

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

RIVEROAKS COLLEGE & CAREER CLASS: Pastor Kyle Dillon and Elder Daniel Gillespie will conclude the study of Romans (chapters 12-16), and then begin a study of Edmund Clowney's book *The Church*, in which we will address such questions as the church's mission, leadership, gifts, and more. Come join us!

THROUGH THE BIBLE CLASS: "In the divine Scriptures, there are shallows and there are deeps; shallows where the lamb may wade, and deeps where the elephant may swim" (John Owen). A rotation of five teachers lead stimulating discussions while our journey continues, as Israel returns to Jerusalem after the exile.

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH CLASS: This confession faithfully summarizes the major doctrines and principles of Scripture, and does so in a concise manner utilizing an amazing economy of language. A rotation of four teachers take us through the Scriptures as we seek good gospel and doctrinal maturity.

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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

FEBRUARY 12, 2023

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINISTRY MOMENT

Elder Morgan Murphy

REFLECTION

Not only is the doctrine of the sacrificial death of Christ embodied in Christianity as an essential element of the system, but in a very real sense it constitutes Christianity.

Christianity did not come into the world to proclaim a new morality and, sweeping away all the supernatural props by which men were wont to support their trembling, guilt-stricken souls, to throw them back on their own right arms to conquer a standing before God for themselves.

Christianity came to proclaim the real sacrifice for sin which God had provided in order to supersede all the poor fumbling efforts which humankind had made and were making to provide a sacrifice for sin for themselves; and, planting people's feet on this, to bid them go forward.

It was in this sign that Christianity conquered, and it is in this sign alone that it continues to conquer. We may think what we will of such a religion. What cannot be denied is that Christianity is such a religion.

B.B. Warfield (1851 - 1921)

*Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son."
So they went both of them together.*

Genesis 22:8

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).

Welcome Pastor Clint Wilcke

Clint Wilcke serves as Coordinator/Catalyst for the Mid-South Church Planting Network (MSCPN), and has served in gospel ministry for twenty years. He was the founding pastor of Christ Covenant in Hernando, MS in 2008. He served on the staffs of Covenant Presbyterian in Nashville, TN, First Presbyterian Church in Jackson, MS, and Reformed University Fellowship on the campus of Southern Miss. He graduated from Ole Miss in 1992 and Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson, MS in 2001. Clint is married to Kathy of twenty-six years and they have five children: Kendall (Daniel Myrick), Caleb (Molly Wilcke), Robert, Ben, and Zach.

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

Community Groups will meet tonight. These small groups meet in area homes at various times on the 2nd and 4th Sunday evenings monthly. If you'd like to join a Community Group, contact Pastor Drew Turberville (901-570-6055 or dturberville@riveroakspca.org).

Wednesday Night Ministries and Meal: 5:30-7:15pm, the meal this Wednesday will be barbeque. Ministries starting at 6:15pm include Heart & Soul (Choir and Catechism Ministry for ages 3 years-6th grade) and RSM (Middle and High School Student Ministry). This week Roger Lowther, MTW Missionary to Japan, will speak after the evening meal. Adult Choir begins at 6:50pm.

Welcome to Riveroaks Class: The next Welcome to Riveroaks Class for newcomers who want to find out more about Riveroaks or for anyone who wants to consider membership begins this Wednesday night, February 15 and will continue to meet all the succeeding Wednesday nights (skipping March 15, Spring Break) until March 29. We start at 6:15 PM in Room #117. See Tommy with any questions!

The Parables of Jesus: The Two Builders: The parable of the two builders is a comparison of wisdom and foolishness. Both hear the words of Jesus, but only one puts them into practice. Next Sunday evening, February 19, Pastor Drew will discuss how obedience to Christ prepares us to endure suffering well.

Ladies' Winter Retreat: February 24-25, "Seasons Along Our Journey" featuring guest speaker, Bev Warren, MTW Missionary. This year we will be gathering at The Country Place in Moscow, TN. Contact Lisa in the church office for late registration information (office@riveroakspca.org; 901-755-7772)

Men! Save the date! We're going to have a Riveroaks men's ministry event on Saturday, March 25. More information is coming soon!

For more announcements, please see The Riveroaks Weekly.

SERMON NOTES

Matthew 9:35-10:1 (page 814)
Kingdom Compassion
Pastor Clint Wilcke

THE LORD CALLS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 12:3-6

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted!

Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth!

ALL: Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel!”

† HYMN OF PRAISE, NO. 16

“Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord”

† PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

THE LORD CLEANSSES US IN CHRIST

READING OF THE WORD

Isaiah 12:1,2

You will say in that day: “I will give thanks to you, O Lord, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, that you might comfort me. Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.”

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord Jesus, I am blind: be my light. I am ignorant: be my wisdom. I am self-willed: be my mind. Your cross was raised to be my refuge; your blood poured out to wash me clean; and by you all heaven is poured into my heart. I was a stranger, an outcast, a slave, and a rebel. But your cross has brought me near, has softened my heart, has made me your Father's child, has admitted me into your family, has made me a joint-heir with you. O that I may love you as you love me, that I may walk worthy of you, my Lord, and that I may reflect your image*Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin....Amen!*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

from Joel 2:12-13

“Yet even now,” declares the Lord, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments.” Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.”

† **HYMN OF FAITH**

“May the Peoples Praise You”
(Getty/see insert)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND SUPPLICATION

Elder Jim Gibson

HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

ANTHEM

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”
(arr. Stanton/the Adult Choir)

THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

SERMON TEXT

Matthew 9:35-10:1

PREACHING OF GOD’S WORD

Pastor Clint Wilcke

KINGDOM COMPASSION

THE LORD ADDS TO HIS CHURCH

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

John Mark Kistenmacher
Eleanor Marie Kimbrough Kistenmacher
Covenant Children of Nick and Annie Kistenmacher

Solemn Vows - Parents

Do you acknowledge your children's need of the cleaning blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?

Do you claim God's covenant promises on their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?

Do you now present these children to be baptized into the Christian Faith, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with them and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy faith, and that you will strive, by all means of God's appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Solemn Vows - Congregation

Do you, members of this congregation, and also members of the Body of Christ outside of this local church, undertake this responsibility - assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of these children?

We do.

Solemn Words to the Children

Little children, Jesus Christ has come, he has fought, he has suffered. He has entered into the shadows of Gethsemane and the terrors of Calvary; he has uttered the cry "It is finished!" He has risen from the dead and ascended into heaven, and there he intercedes for his church. Today we have pledged to teach you all of these things, and our prayer for you is that you will always mature and grow in the grace and in the knowledge of our great Lord and Savior - Jesus Christ.

Prayer for Jack and Nora

Elder John Linn

† **HYMN, No. 444**

“O Zion, Haste, Your Mission High Fulfilling”

† **BENEDICTION**

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

**O worship the King all-glorious above,
O gratefully sing his power and his love:
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.**

POSTLUDE