



**for those able, please stand*

Lighting of Candles

Centering Silence & Prayer

Prelude

Words of Welcome

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

*Opening Song

“Rain Down” #444

*Call to Worship

Come, let us sing for joy to the Holy One
Inspired by Psalm 95

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Preparing our Hearts

Reading

“Name of Title” *Mary Oliver*

Choral Anthem

“Lead Me, Lord” *Becker and Hayes*

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

Exodus 17:1-7 John 4:27-38

Sermon

“Reaping, Sowing...and Worrying”

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.*

A Time of Prayer

*You are invited to place a stone at the foot of the cross as a
symbol of your prayer and/or that which you would like to
let go of during this season of Lent.*

*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

“Healer of Our Every Ill” #630

*Benediction

*Choral Response

Or postlude? Diana...

Kathy Watson | Guest Preacher & Worship Leader
Katie Cook | Youth Program Coordinator & Kristen Daly | Nursery Care Provider
Diana Beterbide | Piano, Organ & Chancel Choir Director
Stu Watson, Adam Brake & Steve & Jeannie Chance | Greeters
Barbara Grant & Bonnie New | Readers
Owen Summersett | Audio Visual & Sound System
Deanne McLaughlin & | Hospitality
Molly Fauth | Financial Secretary

Welcome to Riverside Community Church United Church of Christ

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 Pastor Vicky
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.

Council meets in the Ruth Wells Room.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study | Parkhurst | 2:30 PM

Meditative Prayer | Ruth Wells Room | 3:30 PM

Chancel Choir Rehearsal | RCC Sanctuary | 6:30 PM

Somos Inmigrantes | 12th & May Streets | 4:00 PM

FRIDAY

Community Action for Peace in Gaza | 2nd & State | 5:00–5:30

SATURDAY

Writer's Workshop | Ruth Wells Room | 10 AM – 12 PM

LENTEN TAIZE PRAYER & MEDITATION

Join us Thurs March 12 and 19 at 6:30 PM for a peaceful,
meditative time of prayer, music & candle lighting.

“This Sweet Earth: Walking With Our Children in the Age of Climate Collapse”

Parents, grandparents and all who love children are invited to
a two-part exploration of the themes in this important book.

March 13 & April 10 | 5:30 - 7:30 PM

Dinner & childcare provided. Discounted copies of the book
available next week. To RSVP and/or reserve a copy of the
book contact: pastor@riversideucc.com

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

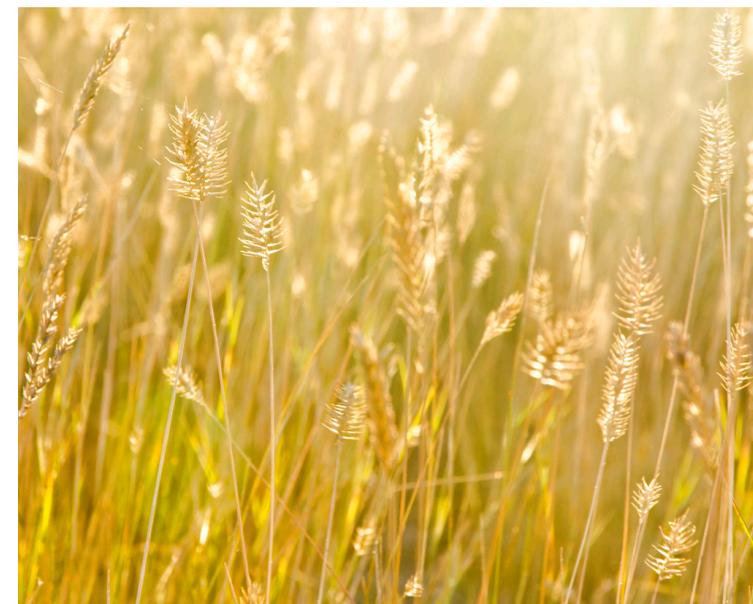
Weekly Newsletter, *The Current*

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A Time of Stillness

*During this holy season of 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.*



RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

United Church of Christ

SUNDAY MARCH 8, 2026

Third Sunday in Lent