

# The Year(s) Of Following Jesus #222 Jesus Hates Funerals!

April 3, 2026

*Welcome Home!  
Thanks for joining us today*

**April 4 & 5, 2026**

Happy Day

**Welcome**

Who You Are To Me

Lead Me To The Cross

Oh Glorious Day

**Lord's Supper Thought**

Forever

**Prayer**

**Communion**

**Lesson: The Year(s) of Following Jesus**

**#221 - Jesus Hates Funerals - 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](http://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.

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(See John 19:17-37) 04-09-1998  
SO JESUS, HAVE YOU MADE ANY PLANS FOR EASTER YET?

## 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. 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). Ask if you need gluten free. 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](http://www.EagleRiverside.com)

### This Week At Riverside

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

- ➔ Ignite/Rev Monday
- ➔ Bible Study Online Wednesday
- ➔ Thrive Thursday
- ➔ Craft Group Saturday
- ➔ Potluck Sunday the 12th

### 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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 Facebook: EagleRiverside

**Riverside Potluck** - April 12th, at 12:15 pm. See Jon for details.

**Ladies Craft Day** - Bring your own craft and a dish to share. Saturday, April 11th, 10:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m. at the church. See Becky 812-449-7004.

**Men's Breakfast** - Third Saturday of each month. Saturday, April 18th. Show up at 8:30 if you want to help cook. Breakfast is at 9:00. See Pastor Ed for details.

**Charitable Giving Receipts** - End-of-year statements are available. Email Aniela.

**Bible Study** - Meeting online every Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 pm, led by Jake Belford (660) 233-1099. This is an opportunity to fill up your tank mid-week with Jesus! All are welcome.

**Baptism** - Want to get baptized or have questions? Scan the QR code or go to [www.EagleRiverside.com/baptism](http://www.EagleRiverside.com/baptism)



**Riverside App** - Did you know Riverside has its own app? Download here.



**Feed the Teens**: Sign up to make a meal or donate cash for pizza. See Aniela for details.

### Upcoming Youth Events

**Monday, April 6th, 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, April 9th, 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!



JESUS  
 HATES  
 Funerals

OK, so maybe he doesn't hate funerals, but he definitely hates the reason that funerals exist. Join us on Easter weekend as we talk about the four funerals Jesus attended while he was on this earth and how he couldn't sit still at any of them.

*If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is worth nothing, and your faith is worth nothing... But Christ has truly been raised from the dead- the first one and proof that those who sleep in death will also be raised.*

—1 Corinthians 15:14-20 (NLT)

## 2 Themes Of Jesus' Life/Death/Resurrection

## 1. **Crashing Funerals.**

- *When the Lord saw her, his heart overflowed with compassion. “Don’t cry!” he said. Then he walked over to the coffin and touched it, and the bearers stopped. “Young man,” he said, “I tell you, get up.” Then the dead man sat up.*

—Luke 7:13-15 (NLT)

- *Holding her hand, he said to her, “Talitha koum,” which means “Little girl, get up!” And the girl, who was twelve years old, immediately stood up and walked around! They were overwhelmed and totally amazed.*

—Mark 5:41-42 (NLT)

- *“Roll the stone aside,” Jesus told them. But Martha, the dead man’s sister, protested, “Lord, he has been dead for four days. The smell will be terrible.” Jesus responded, “Didn’t I tell you that you would see God’s glory if you believe?” ... Then Jesus shouted, “Lazarus, come out! And the dead man came out, his hands and feet bound in graveclothes, his face wrapped in a headcloth. Jesus told them, “Unwrap him and let him go!”*

—John 11:39-44 (NLT)

- *“Dear woman, why are you crying?” Jesus asked her. “Who are you looking for?” She thought he was the gardener. “Sir,” she said, “if you have taken him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will go and get him.” “Mary!” Jesus said. She turned to him and cried out.*

—John 20:14-16 (NLT)

## 2. **Crashing Weddings.**

- *Jesus said, “Don’t let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father’s house; I would not tell you this if it were not true. I am going there to prepare a place*

*for you. After I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me so that you may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going."*

*—John 14:1-4 (NCV)*

- *"No, we don't know, Lord," Thomas said. "We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life."*

*—John 14:4-6 (NLT)*

- *"Death has been swallowed up in victory." "Where, O grave, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" ...thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*—1 Corinthians 15:54-56 (NIV)*

## **Follow Through Step:**

**Spend some time reflecting on the beauty and power of Jesus. And what his resurrection means to you. Does it change the way you live your life?**