



[John 6:35, 41-51 \(CEB\)](#)

“Jesus replied, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.“...

The Jewish opposition grumbled about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.”

They asked, “Isn’t this Jesus, Joseph’s son, whose mother and father we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’”

Jesus responded, “Don’t grumble among yourselves. No one can come to me unless they are drawn to me by the Father who sent me, and I will raise them up at the last day. It is written in the Prophets, And they will all be taught by God. Everyone who has listened to the Father and learned from him comes to me. No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God. He has seen the Father. I assure you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate manna in the wilderness and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven so that whoever eats from it will never die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

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.

RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK

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 August 11, 2024

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

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.

Young Lions Roar Young Lions Roar, the program for youth writers to find expression in poetry, will move from after school during the week to Saturdays from 11:00-1:00 p.m. The hope is that by moving it to this time, guests at our Meal Site will be able to take advantage of this great program and kids that are interested in spoken word poetry will be able to share a good meal as well. Aubrey Barnes, the facilitator of Young Lions, will continue to hold the class in Asbury Parlor. The door for meal site usually opens at 11:00 a.m., so parents can bring their young people (from grade 5-12) to participate in the class while they wait for the meal. Students doing poetry will then get their meal around 12:15 and finish up the class at 1:00. The date for the start of Young Lions Roar has not been set.

Date	Liturgist	Ushers	Assistant Greeter
8/11	Judy Smiley		
8/18	David Martin	Dick & Kala Lee and Kevin & Brianna Pollock	
8/25	Tamara Baugh	Doug Stephens and Kevin & Brianna Pollock	

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- Returning guest
- Member
- Interested in membership or Baptism

New Contact Information:

Phone _____

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Opportunities to serve

Two Rivers Outreach Ministry opportunities:

- 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.)*
- 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.

GATHERING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

PRELUDE "Old Rugged Cross" -arr. Jennifer Cook

GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

All: We come to you, Jesus, our Bread of Life.

One: Yearning for meaning in our lives, tossed and turned by the latest fad, marketing scheme, false idols, and empty promises,

All: We come to you, Jesus, our Bread of Life.

One: Battered by the evil in the world, suffering from injustice, unkindness, anger, and fear

All: We need the true bread. We need something sent from heaven. We come to you, Jesus, our Bread of Life.

*HYMN #111 UMH "How Can We Name a Love"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (from Upper Room Worship Book)

All: God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will.

(Pause for silent confession and prayer)

One: Hear the good news, Jesus came to love the world, not to condemn it. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are a forgiven people.

All: We are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE

PRAYER HYMN #599 UMH "Break Thou the Bread of Life" vs. 2

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 glory forever. Amen.

PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Sustaining God, nourish us with the bread of life that comes when the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING John 6:35, 41-51 CEB)

SERMON "Isn't this Joseph's son?" - Rev. Robb McCoy

RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

RESPONDED HYMN # 623 UMH "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart"

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN #610 UMH "God Will Take Care of You" vs. 1,2,4

(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)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

One: When we are threatened by scarcity and feel the pain of hunger,

All: We trust in Jesus who is the bread of life.

One: When we search in the darkness, unable to find our way,

All: We trust in Jesus who is the light of the world.

One: When we are vulnerable and in need of protection,

All: We trust in Jesus who is the gate for the sheep.

One: When we are distracted by lies and tempted to wander off,

All: We trust in Jesus the good shepherd, and know his voice.

One: When we fear that death is the end, and all is lost,

All: We trust in Jesus who is the resurrection and the life.

One: When reality feels shattered, and truth is distorted by deception,

All: We trust in Jesus who is the way, the truth, and the life.

One: When we are isolated and alone, cut off from community,

All: We trust in Jesus, who is the true vine. Amen

*DOXOLOGY #94 UMH

*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE Chorale: "wie wohl ist mir" Translation: "Friend of Souls"

* 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:

