

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

United Church of Christ

**for those able, please stand*

Gathering Music & Lighting of Candles

Centering Silence & Prayer

Prelude “Hymn to Freedom” *Oscar Peterson*

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

*Opening Song
“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”
#698

*Sharing God’s Peace *Rosemary Crow*
Weave. Weave, Weave us together.
Weave us together in unity and love.
Weave. Weave, weave us together
Weave us together, together in love

Preparing Our Hearts

Reading “Malheur By Dawn” *William Stafford*

Special Music “Until All Are Fed” *Bryan F. McFarland*

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

Offertory “Bridge Over Troubled Waters”
Simon & Garfunkel

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 6:30-44

Sermon “Enough, Already”

Silent Reflection

Song of Response “Here Are Our Hearts” (2x)
Susan Drake & Julie Jennings

***Here are our hearts. Here are our hands. Here are
our lives. Use them as You can. Show us those who
hurt. Show us those in need. Show us how to
serve. Teach us how to see.***

Celebration of Holy Communion

*This is Christ’s table and all are welcome. Please come
forward by the center aisle and return by the side aisles. If
you would like to remain seated, raise your hand and we will
gladly come to you.*

A Time of Prayer
God in your grace... Hear Our Prayers

*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 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” #72

*Benediction

*Congregational Response “Amen”
South African Traditional

Rev. Vicky Stifter | Minister
Katie Cook | Youth Program Coordinator | Kristen Daly | Nursery Care Provider
Boyd Nunley | Piano - Kristen Warnock | Guitar & Vocals
Donna McCoy, Sandy Spellecy | Diaconate Team
Bonnie New & Sandy Spellecy | Readers
Barb Dworschak & Jo Herring | Hospitality
Michele Beaman | Audio-Visual System

Welcome to Riverside Community Church

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GUESTS 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.

CHILDREN AT RIVERSIDE 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 and conversation.

- “Parent Connection Circle” gather with Dee & Debra at the designated table to learn more.
- Music & Arts Board meets at 12:15.
- Plastic recycling after worship.

Tuesday. Bible Study at Down Manor 10:30-11:30 AM.

- Depolarizing Ourselves Workshop 6:30 – 7:30 pm in the Riverview Room.

Wednesday. Meditation at 3:30 in the Ruth Wells Room

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

RIVERSIDE EARTH CAMP this week! Contact Katie Cook at katie@riversideucc.com to register or volunteer.

CALLING ALL OUTDOOR ENTHUSIASTS! Our August 4th worship will take place at Toll Bridge park, and will be followed by a potluck. Those who like to camp are invited to come on August 3rd for a family friendly, group camp-out. For more information, or to RSVP for camping, please contact Kathryn by July 31st: 541.386.1412 or via email at office@riversideucc.com.

MBRASCATU!: A MUSICAL JOURNEY ACROSS GENRE & CULTURE - Concert to benefit Gorge Pride Alliance. Friday, July 26th 7 pm in the Riverview Sanctuary. \$15 suggestion donation at the door.



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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 katie@riversideucc.com.

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 stjchance@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, kathy@hungerchronicles.com 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

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“Leaves and Fishes” Annika Hinze

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