

ORDER OF WORSHIP

All Hail The Power of Jesus Name

Welcome

Prayer of Worship

Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?

Communion

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Vs. 3

Prayer of Thanks

Fairest Lord Jesus
Praise Him, Praise Him

John 17:20-23

“The First Shall Be Last”

Softly and Tenderly

Shepherd’s Prayer

Oh, To Be Like Thee

Members can access the member directory and other features on our website and mobile app. Register at rscoc.org or contact June Meredith for assistance.

THE NUMBERS

Sunday 12/03/23

Bible Class: 68
Worship Service: 145
Sunday Evening: 54
Contribution: \$10,983.40

Wednesday 12/06/23: 52

MINISTRY AND ACTIVITIES

Ladies’ Bible Class—Ladies’ Bible Class will meet this Tuesday, Dec. 12th (no luncheon after this class), and then break for Christmas and New Year holidays. The first class for January will meet Tuesday, January 9th.

Men’s Coffee—Thursday, December 14, at 9:30 am. Come and have a cup of coffee and a donut, and fellowship together .

Ladies’ Tea Fellowship will meet this Sunday afternoon, December 10 at 4:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

If you know of a **need for meals** during the month of December, please contact **Kathy Coleman** at (830) 370-1972.

PANTRY NEEDS—Jelly or Jam; Canned Vienna Sausages; Canned Corn (not cream style); Canned Chili; Syrup; Canned Pasta (Ravioli, Spaghettios, etc.); Instant Mashed Potatoes.

Don’t forget: If you know of anyone in need of pantry goods, please give Bruce Williams or June a heads-up!

No **Family Game Night** in December.

DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

December 10—2 John
December 11—Deuteronomy 26-28
December 12—Nehemiah 10-13
December 13—Psalm 143-145
December 14—Song of Solomon 3-4
December 15—Revelation 7-11
December 16—Acts 23-24

Riverside

CHURCH OF CHRIST

625 Harper Rd. Kerrville, TX 78028 (830) 257-5445

Sunday Bible Study: 9 AM Sunday Worship: 10 AM

Sunday Evening Worship 5 PM Wednesday Bible Study: 7 PM

December 10, 2023

Welcome, Guests!

Welcome to Riverside! Thank you for joining us as our special guest as we worship God together today. Please remain briefly after the service if you are able, so that we can welcome you personally. We gather to praise and worship God through Jesus Christ and to encourage one another. At Riverside, the Bible is our sole standard for worship and the Christian life. We would be happy to answer any questions that you may have about the Riverside church family. Please visit us again whenever you have the opportunity!

Finding Renewal

The apostle Paul wrote, “So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away” (2 Corinthians 4:16). I wonder what that looked like for Paul. Perhaps he could not see as good as he used to. Maybe the beatings he suffered took a toll on his stamina and he didn’t have the strength to travel like he used to. Perhaps he experienced chronic pain. Still, he says he is renewed day by day. How is that possible? Paul says he found renewal in the things he could not see. He is not suggesting a blind leap in the dark without evidence. The gospel is the light that shines in the darkness as well as our hearts. The gospel shows us that the most important realities in the world are far beyond our physical senses. And so, in the promises of the gospel we do not lose heart. Instead, we find renewal day by day.

—Kevin

Minister

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Ron Watson

PRAY FOR OTHERS

- ◆ **Ann Marshall** is happy to let everyone know that her neck pain is much better after her procedure.
- ◆ Please put **Bob Bolton** on your prayer list. He has fallen a few times recently, and while he hasn't broken anything, there is still stiffness and soreness afterward.
- ◆ **Don Taylor** is suffering from pneumonia, chest pains, and low oxygen levels. Please pray for Don to regain health and strength
- ◆ **Martha McDuffie** suffered a fall and is experiencing bleeding in her eye and pain in her ear. Please pray that she will be able to heal with time.
- ◆ **Erma Parke** is recovering from cataract surgery. Please pray that her vision will be fully restored.

Let's remember all of the health care workers and public servants and their families at Riverside: **Rona Barrozo, Ashton Bosse, Jolene Fudge, Karen Wootton, Karla Carter, Debra Zink, Natalie Kingston, Stephanie Ahrens, Chad Lovelady** and **Zac, Tyler** and **Mark Copeland** (sons of Jim and Melissa Copeland).

HOLIDAY WORSHIP AND CLASS SCHEDULES

Sunday, December 24th: We will have a combined adult class, followed by our normal AM worship service. There will be no Evening service.

Sunday, December 31st: We will have normal classes, followed by our normal AM worship service (no 5th Sunday potluck lunch). At 5:00pm, there will be a devotional service and fellowship following.



RIVERSIDE KIDS AND TEENS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday, December 16th at 6:00pm in the Riverside Fellowship Hall. **Each family should bring an ornament** for the ornament exchange (\$15 maximum). Also, sign up to bring a dish, dessert or beverage to share. Email RSVP or questions to Wendy Mieske at



Sermon Scripture

²⁰I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. John 17:20-23 (ESV)

AND KEEP PRAYING

Rose and Jarrell Baker's granddaughter, Virginia Exon, is scheduled to have her final spinal procedure. This is not pleasant, so please pray for her comfort and calmness.

Phyllis and David Hagler's great nephew, Ryan Richey, has been diagnosed with an aggressive form of soft tissue cancer. He is in his early 30's, and lives in Conroe. Prayers are appreciated.

Jim Evans, a former Riverside member and elder, suffered a serious stroke several months ago and remains bedridden. Please pray for Jim to regain strength and functionality, and pray for Erma and her daughters and granddaughters who are providing his care.

Bob Williams, former Riverside member and elder, is in University Hospital acute care unit. He is recovering slowly from an esophageal tear. Please pray for Bob and for Carloyn and his family during his prolonged recovery.

Paula Schrimsher requests prayers for her brother, John Tucker. He has been diagnosed with lung cancer.

Dennis Lange's wife, Jacque, needs our prayers. She fell last week and broke her ankle in multiple places.

Susan Kasperek's sister Diane is suffering from pulmonary embolisms in both lungs. Please pray that her medical team can treat this effectively and that she will recover quickly.



The daily devotional booklets, Power for Today, are available on the tables in the front and back entrances. These are for the January, February, and March quarter.

It's time for our Christmas Desserts

for Starkey Elementary School teachers and staff.

We need pies, and cookies or candies. If you provide cookies or your homemade candy, package them as a unit of 2 dozen (you need only provide 2 dozen). **A total of 65 pies, and units of cookies and candy** are needed. Please tell Kathy Coleman (830) 370-1972) what you will be providing, and the number you will be donating. They will need to be at the church on Sunday, December 17th. We will deliver to Starkey on December 18th. Delivery help is also needed, so let Kathy know if you can help.