

NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

THE DOCTRINE OF THE CHURCH: What does it mean to be the church? What are its marks and attributes? What is its mission? How does it relate to the state and broader culture? Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am for this class, co-taught by pastors and elders.

THROUGH THE BIBLE CLASS: If you are looking for wonderful discussion as we ponder God's Word together, please join us as we journey through Habakkuk, Ezekiel, and Daniel. Co-taught by Mark Brink, Jim Gibson, & Phil Hoekstra. We meet in Rms. 116-117 at 9:30am.

RIVEROAKS COLLEGE&CAREER CLASS: Romans is Paul's pinnacle letter to the church, and it's all about the gospel and its life-changing implications. Join us in the Parlor at 9:30am. Co-taught by Josh Brink, Daniel Gillespie, Pete Hansen, Morgan Murphy, and Drew Turberville.

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WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday School - 9:30am
Morning Worship - 10:45pm
Evening Worship (1st and 3rd Sundays) - 6:00pm
Community Groups (2nd & 4th Sunday evenings) - times vary



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THE LORD'S DAY

AUGUST 21, 2022

10:45AM

TO GLORIFY GOD AND ENJOY HIM FOREVER

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus!
Thank you for joining us today; may the Lord richly bless you.

† Stand as you are able.

PRELUDE

“Meditation from Thais”

arr. Massenert
Katherine Howard, violin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINISTRY MOMENT

Justin Helms

REFLECTION

Jesus is like a walking, talking garden of Eden – a sphere of paradise on earth. With him wrongs are righted, darkness is dispelled and everything that’s twisted gets smoothed out again.

Glen Scrivener

You yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

Acts 10:37-38

*And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.”
Also he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”*

Revelation 21:3

THE LORD CALLS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 27:4

One thing have I asked of the Lord,

That will I seek after:

That I may dwell in the house of the Lord

All the days of my life,

To gaze upon the beauty of the Lord

And to inquire in his temple!

† HYMN OF PRAISE, NO. 376

“Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”

† PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome to Riveroaks! We are delighted you have joined us for worship this morning. We would love to get to know you and serve you anyway we can. Please consider filling out a visitor's card and putting it in the offering plate or scanning the QR code to access our online visitor form. *“For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake”* (2 Corinthians 4:5).

The Riveroaks Weekly email is published each Thursday. To sign up, contact office@riveroakspca.org.

PCA News: This evening everyone is invited to join us for our evening service at 6:00pm when Pastor Kyle will address one of the more significant decisions from this summer's General Assembly: the PCA's withdrawal from the National Association of Evangelicals (NAE). We will discuss what led to this decision, as well as what it means for the PCA's relationship to evangelicalism in America.

Wednesday Night Activities and Meals Resume! Come join us Wednesday night, August 24, from 5:30-7:00, as we return to our regular Wednesday evening ministries for this new fall semester. The Wednesday night church family meals will begin at 5:30 with a Chick Fil-A dinner! Heart & Soul, RSM, and a new “Behold” Adult Class taught by Pastor Rob at 6:15pm in the Parlor.

Heart & Soul Sign Up: Heart & Soul is our Wednesday night ministry for children ages 3 yrs. old -6th grade. It consists of 30 minutes each of choir and catechism instruction: all age-based. Classes (6:15-7:15) begin on August 24. To help us prepare, please use the Sign-up link ASAP to enroll your children: <https://tinyurl.com/3kzepunv>

Adult Choir Resumes! If you're interested in making a joyful noise to the Lord with the Adult Choir, please join us as choir rehearsals resume on Wednesday, August 24 at 6:45pm in the Choir Room. Reach out to Molly or Ginger with any questions.

The Gathering: Empty-nesters age and above, save the date! And invite your empty-nester-age friends and neighbors! Labor Day, Monday, September 5, 4:00-7:00pm, at the Linn home (9001 Grove Forest Cove, Germantown). This will be one of our four annual large group gatherings for fellowship, food, & fun! More details coming soon.

Riveroaks Women's Ministry: Please join us for the Ladies Fall Bible study which begins in September with two meeting options. The Tuesday morning study is at Riveroaks on September 6 and also offers a children's program. The Monday evening study is via Zoom begins on September 12. Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/3tdsdb67>

Financial Peace University is kicking off another round of classes on Wednesday nights at 6:15pm beginning September 7. David Dickinson and David Zampini will be leading the class. Feel free to contact either David with your questions or sign up at: fpu.com/1152250

Community Groups resume meeting on Sunday, September 11. These small groups meet in area homes at various times on the 2nd and 4th Sunday evenings monthly. If you are interested in joining a Community Group, contact one of the pastors.

Riveroaks Women Fall Kick-off Meeting! Please join us on Saturday, September 17, 10:00-11:30am in the Fellowship Hall for a time of fellowship, food (tailgate-themed), hearing about Riveroaks Women's ministry for the upcoming year and spending time in prayer for the upcoming year.

For more announcements, please see *The Riveroaks Weekly* email.

SERMON NOTES

John 17:1, 5, 11, 21, 24, 25

_____ Is The Christian Name For God

Pastor Tommy Lee

Prayer Fads

Prayer In Other Religions

The Heart And Character Of True Christian Prayer

THE LORD CLEANSSES US IN CHRIST

READING OF THE WORD

1 Chronicles 4:9-10

Jabez was more honorable than his brothers; and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, "Because I bore him in pain." Jabez called upon the God of Israel, saying, "Oh that you would bless me and enlarge my border, and that your hand might be with me, and that you would keep me from harm so that it might not bring me pain!" And God granted what he asked.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION OF SIN

Merciful God, our heavenly Father, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. I humbly confess my sins and ask for your mercy. I have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have I loved my neighbor as myself. I have not been just in dealing with others. I have not loved kindness or walked humbly before you, my God. Have mercy on me, O God, because of your loving kindness *Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin....* Amen!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

† HYMN OF FAITH, NO. 524

"Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ"

HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

ANTHEM

"Lord of the Small"

Forrest; The Adult Choir

Praise to the Lord of the small broken things,
who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing,
who loves the lame child, and the wretch in the street,
who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet.

Praise to the Lord of the faint and afraid,
who girds them with courage and lends them his aid;
he pours out his spirit on vessels so weak
that the timid can serve and the silent can speak.

Praise to the Lord of the frail and the ill,
who heals their afflictions, or carries them till
they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly,
to never be sick, never to die.

Praise him, O praise him, all ye who yet live,
who've been given so much and can so little give,
our frail, lisping praise God will never despise:
he sees his dear children through mercy-filled eyes.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND SUPPLICATION

Elder Daniel Gillespie

THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

SERMON TEXT

John 17:1, 5, 11, 21, 24, 25

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

Pastor Tommy Lee

SERMON SERIES: TAKE HEART: I HAVE OVERCOME THE WORLD

XXV. _____ Is The Christian Name For God

WE CONFESS FAITH IN OUR FATHER

Psalm 68:1, 5, 32-35

God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered; and those who hate him
shall flee before him!

Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation.

O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord,

To him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens;

Behold, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies.

Awesome is God from his sanctuary;

The God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people.

All: Blessed be God!

THE LORD ADDS TO HIS CHURCH

Reece and Holli Edwards
(Evelyn and Claire)

Chip and Dina Peebles

Emma Peebles

Membership Vows:

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving his displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and the Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon him alone for salvation as he is offered in the gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the church and promise to study its purity and peace?

WE PRAY FOR OUR NEW MEMBERS

Elder Daniel Gillespie

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

“Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me”

Noelle and Susanna Brink, duet

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer. There is no more for heaven now to give.

He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom,
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, for my life is wholly bound to His.

Oh how strange and divine, I can sing, "All is mine." Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken for by my side, the Saviour He will stay.

I labour on in weakness and rejoicing for in my need, His power is displayed.

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me through the deepest valley He will lead.

Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome.

Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven, the future sure, the price it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon and He was raised to overthrow the grave.

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated. Jesus now and ever is my plea.

Oh the chains are released, I can sing, "I am free",
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus for He has said that He will bring me home.

And day by day I know He will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus. All the glory evermore to Him.

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

† **HYMN OF RESPONSE, No. 80**

“Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee”

† **BENEDICTION**

Deuteronomy 33:26-28

There is none like God, O Jeshurun, who rides through the heavens to your help,
through the skies in his majesty. The eternal God is your dwelling place,
and underneath are the everlasting arms.

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

POSTLUDE

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

arr. Walther