

Welcome to **River Community Church**

Sunday Morning Worship

Order of Worship

May 5th at 10:30am

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

Kevin Raske - Music Director

Prelude

Praise His Name (Psalm 148)

Willerton, Stiff

Welcome & Announcements

God Calls Us to Himself

*Call to Worship

Acts 1:6–11; Job 19:25

Leader: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed!

Leader: So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

All: I know that my Redeemer lives! Christ is risen!

Leader: He is risen indeed! Praise the Lord!

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Perronet (1779)

*Crown Him With Many Crowns

Bridges (1851)

*Praising Our Triune God in Prayer

We Respond to God's Call

*Confessing Our Faith Together

Based on Philippians 2:5–11

*Please Stand

We believe in and share the mind of Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Bringing Our Hearts to God in Prayer

God Assures Us of His Love & Forgiveness

Matthew 7:7–11

*Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Getty, J. Kauflin, Papa, Boswell, Merker

We Give Thanks

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

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

Thy Mercy My God

Stocker (1776); Arr. K. Smith

*Doxology

Ken (1709)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

God Speaks to Us

The Word of God Read

Genesis 11:10–26

The Word of God Proclaimed

Rev. JM Owens III

"The Faithful Lineage"

Genesis 1–11: Origins of a Christian Worldview

Responding to God's Word in Prayer concluding with the Lord's Prayer

God Feeds Us

Invitation & Exhortation

Prayer of Consecration

The Bread & the Cup

Prayer of Dedication

We Rejoice in God's Blessing

*Be Thou My Vision

Irish Hymn (ca. 8th century)

*Benediction

*Respond with Song

To God Be the Glory (Refrain)

Crosby (1875)

Weekly Announcements

May 5th–12th, 2024

Congregational Meeting, Potluck, and Prayer Meeting

Immediately Following Today's Service

Immediately following this morning's worship service, we will have the first of two congregational meetings to review and adopt our new congregational bylaws. Following the meeting, we will fellowship together over a church potluck. Then, following the potluck, we will have our congregational prayer meeting. All guests and visitors are invited to stay!

Elder Office Hours

Beginning Thursday, May 16

Some of our Elders are making their time available to the congregation to provide encouragement and counsel, to answer questions doctrinal and practical, and to pray with you over any concerning issues in your life. You can think of these as the elders' 'office hours' during which you can find them at the church. We may even have some of the elders' wives or other mature women in the congregation available for conversation.

Sunday Night Youth Fellowship

Tonight will be at the Owens'

All students in grades 6–12 are invited to join us every Sunday evening for food, fun, and fellowship from 5:30–7:00pm. We will meet tonight at the home of the Owens at 14458 Lazy Oaks Drive in Gonzales. Pastor Trey is currently leading a study on "What We Believe."

Men's Breakfast on Saturday

Second Saturday Returns!

All the men of the church—along with their friends—are invited to join us for our men's breakfast this coming Saturday at 7:45am. This month, we will consider the topic of leadership and authority in an anxious culture and in anxious systems. There will also be opportunity for a work project following the breakfast, as we have a couple of spots in need of pressure-washing.

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

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