

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:

- Invite a neighbor to worship.
- 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.
- Donate non-perishable food, hygiene products and rain gear for our Little Free Pantry.

Worship team opportunities to serve:

- Liturgist** – Assist Pastor with readings and communion during worship.
- Greeter**– Greet people at the West parking lot.
- 4th Sunday Usher**—Open the church for Sunday worship, make coffee, greet people as they come into the service, and 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.

April 16, 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 at the end of the 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 Asbury Parlor

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

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

Adult Sunday School Today the Adult Class begins a new 6-session DVD study Acts: Catching Up with the Spirit. Author and biblical scholar Matthew Skinner introduces this important book in the Bible and its message of fulfilling the Great Commission. This is the perfect follow-up to today's sermon text, Matthew 28:16-20. Session 1 is called "What God has done." Come and see how the Book of Acts can ignite our imagination about our work in God's world. We meet at 10:45 in Asbury Parlor. Charlotte Peterson will be our teacher. We will explore together. Bring your curiosity and your friends (young through golden age!)

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.

Easter Concert "Songs that Inspire" This afternoon at 2pm, Two Rivers Church will host a concert called "Songs that Inspire". For this concert a number of our musicians have been asked to come up with a small collection of songs that speak to their hearts, that inspire them to make music. Performing in this concert will be our own Harold Truitt, Olinda Gunther, Nancy Schwegler, Tamara Baugh, Mark Swessinger and Mary Ellen Carroll. Pastor Robb McCoy will be making his pianistic debut playing music by Beethoven. Also invited are a number of guest musicians including Marc Zyla of the Quad City Symphony. Join us **today at 2:00** for "Songs that Inspire," a collection of music that will speak to your soul.

April 16, 2023
Second Sunday of Easter



Matthew 28:16-20 (CEB)

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus told them to go. When they saw him, they worshipped him, but some doubted. Jesus came near and spoke to them, "I've received all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything that I've commanded you. Look, I myself will be with you every day until the end of this present age."

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GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

PRELUDE "Heart of Worship" - Matt Redman

GREETING

*OPENING HYMN #2239 FWS "Go Ye, Go Ye Into the World"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION Liturgist —David Dehnel

All: Holy, Risen Lord, in your last moments, you gave us a job to do. We are to teach the world to obey all that you commanded. Yet how are we supposed to teach others when we fail to obey ourselves? We don't practice the radical love that you showed. Forgive us for ignoring your command to love one another. Forgive us for failing to live into the Kingdom that you established. Empower us to be examples of your love in the world. Empower your Church to be the shining light set on a lampstand so all may see your love.

Pause for silent reflection and confession

One: When Jesus commissioned us to service, he also gave us a promise. He will be with us until the very end of the age. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, who is present still, we are forgiven. Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER HYMN #322 "Up From the Grave He Arose" (v. 1 and refrain)

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 "Go Ye Into All the World" - Butler
Two Rivers Sanctuary Choir

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION -Grundy

Lyrics: More Light, more truth
Is Breaking from your Word.
More Light, more truth.
Holy Spirit, help us hear what needs to be heard.

SCRIPTURE Matthew 28:16-20 Common English Bible

SERMON The Great Commission - Rev. Robb McCoy

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE HYMN #571 UMH "Go Make of All Disciples" v. 1 & 4

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

(All are invited to place your offering in the offering container at the front of the sanctuary as we sing our offering hymn)

*OFFERING HYMN #327 "Crown Him With Many Crowns" v. 1-2

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (adapted from the UM Book of Worship Service of Committal 155)

One: In the midst of life, we are in death. From whom can we seek help?

All: Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

One: God who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through the Spirit that dwells in you.

All: Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting, but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our risen Lord Jesus Christ.

*DOXOLOGY #94

*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE "All Creatures of our God and King" -Erfreuen

* 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: _____