



Gathering Music & Lighting of Candles

Words of Welcome

Centering Silence

Prelude

Please stand as you are able.

Call to Worship

Leader: Your love is high as the heavens, O God; your faithfulness soars through the skies.

All: Your righteousness reaches the towering peaks; your justice the depths of the sea.

Leader: We shelter beneath your wings; we feast on the food you provide.

All: We open our eyes to drink in your goodness; for you are the source of all life.

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Song

“God, You Spin the Whirling Planets”

Hymn #24

Sharing Christ’s Peace

Please be seated

Reading

“Talking with the Sun”

Joy Harjo



A Time of Offering & Announcements

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

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

Please stand as you are able

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.*

Offertory Prayer

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.*

Preparing our Hearts

Scripture

Isaiah 56: 1, 6-8

Matthew 22: 24-40

(First Nations Version)

Sermon

Please stand as you are able

Song of Response

“The Gift of Love”

#397

Please be seated



Time of Prayer

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

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*

Closing Song

“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service”

#575

Benediction

Postlude

Rev. Beth Lyon | Interim Minister
Katie Cook | Youth Program Coordinator – Kristen Daley | Nursery
Lydia Warren | Piano & Vocals
Mal Brown | Audio Visual & Sound System
Riverside | Coffee Hour
| Financial Secretary



If you are a newcomer to Riverside ~ WELCOME!
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+ - 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.

Wednesday

Bible Study | Parkhurst | 2:00 PM
Choir Rehearsal | 6:30 PM. All are welcome.

Friday

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

NEXT SUNDAY

Adult Education Series:

“Sacred Land: Exploring Right Relations.”

9:15 AM in the Ruth Wells Room All are welcome.

Chancel Choir sings with David Kelly directing,
Lydia Warren as accompanist.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Oct 28-29

Supporting children of Native American families.
Costumes, Food & Fun! Contact Beth Hartwell
hrbethhart@gmail.com if you'd like to participate.

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, November 20, Noon

Transgender Day of Remembrance ceremony at Riverside
Church. Lecture & Luncheon to follow.
More details soon!



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*
Sign up at kathy@hungerchronicles.com
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