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

New Contact Information:

Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____

Opportunities to serve

Random acts of kindness:

- Pick up trash around your neighborhood.
- Pray for the people, leadership, and ministry of Two Rivers Church.
- Pray for peace in the world.

Two Rivers Outreach Ministry opportunities:

- Donate new or used household items to Operation Safety Net.
- Provide grocery bags for Meal Site & Operation Safety Net
- Donate non-perishable food and hygiene products for our Little Free Pantry.

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.

September 11, 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 placed in the collection bowl at the front of the sanctuary 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.

Adult Sunday School—10:45 am in the Asbury Parlor

Discipleship Schedule Monday Bible Study meets in-person every week in Epworth Hall at noon. Wednesday Prayer & Devotion Time also continues to meet 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 dial 312-626-6799. Once connected, dial the Meeting ID # 961 006 728, and you will join in the conversation.

Amani Café Amani Café is a new ministry concept that is similar to the NEST Cafe model, but with members of Two Rivers Church and African food. The long-term dream is to open a non-profit restaurant in Rock Island that would employ and provide support to African immigrants in our community. Today, the Amani Cafe team will host a fundraiser lunch after worship at 11:00 a.m. All are invited to Epworth Hall to sample a meal of East African food. Donations can be made as a love offering to help get this Amani Cafe started.

Young Lions Roar This is an after school writing program that will launch Tomorrow, September 12 at Two Rivers Church. This program will take place on Mondays and Tuesdays after school from 3:30-5:30. with Aubrey Barnes as it's lead facilitator for students in grades 7-12. The program will help lead students through writing, poetry, song-writing, and rap and spoken-word performances. Aubrey has invited several guest teachers to be a part of the program. Volunteer opportunities are available for people to help with snacks, one-on-one listening, and group guides. If you have questions about what volunteers can do, please contact Pastor Robb.

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



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Exodus 2:11-22 (CEB)

One day after Moses had become an adult, he went out among his people and he saw their forced labor. He saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his own people. He looked around to make sure no one else was there. Then he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand.

When Moses went out the next day, he saw two Hebrew men fighting with each other. Moses said to the one who had started the fight, "Why are you abusing your fellow Hebrew?"

He replied, "Who made you a boss or judge over us? Are you planning to kill me like you killed the Egyptian?"

Then Moses was afraid when he realized: They obviously know what I did. When Pharaoh heard about it, he tried to kill Moses.

But Moses ran away from Pharaoh and settled down in the land of Midian. One day Moses was sitting by a well. Now there was a Midianite priest who had seven daughters. The daughters came to draw water and fill the troughs so that their father's flock could drink. But some shepherds came along and rudely chased them away. Moses got up, rescued the women, and gave their flock water to drink.

When they went back home to their father Reuel, he asked, "How were you able to come back home so soon today?"

They replied, "An Egyptian man rescued us from a bunch of shepherds. Afterward, he even helped us draw water to let the flock drink."

Reuel said to his daughters, "So where is he? Why did you leave this man? Invite him to eat a meal with us."

Moses agreed to come and live with the man, who gave his daughter Zipporah to Moses as his wife. She gave birth to a son, and Moses named him Gershom, "because," he said, "I've been an immigrant living in a foreign land."

Exodus 3:1-12

Moses was taking care of the flock for his father-in-law Jethro, Midian's priest. He led his flock out to the edge of the desert, and he came to God's mountain called Horeb. The Lord's messenger appeared to him in a flame of fire in the middle of a bush. Moses saw that the bush was in flames, but it didn't burn up. Then Moses said to himself, Let me check out this amazing sight and find out why the bush isn't burning up.

When the Lord saw that he was coming to look, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!"

Moses said, "I'm here."

Then the Lord said, "Don't come any closer! Take off your sandals, because you are standing on holy ground." He continued, "I am the God of your father, Abraham's God, Isaac's God, and Jacob's God." Moses hid his face because he was afraid to look at God.

Then the Lord said, "I've clearly seen my people oppressed in Egypt. I've heard their cry of injustice because of their slave masters. I know about their pain. I've come down to rescue them from the Egyptians in order to take them out of that land and bring them to a good and broad land, a land that's full of milk and honey, a place where the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites all live. Now the Israelites' cries of injustice have reached me. I've seen just how much the Egyptians have oppressed them. So get going. I'm sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I to go to Pharaoh and to bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

God said, "I'll be with you. And this will show you that I'm the one who sent you. After you bring the people out of Egypt, you will come back here and worship God on this mountain."

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Prelude "We are Standing on Holy Ground" - Geron Davis

Greeting

*Opening Hymn #341 UMH "I Sought the Lord" vs. 1 & 3

*Prayer of Confession inspired by Exodus 32

All: God of our salvation, we admit that we are a stubborn people. Even though we know you provide, we fear scarcity. Even though we know you liberate, we choose bondage. Even though we know you provide instruction, we choose our own path. Forgive us for the idols we have built, the false gods we have worshiped, and the redemption we have refused. Remember your promise, even if we neglect ours. Forgive us for the ways in which we have strayed and strengthen our commitment to love you and love one another.

(Pause for silent reflection and confession)

One: Hear the good news, God is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. God remembers the covenant of Moses and offers us a new covenant in Christ.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

Spirit Hymn #111 UMH "How Can We Name a 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.

Anthem "Lead Me, Lord" - Perry
Two Rivers Sanctuary 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 Readings Exodus 2:11-22 & 3:1-12 (CEB)

Sermon "Moses—The Well & The Bush" - Rev. Robb McCoy

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Response Song #2272 FWS "Holy Ground" x2

New Member Reception *Dorothy Bundy* Page 48 UMH

Invitation to Discipleship

*Doxology #94 UMH

*Prayer of Thanksgiving adapted from Exodus 15

One: Sing to the Lord for an overflowing victory! Horse and rider he has thrown into the sea.

All: The Lord is my strength and my power. He has become my salvation. This is my God whom I will praise, the God of my ancestors whom I will thank. When terror spread over God's people, you brought them in and planted them on your own mountain. The Lord will rule forever and always.

(Pause for silent reflection and thanks)

One: Amen

*Closing Hymn #448 UMH "Go Down, Moses" vs. 1 & 11

*Blessing

Postlude "Patriotic Melody"

* 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:

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: _____