

The Year Of Following Jesus #46 You Are NOT An Animal (so don't act like one)

November 12, 2022

*Welcome Home!
Thanks for joining us today*

November 12 & 13, 2022

Whom Shall I Fear

Welcome

Good Good Father

At Your Name

Lord's Supper Thought

I Will Carry You

Prayer

Communion

Lesson: The Year of Following Jesus #46 -

Jesus on Lust: You Are Not an Animal - Pastor Ed



Good Stuff To Know

Riverside Services Online- If you aren't in town on the weekend, you can still follow our services. We live stream each service on Facebook! You can also watch them anytime through Facebook by navigating over to <https://www.facebook.com/EagleRiverside>. And you don't need a Facebook account to watch the videos.

Offerings To Riverside - In case you were wondering- We don't pass a collection plate at Riverside. If you'd like to give, there are boxes at the back & envelopes in the information racks for cash donations. If you would like the convenience of giving online, go to www.EagleRiverside.com, click on "Give" and follow the directions. Your donations are an answer to our prayers and are the only means by which Riverside is able to operate.

FAQs - Have questions about why we do what we do and why we don't do what we don't do? Chances are you'll find more about it on our FAQs page. You can access the page from our website or text the word "Guest" to 907-312-2662 and you'll receive a link to the page.



Riverside Happenings

First Time Visitors

The Lord's Supper (Communion)

This is a time when we "commune" with God and remember Jesus' sacrifice. We also "commune" with one another as His church family. You are welcome to participate with us by going to one of the tables set up with trays- each cup is actually 2 cups (bread in bottom and juice on top) so grab a set of cups and take it back to your place (and don't forget to social distance). You can eat/drink the cracker and juice whenever you feel ready and then throw the cups away on your way out (there are trash cans at all exits). Everyone is welcome to join us if you're interested in remembering Jesus' life & sacrifice with us.

"Welcome To Riverside" brochure available online.
www.EagleRiverside.com

This Week At Riverside

(Specific info about these activities is listed in the "Happenings" section)

- ➔ Young Adults Group Tuesday
- ➔ Friendsgiving @Thrive Thursday
- ➔ Ladies Craft Day Saturday
- ➔ Christmas Ukulele Lessons

Need To Talk?...

The church office is not staffed during the week. There is a preschool that uses our building, so Ed, Aniela & Nate work from home. If you would like to contact them directly you can call them or email and set up an appointment.

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Website: www.EagleRiverside.com

Facebook: EagleRiverside

Riverside Service Project - Operation Christmas Child church packing day is November 20th starting at 2pm. You can help in a few ways. 1. We will have empty boxes at the church you can take home, fill and bring back. 2. You can donate \$10 to pay for the shipping of a box. 3. Donate items that we can use during our church stuffing party. For examples of what to stuff, grab a brochure in the lobby 4. Come to the party and stuff as a team. 5. We'll need someone with a truck to volunteer to drive the finished boxes to our drop-off location.

Ladies Craft Day - Bring your own craft and a dish to share. Saturday, November 19th, 10am-4pm at the church. See Becky 812-449-7004.

Christmas Ukulele Lessons - Want to learn some fun, festive songs in time for Christmas? Linda will teach lessons on the ukulele. No experience required. Sign up in the back.

Young Adult Group - ALIVE - Tuesdays @6, in the Shack. There will be food provided. We are working through the book of Matthew. Ages 18-30. Text the word "alive" to 907.312.2662 or see Cassie.

Thrive Upcoming Events - This Thursday is Friendsgiving. Bring a dish to share that starts with the 1st letter of your name. AND save the date: January 20-22, 2023 for our winter retreat. See Aniela for details.

Baptism - Want to get baptized or have questions? Scan the QR code or go to www.EagleRiverside.com/baptism



Upcoming Youth Events

Monday, November 21st, 6:00 - 7:30

Ignite and Rev (our two younger youth groups) will combine at Riverside for pizza, games, and a devotional.

For 4th - 8th graders. Questions? Like to help?

See Cassie.



Thursday, November 17th, 6:00 - 8:00

9th - 12th graders. At Riverside. Pizza, games, and a devotional.

Questions? Like to help?

See Aniela.



To get updates, text the following to 907.312.2662:

"IGNITE" (4th & 5th) "REV" (6th-8th), -or- "THRIVE" (9th-12th).

Everybody's Welcome...

Nobody's Perfect...

Anything's Possible!

Following

The Year Of ^Jesus #46

Jesus On Lust:

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NOT AN ANIMAL

From then on Jesus began to preach, "Repent of your sins and turn to God, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near."

—Matthew 4:17 (NLT)

You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

—Matthew 5:227-30 (NLT)

What Is Jesus Getting At?

1. You Are Not An Animal.

- *God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”*

—Genesis 1:28 (NIV)

- *You say, “I am allowed to do anything”—but not everything is good for you. And even though “I am allowed to do anything,” I must not become a slave to anything.*

—1 Corinthians 6:12 (NLT)

- *“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.*

—Matthew 5:28 (NLT)

2. It's A TRAP!!!!

- *So if your eye... causes you to lust, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your hand... causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell.*

—Matthew 5:29-30 (NLT)

- *Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away. These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death.*

—James 1:14-15 (NLT)

- *Love is as strong as death, its jealousy unyielding*

as the grave. It burns like blazing fire, like a mighty flame.

—*Song Of Solomon 8:6 (NIV)*

3. Live Out Your True Identity.

- *“You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments.*

—*Matthew 22:37-40 (NLT)*

- *Today I have given you the choice between life and death, between blessings and curses... Oh, that you would choose life, so that you... might live! You can make this choice by loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and committing yourself firmly to him. This is the key to your life.*

—*Deuteronomy 30:19-20 (NLT)*

- *Those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.*

—*Matthew 23:12 (NLT)*

- *In a word, what I’m saying is, Grow up. You’re kingdom subjects. Now live like it. Live out your God-created identity. Live generously and graciously toward others, the way God lives toward you.*

—*Matthew 5:48 (MES)*

Follow Through Step #46:

Reflect on whether your hyper-desires have fixated on someone else and what that hyper-desire fixation does in your own heart and in the life of that other person you have fixated on.

Riverside Info Texting System

At Riverside we aren't terribly organized- in fact we're sort of the poster church for "disorganized religion". So we use a "text for information" system where how much info you get is controlled by you. You will never have someone call you without asking for a call. If you can't find the info you need or have more questions or need some help reach out to one of the pastors directly- if we don't answer try texting or emailing us and we may get your message sooner.

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Frequently Asked Questions About Riverside- keyword= FAQs

Communion Info- keyword= Communion

New To Riverside? keyword= Guest

Want news and updates periodically? keyword= Loop

Want more info about following Jesus? keyword= Shine

Want info on baptism at Riverside? keyword= Baptism

Youth Programs At Riverside:

Want info on 4-5 grade programs? keyword= Ignite

Want info on 6-8 grade programs? keyword= Rev

Want info on high school programs? keyword= Thrive