

The Year Of Following Jesus #111 Rejected @ Nazareth... Again

February 5, 2024

Welcome Home!
Thanks for joining us today

February 10 & 11, 2024

Blessed Be Your Name

Welcome

Not for a Moment

Grace Like Rain

Lord's Supper Thought

The Heart of Worship

Prayer

Communion

Lesson: The Year(s) of Following Jesus

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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.



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)

- ➡ Potluck Sunday
- ➡ Warriors in Christ Tuesday
- ➡ Thrive Thursday - retreat permission slips due
- ➡ Service Project: cold weather gear

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 Happenings

Riverside Service Project - The service project for February is helping with cold-weather gear for downtown soup kitchen. Bring things like hats, blankets gloves.

Tax Statements - If you need tax statements, reach out to Aniela.

Young Adults Group - We will be meeting Friday March 1st. Text Cassie for details.

Ladies Craft Day - Bring your own craft and a dish to share. Saturday, March 9th, 10am-4pm at the church. See Becky 812-449-7004.

Riverside Potluck - February 11th after the 2nd service. See Lenea for details.

Warriors in Christ - Meeting Tuesdays at 6:30. See Nate for details.

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



Write to our missionaries - Contact Hank at 713 548 7446.

Thrive Retreat - Save the date: February 23-25, 2024 for the Thrive winter retreat. See Aniela, Cassie, Tayler, or Kelly for details.

Feed the Teens - Sign up to bring a meal for Thrive. Prepare meals for 10-15 people. Sign up for a Thursday on the bulletin board. See Aniela for details.

Upcoming Youth Events

Monday, February 26th, 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.



THRIVE

Thursday, February 15th, 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(s) Of [^]Jesus #111

The "Offense" Of Jesus



If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first.
—John 15:18 (NIV)

Jesus left that part of the country and returned with his disciples to Nazareth, his hometown.

—Mark 6:1 (NLT)

Four Reasons People Were “Offended” By Jesus:

1. The Ordinariness Of Jesus.

- *The next Sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed. They asked, “Where did he get all this wisdom and the power to perform such miracles?” Then they scoffed, “He’s just a carpenter, the son of Mary and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas, and Simon. And his sisters live right here among us.” They were deeply offended and refused to believe in him.*

—Mark 6:2-3 (NLT)

- *There was nothing beautiful or majestic about his appearance, nothing to attract us to him. He was despised and rejected.*

—Isaiah 53:2-3 (NIV)

2. The Grace/Mercy Of Jesus.

- *Certainly there were many needy widows in Israel in Elijah’s time, when the heavens were closed for three and a half years, and a severe famine devastated the land. Yet Elijah was not sent to any of them. He was sent instead to a foreigner—a widow of Zarephath in the land of Sidon.*

—Luke 4:25-26 (NLT)

- *And many in Israel had leprosy in the time of the prophet Elisha, but the only one healed was Naaman, a Syrian.”*

—Luke 4:27 (NLT)

3. The Exclusivity Of Jesus.

- *Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.*

—John 14:6 (NLT)

- *There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved.*

—Acts 4:12 (NIV)

4. The Inclusivity Of Jesus.

- *For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*

—John 3:16 (NIV)

- *I tell you the truth, corrupt tax collectors and prostitutes will get into the Kingdom of God before you do.*

—Matthew 21:31 (NLT)

- *There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus.*

—Galatians 3:28-29 (CEV)

- *After this I saw a vast crowd, too great to count, from every nation and tribe and people and language, standing in front of the throne and before the Lamb. They were clothed in white robes and held palm branches in their hands. And they were shouting with a great roar, “Salvation comes from our God who sits on the throne and from the Lamb!”*

—Revelation 7:9-10 (NLT)

- *He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.*

—Mark 6:5-6 (NLT)

- *Blessed is anyone who does not stumble on account of me.*

—Matthew 11:6 (NLT)

Follow Through Step:

Spend some time reflecting on the offense of Jesus. Is there something that offends you about Him? Are you letting that become a stumbling block in your life?