

The Year(s) Of Following Jesus #230 When The Odds Are Stacked Against You

May 29, 2026

Welcome Home!
Thanks for joining us today

May 30 & 31, 2026

Lay Me Down

Welcome

Your Grace is Enough

Survivor

Lord's Supper Thought

Build My Life

Prayer

Communion

Lesson: The Year(s) of Following Jesus

#229 -When the Odds are Stacked Against You

- 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.

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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

This Week At Riverside
(Specific info about these activities is listed in the "Happenings" section)


- ➔ Ignite/Rev Monday
- ➔ Bible Study Online Wednesday
- ➔ Small Groups Wednesday
- ➔ Thrive Thursday

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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Riverside Happenings


Summer Schedule: Riverside's service schedule will change for the summer. For June, July, and August, there will be no Saturday night services. See Pastor Ed.
Bible Study - Meeting online every Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 pm, led by Jake Belford (660) 233-1099. All are welcome.
Small Groups - Will run every Wednesday at 6pm at the church. See the flyer in the back.
JAM Camp - Sign up by 6/7 to get a T-shirt. Scholarships available.
Father's Day Slideshow: Help us celebrate our dads. Send in three pics of the dads in your life to eagleriverside@gmail.com with the subject: Father's Day 2026. Photos are due by June 19th.


Roof Fundraiser - Thank you for all your generosity!
Riverside Potluck - June 14th, at 12:15 pm. Cook-out theme. See Jon for details.
Men's Breakfast - Third Saturday of each month. Saturday, June 20th. Show up at 8:30 if you want to help cook. Breakfast is at 9:00. See Pastor Ed for details.

Save the Date - Riverside's VBS will be July 20-23. See Abby or Tayler. 
Baptism - Want to get baptized or have questions? Scan the QR code or go to www.EagleRiverside.com/baptism

Kids Move Up - If your kiddo finished 3rd grade, they can now start attending Ignite. If they finished 8th grade, they start Thrive.

Upcoming Youth Events

Monday, June 1st, 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, June 4th, 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

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Since the Lord is directing our steps why try to figure out everything that happens along the way?

—Proverbs 20:24 (TLB)

Moses built an altar there and named it Yahweh-Nissi (which means “the Lord is my banner”).

—Exodus 17:15 (NLT)

4 Steps To Handling Tough Times:

1. Turn To God First.

- *After this, (3 armies) declared war on Jehoshaphat... He was afraid, so he decided to ask the Lord what to do.*

—2 Chronicles 20:1-3 (NCV)

- *He announced that everyone in Judah should fast during this special time of prayer to God. The people of Judah came together to ask the Lord for help; they came from every town in Judah.*

—2 Chronicles 20:3-4 (NCV)

- *Then King Jehoshaphat went and stood before them and prayed aloud.*

—2 Chronicles 20:5 (GN)

2. Tell God How You Feel.

- *We are powerless against this large army that is attacking us. We don't know what to do.*

—2 Chronicles 20:12 (NCV)

- *Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.*

—1 Peter 5:7 (NIV)

3. Trust That God's Going To Help.

- *We don't know what to do, so we look to you for help.*

—2 Chronicles 20:12 (NCV)

- *Even when I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me.*

—Psalm 23:4 (NLT)

- I have told you these things so that you might have peace in me. In this world, you will have trouble. But be brave! For I have overcome the world. John 16:33 (NCV)

- *Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's! You won't need to fight in this battle. Just stand strong in your places, and you will see the Lord save you.*

—2 Chronicles 20:15-17 (NCV)

4. Thank God In Advance.

- *The king appointed singers to walk ahead of the army, singing to the Lord and praising Him... This is what they sang: "Give thanks to the Lord for His faithful love endures forever!"*

—2 Chronicles 20:21 (NLT)

- *At the moment they began to sing and to praise, the Lord caused the armies ... to begin fighting among themselves, and they destroyed each other!"*

—2 Chronicles 20:22 (LB)

Follow Through Step:

Spend some time reflecting on what you do when the odds are stacked against you? How do you handle that and what would it look like for you to thank God in advance for whatever he was going to do?