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

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Opportunities to serve


Scan this Code to schedule a time you can be an usher, liturgist, or greeter.



I can help with:

- Participate in the Hanging of the Greens special liturgy in worship.
- Usher
- Intergenerational Sunday school during Advent

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 November 3, 2024

- International Sunday School—10:45 am in the Swahili Class Room**
- Adult Sunday School—10:45 am in Asbury Parlor**
- Youth Sunday School—10:45 am Epworth Hall**

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.

Meal Kit Building @ Riverside UMC Today The United Methodist Churches of the Quad Cities are coming together for a special day of mission and service today from 2-4pm . We will gather at Riverside UMC on Sunday afternoon to build rice meals in an assembly-line style. This is a very popular service project – and a great chance to invite someone to serve as a part of a community.

Goodies of Gratitude 2024 2nd Annual cookie fundraiser for NAMI in memory of Kathy Doherty. Order forms can be found in the back of the sanctuary & in the west entrance. Orders will be taken through November 6.

Date	Liturgist	Ushers	Assistant Greeter
11/3	Dick Lee	Dave Dehnel & Candy Canik	
11/10	Donna Burroughs	Kevin & Brianna Pollock	
11/17		Dick & Kala Lee, Kevin & Brianna Pollock	

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Prov. 3:1-12 (CEB)

- My son, don't forget my instruction.
- Let your heart guard my commands, ²because they will help you live a long time and provide you with well-being.
- ³ Don't let loyalty and faithfulness leave you. Bind them on your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart.
- ⁴ Then you will find favor and approval in the eyes of God and humanity.
- ⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart; don't rely on your own intelligence.
- ⁶ Know him in all your paths, and he will keep your ways straight.
- ⁷ Don't consider yourself wise. Fear the LORD and turn away from evil.
- ⁸ Then your body will be healthy and your bones strengthened.
- ⁹ Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the first of all your crops.
- ¹⁰ Then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will burst with wine.
- ¹¹ Don't reject the instruction of the LORD, my son; don't despise his correction.
- ¹² The LORD loves those he corrects, just like a father who treats his son with favor.



GATHERING TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS

PRELUDE "The Great Pumpkin Waltz" - Vince Guaraldi

INTRODUCTION

* HMYN (see screens) "I'll Be a Sunbeam"

* ENTRY OF THE LIGHT

One: Holy God, there is Good News to be found in the characters of The Peanuts.

All: Today we search for us a deeper understanding of faith through the character of Linus Van Pelt, the sage.

One: Linus is a loyal friend who is well-versed in Scripture. While childish and maybe naive in many ways, his insight into human nature displays a wisdom beyond his years.

All: We delight in the sage with the blanket, and ask for the Holy Spirit to guide us on our journey of faith with Sparky's characters. Amen

* HYMN (see screens) "I'll Be a Sunbeam"

PRAYER OF LAMENTATION

All: God of the front page and the funnies, we come together to recognize our common struggle captured in the pages of both. We curse the kite-eating tree. We wonder if we will ever win a baseball game. We wait in vain for the Great Pumpkin, who never shows up. We get rocks for trick or treats. We lose the spelling bee. We think this time will be the time we will finally kick the football. We mumble "Good Grief." We shout "You block head!" Sometimes it feels like there is nothing in life but disappointment and loss. Help us to find our people and our path in the process, and give us a chuckle along the way.

(Pause for silent lamentation and prayer)

One: Prayers of lamentation can be a release. They are an expression of faith in the midst of trouble. Expressions of lament can take a load off of one's mind and bring peace to one's spirit.

All: Sound theology has a way of doing that. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

* HYMN #596 UMH "Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word"

* You are invited to stand as you are able.

PROCLAMATION OF THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Gracious God, open our hearts and minds by the power of the Holy Spirit that, as we read the Scriptures and proclaim your Word, we may be transformed by the Good News. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Proverbs 3:1-12 (CEB)

SERMON

Linus, the Sage - Rev. Robb McCoy

HOLY COMMUNION & LORD'S PRAYER

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RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS

PASTORIAL PRAYER AND COMMUNION OF THE SAINTS (See insert)

ANTHEM

"Trust in the Lord" - Pote
Two Rivers Sanctuary Choir

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

* HYMN #463 UMH "Lord, Speak to Me" vs. 1, 3, 5
(All are invited to place your offering and the detached part of the bulletin in the offering basin at the front of the sanctuary as we sing)

* IT'S AN AFFIRMATION OF COMMUNITY, CHARLIE BROWN!

All: O God, we are the Peanuts. We are frustrated seekers like Charlie. We are fierce, vulnerable, and sometimes cruel like Lucy. We are passionate and dedicated like Schroeder. We are philosophical and faithful like Linus. We are marginalized and embraced like Franklin, Patty, and Marcie, We are dreamers and dancers like Snoopy. We are complicated, messy, and full of curiosity and hope. Wrap us like a warm blanket in your love. Hold us together as we find happiness every day in Jesus. Together. Amen.

* DOXOLOGY #94 UMH

* BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

One: You are sent to love God

All: With all our heart, soul, mind, and strength

One: You are sent to love neighbor

All: Who was created in the image of God

One: You are sent to love yourself

All: With grace and assurance that I am worthy of God's love

One: Go in peace and with one accord we say, **Amen!**

POSTLUDE

"Faith" - Mendelssohn



PRAYERS FOR 11/3/2024

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:

