

NAME: _____

- First time guest
- Returning guest
- Member
- Interested in membership or Baptism

New Contact Information:

Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____

Opportunities to serve

Searching for interest in fellowship:

- I'm Interested in volunteering at a Pride event. May 31 - June 1 at Schwiebert Park June 15 at Bass Street Landing.
- I'm interested in attending a Ministries Fair to find out more about ways to serve.
- I'm interested in learning more about the Beloved Community sessions.


Two Rivers Outreach Ministry opportunities:

- Donate household items to Operation Safety Net. (pots, pans, dishes, etc.)
- Donate Grocery Bags to our Saturday Meal Site & Operation Safety Net.
- Donate non-perishable food and hygiene products to 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.
- 2nd & 4th Sunday Ushers**—Open the church for Sunday worship and make coffee. Take offerings in bank bag to bank depository. *(Must be a member of the church in good standing for at least 6 months.)*

Welcome Statement



From the beginning of the Jesus movement, followers of Christ declared that there is no Jew or Greek, no slave or free, nor is there male and female. We, the people of Two Rivers United Methodist Church join in this movement of the Holy Spirit and declare that we celebrate the diversity of our neighborhood and the world.

We welcome and affirm people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual and affectional orientation, who are also of every age, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital, and social status, and so much more. We believe that the body of Christ is more vital in its ministry when the whole diversity of the human family may enjoy full participation and leadership in the Church.

We welcome all who have known the pain of exclusion or discrimination in the Church and society, and acknowledge the pain caused by the exclusionary policies of the United Methodist Church. We will continue to work toward a more inclusive Church and invite you to join us in following Jesus Christ on the Way, marked by greater hospitality, kindness, justice, peace, understanding, and mutual respect.

Announcements for May 19, 2024

Swahili Sunday School—10:45 am in the Swahili Class Room
Kids Sunday School —10:45 am in the Youth Room on 3rd floor
Adult Sunday School—10:45 am in the Asbury Parlor

Discipleship Schedule Monday Bible Study meets every Monday in Epworth Hall at noon. Wednesday Prayer & Devotion Time meets 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 dialing 312-626-6799. Once connected, dial the Meeting ID # 961 006 728, and you will join in the conversation.

Big Steppers Men's Group will meet at Two Rivers Church on May 23 at 8:00 p.m. This men's small group is designed to be a time of sharing, accountability, and growth. The meeting will last about an hour.

Volunteers Needed for Pride Events We are in need of volunteers to be at tables at two upcoming Pride events in the Quad Cities. We need parents and youth to provide a friendly presence at our table to help share the good news of a church that is affirming of all people. Here are the two upcoming events:

May 31-June 1 - Pride at Schwiebert Park. This Friday-Saturday event requires someone at the table on Friday evening and Saturday from 12-9 (we can have teams of people willing to be there). We have also been offered an additional space for some "programming," which could include presentations, conversations, or prayer.

June 15 - Bass Street Pride. This is a Saturday event organized by our own Viminda Shafer. Last year this was our first event, and it was a great experience. Contact Pastor Robb or check the box on the blue tear-off sheet for more information.

Date	Liturgist	Ushers	Assistant Greeter
5/19	Donna Burroughs	Dick & Kala Lee, Kevin & Brianna Pollock	
5/26		Doug Stephens, Kevin & Brianna Pollock	
6/2	Ellie McCoy	Dave Dehnel & Candy Canik	

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May 19, 2024

PENTECOST SUNDAY



Acts 1:14; 2:1-8, 14-18 (CEB)

Acts 1:14

all were united in their devotion to prayer, along with some women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

Acts 2:1-8

When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak.

There were pious Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. When they heard this sound, a crowd gathered. They were mystified because everyone heard them speaking in their native languages. They were surprised and amazed, saying, "Look, aren't all the people who are speaking Galileans, every one of them? How then can each of us hear them speaking in our native language?"

Acts 2:14-18

Peter stood with the other eleven apostles. He raised his voice and declared, "Judeans and everyone living in Jerusalem! Know this! Listen carefully to my words! These people aren't drunk, as you suspect; after all, it's only nine o'clock in the morning! Rather, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy.

Your young will see visions.

Your elders will dream dreams.

Even upon my servants, men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.

GATHERING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

PRELUDE "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"
- F. C. Atkinson-John Carter

GREETING

POEM TO THE HOLY SPIRIT Steve Garnaas-Holmes

Holy Spirit, Wind of Heaven, Breath of Life, our warmth and light,
Power of creation, bringing hopeful dawn from darkest night:
You have birthed us, you have borne us, you have blessed us all our days,
Now you fill our lungs with singing, how you fill our hearts with praise!

Holy Spirit, flame of passion, you who brought the Church to be,
Re-create us as your Body, holy in our unity.

Fill us with your fierce compassion, gentle courage, trust and peace;
Lead us all to love each other, make our sad divisions cease.

Holy Spirit, Dove descending, mind of Christ within us all;
Speak your wisdom, move among us, help us hear your inner call.
Be the only power that moves us; be our life, O singing Dove!
Holy Spirit, come, revive us! Fill us with your heart of love.

***HYMN #603 UMH** "Come Holy Ghost, Our Heart Inspire" vs. 1, 2, 4

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Holy Spirit, sweep through this place with the sound of a rushing wind. Light a fire in each of our hearts. Burn away the chaff—the trauma, the bitterness, the grudges, the selfishness that keeps us from your love. Let the forgiveness of Christ fan the flames of Pentecost so that we may embrace grace, share hospitality, give generously, and love courageously.

Pause of silent confession and prayer

One: The Good News of Pentecost reveals that the Holy Spirit may break through any barriers we build. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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

*PASSING THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MOMENT #347 UMH "Spirit Song" vs. 1 & refrain

PRAYER HYMN #503 UMH "Let It Breathe on Me"

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEM "Come Holy Spirit, Like the Wind" - Carter
Two Rivers Sanctuary Choir

PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Holy Spirit, open our hearts to the story of your love. Open our minds to new ways of knowing you. Open our doors to all whom you would welcome. Amen.

GOSPEL READING Acts 1: 14; 2:1-8, 14-18 CEB)

SERMON "Pentecost" - Rev. Robb McCoy

MUSICAL OFFERING "Bwana u sehema yangu"

RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

RESPONSE HYMN #465 "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

***HYMN #399 UMH** "Take My Life and Let it Be"

(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)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in the grace of God that precedes all things. God's creative energy is working in all and through all things. While creation has gone amiss through sin, God's grace is yearning for us all to return to love.

I believe in the grace of God that justifies us to the world through faith. After recognizing that there is something in this world that needs to be fixed, God's grace can begin to repair the breach. I am justified by the faith of Christ and made into a new creation.

I believe in the grace of God that sanctifies me daily. Every day I am a new creation, formed in God's image and molded by Christ's love. God's grace is helping us all to grow more perfect in love. It is the sanctifying grace of God that will move us on to perfection and into the glory of eternal life, not just in the hereafter, but as we live and breathe. Amen.

***DOXOLOGY #94 UMH**

***BLESSING AND DISMISSAL**

POSTLUDE "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"
- R. Jackson-Mark Hayes

* You are invited to stand as you are able.
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PRAYER MINISTRY

YOUR NAME _____

Prayers for our Church and its ministry:

Prayers for people I know:

- I have permission to publish this prayer.
 I do not have permission to share this prayer.

Prayers for the community/world:

Prayers for myself:

