

Welcome to **River Community Church**

Sunday Morning Worship

Order of Worship

April 28th at 10:30am

Rev. JM Owens III - Pastor | Rev. Steve Rhodes - Pastor Emeritus
Kevin Raske - Music Director | Elder Kyle Nickerson - Worship Leader

Prelude

Our God Our Help in Ages Past

Watts (1719)

Welcome & Announcements

God Calls Us to Himself

*Call to Worship

John 16:22–24; Job 19:25

Leader: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed!

Leader: Jesus said, "...you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask and you will receive, that your joy may be full."

All: I know that my Redeemer lives! Christ is risen!

Leader: He is risen indeed! Praise the Lord!

*From All that Dwell Below the Skies

Watts (1719); Arr. K. Smith

*Praising Our Triune God in Prayer

We Respond to God's Call

Confessing Our Sins Together

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

*Please Stand

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. Amen.

Bringing Our Hearts to God in Prayer

God Assures Us of His Love & Forgiveness

Romans 8:31–39

*How Great Thou Art

Hine (1849); Arr. K. Smith

*The Solid Rock

Mote (1834)

We Give Thanks

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

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

I Need Thee Every Hour

Hawks (1872); Refrain by Lowry (1872)

*Doxology

Ken (1709)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

God Speaks to Us

The Word of God Read

Genesis 11:1–9

The Word of God Proclaimed

Rev. JM Owens III

"The Tower of Babel"

Genesis 1–11: Origins of a Christian Worldview

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

God Feeds Us

Invitation & Exhortation

Prayer of Consecration

The Bread & the Cup

Prayer of Dedication

We Rejoice in God's Blessing

*Ancient of Days

Reeves, Farren, Robinson, Thompson

*Benediction

*Respond with Song

To God Be the Glory (Refrain)

Crosby (1875)

Weekly Announcements

April 28th–May 5th, 2024

Congregational Meeting & Potluck

Sunday, May 5

Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, May 5, immediately following the worship service, for the purpose of introducing a new set of Bylaws for the congregation (which we have not had before). The Bylaws are currently available on the back table in the Sanctuary. We will have a potluck following the meeting, for which all are invited.

Elder Office Hours

Beginning Thursday, May 16

Some of our Elders are making their time available to the congregation to provide encouragement and counsel, to answer questions doctrinal and practical, and to pray with you over any concerning issues in your life. You can think of these as the elders' 'office hours' during which you can find them at the church. We may even have some of the elders' wives or other mature women in the congregation available for conversation.

Sunday Night Youth Fellowship

Tonight from 5:30–7:00pm

All students in grades 6–12 are invited to join us every Sunday evening for food, fun, and fellowship. We meet every week at the home of the Darbonnes'. Their address is 16372 Joe Sevario in Prairieville. Pastor Trey is currently leading a study on "What We Believe."

God in Your Wallet

A New Sermon Series Beginning May 12

Following the conclusion of our Genesis series, Pastor Trey will be taking us through two-month survey of Bible passages related to money, generosity, and giving. The series is entitled "God in Your Wallet." We will look together at how our money reveals where our heart is, how generous God is, and how God wants us to view (and use) our money. This series promises to be challenging, but it will also better equip us to put our money to work for God's Kingdom and reap with it God's blessing.

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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