Name _____

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

New Contact Information

Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____

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I want to learn more about

Connection ministries

- ❑ Translation Device Host
- ❑ Ushering
- ❑ Respite Care with UM Connection

Service ministries

- ❑ Community meal
- ❑ Operation Safety Net
- ❑ Respite Care with UM Connection

Discipleship ministries

- ❑ Adult Education
- ❑ Sunday school volunteer
- ❑ Lay Servant Ministries

Worship

- ❑ Liturgist
- ❑ Ushering
- ❑ Worship design (table decor)

Administration

- ❑ ChangeMakers Goal Setting
- ❑ Church Committees
- ❑ Office help

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 November 1, 2026

Adult Sunday School -10:45 am 1st floor classroom ***(No Class November 1st)***
Swahili Sunday School - 10:45 am Asbury Parlor 2nd Floor
Kids & Youth Choir and Sunday School - 10:30 am 3rd floor classrooms

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.

Annual Charge Conference in Aledo, IL This year's Two Rivers UMC Charge Conference will be held this afternoon at 1:30pm. Aledo United Methodist Church (301 N College Ave, Aledo, IL) will be the host church for our area this year. Everyone is invited to attend.

Two Rivers Ministry Informational Event Next Sunday, November 8, all and invited to stay after worship in the back of the sanctuary for some light refreshments and a chance to learn more about our 5 ministry areas and how you can get involved.

Guest Wifi

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TWO RIVERS CHURCH

A RECONCILING UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

November 1, 2026

All Saints' Sunday

1 Thessalonians 2:13-20

We also thank God constantly for this: when you accepted God's word that you heard from us, you welcomed it for what it truly is. Instead of accepting it as a human message, you accepted it as God's message, and it continues to work in you who are believers. Brothers and sisters, you became imitators of the churches of God in Judea, which are in Christ Jesus. This was because you also suffered the same things from your own people as they did from the Jews. They killed both the Lord Jesus and the prophets and drove us out. They don't please God, and they are hostile to the entire human race when they try to stop us from speaking to the Gentiles so they can be saved. Their sins are constantly pushing the limit. God's wrath has caught up with them in the end.

Brothers and sisters, we were separated from you for a while physically but not in our hearts. We made every effort in our desire to see you again face-to-face. We wanted to come to you—I, Paul, tried over and over again—and Satan stopped us. What is our hope, joy, or crown that we can brag about in front of our Lord Jesus when he comes? Isn't it all of you? You are our glory and joy!

GATHERING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

PRELUDE

GREETING

***CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 34**
Responsive reading found on page 769 of the Red Hymnal
Sung Response: #2
O magnify the Lord with me; with me exalt God's name!

*** HYMN #700 UMH "Abide With Me"**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

All: Faithful God, you call us to be your people, not as individuals but together. We confess that we are still becoming. Our faith grows tired, our hope wears thin, and our love keeps score. We tear down when you call us to build one another up. We hurry past the weary and stay quiet when courage is needed. We want to be holy without the hard work of belonging to one another. Forgive us. Mend what is broken in us and between us, and make us whole. In this time of silence, hear the prayers we cannot say aloud.

Pause for silent confession and reflection

One: Hear the Good News: the One who calls us is faithful, and God will finish what God has begun in us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

PRAYER SONG #451 UMH "Be Thou My Vision" vs 1

PASTORAL PRAYER

COMMUNION OF THE SAINTS (See insert)

Lee Farrar	Pauline Durham
Janice Peterson	Willene Sowell
Josephine Rusage	

**=please rise if you are able*
UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (red book) FWS = Faith We Sing (black book).
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PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS

ANTHEM "It Is Well With My Soul" (John Ness Beck) – Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen

SCRIPTURE 1 Thessalonians 2:13-20 (CEB)

SERMON *Becoming a Community of encouragement and endurance* - Rev. Robb McCoy

RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

KIDS' CHOIR "This Little Light of Mine"

HOLY COMMUNION AND LORD'S PRAYER

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

***OFFERTORY #2223 FWS "They Will Know We are Christians by Our Love"**
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 DEDICATION**

All: Creating God, you are knitting us together into a community of encouragement and endurance. We give thanks for the saints who have run their race in faith and now rest from their labor. We are thankful to stand here in their presence. We gain endurance from their encouragement, their persistent dedication, and their continued spiritual presence in our congregation. With this gift, we seek to be imitators of Christ, who gave himself so that others may live. We bring this gift as a sign of our commitment to what Christ founded, what the saints built, and what we carry forward. Amen.

***DOXOLOGY #94 UMH**

***BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK
November 1, 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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