

The Year(s) Of Following Jesus

#239 Parable Of The Workers In The Vineyard

August 1, 2026

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.



Welcome Home!
Thanks for joining us today

August 2, 2026

Blessed Be Your Name

Welcome

Better Is One Day

Goodness Of God

Lord's Supper Thought

I Speak Jesus

Prayer

Communion

Lesson: The Year(s) of Following Jesus

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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)

- ➔ Bible Study Tuesday
- ➔ Small Groups Wednesday
- ➔ Thrive Thursday

Need To Talk?...

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

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Facebook: EagleRiverside

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 Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:30 pm, led by Jake Belford (660) 233-1099. All are welcome.

Small Groups - Will run every Wednesday at 6 pm at the church. See the flyer in the back.

Riverside Potluck - August 9th, at 12:15 pm. Theme is casseroles. See Jon for details.

Church Painting Party - On Sunday, August 2 we will begin masking the church for interior painting right after church (will feed you we promise). We'll need to mask the sanctuary from top to bottom because we'll be spraying in there. The rest of the building we will be painting with rollers and brushes, but we still need to do a lot of masking and prep work. Painting will be happening Monday or Tuesday (or maybe Wednesday) depending on how much help we have and how long it takes us to mask. If you can help, PLEASE sign up on the sheet, that's on the bulletin board so we can get an idea of how much help to expect.

Back To School Service Project - the back to school board is ready! If you would like to be a blessing to some kids, whose families need help with back to school supplies grab a tag or two or donate money and let Janet do the shopping for you (she loves it!). We would love to have the items back by Sunday the ninth or the 16th at the very latest. Thank you, Riverside!

Upcoming Youth Events

Monday, August 3rd, 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, July 30th, 6:00 - 8:00

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

Questions? Like to help? See Taylor..

To get updates, text the following to 907.312.2662:

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

IGNITE

REV

THRIVE

Everybody's Welcome...

Nobody's Perfect...

Anything's Possible!

Following The Year(s) Of ^Jesus #239

The Parable Of The Workers In The Vineyard



For the Kingdom of Heaven is like the landowner who went out early one morning to hire workers for his vineyard. He agreed to pay the normal daily wage and sent them out to work.

—Matthew 20:1-2 (NLT)

3 Lessons From The Vineyard

1. Grape Expectations.

- *When those hired at five o'clock were paid, each received a full day's wage. When those hired first came to get their pay, they assumed they would receive more. But they, too, were paid a day's wage. When they received their pay, they protested to the owner, 'Those people worked only one hour, and yet you've paid them just as much as you paid us who worked all day in the scorching heat.'*

—Matthew 20:9-12 (NLT)

- *For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*

—Ephesians 2:8-10 (NIV)

- *I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.*

—Exodus 33:19 (NIV)

2. Grapes Of Wrath.

- *He answered one of them, 'Friend, I haven't been unfair! Didn't you agree to work all day for the usual wage? Take your money and go. I wanted to pay this last worker the same as you. Is it against the law for me to do what I want with my money? Should you be jealous because I am kind to*

others?’

—Matthew 20:13-15 (NLT)

- *Pay careful attention to your own work, for then you will get the satisfaction of a job well done, and you won't need to compare yourself to anyone else. For we are each responsible for our own conduct.*
—Galatians 6:4-5 (NLT)

- *Jesus said this to let him know by what kind of death he would glorify God. Then Jesus told him, "Follow me." Peter turned around and saw behind them the disciple Jesus loved—the one who had leaned over to Jesus during supper and asked, "Lord, who will betray you?" Peter asked Jesus, "What about him, Lord?" Jesus replied, "If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you? As for you, follow me."*
—John 21:19-22 (NLT)

- *This change of plans greatly upset Jonah, and he became very angry. So he complained to the Lord about it: "Didn't I say before I left home that you would do this, Lord? That is why I ran away to Tarshish! I knew that you are a merciful and compassionate God, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. You are eager to turn back from destroying people. Just kill me now, Lord! I'd rather be dead than alive if what I predicted will not happen."*
—Jonah 4:1-3 (NLT)

3. Grape, Grape Joy.

- *At five o'clock that afternoon he was in town again and saw some more people standing around. He asked them, 'Why haven't you been working today?' They replied, 'Because no one hired us.' The landowner told them, 'Then go out and join the others in my vineyard.'*
—Matthew 20:6-7 (NLT)

- *So those who are last now will be first then, and those who are first will be last.*
—Matthew 20:16 (NLT)
- *Then Peter said to him, “We’ve given up everything to follow you. What will we get?”*
—Matthew 19:27 (NLT)
- *But many who are the greatest now will be least important then, and those who seem least important now will be the greatest then.*
—Matthew 19:30 (NLT)

Follow Through Step:

Spend some time reflecting on who in this story you identify with the most. Are you filled with gratitude for what you have received or are you comparing benefits?