ORDER OF WORSHIP

Twenty-sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Stewardship Celebration Sunday

November 17, 2024

9:45 & 11:00 A.M.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

The bells ring three times to represent the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

PRELUDE *Amazing Grace* Jay Dawson
Riverchase Instrumental Ensemble

***HYMN NO. 547** *O Church of God United* ELLACOMBE

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles' Creed Rev. John Ray

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Children's Church (11:00 only): Children ages 3 years old – 1st grade are invited at this time to go with our Children's Ministry leader to Room 160. Please make sure your children are wearing their name tags. We will not have Children's Church on the 1st Sunday of the month.

WELCOME Rev. Tony Johnson

MEET & GREET NO. 136 Rev. Tony Johnson

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

ANTHEM *I'll Be On My Way* Shawn Kirchner

ANNOUNCEMENTS (9:45) Rev. Reid Turner
(11:00)Rev. Nancy Harper

PASTORAL PRAYER (9:45) Rev. Reid Turner
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THE LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Tony Johnson

OFFERTORY *This is My Father's World* arr. Elaine Hagenberg

STEWARDSHIP TESTIMONIAL Rebecca Horn

STEWARDSHIP CELEBRATION Rev. Tony Johnson

GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY** OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SERMON It Matters! Methodism Explained! Rev. Tony Johnson
... Our Theology
Scripture: Ephesians 2:1-9
Pew Bible: NT 235

***HYMN NO. 117** *O God Our Help in Ages Past* ST. ANNE

***INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Tony Johnson

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come; be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

***POSTLUDE** *Rigaudon* Andre Campra

*Please stand as you are able.

Communion will be served in the Prayer Chapel after the 9:45 service.

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Musicians
Daniel deShazo, Minister of Music and Worship Arts
Walt Rogers, Organ
Kathy Wallace, Piano
Sanctuary Choir
Riverchase Instrumental Ensemble

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Acolytes & Crucifers
9:45 Hank Kessler & Sam Wheat
11:00 Clair Cairnes & Grant Peavy Henry Collis

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ALTAR FLOWERS

In Celebration of Jan and Tom Hall's 47th wedding anniversary, given by daughters, Rebecca Hall Klar & Jessica Hall Kaufhold
In Memory of Naomi Williamson, given by Friends in Christ

DONUT SPONSORS

This week's Lickin' Good donuts are sponsored by Ron & Betty Summers, in honor of the RUMC Office Staff

WELCOME

We're so glad that you've chosen Riverchase UMC today where our mission is to Share the Joy of Christ. If you'd like to know more about Riverchase UMC we invite you to visit our website at Riverchaseumc.org or email Ruth Howald at RuthH@riverchaseumc.org. If you'd prefer to talk to someone then feel free to call the church office at 205-987-4030.

Tony

NURSERY

Beginning with our youngest friends, at 6 weeks old, and ending with 2-year olds, we begin laying the foundations of faith with song, dance, bubbles, laughter, and love! Our nursery workers are happy to provide a safe, loving, and secure nursery for your child from 9:45 AM - 12:15 PM.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Each Sunday at 9:45 AM, children (3K to 5th grade) explore the Bible through interactive lessons, stories, crafts, games, and hands-on learning in Riverchase's

Sunday School classes for children. These engaging lessons assist parents in providing a foundation of faith.

Parents must check children in and out of classrooms. Look for our Children's Ministry Assistants on Sunday morning to help you find your child's classroom.

Children's Sunday School Schedule
9:35-9:45 AM - Drop off in Sunday School Classroom
9:50 AM - All classes gather in the Children's Worship Center for Large Group
10:10 AM - All classes return to their classrooms for Small Group
10:45 AM - Pick up in Sunday School Classroom

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

For all upcoming events please visit our website
www.riverchaseumc.org/news/

Advent Decorating
Save the Date: November 23, 2024

Angel Tree - November
Help a child in need experience the joy of Christmas this year. Support our Angel Tree mission by signing up to support an Angel. Selections are now available and can be made in the Welcome Center every Sunday in November or online.

Pecan Sales
Annual Pecan Sale – pre-order NOW for pick-up Nov. 17 & 24.
Each bag is one pound for $12. This year we have Mammoth Pecan Halves, Roasted & Salted Cashews, Praline Pecan Halves, Chocolate Amaretto Pecans, Chocolate Covered Peanuts, and Chocolate Covered Raisins.
You can also pre-order online at bit.ly/RUMCPecans.

Christmas Dinner Save the Date
- We'll have the Dickens Caroling Quartet from the American Caroling Company dressed in full Victorian garb, performing that night.
- Photo Op to have your picture made with the Carolers before dinner.
- It's a time for the entire church to come together to Share the Joy of Christ.
- Childcare will be provided.
- So, mark your calendars now so you don't miss this incredible Riverchase event! Wednesday, December 11, 2024 6:00PM

Stay tuned for more information.

Riverchase Women's Retreat - February 7th-9th
Join us for fun and fellowship at Women's Retreat 2025. It will be held at Camp Sumatanga and will be an incredible time for Riverchase Women! Check our website for details.

Open Positions Nursery Attendant
Open Position - Nursery Attendant. Our Nursery Department has 2 Nursery Attendant openings. We are looking for candidates who have a passion and interest in nurturing our youngest church members. Learn More on our website www.riverchaseumc.org/employment/

For a current list of all prayer concerns visit
www.riverchaseumc.org/prayers/

WAYS TO GIVE

ENGAGE
Engage is a safe and secure on-line giving portal that integrates with our church management system. Payments can be set up as a one-time gift or to recur (weekly, semi-monthly, monthly, quarterly), can be made either from a credit card or a bank account, and can be made "as a guest" without creating an account. You can reach Engage at https://engage.suran.com/rumcal/.

CASH OR CHECK
You can always give to Riverchase by cash or check. We have a time of giving during each service, you can bring your gift to the church office, or you can mail your gift to:

Riverchase UMC
Attn: Mary Anne Levet
1953 Old Montgomery Hwy
Birmingham, AL 35244

YOUR BANK'S ONLINE OPTIONS
Many banks now offer online bill payment services. These can be set up for one-time giving or for regularly scheduled gifts; each system is different but you can use the street address above and/or these email addresses:
maryannel@riverchaseumc.org or finance@riverchaseumc.org. If you'd like to use this option and need more information from us, please contact Mary Anne Levet.

TEXT-TO-GIVE
Our text giving number is (833) 273-1232. Text the word BUDGET and an amount, the word BLDG (for the building fund) and an amount, or the word MISSIONS and an amount to the same number. You can make multiple gifts with a single text by sending, for example, BUDGET 100 BLDG 50 MISSIONS 50 to (833) 273-1232.

ON-LINE GIVING:
We have several options: ENGAGE, PayPal, and Venmo. Scan one of the QR codes below, or use one of these links/websites:
engage.suran.com/rumcal
paypal.me/RiverchaseUMC
Use the PayPal app to send money to @RiverchaseUMC
Use the Venmo app to send money to our Charity account @RiverchaseUMC

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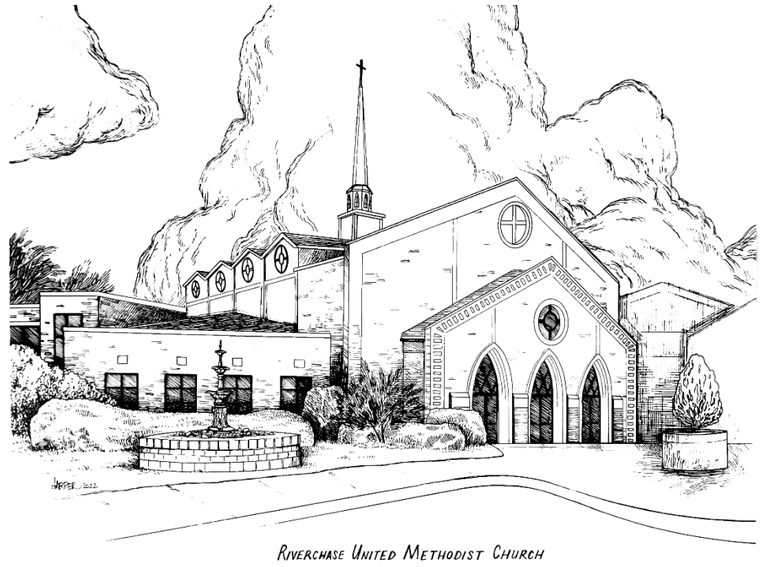

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Our mission is to make disciples by Sharing the Joy of Christ!

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