ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday After The Epiphany

February 16, 2025

9:45 & 11:00 A.M.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

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

PRELUDE *O Worship the King* Whitman

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN NO. 73** *O Worship the King* LYONS

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Nicene Creed Rev. John Ray

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. 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 Rev. Tony Johnson

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.

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

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

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.

HYMN NO. 133 (vs1,3) *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* SHOWALTER
(Please remain seated)

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Tony Johnson

OFFERTORY *Here I Am, Lord* arr. Jack Schrader

Please sing as led:

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide 'til their hears be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY** LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SERMON Worn But Worthy... Rev. Tony Johnson
Embracing our Imperfections
Scripture: 1 Samuel 17:38-50
Pew Bible: OT 324

***HYMN NO. 368** *My Hope is Built* THE SOLID ROCK

***INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Tony Johnson

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

***POSTLUDE** *Toccata in F Major* Buxtehude

*Please stand as you are able.

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Musicians
Daniel deShazo, Minister of Music and Worship Arts
Vic Thompson, Organ
Kathy Wallace, Piano
Sanctuary Choir

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Acolytes & Crucifers

9:45	Lane & Rebecca Kaufhold	Cathy Henry
11:00	Lane & Rebecca Kaufhold	Joseph Kaufhold

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ALTAR FLOWERS

In memory of Dorothy Bobo Stanley, given by Jeanne Stanley
In acclamation of the beautiful music brought by the Chancel Ringers

DONUT SPONSORS

This week's Lickin' Good donuts are in celebration of Faith Class

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Starting on March 2 the 9:45AM traditional service will move to 9:30AM

SYMPATHY

To Edie & Don Romano on the death of their daughter-in-law, Jen Romano.
To Sally Holsonback on the death of her cousin, Bill Barnwell.

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.

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/

Discovery Weekend

Next weekend is Discovery Weekend, an important weekend in the life of our church. It's a weekend for middle schoolers to grow in faith, and that growth is led by our high school students.

We have a role for everyone to play in Discovery weekend by praying for our students. Out in the Welcome Center is a table with window clings that have the names of students coming to Discovery. We ask that you grab one & pray for those students on that cling as Discovery approaches. It's a window cling, so you can put it in your car next to your oil change reminder. As you go to & from next week, see that name & say a prayer. If you like, write that student a letter saying you are praying for them. Bring the letter to the church office next week & they will receive it during Discovery. How wonderful is that?

Churchwide Dinner, February 26 at 6:00PM in the Gym

Join us on February 26th to hear Gary Christian.

With over 30 years of experience in golf, from playing collegiately at Auburn University, to becoming one of the oldest true rookies in the modern history of the PGA Tour, to forging an impressive and respected golf broadcasting career, Gary has been involved in almost every aspect of the sport.

As part of the evening, Gary will be weaving his Golf Career with his testimony and how Christ has played a vital role in his personal and professional life.

Even if you're not into golf, you will enjoy Gary's stories.

We will have a wonderful catered meal from Margarita Grill. For more information and to register please visit our website: www. riverchaseumc.org

Vespers Service, March 2 at 5:00PM in the Upper Room

Join us for a night of worship for our Vespers service. We'll join together as a church for a quiet and reflective evening of worship.

Ash Wednesday, March 5

Drive-Through Ashes from 6:30AM to 8:00AM at the upper level MFA covered entrance.
Worship with Imposition of Ashes at 6:00PM in the Sanctuary.

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:
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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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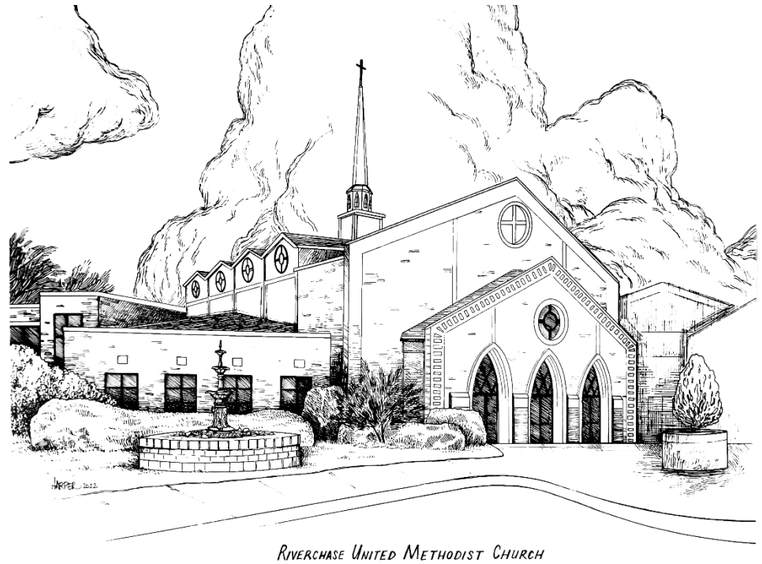

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Our mission is to make disciples by Sharing the Joy of Christ!

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