

# Welcome to **River Community Church**

## Sunday Morning Worship

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### Order of Worship

January 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am

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

Kyle Nickerson - Worship Leader

#### Prelude

Hail to the Lord's Anointed (Psalm 27) *Montgomery (1821); Music by McCracken*

#### Welcome & Announcements

#### God Welcomes Us

- \*Call to Worship *Isaiah 6:1-7*
- \*Holy, Holy, Holy *Heber (1783-1826); Arr. by Norton Hall*
- \*God Omniscient, God All Knowing *Boswell*
- \*Prayer of Praise

#### We Bring Ourselves to God

Confessing Our Sins Together *Based on Romans 7:14-25*

Leader: Lord we come confessing, for we know that the Law is spiritual, but we have lived according to the flesh, as those sold under sin. We do not even understand our own actions.

**All:** For we do not do what we want, but we do the very things we hate.

Leader: We know that nothing good dwells in us, that is, in our flesh.

**All:** For we have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. Though we delight in the Law of God, in our inner beings, we see in our members another law waging war against the law of our minds, making us captives to the law of sin that dwells in us.

Leader: Wretched man that I am! Wretched men and women that we all are! Who will deliver us from these bodies of sin and death?

**All:** Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! He and he alone can deliver us.

Submitting Ourselves to God in Prayer *concluding with the Lord's Prayer*

#### Assurance of God's Grace

*Romans 8:1-4*

*There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.*

\*Before the Throne of God Above

*Bancroft (1841-1923)*

#### We Bring Our Gifts to God

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

#### Giving of Tithes & Offerings

Come Thou Almighty King *Anonymous (ca. 1757)*

\*Doxology *Ken (1709)*

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

#### God Speaks to Us

The Word of God Read *Matthew 3:13-17*

The Word of God Proclaimed *Rev. JM Owens III*

*"Behold, the Son of God"*

*Matthew: The King Has Come*

Responding to God's Word in Prayer

#### Eating & Communing with God

Invitation & Exhortation

Prayer of Consecration

The Bread & the Cup

Prayer of Dedication

#### God Blesses Us

\*Jesus Shall Reign *Watts (1719)*

\*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 29<sup>th</sup>–February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

### **Women's Study: The Gospel of Mark**

*Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm*

Join Dana Sutton and Hilary Owens as they lead the ladies of River through Mark's Gospel. Workbooks for the study are available from Dana for \$4. Participation last semester is not required to join the study this semester, and new folks are welcome to join at any time. Childcare is provided.

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### **Prayer Meeting Next Week**

*The Church Meets for Prayer Every First Sunday.*

The whole church is invited to participate in our monthly prayer meeting next Sunday at 4:00pm. We meet in the gathering area and pray for the needs of River Community Church and for one another. Effective ministry occurs only by the working of the Spirit, and for that we need to pray. We hope you'll join us!

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### **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.

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### **Sunday Night Student Fellowship**

*Food, Fun, and Fellowship at the Owens*

The youth (grades 6–12) are all invited to the Owens house this evening from 5:30–7:30pm for food, fun, and fellowship. We continue to work our way through the letter of 1 John. Their address is 14458 Lazy Oaks Drive, Gonzales.

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

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