NURSERY

For ages 6 weeks through 2 years, our nursery provides a safe, loving space with song, dance, and play from 8:45 AM - 12 PM.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SUNDAYS

9 AM - Children's Moment in Traditional Worship. Worship bags available.
10 AM - Children (3K-5th grade) explore the Bible through lessons, crafts, and games each Sunday at 10-10:50 AM.
11 AM - 1st Sunday of the month: Children's Moment in Worship
Children's Church for 3K-1st Grade every Sunday after the 1st Sunday of the month.

Parents must check children in and out with our Children's Ministry.

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 reserve your dinner by tomorrow at noon. Visit our website or Church Center to signup.

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

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SHARING THE JOY OF CHRIST **AUGUST 30, 2026**

ORDER OF WORSHIP
AUGUST 30, 2026

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

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS — Rev. Nancy Harper

PRELUDE — *Highland Cathedral* — arr. Charles Callahan

+ HYMN NO. 384 — *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* — BEECHER

PASTORAL PRAYER — Rev. Rachel Gonia

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.

PSALTER — *Psalm 50* — Daniel deShazo

Refrain: ***To the upright I will show the saving power of God.***

Leader: The God of gods, the Lord, has spoken and summoned the earth, from the rising of the sun to its setting. "I do not rebuke you for your sacrifices; your offerings are always before me." ***Refrain***

Leader: "Give your praise as a sacrifice to God, and fulfill your vows to the Most High. Then call on me in the day of distress, I will deliver you, and you shall honor me." ***Refrain***

+ HYMN NO. 338 (v.s. 1,4) — *Where He Leads Me* — NORRIS

+ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — Apostles' Creed — 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!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (9:00 ONLY) — Kristi Rodgers

(Family room is available outside the Sanctuary, in the hallway on the organ side, if needed.)

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. Rachel Gonia

OFFERTORY — *I Will Be a Child of Peace* — *arr. Elaine Hagenberg*

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: For All of Creation?" Jonah 3:1-4:5. — Rev. Tyler Christiansen

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

+ INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP — Rev. Tyler Christiansen

+ BENEDICTION — Rev. Tyler Christiansen

+ CHORAL RESPONSE — *The Lord Bless you and Keep You* — arr. Lutkin

+ POSTLUDE — *Jesus Shall Reign* — arr. Albin Whitworth

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
Kathy Wallace, Piano
Walt Rogers, Organ
Sanctuary Choir

DONUT SPONSORS
This week's donuts are sponsored in joyful celebration of the return of Wednesday night dinners.

FLOWERS
In honor of Cindy and Bruce Hoadley's 45th wedding anniversary.

SYMPATHY
To Jennifer Paul and family on the death of Jennifer's husband, Gordon Paul who passed away earlier this week.

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!

Wednesday Night Dinner & Programming - September 2nd
Dinner starts at 5 PM, and programming for all runs from 6-7 PM. Dinner reservations close Monday (tomorrow) at noon.

Bible Studies - September 2nd
Wednesday Night programming continues for all ages & stages. 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.

Backpack Ministry - Looking for Drivers
Backpack Ministry needs volunteers to pick up food from Sam's and deliver bins to local schools. Help is needed on an ongoing basis.