

Welcome to **River Community Church**

Sunday Morning Worship

Order of Worship

January 22nd at 10:30am

Rev. JM Owens III - Pastor | Kevin Raske - Music Director

Prelude

Center My Life

Ivey, Land

Welcome & Announcements

God Welcomes Us

* Call to Worship

Psalm 2

* All Creatures of Our God and King *Francis of Assisi (ca. 1225); Tr. by Draper (1926)*

* Prayer of Praise

We Bring Ourselves to God

* Confessing Our Faith in Christ

Philippians 2:5–11

We believe in and share the mind of Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

* All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Perronet (1779); Rippon (1787)

* Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Ke. Getty, J. Kauflin, Papa, Boswell, Merker

Submitting Ourselves to God in Prayer

Assurance of God's Grace

Psalm 103:2–5

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

* Please Stand

We Bring Our Gifts to God

Children ages 3-5 may be taken to the nursery during the offering

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

It Was Finished Upon That Cross

Hendroff, Robinson, Thompson

* Doxology

Ken (1709)

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

God Speaks to Us

The Word of God Read

Matthew 3:1–17

The Word of God Proclaimed

Rev. JM Owens III

"John's Baptism"

Matthew: The King Has Come

Responding to God's Word in Prayer *concluding with the Lord's Prayer*

Eating & Communing with God

Invitation & Exhortation

Prayer of Consecration

The Bread & the Cup

Prayer of Dedication

God Blesses Us

* Nothing But the Blood

Lowry (1876); Arr. by Loehrs, Galbraith (2013)

* Benediction

* Respond with Song

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Spiritual

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere;

Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

Weekly Announcements

January 22nd-29th, 2023

Evening Worship & Congregational Meeting

This Evening at 5:30pm

The purpose of this evening's meeting will be to present the 2023 budget adopted and approved by the Session and to update the congregation on the financial outlook of River Community Church. This meeting is vital for all active members of the church, and attendance is strongly encouraged. Nursery care will be provided.

Church Potluck

All Are Welcome to Join Us TODAY!

We will be gathering for a church-wide potluck today following worship. We especially invite our visitors to remain and eat with us, even if you didn't bring anything for the meal! (The same holds true for members!) We will need help cleaning up afterwards, whoever is able to stay around.

Sunday Night Student Fellowship

Ice cream following the congregational meeting!

Regular Sunday night fellowship will not meet tonight due to the evening service and congregational meeting. However, immediately following the service, the youth and their families are welcome to gather at *The Yard* for ice cream. *The Yard* is located in Highland Park Marketplace.

Officer Nominations

Make your nominations prior to February 12.

The Session has opened a season for officer nominations beginning January 15 and extending through February 12. Nominees must be church members who meet the biblical qualifications for office, are active in worship and service, and consent to being nominated. Only active, communing members may submit nominations. More info may be found on the bulletin table.

Make sure to grab a prayer request/connection card to let us know you're here and how we can be praying for you!

For giving options, please visit rivercommunity.org/give



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