

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 11, 2024

9:45 & 11:00 A.M.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

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

WELCOME

Daniel deShazo

PRELUDE

Fanfare and Processional for Organ

Douglas Wagner

***HYMN NO. 159**

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Daniel deShazo

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you,

All: **And also with you.**

*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. John Ray

Leader: The Lord be with you,

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

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.

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. John Ray

OFFERTORY

Gaelic Blessing
Sanctuary Choir

John Rutter

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

“Judging Others”
Scripture: Matthew 7:1-5
Pew Bible NT 8

Rev. Nancy Harper

***HYMN NO. 171**

There’s Something About That Name

THAT NAME

***INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. John Ray

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Kings and kingdoms will all pass away, but there’s something about that name!

***POSTLUDE**

Lift High the Cross

arr. Carolyn Hamlin

*Please stand as you are able.

Communion will be served in the prayer chapel after the 9:45 service.

Daniel deShazo, Director of Music and Worship
Walt Rogers, organ
Kathy Wallace, piano
Sanctuary Choir

Acolytes & Crucifer
Charlie Wilkins Isaac Wilkins

ALTAR & NARTHEX FLOWERS

In memory of Cal Elliott, given by Ashlee & Johnathan Marshall

In celebration of our wedding anniversary, given by

Sandi Raley & Roy Tofflemire

In loving memory of Beth Carden, given by Byron Carden

BIRTH

Congratulations to Barbara Henry on the birth of her granddaughter,
Sadie Jane Ferrell, born on December 23, 2023.

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.

If you’re looking for a new church to call home, we encourage you to be our guest for several weeks before deciding, so you get a good feel for who we are and what we’re about.

We hope you enjoy your experience today at Riverchase UMC where we exist to Share the Joy of Christ.

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:

VOLUNTEER FAIR ON FEBRUARY 11

Join us for our Volunteer Fair on February 11th in the Welcome Center, between the 9:45 and 11:00AM services. Come learn of the awesome opportunities where you can connect and serve in our church!

Activities include:

- “Volunteer Speed Dating” – stations for people to visit and get more information on specific volunteer work/ministries.
- Snacks and drinks
- DOOR PRIZES!- Every time you sign up for something new, you earn a chance to win a gift card!

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

We will have an Ash Wednesday service on February 14, 2024, at 6:00PM in the Sanctuary.

RIVERCHASE DAY SCHOOL 2024-2025 REGISTRATION

Registration is now open. For more information go to riverchasedayschool.com

ADULT AND YOUTH ART CLASSES START IN FEBRUARY

Join us for 10 classes with Svetlana Bel. Svetlana is a classically trained artist with a Master's in Art Education from the University of Florida. She has taught in the Hoover area for years. You will enjoy her enthusiastic and friendly approach as she increases your confidence and guides you to produce beautiful art!

Our classes will be Tuesday evenings in the Choir Room from 6:00 to 8:00:

- February 13, 20, 27
- March 5, 12, 19
- April 9, 16, 23
- May 7

The cost for the classes is \$275 and includes all supplies! Youth from 5th grade up are welcome – some art experience is preferred in that age group.

Painting with acrylics will be a centerpiece, but Svetlana will spend some of the first class surveying us about what we would like to do.

We will have an Art Show in the Welcome Center at RUMC. This is scheduled for Sunday, May 12, during and after morning worship services.

To enroll or to ask questions, email Kathy Wallace at KathyW@riverchaseumc.org

UNITED METHODIST MEN'S BREAKFAST- SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

We The Riverchase United Methodist Men meet on the third Sunday of every month from 8:30 until 9:30 in the Riverchase Room. All men of the church are welcome to become members. Our meetings consist of fellowship, breakfast, and an interesting speaker. If you would like to become a member, please contact Mike Miller at [251.942.5965](tel:251.942.5965) or mikemiller.al@gmail.com.

OPEN PICKLEBALL SESSIONS - THURSDAYS 3-7PM

RUMC is now offering weekly Pickleball Sessions on Thursdays in our gym from 3:00 - 7:00 PM. We are going to make the first two hours more for beginners and the last two hours for anyone. The more advanced players (and you know who you are :-)) can start to show up around 4:30 and, providing that there is/are available courts (which, with the number of beginners, likely will be the case), can start playing then. However, the early session (beginners) will have priority on the courts until 5:00 if there are more beginners there than there are courts. Beginners can stay past 5:00 and continue to play as we are today. We just

realized the need to offer some dedicated time to the people who are still learning the game. Contact Mark Bourgoïn at umaine@bellsouth.net with any questions. No reservations are required and there will be no cost to play. Pickleball is truly a game for all stages and all ages. So, please consider coming to a session and check it out. Equipment will be provided should you need it. See you on the courts!

WAYS TO GIVE 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: riverchaseumc.org/engage OR engage.suran.com/rumcal

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