NURSERY

For ages 6 weeks to 2 years, our nursery provides a safe, loving space with song, dance, and play from 9:00 AM - 12:15 PM.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children (3K-5th grade) explore the Bible through lessons, crafts, and games each Sunday at 10:00 AM. Parents must check children in and out with our Children's Ministry Assistants.

10:00 AM - Drop off in Sunday School Classroom.
10:05 AM - All classes gather in the Children's Worship Center.
10:45 AM - All classes return to their classrooms for Small Group.
10:50 AM - Pick-up in Sunday School Classroom.

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Each Sunday from 10:00-10:50 AM, students meet in the Student Center (Big Room) for Bible study, discussion, and community with their peers. Contact Seth Moon or Hannah Stubblefield with any questions.

ADULT MINISTRIES

There's a place for everyone at Riverchase, from Sunday School classes and Bible studies to Riverchase Men and Riverchase Women. Groups meet at different times throughout the week to fit a variety of schedules. Find one that's right for you at **riverchaseumc.org/ministries/adults/**

Looking to connect with a Life Group and/or Sunday School class? Visit our website at **riverchaseumc.org/life-groups/** to find a class for you.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Join us Wednesday nights. We have dinner and programming for all ages and stages. Starting Wednesday, August 26th, we have dinner from 5-6pm and programming (for all ages & stages) from 6-7pm. You must preregister for dinner, visit our website or Church Center to signup.

*See announcements on flip-side for details on Wednesday, August 19th

LOOKING TO SERVE?

We are always looking for volunteers to get plugged in at RUMC. Check out our service opportunities and get in touch. No experience required. Please visit **riverchaseumc.org/serve** to see all the great ways to get involved!

COFFEE & DONUTS

Please join us in the Welcome Center from 9:50 - 10:50 for coffee, donuts, and fellowship. Thank you to our Hospitality team and everyone who gives to provide the donuts each week.

WELCOME TO RIVERCHASE

We're glad you've joined us today as we gather to worship, grow, and connect. Our community is built on God's unconditional love and grace, and we strive to create a welcoming environment where everyone feels accepted and valued. Sharing the Joy of Christ is at the heart of who we are.

If you'd like to know more about Riverchase United Methodist Church, we invite you to visit our website at **riverchaseumc.org,** contact our office via email at *info@riverchaseumc.org* or call *205.987.4030.*

church center

Church Center is our new mobile app. It's a new tool to work alongside our website and newsletter to help you stay connected, register for events, check-in your family, and give online.

It's online and ready for you to jump in. We'll be adding new features and functionality in the coming weeks and months.
Scan the QR code below to get started!

SIGN UP FOR CHURCH CENTER

RIVERCHASE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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RIVERCHASEUMC.ORG

SHARING THE JOY OF CHRIST **AUGUST 16, 2026**

ORDER OF WORSHIP
AUGUST 16, 2026

CHIMING OF THE HOUR
The bells ring three times to represent the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS
Rev. Nancy Harper

PRELUDE
He Leadeth Me — arr. Gilbert Martin

+ HYMN NO. 577
God of Grace and God of Glory — CWM RHONDDA

PASTORAL PRAYER
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.

ANTHEM
Jesus Paid it All — arr. Robert Sterling

+ HYMN NO. 467
Trust and Obey — TRUST AND OBEY

+ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
Apostles' Creed — (9:00) Rev. Rachel Gonia, (11:00) Rev. Nancy Harper

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.

+ PASSING OF THE PEACE
Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS
Rev. Tyler Christiansen

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 the Fellowship Hall. Please make sure your children are wearing their name tags.

OFFERTORY PRAYER
Rev. Tyler Christiansen

OFFERTORY
Grace — arr. Mark Hayes

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
On the Hook: the Little Big Book — Rev. Tyler Christiansen
Scripture: Jonah 1: 1-3
Pew Bible: OT 1053

+ HYMN NO. 451
Be Thou My Vision — SLANE

+ BENEDICTION
The Lord Bless You and Keep You — arr. Lutkin

+ INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP
Rev. Tyler Christiansen

+ POSTLUDE
All My Hope on God is Founded — arr. Michael Burkhardt

Hearing Devices are available near the Ushers table in the Narthex

+ Congregation stands, **Bold** congregation reads aloud,
Bold Italic congregation sings.

MUSICIANS
Daniel deShazo, Minister of Music and Worship Arts
Kathy Wallace, Piano
Walt Rogers, Organ
Sanctuary Choir

DONUT SPONSORS
This week's donut dedication is given anonymously in honor of Kristi Rodgers and the RUMC Children's Ministry. With sincere thanks and appreciation for all that you do!

CELEBRATIONS
Congratulations to Lauren and Evan Chickvara on the birth of their son, Jace Easton, born August 6th.

FLOWERS
In Honor of Our 53rd Wedding Anniversary this month
by David and Kay Taggart

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Please visit our website for more events and more details
RIVERCHASEUMC.ORG

Church Center - RUMC's New Church App
Please see information on the backside of this bulletin regarding our new app "Church Center". Sign up and check it out today!

Board of Stewards Meeting - August 18
There will be a Board of Stewards meeting on Tuesday, August 18th at 6 PM in the Fireside Room.

Wednesday Night Dinner - August 19th
Wednesday night dinners kick off Wednesday, August 19th. Meet us in the Gym at 5:30 PM. Make sure to register for dinner. Dinners will continue on the following Wednesdays starting at 5 PM.

Bible Studies - Starting August 26th
Bible Study programming kicks off on August 26th. We offer classes on all sorts of subjects and programming for all ages & stages on Wednesday evenings. We also have a few daytime offerings you can join. Please visit our website to see the classes you can be a part of.

Riverchase Women - Salt & Light - August 30
Our Riverchase Women are excited to announce their annual dinner and speaker event, Salt & Light. It is August 30th from 5-7 PM and will feature guest speaker Aimee George with the theme of Planting Peace, Not Fear. Register on our website.