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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:

- Compliment a stranger.
- 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 18, 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

Kids Sunday School—10:45 am starts in Epworth Hall

Swahili Sunday School—10:45 am in the Swahili Class

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.

UMM Meeting Methodist Men of Two Rivers will be having a meeting on Tuesday, September 20 at 6:00 pm in Epworth Hall. The propose of this meeting is to re-connect and discuss future needs and projects ongoing.

Youth Group meeting at Trinity Lutheran in Moline The Two Rivers Kids and Youth continue their weekly meetings with Trinity Lutheran Church (Moline). On September 18 & 25, we will meet from 3:00-5:00 at Trinity Lutheran. September 18 is for 4th-12th graders for faith formation. September 25 will be a Family Fun Night. Parents and younger kids are invited too!

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



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September 18, 2022
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 14:10-29 (CEB)

As Pharaoh drew closer, the Israelites looked back and saw the Egyptians marching toward them. The Israelites were terrified and cried out to the Lord. They said to Moses, “Weren’t there enough graves in Egypt that you took us away to die in the desert? What have you done to us by bringing us out of Egypt like this? Didn’t we tell you the same thing in Egypt? ‘Leave us alone! Let us work for the Egyptians!’ It would have been better for us to work for the Egyptians than to die in the desert.”

But Moses said to the people, “Don’t be afraid. Stand your ground, and watch the Lord rescue you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. The Lord will fight for you. You just keep still.”

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Why do you cry out to me? Tell the Israelites to get moving. As for you, lift your shepherd’s rod, stretch out your hand over the sea, and split it in two so that the Israelites can go into the sea on dry ground. But me, I’ll make the Egyptians stubborn so that they will go in after them, and I’ll gain honor at the expense of Pharaoh, all his army, his chariots, and his cavalry. The Egyptians will know that I am the Lord, when I gain honor at the expense of Pharaoh, his chariots, and his cavalry.”

God’s messenger, who had been in front of Israel’s camp, moved and went behind them. The column of cloud moved from the front and took its place behind them. It stood between Egypt’s camp and Israel’s camp. The cloud remained there, and when darkness fell it lit up the night. They didn’t come near each other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord pushed the sea back by a strong east wind all night, turning the sea into dry land. The waters were split into two. The Israelites walked into the sea on dry ground. The waters formed a wall for them on their right hand and on their left. The Egyptians chased them and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh’s horses, chariots, and cavalry. As morning approached, the Lord looked down on the Egyptian camp from the column of lightning and cloud and threw the Egyptian camp into a panic. The Lord jammed their chariot wheels so that they wouldn’t turn easily. The Egyptians said, “Let’s get away from the Israelites, because the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt!”

Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the water comes back and covers the Egyptians, their chariots, and their cavalry.” So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. At daybreak, the sea returned to its normal depth. The Egyptians were driving toward it, and the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the cavalry, Pharaoh’s entire army that had followed them into the sea. Not one of them remained. The Israelites, however, walked on dry ground through the sea. The waters formed a wall for them on their right hand and on their left.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Prelude "Be Still and Know" - Steven Curtis Chapman

Greeting

*Opening Hymn #348 UMH "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling" vs. 1 & 4

*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 "Allelu, Yaweh" - Pulkingham
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 14:10-29 (CEB)

Interlude "Trust" - G. Neumark/arr. Roger Summers
"If you will trust in God to guide you"
Nancy Schwegler, piano

Sermon "Moses—The Sea & The Dry Land" - Rev. Robb McCoy

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Response Song—See Screens "Tis Good to Live in Canaan" vs. 1 & 3

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 "Shout to the Lord" - Zscheck

* 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: _____