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New Contact Information:

Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____

Opportunities to serve

Saturday Meal Site opportunities to serve:

- Hosts: Someone who can greet guests and sit with them during the meal.
- Clean-up crew. Come around 12:00-1:30pm.
- Provide grocery bags and/or gloves for Meal Site & Operation Safety Net

Worship team opportunities to serve:

- Greeter—Greet people at the West parking lot.
- Usher—Greet people as they come into the service. Help with offering and Communion.
- Video—Get behind the camera to make a video recording of the sermon.
- Editor—Take the footage of the worship series and edit into a video to be posted on youtube.
- Sound—Help with the sound board, making sure mic levels are correct during worship.
- Slides—Help switch the slides during the service.

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Announcements

We are blessed by your presence, and pray that worship is meaningful for you. You are invited to note your attendance and mailing address on the blue attendance tear-off sheet found in each bulletin. This sheet may be left at your seat for the ushers to gather after service. We encourage family participation in worship. We can provide activity bags for children upon request. Please see an usher for more information. Ushers can also provide you with large print bulletins if needed. We extend a special welcome to you and trust you will experience God's presence today.

Sunday School Classes

Adult Sunday School Class @ 10:30am— Asbury Parlor and Zoom
Swahili Bible Study Class @10:30am—Swahili Class Room
Children & Youth Sunday School @ 10:30am— Epworth Hall

Discipleship Schedule Monday Noon Bible Study meets in-person in Epworth Hall and on Zoom. Wednesday Noon Prayer & Devotion Time continues to meet on Facebook Live and Zoom. Zoom Meeting ID # for both is 961 006 728. All Zoom meetings can also be joined by phone simply by dial 312-626-6799. Once connected, dial the Meeting ID # 961 006 728, and you will join in the conversation.

Adult Sunday School The Adult Sunday School class will be finishing their "Making Sense of the Bible" study in class this morning and will be participating in the Hanging of the Greens next week. On Sunday, November 28th the class will begin their Advent study guided by the book, "All the Good: A Wesleyan Way of Christmas". All adults are invited to attend.

Hanging of the Greens On Sunday, November 21 we will gather in the Sanctuary following the service for our annual "Hanging of the Greens". It will be all hands on deck as we decorate our church for the Advent season. Because of Covid we are limiting the decorations that are put up this year. Any questions regarding the Hanging of the Greens can be directed to Mark Swessinger at 309 -788-2440 or mswess@mchsi.com

Little Free Pantry As a Two Rivers' congregational project, our Little Free Pantry is dependent on our individual donations. Providing unscented hand creams or lotions, lip moisturizers, hand sanitizers, tissues, disposable masks, feminine hygiene products, diapers, and nonperishable foods will help keep our Free Little Pantry stocked. Your donated items may be brought to the Church during regular office hours or placed in the labeled box at the back of the sanctuary before services on Sundays.

Network: Two Rivers Sanctuary
Password: TwoRivers2013
www.TwoRiversUMC.org



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Narrative Lectionary year 4, week 10



Amos 1:1-2

1 These are the words of Amos, one of the shepherds of Tekoa. He perceived these things concerning Israel two years before the earthquake, in the days of Judah's King Uzziah and in the days of Israel's King Jeroboam, Joash's son.

2 He said:

The Lord roars from Zion.

He shouts from Jerusalem;
the pastures of the shepherds wither,
and the top of Carmel dries up.

5:14-15

14 Seek good and not evil,
that you may live;
and so the Lord, the God of heavenly forces,
will be with you just as you have said.

15 Hate evil, love good,
and establish justice at the city gate.
Perhaps the Lord God of heavenly forces
will be gracious to what is left of Joseph.

5:21-24

21 I hate, I reject your festivals;
I don't enjoy your joyous assemblies.

22 If you bring me your entirely burned offerings and gifts of food—

I won't be pleased;

I won't even look at your offerings of well-fed animals.

23 Take away the noise of your songs;

I won't listen to the melody of your harps.

24 But let justice roll down like waters,

and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Prelude "River of Glory" - Dan Schutte

Greeting

A Litany for Veterans - See Insert

***Call to Worship (adapted from Micah 4:2-4)**

One: Out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He will judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between the nations.

All: They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

***Opening Hymn #157 UMH "Jesus Shall Reign" vs. 1 & 5**

***Prayer of Confession (adapted from Amos 5:10-13)**

All: To the one who made the stars and turns deep darkness into morning, and darkens day into night, who calls for the waters of the sea, and pours them out on the surface of the earth, we ask for forgiveness. We hate the ones who do justice. We abhor the one who speaks the truth. We trample the poor. Our transgressions are great. The righteous are afflicted. The leaders take bribes, and the needy are pushed aside. Hear our cries of confession, O Lord.

(Pause for silent reflection and confession)

One: Hear the Lord your God: Seek good and not evil that you may live and the Lord, the God of hosts will be with you.

All: We will hate evil and love good. We are redeemed by the steadfast love of God. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

Spirit Hymn #408 UMH "The Gift of Love" vs. 1

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 "Ring Forth His Praise" - B. Burroughs
Two Rivers Handbell Choir

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

All: Holy God, open our hearts to the story of your love. Open our minds to new ways of knowing you. Open our doors for all whom you would welcome. Amen.

Scripture Reading Amos 1:1-2; 5:14-15, 21-24 (CEB)

Sermon Do Justice: Justice Rolls Down - Mark Swessinger

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Response Hymn #731 "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" vs. 1 & 4

Offering Reflection and Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: We will thank you God, with our whole heart. We will talk about your wonderful acts. We will celebrate and rejoice in you.

All: Holy and Gracious God, we are thankful for the created world and our place in it. We are thankful for the Son, and the forgiveness and grace he offers. We are thankful for the Spirit, which empowers us to change the world. We are thankful for your Church, and the call you place upon the hearts of all believers. We pause to reflect on how we may respond to your great gifts.

(Pause for Silent Reflection and Gratitude)

One: We will sing praises to your name, Most High. Amen.

***Closing Hymn #438 UMH "Forth in Thy Name" v. 1**

***Blessing and Dismissal**

Postlude "Rain Down" - Cortez

* You are invited to stand as you are able.
FWS - The Faith We Sing (black hymnal)
UMH - United Methodist Hymnal (red hymnal)
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PRAYER MINISTRY

NAME: _____

Who would you like to see this prayer?

- Pastor Only.** Only the pastor will see this prayer. He will most likely see it and be in prayer for it on Monday morning.
- Prayer Chain.** These prayers will be sent to those who have signed up for prayer chain email. They will also be prayed for by name only during our Wednesday online prayer service. Names only will be printed in newsletter if it is an ongoing need.

Please be in prayer for:

Please pray for this:

- For this week only.
- Until _____
- This is an ongoing need.

I am interested in being a part of the Prayer Chain:

Email: _____