

Name _____

☐ First time guest

☐ Returning guest

☐ Interested in baptism or membership

☐ Member

New Contact Information

Phone _____

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August Weeknight Study

Pastor Robb would like to offer a 5-week study using Marcus Borg’s *Embracing an Adult Faith*, but there are other options as well. If you are interested in a short-term summer study, select which topic and which evening would work best for you.

Which night would be best?

- ☐ Monday
- ☐ Tuesday
- ☐ Wednesday
- ☐ Thursday

What topic is most interesting?

- ☐ World Religions
- ☐ Theology of LGBTQ inclusion
- ☐ Bible Basics
- ☐ *Embracing an Adult Faith*, by Borg



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 July 12, 2026

Swahili Sunday School - 10:45 am Asbury Parlor
Kids & Youth Sunday School - 10:45 am Nursery

Discipleship Schedule

Monday Bible Study is on a summer break and will resume on August 3 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.

Two Rivers Summer Picnic Join us today from 4 - 7pm for a wonderful outdoor picnic at Camp Milan (1328 127th Avenue, Milan) The church will provide meat, drinks, and ice cream for all guests. Participants are encouraged to bring a side dish or dessert to share. While plates and utensils will be available, bringing your own place settings would be greatly appreciated. There will be games and activities for all ages. This is a great opportunity to introduce friends and family to our Two Rivers Church community.

Young Adult Pie Day! Wednesdays at 5:30 pm All young adults (roughly 18-25) are invited to the Village Inn in Moline (2001 1st Street A) for a time of fellowship and short Bible study with Pastor Robb. Invite friends that might be interested in discussing faith, sharing about life, and making good friends. The pie is on Robb!

African NATIONALS Evangelical Conference in Cedar Rapids The African National congregation of Saint Paul United Methodist Church has invited the people of Two Rivers Church to participate their Mega Conference the weekend of July 25 & 26. Pastor Robb will be one of the preachers at this event on Sunday, July 26. There will be singing, music, dancing, and worship with African immigrants that make St. Paul UMC their church home. On Sunday, the event will start around 11:00 a.m., with Pastor Robb speaking close to 1:00 p.m. The drive from Two Rivers UMC to St. Paul takes about 90 minutes. A group will go in a carpool right after our worship ends at 10:30 to make it to the revival.

Guest Wifi



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July 12, 2026
The seventh Sunday After Pentecost
Proverbs 31:10-31

A competent wife, how does one find her? Her value is far above pearls. Her husband entrusts his heart to her, and with her he will have all he needs. She brings him good and not trouble all the days of her life. She seeks out wool and flax; she works joyfully with her hands. She is like a fleet of merchant ships, bringing food from a distance. She gets up while it is still night, providing food for her household, even some for her female servants. She surveys a field and acquires it; from her own resources, she plants a vineyard. She works energetically; her arms are powerful. She realizes that her trading is successful; she doesn't put out her lamp at night. She puts her hands to the spindle; her palms grasp the whorl. She reaches out to the needy; she stretches out her hands to the poor. She doesn't fear for her household when it snows, because they are all dressed in warm clothes. She makes bedspreads for herself; fine linen and purple are her clothing. Her husband is known in the city gates when he sits with the elders of the land. She makes garments and sells them; she supplies sashes to traders. Strength and honor are her clothing; she is confident about the future. Her mouth is full of wisdom; kindly teaching is on her tongue. She is vigilant over the activities of her household; she doesn't eat the food of laziness. Her children bless her; her husband praises her: "Many women act competently, but you surpass them all!" Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Let her share in the results of her work; let her deeds praise her in the city gates.

GATHERING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

PRELUDE Meditation on “How Great Thou Art” -J. Carter

GREETING

*CALL TO WISDOM

One: Lady Wisdom calls from the city gate. Her voice rings out over the noise of the chaos and the seduction of the wicked.

<bell>

One: She calls the curious and the weary, the young and the old, the bold and the unsure. From her lips come what is right. Her mouth utters truth.

<bell>

One: From the heights of the path she cries out, “Let us unite the pair so long disjoined, knowledge and vital piety.”

<bell>

All: Lady Wisdom, we rise to you meet you here. We will listen to the sound of your voice and sing praise to the Spirit who calls.

<bell>

*HYMN #474 UMH “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Lady Wisdom lifts up praise of women, and sings the song of “Women of Valor.” Fearful, weak-minded men build structures of inequality. Women are excluded from public spaces, shut out of places of influence, and belittled by society. But still, they persisted. While pride has been called the greatest sin of man, we know that lack of pride - self erasure - is the greatest sin of women. Forgive us for not trusting the Holy Spirit, which is poured out on all. Forgive us for taking for granted the work of women in our society, and for ignoring the women of valor among us. Give us the strength to repair the divisions between genders, restore trust, and build a better future together as one humanity made in the image of God.

Pause for silent confession and reflection

One: Listen, God’s people, “Your young will see visions and your old will dream dreams. Upon God’s servants, men and women, the Spirit will be poured out, and they will prophesy.

All: The Spirit of forgiveness and grace is poured out for us. The day of the LORD is upon us, we will rejoice and be glad in it.

*PASSING THE PEACE

PRAYER SONG #420 UMH “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” vs. 1 & 3

**=please rise if you are able*

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

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PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING "May They See Jesus" - James P. Colman
Jon Hansen

PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS

CHILDREN’S TIME “The Paper Bag Princess” by Robert Munsch

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Holy Spirit, illuminate these words of Scripture so that we may know Wisdom. Reveal to us your prophetic vision and your dream of peace.

SCRIPTURE - Proverbs 31:10-31 (CEB)

SERMON *The Song of Women of Valor* - Rev. Robb McCoy

RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

RESPONSE HYMN #711 UMH “For All the Saints” (v. 1, 2, 6)

*OFFERTORY #404 UMH “Every Time I Feel the Spirit” (v. 1)

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

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of all the Saints, we give praise to the strength and perseverance of those who have confessed the good news of Jesus and have worked to strengthen the Kingdom. Today we stop and give particular praise to the Women of Valor who create compassionate spaces and advocated for a more just world. We give thanks to those women who educate, advocate, feed, and heal. We give thanks to the Paper Bag princesses who take matters into their own hands and face the dragons that need to be slayed. We give this gift back to God, thankful for the strength God has shared. Use it, God of all the Saints, to empower us to rise to the occasion and slay the dragons of our world. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY #94 UMH

*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE “Finale” - Handel/arr. R. Parks

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK
July 12, 2026

Your Name_____

Prayers for our Church and its ministry:

Prayers for people I know:

☐ I have permission to publish this prayer.

☐ I do not have permission to publish this prayer.

Prayers for the community/world:

Prayers for myself:
