

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

United Church of Christ

**for those able, please stand*

Gathering Music

Centering Silence & Prayer

Prelude

“Rainbow Connection”

Ascher & Williams

Words of Welcome

This is the day that our God has made...

let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*Opening Song

“Kum Ba Yah”

Someone’s crying/singing/praying...

*Sharing God’s Peace

Preparing Our Hearts

Reading

Gospel Ensemble

“May You Be Well” *Mayer*

A Time of Offering & Opportunity

God is good....***all the time...***

and all the time...***God is good***

Today’s Pockets of Plenty offering will support the efforts of Laundry Love, a volunteer team that gathers weekly at a local laundromat to provide financial support and detergent to those in need.

Offertory

“Love Rescue Me”

Playing for Change



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

Luke 24:13-35

Sermon

Silent Reflection

Song of Response

“Amazing Grace”

Celebration of Baptism

Elaina, Maisy & Opal Callison

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

“We are singing in the Light of God”

***We are
praying / loving / laughing / dancing . . .***

*Benediction

*Congregational Response

“Amen” *(African American Spiritual)*

Rev. Vicky Stifter | Minister
Steve Chance | Youth Program Volunteer | Kristen Daly | Nursery Care Provider
Tim Mayer, Lydia Warren & the Gospel Ensemble | Musicians
Sonsirea Orion | Soloist
Cathy Earls, Pam Riedl, James Holloway | Greeters
Heather Nielsen & Gary McFarlen | Readers
Beth Hartwell, Gean & Gary Rains | Hospitality
Malcolm Brown | Audio-Visual & Sound System
Beth Hartwell | Financial Secretary



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 Steve Chance 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 refreshments and connection in the Riverview Room after worship.

Special Congregational meeting for Riverside members to vote on the hiring of an Interim Pastor.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study | Parkhurst | 2:00 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

THURSDAY

Climate Future: "Mini" Film Festival
 5:30 PM Dinner
 6:00 Film & Discussion.
 Childcare provided. All are welcome. Riverview Room.

FRIDAY

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

NEXT SUNDAY

Concluding service by Pastor Vicky.
 Music & Arts Board meets after worship.



Welcome to Riverside Community Church

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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



"The Disciples on the Road to Emmaus" Giunia Sigworth

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April 19, 2026

Third Sunday of Easter