ORDER OF WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday After The Epiphany

February 9, 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 *Hymn Fantasy on 'To God be the Glory'* arr. Michael Burkhardt

***HYMN NO. 98** *To God Be the Glory* TO GOD BE THE GLORY

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Korean Creed Daniel deShazo

We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things,
Father of all Nations, the source of all goodness and beauty,
all truth and love.
We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh,
our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance,
for comfort, and for strength.
We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer,
and in grace equal to every need.
We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments
as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.
We believe in the Church, those who are united in the living Lord
for the purpose of worship and service.
We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society,
and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters.
We believe in the final triumph of righteousness,
and in 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 Rev. Tony Johnson

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (9:45) Rev. Reid Turner
(11:00) Rev. Seth Moon

PASTORAL PRAYER (9:45) Rev. Reid Turner
(11:00) Rev. Seth Moon

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. 496 (vs1,3) *Sweet Hour of Prayer* SWEET HOUR
(Please remain seated)

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Tony Johnson

OFFERTORY *The Gift of Love* arr. Hal Hopson
Martez Tidwell, Soloist

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: Luke 14:1-6
Pew Bible: NT 94

***HYMN NO. 472** *Near to the Heart of God* McAFEE

***INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Tony Johnson

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God,
hold us who wait before thee near to the heart of God.

***POSTLUDE** *Cortege* arr. Joyce Jone

*Please stand as you are able.

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Musicians
Daniel deShazo, Minister of Music and Worship Arts
Walt Rogers, Organ
Kathy Wallace, Piano
Sanctuary Choir
Martez Tidwell, Soloist

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Acolytes & Crucifers

9:45	Luke Bridges & Sam Wheat	Bill Lawrence
11:00	Luke Bridges	Steve Halsey

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ALTAR FLOWERS

In loving memory of Barbara & Glenn Nead, given by Allison & Mark Brown
In acclamation of the opportunities for Christian growth and service provided by the Riverchase Women

DONUT SPONSORS

This week's Lickin' Good donuts are in celebration of RUMC's Wonderful Music

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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

SYMPATHY

To Kelly & Clark French on the death of Kelly's father, Alton Ray.

BOARD OF STEWARDS

There will be a Board of Stewards meeting on February 11 at 6:00PM in the **Riverchase Room.**

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/

Discovery Weekend - February 21st-23rd

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.

"After a 15-year playing career, I suffered a career-ending knee injury and pivoted to broadcasting. Starting at SKY Sports UK in 2015, I worked on my craft and now have a strong body of on-course commentating, studio analysis, and interviewing on my resume. I work with the PGA Tour Live/ESPN+, the Golf Channel, and ESPN in the US. It's been an honor to cover the PGA Tour, US Open, PGA Championship, Ryder Cup, Korn Ferry Tour, college, PGA of America, and USGA events."
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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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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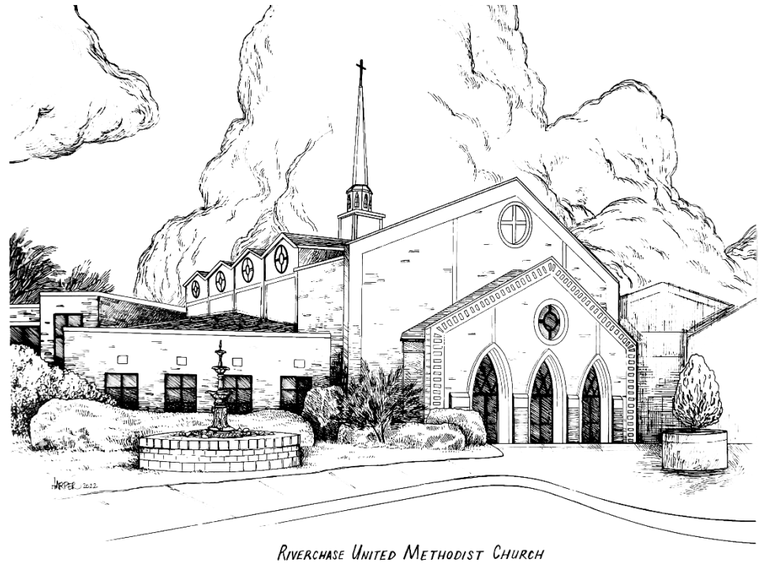

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Our mission is to make disciples by Sharing the Joy of Christ!

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