RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

United Church of Christ *for those able, please stand

Gathering Music & Lighting of Candles

Centering Silence & Prayer

Prelude "Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child" Composer Unknown

Words of Welcome This is the Day that our God Has Made ... *Let Us Rejoice and Be Glad in it!*

*Opening Song "Come Away from Rush and Hurry" #655

*Sharing God's Peace

Preparing Our Hearts

Reading "When Great Trees Fall" Maya Angelou

Choral Anthem "Shall We Gather By the River" Busarow



Reading "The Opening of Eyes" David Whyte

A Time of Offering & Opportunity *God is good....all the time...* and all the time...*God is good!*

Children's Time

I am a child of God, nothing can shake my confidence; I am a child of God, no one can take my inheritance; Never alone I'll stand, strengthened by God's own hand, I am a child, I am a child, a child of God.

Bible Bits & Scripture Mark 10:46-52 Words of Reflection

Silent Reflection

Song of Response

"Open My Eyes, That I May See" #480

A Time of Prayer & Celebration of Saints

*The Prayer of Jesus

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*Closing Song "For All the Saints" #529 (verses 1-3)

*Benediction

*Choral Response "Go With Us, Lord"

Rev. Vicky Stifter | Minister Katie Cook | Youth Program Coordinator | Kristen Daly | Nursery Care Provider Diana Beterbide | Chancel Choir Director, Piano & Organ Donna McCoy, Bill Light and Sharon Scott | Diaconate Team Gail Lyon | Reader Sandy Spellecy & Beth Hartwell | Hospitality Tom Hackett | Audio-Visual System

<u>Welcome to Riverside Community Church</u> United Church of Christ

<u>GUESTS</u> We are blessed to worship with you today. Thank you for the gift of your presence. We invite you to fill out a "welcome card" and place it in the offering plate or give it to Pastor Vicky after the service.

<u>CHILDREN AT RIVERSIDE</u> We joyfully welcome children of all ages at Riverside. Those 5+ are invited to join Katie Cook for Sunday School after Children's Time. Those birth-age 4 are invited to the nursery, located in the Fireside Room from 10:15 am – 12 noon.

THIS WEEK AT RIVERSIDE:

Today. All are welcome after worship in the Riverview Room for coffee, conversation & pumpkin carving!

- Final opportunity to register for Camp Adams All Church Retreat.

Tuesday.

- Nurture & Nourish 5:30 7:00 PM (see below).
- Choir Practice in the Sanctuary 7:00 8:30 PM.

Wednesday.

- Bible Study & Reflection at Down Manor 1:30-2:30 PM
- Meditation in the Ruth Wells Room 3:30 PM.
- OWL in the Ruth Wells & Fireside Rooms 6:45-8:30 PM.

Thursday.

- Church office closed.
- Cheers Care team at 10:30 in the Ruth Wells Room.

Friday. Community Action for a Cease Fire in Gaza. 2nd & State Street. 5-5:30 PM.

NEXT SUNDAY. No Service at Riverside –Intergenerational All Church Retreat at Camp Adams Nov. 1-3

ADULT EDUCATION & SPIRITUAL NURTURE: "Nourish &

Nurture" series, Tuesday evenings 5:30-7:00 PM in the Riverview Room. Light dinner provided, with activities following for all ages. To learn more or register, please contact Dana Pricher dana.pricher@gmail.com

SANCTUARY CLOSED NOV. 1-8 for painting & maintenance.



Welcome to Riverside Community Church. United Church of Christ We are blessed by your presence. Bienvenidos a la iglesia Riverside. Su presencia es una bendición para nosotros.

We are . . .

... a vibrant, Spirit-filled community of people who seek to follow in the ways of Jesus: loving our neighbors, doing justice and sharing the extravagant welcome of God with the whole of creation.

... an "Open and Affirming" congregation—affirming the full inclusion of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons (LGBTQ+) in the church's life and ministry.

... an *"Immigrant Welcoming"* congregation—called by our faith to stand together with our undocumented and documented immigrant siblings brothers & sisters and their families.

We seek to honor and protect the gifts of God's creation--divesting our financial resources from the fossil fuel industry, reinvesting in renewable energy and striving to reduce our use of fossil fuels.

Riverside's youth ministry team supports: Sunday School, teen groups, and Our Whole Lives (OWL)--a comprehensive human sexuality program. *Contact Youth Leader Katie Cook at 541.980.0505 or* <u>katie @riversideucc.com</u>.

Our Justice and Witness & Immigrant Welcoming teams promote engagement with the Warming Shelter, FISH Food Bank, Somos Uno, Columbia Gorge Climate Action Network. *Contact Jeannie Chance at (541)* 806-6648 or stjechance @gmail.com.

Our "Cheers" team offers care, comfort, and meals to those with health, aging issues, new parenthood or other transitions. *Contact Pastor Vicky if you have a need: 541-386-1412 / pastor@riverssideucc.com*

More ways to connect, learn and feed the spirits of those of all ages: Men's Discussion Group, monthly book group, adult education classes and a Tuesday Bible study & reflection group. Contact office @riversideucc.com or call 541.386.1412 for more information.

Keep up on what's happening! Sign up for our weekly online newsletter, The Current, by contacting editor Kathy Watson, <u>kathy@hungerchronicles.com</u> Or visit our Facebook page: Riverside Community Church, UCC

On the Web: Riverside's web site, www.riversideucc.com, includes: a calendar of all events, the most recent Current newsletters, a way to give electronically, and everything about the life of our congregation.

Riverside is one of more than 5,000 communities of faith that make up the **"United Church of Christ"** (UCC). The UCC has been on the cutting edge of justice movements in the U.S. since its work to abolish slavery in the 1800's. For more information about the United Church of Christ visit http://www.ucc.org

For more information about Riverside contact the church office at 541-386-1412 OR office @riversideucc.com or visit www.riversideucc.com For more information about the United Church of Christ visit <u>http://www.ucc.org</u> Visit our Facebook page: Riverside Community Church, UCC



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