ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 9 , 2025

9:30 & 11:00A.M.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

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

PRELUDE *Grace Medley* arr. Paul Mickelson
Clark French, Trumpet

***HYMN NO. 428** *For the Healing of the Nations* CWM RHONDDA

***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 Rev. Tony Johnson

Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidst me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (9:30) Daniel deShazo
(11:00) Rev. Nancy Harper

PASTORAL PRAYER (9:30) Rev. John Ray
(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. 399 (v.1,3) *Take My Life, And Let It Be* MESSIAH
(Please remain seated)

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Tony Johnson

OFFERTORY *Grace* arr. Mark Hayes
Sarah Skinner, Conductor

GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY** HAMBURG

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 Wilderness to Resurrection Rev. Tony Johnson
...How to Thrive in Life
Scripture: Exodus 20:1-20
Pew Bible: OT 82

***HYMN NO. 378** *Amazing Grace* AMAZING GRACE

During this hymn, we invite you to be in a time of prayer. If so led, you are welcome to come to the altar rail to pray.

***INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

***NEW MEMBERS AND BAPTISMS**

9:30 Jackson, Courtney, Vivian and Margo Kanupp joining
Brenda & Mark Johnson joining
11:00 Madison Allred & Bentley Smith baptism and joining

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Tony Johnson

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

I once was lost, but now I'm found;
was blind, but now I see.

***POSTLUDE** *When in Our Music God is Glorified* arr. Matt Limbaugh

*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
Clark French, Trumpet

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Acolytes & Crucifers

9:30	Hank Kessler	Bill Lawrence
11:00	Luke Bridges	Steve Halsey

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ALTAR FLOWERS

In memory of Ina Bailey Tew, given by Jeanne Stanley
In celebration of the ministries of this church and our Wedding Anniversary, given by Ruth Howald and Scott Montgomery

DONUT SPONSORS

This week's Lickin' Good donuts are in honor of the Open Door Sunday School Class

SYMPATHY

To the Terry & Charlie Marin on the death of Terry's mother, Barbara Sanders.

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 9:30 AM - 12:15 PM.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Each Sunday at 9:30AM, 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
9:20-9:30 AM - Drop off in Sunday School Classroom
9:35 AM - All classes gather in the Children's Worship Center for Large Group
10:00 AM - All classes return to their classrooms for Small Group
10:30 AM - Pick up in Sunday School Classroom

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

Lenten Bible Study

Lent is a time when we traditionally examine our faith to find ways to stretch ourselves. In anticipation of this spiritual growth, we're offering a special Bible study for the Lenten season. Reid will be leading a study on the Last Words of Jesus on the cross, beginning March 12th. The group will discuss these final words of Jesus and explore their significance. We will be using the book "Last Words" by Susan Robb. For more details go to www.riverchaseumc.org/bible-studies/

We Are Hiring!

We are currently looking for good people to fill several full and part-time positions.

- RSM is seeking an Assistant Youth Minister. This position would report directly to Seth Moon.
- Our Nursery has 2 Nursery Attendant Openings.
- Our Traditional service needs Tech help on Sunday Morning.

To find out more about these positions got to: www.riverchaseumc.org/careers/

Riverchase Men Table Time

March 25, 2025 at 11:00
King Buffet, Pelham

- This is open for all Riverchase Men and their unchurched friends, sons and grandsons are welcome and encouraged
- Great time to build community with other men and hey, you're going to eat anyway.
- Order whatever you want because you're paying for it – Dutch Treat.
- Address: 101 Cahaba Valley Parkway E, Pelham

Please register online at www.riverchaseumc.org/events by Monday, March 24 at noon.

Save The Dates

- April 12 Great Day of Service
- April 13 Palm Sunday
- April 17 Maundy Thursday
- April 18 Good Friday
- April 20 Easter

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

RIVERCHASE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

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