

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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

### New Contact Information:

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Opportunities to serve

#### Random acts of kindness:

- Hold a door open for someone.
- Volunteer to help with the Children's Sunday School class.
- Pray for the people, leadership, and ministry of Two Rivers Church.
- Pray for the people of Ukraine and all the refugees of the world.

#### Saturday Meal Site opportunities to serve:

- Donate new or used household items to Operation Safety Net.
- Provide grocery bags 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.
- Tech Support -Video recording, editing, sound board and /or slides. Get behind the scenes and help create a meaningful worship experience for those in the sanctuary and those watching from home.

March 20, 2022

## 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**  
**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 every Monday at 12pm. Wednesday Noon Prayer & Devotion Time continues to meet on Facebook Live and Zoom. Zoom Meeting ID # for Wednesday is 961 006 728. The Zoom meeting 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 Class: Foundations** For the six weeks in Lent, the Adult Sunday school class will be led by Pastor Robb. Adults new to the church as well as long-time members are invited to this short-term study. Those interested in baptism or membership are encouraged to be a part of this group. We hope to welcome new members on Easter Sunday (April 17). The six week class will have sessions on: Church history, Bible Formation, Means of Grace, Sacraments in the United Methodist Church, The United Methodist Connection, and Issues Facing the UMC.

**Volunteers and Workers Needed** The Church is looking for volunteers to help with the Children's Sunday School class. We are also looking to hire 2 Nursery Attendance so we can once again provide childcare during worship and Sunday School. If you or someone you know would be interested in working with the children of the church please contact the church office.

**Two Rivers Choirs Are Back!** The Two Rivers Handbell Choir rehearses on Wednesdays at 6pm in the sanctuary. The long awaited return of the Sanctuary choir rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, **March 23** at 7:30pm. All those eager to get back to making a joyful noise to the Lord are encouraged to attend one or both of these rehearsals.

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



Donation QR Code

March 20, 2022  
Third Sunday of Lent



### John 18:12-27 (CEB)

Then the company of soldiers, the commander, and the guards from the Jewish leaders took Jesus into custody. They bound him and led him first to Annas. He was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, the high priest that year. (Caiaphas was the one who had advised the Jewish leaders that it was better for one person to die for the people.)

Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Because this other disciple was known to the high priest, he went with Jesus into the high priest's courtyard. However, Peter stood outside near the gate. Then the other disciple (the one known to the high priest) came out and spoke to the woman stationed at the gate, and she brought Peter in. The servant woman stationed at the gate asked Peter, "Aren't you one of this man's disciples?"

"I'm not," he replied. The servants and the guards had made a fire because it was cold. They were standing around it, warming themselves. Peter joined them there, standing by the fire and warming himself.

Meanwhile, the chief priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching. Jesus answered, "I've spoken openly to the world. I've always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all the Jews gather. I've said nothing in private. Why ask me? Ask those who heard what I told them. They know what I said."

After Jesus spoke, one of the guards standing there slapped Jesus in the face. "Is that how you would answer the high priest?" he asked.

Jesus replied, "If I speak wrongly, testify about what was wrong. But if I speak correctly, why do you strike me?" Then Annas sent him, bound, to Caiaphas the high priest.

Meanwhile, Simon Peter was still standing with the guards, warming himself. They asked, "Aren't you one of his disciples?"

Peter denied it, saying, "I'm not."

A servant of the high priest, a relative of the one whose ear Peter had cut off, said to him, "Didn't I see you in the garden with him?" Peter denied it again, and immediately a rooster crowed.

## GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Prelude "El-Shaddai" - Amy Grant

Greeting

\*Call to Worship (adapted John 20:30-31)

One: Jesus did many signs in the presence of his disciples which are not written. But these are written so that you may come to believe:

All: That Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

\*Hymn—#2108 FWS "O How He Loves You and Me"

\*Prayer of Confession

All: Heal us, Emmanuel, Hear our prayer. Our deeply wounded souls are in need of repair. We are wounded by alienation, isolation, apathy, and contempt. We are wounded by feeling forsaken and neglected. We are wounded by cries of the needy, the fear of war, and the feeble security our labor and the world provides. Forgive us our sin and restore our relationships with our neighbor and with Creation. Help us to turn from paths that lead to desolation and despair. Guide us to your bosom. Hold us in your loving arms. Lead us beside the still waters so that we may know your peace.

*(Pause for silent reflection and confession)*

One: Hear the good news: In the name of Jesus, the Good Shepherd who knows the voice of his sheep, you are loved, restored, and forgiven.

All: We know the voice of our Good Shepherd, who calls us to love and restoration. We are forgiven. Amen.

\*Passing of the Peace

Spirit Hymn #266 UMH "Heal Us, Emmanuel, Hear Our Prayer" 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

"Lamb of God" -Twila Paris/arr. Lloyd Larson  
#2113 FWS  
Nancy Schwegler, piano

## 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

John 18:12-27(CEB)

Sermon

The Last Week—Peter's Denial - Rev. Robb McCoy

## RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Response Hymn #292

"What Wonderous Love is This" vs. 1 & 2

Offering Reflection and Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: They asked Peter if he was Jesus' disciple, and all he could say was, "I am not." Yet Peter became the rock upon which the Church was built. We are thankful that you are a God of more than just second chances.

All: You so love the world that you show us the way to life. Even in your last week, while you were arrested, tried, and condemned, your love never failed. Your path never faltered. You are the Good Shepherd and you are the Lamb of God. We pour out our thanks and ponder the goodness of your path. We pause and reflect on the ways that we may abide with you in generosity and love.

*(pause for silent reflection and thanksgiving)*

\*Doxology #95 UMH

\*Blessing

\*Hymn #301

"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" vs. 1 & 2

Postlude

"Lead Us Lord"

- John Becker

\* 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 first name only during our Wednesday online prayer service.

Please be in prayer for:

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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: \_\_\_\_\_