

**for those able, please stand*

Gathering Music & Lighting of Candles

Centering Silence & Prayer

Prelude

“Opus 23 No. 4” *Sergei Rachmaninoff*

Words of Welcome

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

Call to Worship

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is
within each of us, bless God’s holy name.

*Bless the Lord, O my
soul, and remember God’s grace—*

The God who forgives all our iniquity, who heals
all our diseases,

*Who redeems our lives and blesses us with
steadfast love and mercy, In gratitude, let us
worship God*

*Opening Song

“Bless the Lord, My Soul” *(Taize)*

*Bless the Lord, my soul
And bless God's holy name
Bless the Lord, my soul
Who leads me into life*

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Preparing our Hearts

Special Music

“Rise Again” *Dallas Holm,
arranged by Bill Wolaver*

Reading

“Transforming Pain”
Fr. Richard Rohr

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.*

Biblical Wisdom

Luke 13: 10-17

Sermon

“Healing Graces and Spaces”

Silent Reflection

Song of Response

“Comfort, Comfort, Now My People” #155

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

“Sent Forth By God’s Blessing” #712

*Benediction

Music of Going Forth

“Because He Lives”

*William & Gloria Gaither
arranged by Bill Wolaver*

Rev. Andrea Cano | Guest Preacher - Kim Vogel | Worship Leader
Katie Cook | Youth Program Coordinator - Kristen Daly | Nursery Care Provider
David Kelly | Pianist
Alison Betzing, Lizz O'Bannon & Elaine Johnson | Greeters
Adam & Joy Brake | Readers
Tom Hackett | Audio Visual & Sound System
Bill Light & Sharon Scott | Hospitality

Welcome to Riverside Community Church

United Church of Christ

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.

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 and challenge.
Contact: Pastor Vicky 541-386-1412 pastor@riversideucc.com

CONNECT & GROW

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

STAY CONNECTED

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

Learn more about the United Church of Christ at
www.ucc.org

Welcome! We are blessed by your presence.

Guests ~ we invite you to fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering plate or give it to Worship Leader, Kim Vogel, after the service.

THIS WEEK AT RIVERSIDE

TODAY

Ages 5+ - Join Katie Cook for Sunday School after Children's Time.
Birth-Age 4 – Nursery care available in the Fireside Room from 10:15 AM – 12:00 PM. All are invited for coffee and connection in the Riverview Room after worship.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study at Parkhurst 2:00 - 3:00 PM
Meditative Prayer 3:30 PM

FRIDAY

Justice seekers of all ages are invited to join an interfaith gathering for peace and a permanent ceasefire in Gaza.
5:00 – 5:30 PM at 2nd and State streets in Hood River.

SATURDAY

Tabling for “We are Immigrants” campaign at Farmers Market,
9 AM -1 PM Contact Deanne if you can take a shift:
deannemclaughlin@gmail.com.

PASTOR VICKY . . .

Returns from her leave of absence on August 29.
Please contact Kathryn in the church office if you need assistance
office@riversideucc.com

NEXT SUNDAY

Mary Sue Evers as guest preacher and special guest musicians perform.

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Our Whole Lives (OWL) Parent Orientation
Wed., Sept 3rd at 6:45 PM in the Riverview Room.
Choir rehearsal begins 7:00 PM Sept 3rd in the sanctuary.
All are welcome!

Celebration of Life for Linda Rouche,
Saturday, Sept. 6th at 2 PM in Riverside's sanctuary.

Monthly Meals: Feeding our Bodies, Minds & Spirits with our siblings of faith. Food, fellowship & scripture.
Tuesday, Sept. 9th 5 – 7 PM in the Riverview Room.



“The Healing of the Ailing Woman” Luke 13: 10- 17

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