

**for those able, please stand*

Lighting of Candles

Centering Silence & Prayer

Words of Welcome

This is the day that our God has made...
let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*Call to Worship

We sing a new song to God!

Psalm 98, adapted

*Opening Song

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”
#496

*Sharing God’s Peace

Preparing our Hearts

Reading

“And Then You ”

Walter Bruegemann

A Time of Offering & Announcements

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 stand,
strengthened by God’s own hand,
I am a child, I am a child, a child of God.*

Bible Bits & Scripture

John 12:1-8

Words of Reflection & Music

Silent Reflection

Song of Response ^{2x}

*Take, O take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.*

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

“Leaning In”

Christopher Grundy

*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

“Shut De Do”

Randy Stonehill

*Benediction

*Congregational Response

“Amen”

Reverend Vicky Stifter | Pastor - Lasana Kanneh | Guest Musician & Speaker
Katie Cook | Youth Program Director | Kristen Daly, Nursery Care Provider
Kristen Warnock | Guitar & Vocals
Steve and Jeanie Chance, Joellen, Fritz and Hans Bingener | Diaconate
Adam & Joy Brake | Readers
Kathryn Murray | Audio Visual & Sound System
Dave & Michelina Roth, Nancy Johanson Paul | Hospitality

Welcome to Riverside Community Church
United Church of Christ

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 to age 4 are invited to the nursery, located downstairs from 10:15 – 12 noon.

THIS WEEK at RIVERSIDE
TODAY

All are welcome after worship for coffee & connection in the Riverview Room | Birthday card for Joan Ewing “We Are Immigrants” signs available | SNL & RCC tickets for sale!

TUESDAY
“Mom’s Night Out” 7:00 PM hosted by Karen Roof

WEDNESDAY
Adult Education & Spiritual Nurture Board 10:30 AM
Bible Study at Down Manor 2:00 PM
Meditative Prayer 3:30 PM | Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM

THURSDAY
Music & Arts Board 4:30 PM Ruth Wells Room

FRIDAY
Memorial service for Judy Schock at 11 AM
Community Action for peace with justice for those in Palestine & Israel. 5:00 - 5:30 PM at 2nd & State streets.

SATURDAY APRIL 12
RCC Spring Clean Up Party! 10 AM - 2 PM
Contact office@riversideucc.com to RSVP

NEXT SUNDAY
Palm Sunday | Council meets after Worship

SNL & RCC Saturday, May 3rd 5:30 PM. Tickets available today!
Variety show, dinner & merriment for all ages! Got an Act?
Contact Katie after worship or Kathryn at office@riversideucc.com

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WHO WE ARE
We are a vibrant, Spirit-filled community following the ways of Jesus-loving our neighbors, seeking justice, and sharing God's extravagant welcome.

OPEN AND AFFIRMING
We fully embrace LGBTQ+ individuals in all aspects of church life and ministry.

IMMIGRANT WELCOMING
We stand in solidarity with our immigrant siblings, documented and undocumented.

CARING FOR CREATION
We divest from fossil fuels, invest in renewable energy, and strive to reduce our environmental impact.

The UCC is a denomination committed to justice since the abolitionist movement of the 1800s. Learn more: www.ucc.org

MINISTRIES & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
Youth Ministry - Sunday School, teen groups, and Our Whole Lives (OWL), a comprehensive human sexuality program. Contact: Katie Cook 541-980-0505 or katie@riversideucc.com

JUSTICE & WITNESS
Engaging in advocacy & service
Contact: Jeannie Chance 541-806-6648 stjechance@gmail.com

“CHEERS” CARE TEAM
Providing meals and support during times of transition, connection and health challenges
Contact: Pastor Vicky 541-386-1412 pastor@riversideucc.com

CONNECT & GROW
Men's Discussion Group
Monthly Book Group
Adult Education Classes
Tuesday Bible Study & Reflection

STAY CONNECTED
Weekly Newsletter, *The Current*
Sign up at kathy@hungerchronicles.com
Follow Us on Facebook - Riverside Community Church

A TIME OF STILLNESS

During this holy season in Lent, you are invited to dwell in the peace and stillness of the sanctuary prior to the start of the worship service.

If you would like to engage in conversation, you are welcome to use the Riverview Room.



“Anointing the Feet of Jesus” Julia Stankova

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH
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Fifth Sunday in Lent
Sunday, April 6, 2025