

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:

- Do something nice for a veteran this week.
- Pray for the people, leadership, and ministry of Two Rivers Church.
- Pray for peace in the world.

#### Two Rivers Outreach Ministry opportunities:

- Attend the Combined for Christ Thanksgiving Potluck at Camp Milan Nov 20th at 3pm and get to know some awesome youth in our church.
- Provide blankets, hats and cheap cotton gloves to 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.

November 13, 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.

**Hanging of the Greens** Next Sunday, November 20 we will gather in the Sanctuary following service for our annual "Hanging of the Greens". It will be all hands on deck as we decorate our church for the Advent season. The Chrismon tree will be erected and festooned with the many beautiful handmade Chrismon ornaments. The Giving tree will be put up and decorated with information about families and children for whom we help make Christmas happen. The communion table and the Advent wreath will be assembled and decorated for the season. There will be two garlands to be hung at the front of the church and across the balcony. Plus several other decorations to be hung or put up around the church. In addition, we will put up and decorate trees in the parlor and the fellowship hall and hang a large wreath in the West Entrance. Mark your calendars and join us on November 20, to make our church festive and bright.

**Combined for Christ Thanksgiving Potluck** The November 20th gathering for Combine for Christ will be a special pot-luck celebration of Thanksgiving at Camp Milan Retreat Center. This celebration of our joint ministry will be from 3:00-5:00 and people are invited to bring dishes to share that reflect their cultural heritage. Adults from both churches are also invited to be a part of the celebration.

**Operation Safety Net Needs:** Cheap cotton work gloves, winter hats and blankets.

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



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Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost



### Micah 1:3-5 (CEB)

Look! The Lord is coming out from his place;  
he will go down and tread on the shrines of the earth.  
Then the mountains will melt under him;  
the valleys will split apart,  
like wax yielding to the fire,  
like waters poured down a slope.  
All this is for the crime of Jacob  
and the sins of the house of Israel.  
Who is responsible for the crime of Jacob?  
Isn't it Samaria?  
Who is responsible for the shrines of Judah?  
Isn't it Jerusalem?

### Micah 5:2-5a

As for you, Bethlehem of Ephrathah,  
though you are the least significant of Judah's forces,  
one who is to be a ruler in Israel on my behalf will come out from you.  
His origin is from remote times, from ancient days.  
Therefore, he will give them up  
until the time when she who is in labor gives birth.  
The rest of his kin will return to the people of Israel.  
He will stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord,  
in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.  
They will dwell secure,  
because he will surely become great throughout the earth;  
he will become one of peace.  
When Assyria invades our land and treads down our fortresses,  
then we will raise up against him seven shepherds and eight human princes.

### Micah 6:6-8

With what should I approach the Lord  
and bow down before God on high?  
Should I come before him with entirely burned offerings,  
with year-old calves?  
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with many torrents of oil?  
Should I give my oldest child for my crime;  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my spirit?  
He has told you, human one, what is good and  
what the Lord requires from you:  
to do justice, embrace faithful love, and walk humbly with your God.

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Prelude "The Canticle of the Sun" - M. Haugen
Greeting
A Litany for Veterans - See Insert
\*Opening Hymn #138 UMH "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" vs. 1 & 6
\*Prayer of Confession inspired by Psalm 51
All: Have mercy on me, God according to your faithful love. Wipe away my wrongdoings according to your great compassion. Wash me completely clean of my guilt; purify me from my sin. Because I know my wrongdoings. I am constantly aware of the ways I have missed the mark of your love. Yes God, I was born into a system built on guilt and sin. From my earliest moments, I have been a part of a world that glorifies greed and violence. Yet you teach wisdom. You show us the path to salvation that breaks free from harm and exploitation. Let me hear joy and celebration again. Let our spirits that are crushed rejoice once more.
(Pause for silent reflection and confession)
One: Hear the good news, God wipes away your guilty deeds and restores joy and sets us on the path of peace and reconciliation.
All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.
\*Passing of the Peace
Spirit Hymn #354 UMH "I Surrender All" 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 "Offertory" - Beck
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 Reading Micah 1:3-5; 5:2-5a; 6:6-8 (CEB)
Sermon "Mercy, Justice, and Peace" - Rev. Robb McCoy

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Response Hymn #441 "What Does the Lord Require of Me" vs. 1 & 4
Invitation to Discipleship
\*Doxology #94 UMH
\*Prayer of Thanksgiving adapted from Joshua 24
One: And now, be in awe of the Lord and serve him with wholeness and truth. Put away your idols and focus your energy and love on God.
All: Far be it from us to forsake the Lord and to serve other gods. For the Lord our God brings our ancestors and us up from the land of Egypt, from the house of slaves. And it was he who wrought before our eyes these great signs and guarded us on our way. As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.
(Pause for silent reflection and thanks)
One: Amen

\*Closing Hymn #554 UMH "All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord" vs. 1 & 2
\*Blessing
Postlude "Lord of All Hopefulness" - J. Struther

\* 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: \_\_\_\_\_