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

**New Contact Information:**

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

**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.

**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 September 1, 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.

**Youth Rally For Kindness at Camp Milan**

**Who:** Youth from middle school through high school are invited to this Youth Rally  
**What:** Worship, Dinner, Games, and a great way to kick off your youth ministry season. Groups can register together or as individuals. There is a small fee to help cover costs - \$5 per student with leaders free!  
**When:** Sunday, September 8 from 4:00-7:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Camp Milan Retreat Center. Visit [campmilan.org](http://campmilan.org) to learn more  
 We are hoping to continue to build connections in the West District, especially in the Quad Cities area. Register now for this great event.  
<https://lgrc-reg.brtapp.com/2024YouthRallyatCampMilan>

**Adult Sunday School** Adult Sunday School will begin on September 8 with a 6 week series, *Mountaintop Moments: Meeting God in the High Places* by Ed Robb.

Date	Liturgist	Ushers	Assistant Greeter
9/1	Donna Burroughs	Brianna & Kevin Pollock	
9/8		Jerry Etzel, Roger Pohlman & Brianna & Kevin Pollock	
9/15		Dick & Kala Lee and Kevin & Brianna Pollock	

Network: Two Rivers Sanctuary  
 Password: TwoRivers2013  
[www.TwoRiversUMC.org](http://www.TwoRiversUMC.org)



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**Psalm 96:1-3 (CEB)**

**Sing to the Lord a new song!**  
**Sing to the Lord, all the earth!**  
**Sing to the Lord! Bless his name!**  
**Share the news of his saving work every single day!**  
**Declare God’s glory among the nations;**  
**declare his wondrous works among all people.**

## GATHERING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

PRELUDE "A Quiet Place" - Mimms  
Edgar Crockett, Cory Kendrick & Ron Wilson

### GREETING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP based on Psalm 96

One: Sing to the Lord a new song!

All: Sing to the Lord, all the earth!

One: Sing to the Lord! Bless God's holy name!

All: Share the good news of God's saving work every single day.

One: Declare God's glory among the nations.

All: Declare God's wondrous works among all people.

One: For the Lord is great and worthy of praise.

All: Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

One: Let the sea and everything in it roar!

All: Let the countryside and everything in it celebrate!

One: The Lord is coming to establish justice on earth.

All: God will establish justice in the world.

\*HYMN #158 UMH "Come Christians Join to Sing"

\*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 #328 UMH "Surely the Presence of the Lord"

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

MUSICAL OFFERING Edgar Crockett, Corey Kendrick & Ron Wilson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Gracious God, your Word is a lamp unto our feet and light for our path. As we open the scriptures today, illuminate the path of grace, hospitality, kindness, and love so that we may walk humbly with you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 96:1-3(CEB)

SERMON "Raise Your Voice" - Rev. Paul Newhall

## RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

\*HYMN #581 UMH "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" vs. 1,3,4  
(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

We believe in God, who ordered heaven and earth out of chaos, who is worthy of all songs of praise, and declares that all Creation is good.

We believe in Christ, who came to share the new song of God's Kingdom, to heal the broken hearted and set the captive free.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the music of Creation, inspiring life, giving breath, and lifting up all that is good.

We believe in the power of a new song, so we sing to the Lord. Amen.

\*DOXOLOGY #94 UMH

\*BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE "The Preacher" - Silver

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

YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Prayers for our Church and its ministry:

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Prayers for people I know:

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

Prayers for the community/world:

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Prayers for myself:

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