### ORDER OF WORSHIP

We Will Glorify

Welcome

There is Sunshine in My Soul

#### **Prayer of Worship**

Come Share the Lord

Communion

Come, Share the Lord (v. 3)

#### **Prayer of Thanks**

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah This is My Father's World

James 2:14-18

"To The Work"

Years I Spent in Vanity

**Shepherd's Prayer** 

I'll Fly Away

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 01/07/24

Bible Class: 70 Worship Service: 133 Sunday Evening: 48 Contribution: \$6,734.50

Wednesday 01/10/23: 52

### MINISTRY AND ACTIVITIES

**Ladies' Bible Class**—Ladies' Bible Class will meet, Tuesday January 16 at 10:00am.

**Men's Coffee**—Thursday, January 18, 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, January 14 at 4:00pm in the fellowship hall.

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

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

"Staying *married*, therefore, is not mainly about staying in love. It is about keeping *covenant*.

"Till death do us part" or "As long as we both shall live" is a sacred covenant promise—the same kind Jesus made with His bride when He died for her."



### DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

January 14–Romans 5-6 January 15–Genesis 8-11 January 16–Joshua 11-15 January 17–Psalm 6-8 January 18–Job 5-6 January 19–Isaiah 12-17 January 20–Matthew 5-7



# 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

**January 14, 2024** 

# 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!

# The Ultimate Good

In the gospel there is forgiveness, there is peace, there is justification, there is eternal life. But perhaps the ultimate good is enjoying for eternity, the presence of God. It is our sin which takes that away. In the garden it was said, *"the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD"* (Genesis 3:8). It was David's worst fear; *"Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me"* (Psalm 51:11). It was the warning given by Jesus, *"And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me"* (Matthew 7:23). But that separation is what Jesus came to resolve. As Peter wrote, *"For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God"* (1 Peter 3:18). That is, that we might enjoy the greatest of all blessings, the ultimate good...joyous fellowship with our loving Heavenly Father. —Kevin

## Minister

Pulpit *Kevin Kasparek* (918) 470-5873

## Elders

Dale Alexander (361) 537-3219

Gene Bosse (830) 285-3241

David Moore (830) 928-1869

## Deacons

Jarrell Baker Orlando Barraza Doyle Brown Cody Bush Darrell Fudge Tommy Hayes Clint Hyde John Tittle Ron Watson

## PRAY FOR OTHERS

•Don Taylor had a fall last weekend, which resulted in a broken facial bone. He was hospitalized in San Antonio, and is now back at Juniper. He needs to regain some strength, but no surgery was required.

- **Doug Parke** was in the hospital with a heart rhythm problem. He is now at home, and after receiving medication, his condition is back to normal.
- **Carol Boren** recently had surgery, and is recovering. Pray for a quick and full recovery.
- •Jean Bolton had a thyroid biopsy last week, and has been battling multiple health problems. Please pray for a good report and for restored health.
- Please keep **Debra Barker** in your prayers. She continues to suffer from back pain, which makes it difficult for her to work.
- Joe Waddell had neck surgery last Thursday. Pray that the procedure was successful and he will recover quickly.

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).

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Please pray for our members who are in independent living/nursing/assisted living facilities: Doris Burton, Ann Marshall, Kathy O'Hara, Dennis Odle, Don Taylor, and Barbara Dodd.

Also remember to pray for our members who are fully or partially homebound due to extended illness or disability, and their caregivers as well: Melva Allen, Jo Bennett, Roxana Cobb, Velma Cuellar, Charline Greggerson, Bill Herriman, Connie Lara, Peggye Pullias, Ginny Rudloff, Twila Odle, Janis Banner, Carlla Tittle, and Cecil Taylor.

### Sermon Scripture

<sup>14</sup>What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? <sup>15</sup>If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, <sup>16</sup>and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? <sup>17</sup>So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. <sup>18</sup>But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

James 2:14-18 (ESV)

## AND KEEP PRAYING

**Betty Dufner's** brother Wayne, who was injured in Vietnam and is bedridden, is now under hospice care, and his wife Barbara is currently hospitalized after suffering some medical issues. Betty's brother Charles is scheduled for a fourth back surgery next month. Please lift up Betty and her family in prayer, that God will be merciful to them in their health struggles.

**Vida Spangler** requests prayers for her son's friend, Danny Cuellar, who has been diagnosed with cancer. Also for a friend of Vida's, Billie Wilson who fell and is dealing with pain.

Keep **Phyllis Hagler's** cousin, Ryan Richey in your prayers. He has had surgery for a very rare and aggressive form of cancer. He is now working on treatment at MD Anderson Hospital in Houston. Cards to lift his spirits can be sent to: 16982 Mockingbird Court, Conroe TX 77385.

Rodney Cuellar, **Linda Plaster's** son-in-law who had his left leg amputated last year, has now had two surgeries on his right foot. There is an infection in the bone. Pray for Rodney and his family as he faces another serious medical challenge.

**Clint Hyde's** father, Dart Hyde is experiencing liver issues, and Clint would like us to remember him in our petitions to the Father.

**Paula Schrimsher's** brother John, who is being treated for lung cancer, now has the RSV virus. Paula asks for fervent prayers for her brother's health.

Jonathan Kemp, son of Russell Kemp and the nephew of **Bonna Odle**, is being deployed to the Middle East, so please pray for his safety.

**Chuck Stork** would like everyone to know that Tom House, a former member at Riverside, turns 100 years old on January 31st. You can send cards of congratulations to: 1906 Ironwood Court, Las Cruces, NM 88012.

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February 16-17 Finding Happily Forever After

Coming!

Marriage Building Seminar with Wayne and Tami Rogers. Mark your calendars and prepare to invite others!

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