

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:

- Lend a friend a favorite book or movie.
- 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 blankets 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:

- Liturgist**— Assist Pastor in readings and communion during worship.
- Greeter**— Greet people at the West parking lot.
- 4th Sunday 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.

## January 29, 2023 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** (The Adult Sunday School Class will be joining the LGBTQ Inclusion Study lead by Pastor Robb in the back of the sanctuary)

**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.

**Conversations around LGBTQ inclusion Jan. 8—Feb. 19** During the Sunday school hour, Pastor Robb will lead a discussion / 7-week study and writing process on LGBTQ Inclusion at the back of the sanctuary. Two Rivers Church member Viminda Shafer will assist in leading the discussions. After the study and writing process, we will enter a 28-day call to prayer for the entire congregation. The study portion of the process will utilize the Wesleyan Quadrilateral — a tool for theological and spiritual discernment as described in the United Methodist Book of Discipline.

**Fill the Wagon Sunday** February 5 will be 'Fill the Wagon Sunday' for our Little Free Pantry. We will be asking the congregation to help fill a little wagon in the sanctuary with items for the Little Free Panty. Pick up a list of suggested item today from the back table in sanctuary or on your way out in the west entrance.

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



Donation QR Code

January 29, 2023  
Fourth Sunday of Epiphany



### Matthew 6:7-21(CEB)

“When you pray, don’t pour out a flood of empty words, as the Gentiles do. They think that by saying many words they’ll be heard. Don’t be like them, because your Father knows what you need before you ask. Pray like this:

Our Father who is in heaven,  
uphold the holiness of your name.  
Bring in your kingdom  
so that your will is done on earth as it’s done in heaven.

Give us the bread we need for today.  
Forgive us for the ways we have wronged you,  
just as we also forgive those who have wronged us.  
And don’t lead us into temptation,  
but rescue us from the evil one.

“If you forgive others their sins, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you don’t forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your sins.

“And when you fast, don’t put on a sad face like the hypocrites. They distort their faces so people will know they are fasting. I assure you that they have their reward. When you fast, brush your hair and wash your face. Then you won’t look like you are fasting to people, but only to your Father who is present in that secret place. Your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

“Stop collecting treasures for your own benefit on earth, where moth and rust eat them and where thieves break in and steal them. Instead, collect treasures for yourselves in heaven, where moth and rust don’t eat them and where thieves don’t break in and steal them. Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

## GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

PRELUDE "The Lord's Prayer" - Malotte

GREETING

\*OPENING HYMN #100 "God, Whose Love is Reigning O'er Us" vs. 1 & 5

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All God of word and deed, you have laid out a path before us of love and peace, yet we have strayed. As a people we have faltered. We have failed to care for all. We have pursued idols that provide no meaning. We have forgotten our place in your Kingdom. We have missed the mark of your love and need to re-aim ourselves. You have called us to repent—to change our hearts and lives. Forgive us and restore us on your path. Help us to see your love more clearly and empower us to live out our calling in word and deed. Amen.

*Pause for silent reflection and confession*

One: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners. This proves God's love for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER HYMN #349 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

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 "Be Thou My Vision" - Young  
Two Rivers Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Holy and gracious God, your ministry of Word and Deed gave us instructions for life and empowered us to follow. Fill us with your Spirit as we hear your word and inspire us to follow with our actions as we go forth. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:7-21 (CEB)

MUSICAL OFFERING "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" - arr. Lloyd Larson  
Two Rivers Handbell Choir

SERMON Treasure in Heaven -Rev. Robb McCoy

## RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE HYMN #451 "Be Thou My Vision"

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

\*OFFERING HYMN #257 "We Meet You, O Christ" vs 1 & 4  
(all are invited to place your offering in the offering container at the front of the sanctuary as we sing our Offering hymn)

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

All: God of word and deed, we thank you for the ways you have taught us to live. We thank you for your teachings — the sermons, stories, and lessons that stir our minds. We thank you for your actions—the miracles, healings, and feeding that stir our hearts. We thank you for revealing to us your Way. We thank you for guiding us in word and deed. We thank you for providing for us in your Kingdom. Amen.

*Pause for silent reflection and thanksgiving*

\*DOXOLOGY

\*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE "Come and Follow Me" - Franzak

\* 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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January 29, 2023



## 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: \_\_\_\_\_