



Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd.
 I lack nothing.
 He lets me rest in grassy meadows;
 he leads me to restful waters;
 he keeps me alive.
 He guides me in proper paths
 for the sake of his good name.
 Even when I walk through the darkest valley,
 I fear no danger because you are with me.
 Your rod and your staff—
 they protect me.
 You set a table for me
 right in front of my enemies.
 You bathe my head in oil;
 my cup is so full it spills over!
 Yes, goodness and faithful love
 will pursue me all the days of my life,
 and I will live in the Lord's house
 as long as I live.

June 4, 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.

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.

We Care Gift Bags Today is the day to deliver "We Care" gift bags to our senior members. If you would like to help with delivery, please see Judy Shryack after the worship service in Epworth Hall.

Peace w/ Justice Sunday Gifts on Peace with Justice Sunday fund programs that advocate for peace and justice in the United States and around the world. These programs empower United Methodists to speak out for removing structures and systems that harm God's children globally. A special Peace with Justice offering envelope is available in your Sunday bulletin. Thank you in advance for your contributions.

Reconciling Conversations With the results of the straw poll being overwhelmingly in favor of joining the Reconciling Ministries Network, The final decision to join the RMN and approve our welcome statement will occur on Sunday, June 11 with an 11:00 a.m. vote in Fellowship Hall. After consultations with other churches and leaders about joining Reconciling Ministries, it was decided that a congregational vote is most appropriate. This will not be an official Church Conference. This means that anyone who "Calls Two Rivers United Methodist Church their home congregation" will be allowed to participate.

Youth Bowling Two Rivers UMC Youth are invited to join in an afternoon of bowling at Highland Bowl on June 8 from 1-3pm. Please register at tinyurl.com/TwoRiversSummer and bring \$5 per person.

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:

- Call a friend you haven't touched base with in a while.
- 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.

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



Donation QR Code



GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

PRELUDE "The Lord is My Shepherd" - Blakesley

GREETING

*OPENING HYMN #138 UMH "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.

All: But do I really believe that? There are things I want, God. Things I think will fill a void. There are things that I believe will make me happy and leave me fulfilled. If only I work hard enough, achieve enough, pray enough, then and only then will I lack nothing. I am in control of "enough." Forgive me for believing this lie. Forgive my insatiable need for more. Help me to lie down in green pastures. Restore my soul.

Pause for silent reflection and confession

One: Hear the good news! God is the Good Shepherd who will search for the sheep, even when they are lost. In Christ, you are forgiven.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and empowered. Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER HYMN #136 "The Lord's my Shepherd" vs. 1

PASTORAL PRAYER

MUSICAL OFFERING "I Believe" -Levisailles
Harold Truitt, tenor

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 Psalm 23 (CEB)

SERMON Psalm 23: The Lord is my Shepherd - Rev. Robb McCoy

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

HOLY COMMUNION Page 15 UMH

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.

COMMUNION MUSIC "Shepherd of My Heart" - Sandi Patti

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

*OFFERING HYMN #188 "Christ is the World's Light" vs. 1 & 4
(All are invited to place your offering and the detached part of the bulletin in the offering container at the front of the sanctuary as we sing)

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

All: O God our God, you are the good shepherd. You provide all that we need. You bring us to Sabbath rest and restore us to right relationship. You create space for peace to grow and empower us to work for justice. You guide us through difficult times and shed light upon our path. Thank you for pursuing us with goodness and mercy. Thank you for your eternal love. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY #94

*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE "Come and Follow Me" - Haas

* 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: _____