



Eighth Sunday after Pentecost; Family Sunday Worship with The Response

Sunday Worship (In-Person & Online)



First United Methodist Church of Riverside (<https://firstchurchriverside.org>)

July 18, 2021: 8th Sunday after Pentecost; Family Sunday

ALL ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP IN-PERSON OR ONLINE AT 10:00 AM

<https://facebook.com/firstchurchriverside/live>

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Please stand if you are able.

PRELUDE: *"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"* (By Wilbur Held and Fred Bock) / Robert Phillips, Organist

***TRINITY BELLS** / Robert Phillips, Organist

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** (Adapted from Ephesians 2) / Leslie Tomlinson, Liturgist (Liturgist) Welcome, friends and strangers, long-timers and newcomers, those from nearby and far off.

(People) We gather as one because Christ is our peace.

(Liturgist) We gather as the temple where God lives through the Spirit.

(People) We gather with Christ Jesus as our cornerstone, the one who joins us together.

(Liturgist) Hear the good news of peace that brings us together.

(People) With our brothers and sisters, we are no longer strangers, but residents with God.

(Liturgist) Let us worship our God!

(All) Amen!

***OPENING HYMN:** #2002 *"I Will Call Upon the Lord"* (By Michael O'Shields) / All (Led by The Response)

I will call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised.

I will call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised.

So shall I be saved from my enemies.

So shall I be saved from my enemies.
I will call upon the Lord.

Refrain

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock;
and let the God of my salvation be exalted.
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and let the God of my salvation be exalted.

WELCOME / Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER / Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Video) / All (Led by the VBS Children)

(All) Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME / Leslie Tomlinson

SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 2:11-22 (NRSV) / Leslie Tomlinson, Liturgist

One in Christ

¹¹So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" – a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands – ¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

(Liturgist) This is the Word of God for the people of God!

(All) Thanks be to God! Amen!

INTERLUDE: *“Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone”* (By Chris Tomlin, John Newton and Louie Giglio) / The Response

SERMON: *“GOD’S NEW DWELLING-PLACE”* / Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

***HYMN OF DEDICATION:** #2032 *“My Life Is in You, Lord”* (Video) (By Daniel Gardner) / All (Led by The Response)

**My life is in you, Lord;
my strength is in you, Lord;
my hope is in you, Lord;
in you, it’s in you.**

**My life is in you, Lord;
my strength is in you, Lord;
my hope is in you, Lord;
in you, it’s in you.**

**I will praise you with all of my life,
I will praise you with all of my strength;
with all of my life, with all of my strength.
All of my hope is in you.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING / Leslie Tomlinson, Liturgist

(Liturgist) We are not strangers to one another, for together we are members of God’s household. Let us give offerings that bring the good news of our peace to many.

(All) Amen!

HOW TO GIVE / Leslie Tomlinson

- Online: Please click www.firstchurchriverside.org/giving
- Scan: This QR code (shown below) will lead you to our church website’s eGiving page (it’s handy if you use your smart phone).



- Mail: To First UMC of Riverside, 4845 Brockton Ave., Riverside, CA 92506.
- Drop Off: Please use the church’s mail slot.

- Automatic Draft: Please set it up through your bank, if you have not done so yet.

Thank you so much for being faithful to God through our Church!

***OFFERING SONG:** *"As We Seek Your Face / Jesus, Draw Me Close"* (by Dave Bilbraugh and Rick Founds) / All (Led by Rev. Bev Devine; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

As we seek Your face, may we know Your heart;

Feel your presence, acceptance, as we seek Your face.

Jesus, draw me close, closer, Lord, to You.

Let the world around me fade away.

Jesus, draw me close, closer, Lord, to You.

For I desire to worship and obey.

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING / All (Led by Leslie Tomlinson)**

(All) Jesus, our Hope, we send these gifts: to those without hope, to those who need your love, and to those longing for your peace. May our gifts and may our very lives reveal that God lives in us and that we look upon all, stranger and friend alike, as our brothers and sisters. Amen.

LAITY BLESSINGS / Loretta Cudney, Co-Lay Leader

***SENDING HYMN: #2223 "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"** (By Peter Scholtes) / All (Led by The Response)

Verse 1

We are one in the Spirit,

We are one in the Lord,

We are one in the Spirit,

We are one in the Lord,

And we pray that all unity

May one day be restored:

Refrain

And they'll know we are Christians

By our love, by our love;

Yes, they'll know we are Christians

By our love.

Verse 2

We will walk with each other,

We will walk hand in hand,

We will walk with each other,

We will walk hand in hand,

And together we'll spread the news

That God is in our land:

[Refrain]

Verse 3

We will work with each other,
We will work side by side,
We will work with each other,
We will work side by side,
And we'll guard human dignity
And save human pride:
[Refrain]

Verse 4

All praise to the Father,
From whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus,
God's only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit,
Who makes us one:
[Refrain]

***RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION / All (Led by Rev. J. T. Kim)**

(Pastor) Christ is our peace!

(Congregation) Christ is building us into a people of peace.

(Pastor) Christ is our cornerstone, joining us together as one.

(Congregation) Christ is building us into a place where God lives.

(Pastor) Let us be people who are built into a temple of peace.

(All) We will be a people where God lives in the world. Amen!

POSTLUDE: "Joy" (By C. Alexander Peloquin) / Robert Phillips, Organist

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