

Welcome to **River Community Church**

Sunday Morning Worship

Order of Worship

August 20th at 10:30am

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

Prelude

○ Love That Will Not Let Me Go *Matheson (1882)*

Welcome & Announcements

God Calls Us to Himself

- * Call to Worship *Isaiah 43:1-7*
- * Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love *Papa, Boswell*
- * Praising God Who Reigns Above

We Come to God

Confessing Our Sins Together

Father, you have made us for yourself. Our hearts are restless until they rest in you. We confess that we have been foolish, straying, and wandering off on our own. We confess that we have not faithfully loved you, nor have we adequately cared for our neighbors. We have not had the same mind that was in Christ. Pour out, therefore, your grace on us that we might enjoy purity of heart and strength of purpose. May no selfish passion hinder us from knowing you, no weakness keep us from loving you; and in your service may we find perfect freedom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confessing Our Sins Individually *concluding with the Lord's Prayer*

God Encourages Us from His Throne *Titus 2:11-14*

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works

- * Rock of My Ages *Toplady (1776)*
- * Please Stand

* Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Papa, Boswell

We Give Thanks to God

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

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

- Be Thou My Vision *Irish Hymn (ca. 8th century); Arr. Smith*
- * Doxology *Ken (1709)*
- * Prayer of Thanksgiving

God Speaks to Us

The Word of God Read *Genesis 1:26-31*
The Word of God Proclaimed *Rev. JM Owens III*

"Man in God's Image"

Genesis: Origins of a Christian Worldview

Responding to God's Word in Prayer

God Feeds Us

- Invitation & Exhortation
- Prayer of Consecration
- The Bread & the Cup
- Prayer of Dedication

God Blesses Us

- * All People That On Earth Do Dwell *Kethe (1561); Arr. Raske*
- * Benediction
- * Respond with Song *All Creatures of Our God & King (Refrain) St. Francis (1225)*
○ praise Him! ○ praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Weekly Announcements

August 20th–27th, 2023

Fall Women's Study: Ecclesiastes

The Wednesday evening study will begin September 6.

Calling all ladies! Beginning September 6, from 6:00–7:15, Hilary Owens will be leading a ten-week study of Ecclesiastes. There will be a discussion guide for this study, so please let Hilary know if you plan to attend and she will order books. Also, notify Hilary if you will need childcare.

Fourth Friday

Join the men for lunch at Frank's Restaurant this week!

Every fourth Friday at noon, the men of River gather for food and fellowship at Frank's on Airline here in Prairieville. All men of all ages are welcome to join us. No reservation is necessary.

Student Fellowship Tonight

New Location: Cory & Leslie Darbonne's

Beginning this week, Sunday Night Youth Fellowship will be held at the home of Cory & Leslie Darbonne. Their address is 16372 Joe Sevario in Prairieville. All students in 6th–12th grade are invited for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship from 5:30–7:00pm. Pastor Trey will continue to teach through the life of Abraham.

Announcing Our New Office Assistant

We welcome Marie Fortenberry to the team!

We are happy to announce that Marie Fortenberry is stepping in as our part-time office assistant. Marie is also a certified Notary Public, and will be available to notarize things for the congregation. Her church email is marie@rivercommunity.org.

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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