

Gathering Music & Lighting of Candles



Centering Silence

Prelude

Words of Welcome

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

Please stand as you are able

Opening Song

“Change My Heart, O God” #373

Opening Prayer

Sharing God’s Peace

Please be seated

Reading

“The Creation”

James Weldon Johnson

Special Music

“Ready for a Change”

Time of Opportunity & Offering

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



Offertory

Please stand as you are able

***Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God for all that love has done,
Creator, Christ and Spirit one. Amen.*

Offertory Prayer

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.*

Preparing Our Hearts

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 18: 1-6

Sermon

“In the Hands of the Potter”

“Pray-Doh Contemplation”

Please stand as you are able

Song of Response

“God, You Spin the Whirling Planets” #24

Please be seated.

A Time of Prayer

*God in your grace... **Hear Our Prayers***

Communion

Please stand as you are able

The Prayer of Jesus

(Ecumenical version alt)

***Our Creator in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against
us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from
evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen***

*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.*

Please stand as you are able

Closing Song

“O Christ the Same” #433

Benediction

Music of Going Forth

Rev. Beth Lyon | Interim Minister
Katie Cook | Youth Program Coordinator – Kristin Daly | Nursery
Duncan Krummel | Piano
Ann Becker, Sandy Spellecy | Greeters
John Boonstra | Reader
Mal Brown | Audio Visual & Sound System
Alison Betzing & September volunteers | Hospitality
Beth Hartwell | Financial Secretary



If you are a newcomer to Riverside ~ we invite you to fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering plate or give it to Pastor Beth after worship.

This Week at Riverside:

TODAY

Ages 5+ - Join Katie Cook for Sunday School after Children's Time. Birth-Age 4 – Nursery care is available in the Fireside Room from 10:15 AM – 12:00 PM.

All are invited for a time of refreshment and connection in the Riverview Room after the service.

Music & Arts Board meets in the Ruth Wells Room after worship

OFFICE HOURS

Tues. Sept 8 – Friday, Sept. 18 staff will be working remotely due to interior elevator replacement 8 AM – 3 PM each day. Phones & email will be monitored during the closure.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study | Parkhurst | 2:00 PM
Building Maintenance Board meets | Riverview Room | 10:30 AM

FRIDAY

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

NEXT SUNDAY

ADULT EDUCATION SERIES: “RE-SHAPED WHAT WE’RE MADE FOR”

A series on change and how we’re built for it!
9 AM in the Ruth Wells Room. All are welcome.

“THESE SACRED HILLS” A FILM SCREENING SEPT 18

Columbia Riverkeepers & RCC’s Justice & Witness Board host an award-winning film 5:30 – 8:30 PM. Riverview Room.
Light Supper provided. Donations gratefully accepted.

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.

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 Kathryn: office@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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