#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

Praise Him! Praise Him!

Welcome

O Worship the King

**Prayer of Worship** 

Sweet By and By Lamb of God

Communion

God Is So Good

**Prayer of Thanks** 

I'll Live in Glory

Romans 8:22-25

"Power to Stay"

There's a Fountain Free

**Shepherd's Prayer** 

We're Marching to Zion

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 01/14/24

Bible Class: 75 Worship Service: 136 Sunday Evening: 33 Contribution: \$7,693

Wednesday 01/17/23: 53

#### MINISTRY AND ACTIVITIES

**Ladies' Bible Class**—Ladies' Bible Class will meet, Tuesday January 23 at 10:00am.

**Men's Coffee**—Thursday, January 25, 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 21 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!

"if **my** people who are called by **my**name humble themselves, and pray and
seek **my** face and turn from their
wicked ways, then I will hear from
heaven and will forgive their sin and
heal their land".

2 Chronicles 7:14

#### DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

January 21—Romans 7-8

January 22—Genesis 12-15

January 23-Joshua 16-20

January 24—Psalm 9-11

**January 25**—Job 7-8

January 26—Isaiah 18-22

**January 27**—Matthew 8-10



## 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 21, 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!

# Words of Wind

The headline read, "Famous author ripped after trashing the Bible as a 'work of fiction'." It was not exactly a new thought. And the famous author received considerable pushback. When we read or hear such words, the temptation may be to retaliate or defend. But caution is called for. For one thing, the Bible has been attacked for centuries and yet it continues to stand against all the arguments of the critics. As one respondent said, 'the Bible has had greater impact on the world than all the books written by the famous author combined'. And secondly, words spoken by desperate people are to be taken lightly. As Job stated, "Do you think that you can reprove words, when the speech of a despairing man is wind?" (Job 6:26). There are times when words carry great weight. And there are times when words are nothing but wind. May God give us the wisdom to discern.

#### 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

—Kevin

## PRAY FOR OTHERS

- •Don Taylor had a fall 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.
- ◆Carol Boren recently had surgery, and is recovering. Pray for a quick and full recovery.
- **◆Jean Bolton** had a thyroid biopsy and is happy to report that all is good, but she has been battling multiple health problems. Please pray 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.
- **◆Doyle Brown** continues to struggle with health issues including unexplained weight loss. Please pray for Doyle to regain health and strength, and for Cheryl as her concerns continue.
- ◆ Phyllis Haigler continues ill with a fever, but hopes to receive test results soon. Please pray for Phyllis to recover soon, and for David as well.

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).

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>22</sup>For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. <sup>23</sup>And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in this hope we are saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Romans 8:22-25 (ESV)

## AND KEEP PRAYING

**Betty Dufner's** brother Wayne has been transferred to a VA nursing and rehabilitation center in Austin. His wife, Barbara is having health issues and suffering from seizures. 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.

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.

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.

**Tommy Hayes'** brother Larry has resumed chemo treatments for cancer. He has additional scans ahead to evaluate the effectiveness of the treatments. Please pray for Larry's healing.

Please continue to remember in prayer the families of Bob Williams and Jim Evans, former Riverside shepherds who recently passed away.

**Jamie Wootton** has a new address:

804 Deer Ridge Ct. #3, Baldwin City, KS 66006. He has accepted a preaching position there.

**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.

# Coming!



Finding Happily Forever After

Marriage Building Seminar with Wayne and Tami Rogers.

Mark your calendars and prepare to invite others!