

Children on Sundays

Children are always welcome at the RUMC Church Services, OR at any of these:

Children's Sunday School is at 9:45. Brochures are in all the lobbies.

The Nursery is for children 6 weeks through 2 years old. The nurseries are located down the hall from the Welcome Center.

Children's Church at 8:45 and 11:00 is for children ages 3-K only. Parents pick up children from Room S207 after worship services are finished.

Children's Ministry

**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS FOR TRUNK OR TREAT!
OCTOBER 29 FROM 4:00-6:00PM**

ONLINE VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION. Please visit www.riverchaseumc.org/trunkortreat and click on the "Volunteer/Trunk Registration" link. Wear your favorite costume, bring a canned good for missions and come have fun with us! We'll have inflatables, games, crafts and snacks; and the UMW will be selling casseroles.



'TIS THE SEASON! The Children's Ministry has once again committed to packing **500** shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child this year! Shipping costs have increased from \$7 to \$9 per box. Please help us cover the \$4,500 expense of shipping these boxes overseas! Go to www.riverchaseumc.org/childrensmissions and click the DONATE button. All donations are tax deductible.

MISSION PROJECTS FOR 3RD-5TH GRADERS – PACKING SHOEBOXES FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

SPACE IS LIMITED! EMAIL SUSANS@RIVERCHASEUMC.ORG TO REGISTER.

October 19 5:30-7:30 PM: Joint activity with the UMW Circle of Love in the Riverchase Room. Dinner provided. Cost is \$15 per child.

November 7 6:00-7:30 PM: Joint activity with the Singles Impact Ministry in the Riverchase Room. Dinner provided. Cost is \$15 per child.

October Mission Focus: Canned Food (with pop-tops).

Riverchase Student Ministries

What is the best way to stay in the know on all things RSM?

Go to Riverchasestudents.com! If you were previously receiving emails from Riverchase Student Ministries, now you should only receive them when we update our website! Check it out for all details about events, calendars, pics and videos!

Sunday Nights: No Youth Tonight.

Wednesday Nights

Peeps Midweek: 6-8 PM in The Student Center.

RUSH Unwind: 6-8 PM in The Student Center.

Friday, October 20 – RSM 5th Quarter – Peeps and Rush

Friday, October 27 – RUSH 5th Quarter

Mission Needs and Opportunities

(Please bag and label all items you place in the mission bins.)

UMW Mission Focus: Canned goods. Mark "UMW" and place in the green mission bins.

Habitat for Humanity: Next workday is Saturday, October 21. Contact Clint Bruess, cbruess@bsc.edu to join the team. **Home Building Blitz** is Oct. 12-19, 7 AM-4 PM. Ages 14 & up are able to serve. Sign-up: give.habitatbirmingham.org

Great Day of Service: Saturday, October 14. Come for pancakes at 7:00 AM and help pack hygiene kits for flood relief and other projects beginning at 8:00.

Operation Christmas Child (Shoebox) volunteers needed for Nov. 13-20. Contact Wes Savage if you can help. Morning and afternoon shifts available.

View 20+ other opportunities on the RUMC website.

Mission Moment

The RUMC Home Visitation Ministry seeks to reach those who may no longer be able to attend regular Sunday services. A regular home visit is scheduled and carried out by a group of faithful volunteers. These visits are a joy and blessing to those who desire to remain connected to RUMC. It's one way we continue to Share the Joy of Christ. If you'd like to learn more or would like to join the team, please contact Ron Babin, hccgolfer@yahoo.com.

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are in honor of Lucia Hunt's 80th birthday, given by Leigh Hunt; in honor of Kenny and Danielle Kunz's 20th wedding anniversary; in memory of Paul Pope and James and Mary Mason, given by Phillip and Linda Pope.

Adult Ministries

- **Pilates:** Thursdays at 5:00 PM in the Fireside Room. stephanierfedor@aol.com.
- **Needle & Thread:** First and third Tuesdays at 10:00 in E104. Bring your own needlework or join us in our project.
- **Connect/Young Professionals:** Meets Thursdays at 6:30 PM, in Room 26. Contact Cynthia Nicholson, cnicho85@gmail.com.
- **Community Grief Support:** Meets 1st & 3rd Thursdays at RUMC, 10 AM, Room 28. Contact Frances Stanfield, 823-3372.
- **Riverchase Community Choir** meets in Room S210 on the 1st Sundays at 4:30. Come join the group as we sing old Gospel favorites.
- **Open Prayer Meeting:** Sundays at 4:00 PM in the Prayer Room, S214.
- **24-Hour Prayer Line:** 1-800-251-2468; the Upper Room Prayer Center.

Adult Sunday School information available in the brochure racks in all lobbies.

Stewardship Report

Mission & Ministry Budget 2017	\$3,238,475
Budget Needed Weekly	\$62,278
Budget Received (Oct 1)	\$75,315
Over/(Under)	\$13,037
Total Worship (Oct 1)	1,392

Remember RUMC in your will.

A Service for the Worship of God

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Welcome! Please fill in the Friendship Pad so we can record your attendance OR reach out to you if you're visiting. Thank you for **silencing your phones.**

Announcements Dr. Jeff Reynolds

Prelude *Arrival of the Queen of Sheba* Handel
Riverchase Orchestra and Organ
Acolytes: 11:00 Jennifer Black and Connor Sanders

JESUS CHRIST IS LORD

Invocation (9:45) Rev. Clay Farrington
(11:00) Rev. Wes Savage

Affirmation of Faith Philippians 2:5-11

Leader: Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

All: Who, though He was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted Him and gave Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

*Hymn of Praise 139 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

* Children's Church (11:00)

*Greeting of Friends and Guests Dr. Jim Savage

Morning Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (in unison) (11:00) Rev. John Ray

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Anthem *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* Hayes

*O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!*

*My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.*

*Let ev'ry creature join to praise the one eternal God,
Ye heav'nly hosts the song begin and sound His name abroad.*

*Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.*

*He breaks the power of canceled sin, He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.*

*He speaks, and, list'ning to His voice, new life the dead receive,
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.*

*To God all glory, praise, and love be ever, ever giv'n
by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.*

I KNOW HE WATCHES ME

Receiving of Our Tithes, Offerings, and Attendance Beth Aho

Offertory *His Eye Is On the Sparrow* Martin/Gabriel
Jeff Malone, baritone

*Hymn of Thanksgiving (Hymnal 57) AZMON

**Glory to God, and praise and love be ever, ever given,
By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.**

MUCH WE NEED THY TENDER CARE

Scripture Lesson (Pew Bible 240) Philippians 2:1-4
This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon *The Jesus Approach* Dr. Jim Savage

Invitation to Christian Discipleship
(Those wishing more information on church membership are asked to call one of our Pastors at 987-4030)

*Hymn 568 *Christ for the World We Sing* ITALIAN HYMN

**Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring,
with joyful song; the newborn souls,
whose days, reclaimed from error's ways,
inspired with hope and praise, to Christ belong.**

*Benediction

May the Lord bless you and keep you; may the Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you; may the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.

Postlude *God of Grace* arr. Manz

We welcome Serghei Tanas, Hillary Rivas, Michael Fernandez, and Clayton Vaughn to our worship today.

Wireless earphones are available. Please ask an usher for assistance needed.

Communion is served at 10:40 in the Prayer Chapel when not offered in the Sanctuary.

Welcome new members: Kevin, Kelly, Bryce and Brynn Cheatham.

This Week

- **Flower calendar dedications** for 2018 will be accepted through October. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex today.
- **Riverchase Runners:** If you run a little or a lot, join us for group runs Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:15 AM. Start locations vary around Riverchase, so if you're interested, email LaRonda, larondac@riverchaseumc.org.
- **Getting to Know RUMC:** Today, 9:45 AM, S214. Bring your questions and join us for a short tour of our campus.
- **Lunch Bunch:** Tuesday, October 10. Join us at 10:30 for Bingo with Buzz, lunch at noon (\$5), and program at 12:30. Our own Pete Stewart presents *They Never Thought the World Was Flat...* Make your reservation by calling the church office (987-4030), by noon on Monday, October 9.
- **Singles Impact Ministry (SIM):** Tuesday, Oct. 10, 6:30 PM in the Riverchase Room. Join us for a covered dish dinner. Ruth Beenken continues a series on hope.
- **Great Day of Service:** October 14. Join us for a pancake breakfast at 7:00 AM from our Boy Scouts and service projects around our campus, including packing UMCOR Hygiene Relief Kits, from 8:00 AM till noon.
- **United Methodist Men:** Oct. 15, 7:45 AM in the Riverchase Room. Amy Luther will be talking about the Angel Tree Ministry.
- **Riverchase Rebounders:** Early registration has ended for this co-ed basketball league for grades 4k-5th. Call 987-5290 or visit www.riverchaseumc.org/rebounders. If you are interested in helping or coaching, contact LaRonda Corrin, larondac@riverchaseumc.org or 987-5290.

Coming Soon

- **Night Readers:** Tuesday, Oct. 17, 6 PM, in the Library. Please ready *Lilac Girls*, by Hall Kelly and bring a sack dinner.
- **Circle of Love:** Thursday, Oct. 19, 6 PM, Room 27. We are packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child.
- **Masquerade Mystery Dinner:** Friday, Oct. 20, 6 PM, in The Riverchase Room. Bring your favorite covered dish to share. Call the church, 987-4030 to RSVP by noon on Thursday, Oct. 19.
- **Day Trippers:** Tuesday, October 24. Sign-up soon for a boat ride and lunch at Joe Wheeler State Park. There is limited space, so make your reservation by Friday, October 20. Cost: \$12. We will leave the church at 8:30 AM.

Wednesday Dinner

Wednesday Night Dinner Menu, October 11: Breakfast for dinner (eggs, sausage, biscuit, grits) and desserts. Adults \$7.00, children \$3.50. Now accepting your credit cards! Make your reservations by marking the Friendship Pad or calling the church office, 987-4030, by noon on Monday.

Open Classes on Wednesdays at 6:00 PM

- ♦ **God In the Movies** with Rev. Wes Savage in Riverchase C.
- ♦ **The Wesleyan Way** with Rev. Buzz Barrett in S210.
- ♦ **Things We Believe About God** with Dennis Hutchison in Rm 26.
- ♦ **The Frazzled Female** with Courtney Snuggs in 104/5.
- ♦ **Uninvited** with Natalie Moon in Riverchase A.
- ♦ **A Woman Overwhelmed** with Betsy Head in Rm 11.