service. Members of the ChangeMakers Team are encouraged to bring some ideas about a vision statement that can incorporate these concepts.

**Church Yard Work Day** Next Sunday, May 17 at 1:00 pm we will gather at the church to do some spring clean up of the landscaping beds around the building. As the saying goes, “Many hands make light work”. A lot of work was done last fall so depending on how many volunteers we have it shouldn’t take more than an hour or two. We really appreciate all the help we can get.

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May 10, 2026 - The Sixth Sunday of Easter  
John 4:16-30, 39-42

Jesus said to her, “Go, get your husband, and come back here.”  
The woman replied, “I don’t have a husband.”

“You are right to say, ‘I don’t have a husband,’” Jesus answered. “You’ve had five husbands, and the man you are with now isn’t your husband. You’ve spoken the truth.”

The woman said, “Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you and your people say that it is necessary to worship in Jerusalem.”

Jesus said to her, “Believe me, woman, the time is coming when you and your people will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You and your people worship what you don’t know; we worship what we know because salvation is from the Jews. But the time is coming—and is here!—when true worshippers will worship in spirit and truth. The Father looks for those who worship him this way. God is spirit, and it is necessary to worship God in spirit and truth.”

The woman said, “I know that the Messiah is coming, the one who is called the Christ. When he comes, he will teach everything to us.”

Jesus said to her, “I Am—the one who speaks with you.”

Just then, Jesus’ disciples arrived and were shocked that he was talking with a woman. But no one asked, “What do you want?” or “Why are you talking with her?” The woman put down her water jar and went into the city. She said to the people, “Come and see a man who has told me everything I’ve done! Could this man be the Christ?” They left the city and were on their way to see Jesus.

Many Samaritans in that city believed in Jesus because of the woman’s word when she testified, “He told me everything I’ve ever done.” So when the Samaritans came to Jesus, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. Many more believed because of his word, and they said to the woman, “We no longer believe because of what you said, for we have heard for ourselves and know that this one is truly the savior of the world.”

# GATHERING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

PRELUDE "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" -arr. Virginia Halberg

## GREETING

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, people of God, who thirst for living water!

**All: We come to drink deeply from the well of God's grace.**

One: The Samaritan woman met Jesus at the well and he knew her.

**All: When she was seen, she believed. We, too, are seen by the living Christ and proclaim, "He is the Savior of the world!"**

One: Then let us worship the Lord, who speaks to us today.

**All: We have seen and heard the truth—Jesus is the Messiah! Amen.**

### \*HYMN #318 UMH "Christ is Alive" vs 1, 2, 5

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Holy God, at Creation you gave us light and life,

**All: But we choose death and separate ourselves from you.**

One: You called Abraham to be the Father of a great nation

**All: Even while we obey the call, we cannot trust fully.**

One: You delivered the people out of slavery in Egypt

**All: But we lose hope in times of Wilderness, and turn to idols made of gold**

One: You gave the people a King that they required

**All: But we abuse our power and exploit the weak.**

One: You called the prophets to bring the people back to justice

**All: But we ignore the prophets and pursue unjust paths.**

One: You so loved the world that you gave us your only Son, so that we may be saved by grace.

**All: But he is rejected and despised.**

One: Christ revealed your love by feeding the hungry, healing the sick, welcoming the stranger, and speaking truth to religious and empire power.

**All: And he was crucified by fear and the wickedness of humanity.**

*Pause for silent confession and reflection*

One: Fear not. I know that you expected Jesus crucified, but he is risen. Go and tell.

**All: So we have been raised with Christ. We seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Amen. (Colossians 3:1)**

### \*PASSING THE PEACE

PRAYER SONG #2056 FWS "God is So Good"

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

## PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS

ANTHEM "Lord, Here Am I" - Mark Weston

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**All: Risen Christ open our hearts to your living Word that we encounter in this reading. By your Spirit, let resurrection light guide our understanding. Amen**

SCRIPTURE - John 4:16-30, 39-42 (Common English Bible)

SERMON *Called: We Are Called to build relationships* - Rev. Robb McCoy

## RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

RESPONSE HYMN #572 "Pass It On"

### INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

\*OFFERTORY #593 UMH "Here I Am, Lord" (v. 1-2)

*All are invited to place your offering and the detached part of the bulletin in the offering basin at the front as we sing*

### TUMAINI CHOIR

### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Holy God, we come before in awe of Jesus' willingness to cross social and cultural boundaries to offer living water to a thirsty soul. In seeing her, he saved her. In an isolated world full of people thirsty for connection, we are called to see others and we are blessed to be seen.

God, we thank you for this encounter. Keep us mindful of our need for your grace. We are called to be connected to others in a real and meaningful way.

We bring you these gifts so that you may use them now. We share our service, creativity, ideas, and resources because they were all first given by you. Thank you for seeing us, as you first saw the woman at the well. We will follow you. Amen.

\*DOXOLOGY #94 UMH

\*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE "God of All Righteousness" - David Paxton

## PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

May 10, 2026

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Prayers for our Church and its ministry:

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Prayers for people I know:

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I have permission to publish this prayer.

I do not have permission to publish this prayer.

Prayers for the community/world:

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Prayers for myself:

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*\*=please rise if you are able*

*UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (red book) FWS = Faith We Sing (black book).*

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