

Welcome to **River Community Church**

Sunday Morning Worship

Order of Worship

October 15th at 10:30am

Rev. JM Owens III - Pastor | Rev. Steve Rhodes - Pastor Emeritus

Kevin Raske - Music Director

Prelude

How Great (Psalm 145)

Kauflin, Kauflin, Stiff

Welcome & Announcements

Ministry Highlight

Music & Worship Team

Kevin Raske

God Calls Us to Himself

*Call to Worship

Titus 2:11–14

*Praise Him! Praise Him!

Crosby (1869); Arr. by Raske

*Praising God Who Reigns Above

We Come to God

*Confessing Our Sins Together

Holy Father, we come confessing. We have spurned righteousness and walked in hypocrisy, pretending to care more about God and about others than we actually do. We have spoken unkind and spiteful words about people, we have listened to garbage about others, and sometimes we have even passed it along. We have allowed those who don't fear you to influence us. We worry more about what other people think than what you think. We have made commitments and not kept them. We have so mastered the art of sarcasm and lying that people don't know when we are genuine and when we are not. We use people for our own benefit and have selfishly neglected those we should have helped. We have pursued wealth and prestige in ways that have led us away from simple truth and justice. Father, we are so unlike you. Forgive us, so that we may dwell with you and walk in righteousness. Amen.

Bringing Our Hearts to God in Prayer *concluding with the Lord's Prayer*

God Declares His Forgiveness over Us

1 John 1:5–10

*Please Stand

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

*Jesus Paid It All

Hall (1865); Arr. by Smith

*The Solid Rock

Mote (1834)

We Give Thanks to God

Children ages 3-5 may be taken to the nursery during the offering.

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art

Calvin (1509-1564)

*Doxology

Ken (1709)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

God Speaks to Us

The Word of God Read

Genesis 2:15–17

The Word of God Proclaimed

Rev. JM Owens III

"God's Design for Men"

Genesis: Origins of a Christian Worldview

Responding to God's Word in Prayer

God Feeds Us

Invitation & Exhortation

Prayer of Consecration

The Bread & the Cup

Prayer of Dedication

God Blesses Us

*Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

Boswell, Papa

*Benediction

*Respond with Song All Creatures of Our God & King (Refrain) St. Francis (1225)

O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Weekly Announcements

October 15th – 22nd, 2023

Serve Christ by Serving His Church

Engage with the Ministries of the Church

Each week we are highlighting various ministry teams and opportunities to serve our community and congregation. We desire that 100% of our congregation be actively serving in some way. God wants us to be “doers of the word and not hearers only.” Please check out the bulletin board after service and find a team that you would like to serve with. If you can’t decide, or don’t know where you are gifted to serve, talk to Pastor Trey about discovering your spiritual gifts.

Operation Christmas Child

Packed boxes are due November 13.

Every fall, River participates in the Operation Christmas Child program organized by Samaritan’s Purse. We encourage our members and visitors to participate by picking up a shoebox or two (or more!) and filling them with goods and items to go to children in need around the world. A guide for packing boxes is available. Some boxes and items are already available for your use in the gathering area. If you do not have time or ability to shop and fill a box, you may contribute financially, which will assist in shipping costs.

Student Fellowship Tonight

5:30–7:00pm at the Darbones

Our youth group meets every Sunday evening at the home of Cory & Leslie Darbonne from 5:30 – 7:00pm. All students in grades 6 through 12 are invited to join us for food, fun, and fellowship. The address is 16372 Joe Sevario in Prairieville.

Make sure to grab a prayer request/connection card to let us know you’re here and how we can be praying for you!

For giving options, please visit rivercommunity.org/give



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