

Welcome

We'd like to welcome you to Riverside United Church. We hope you feel at home in worship this morning!

Make sure to grab a mug of coffee or tea as you come in for worship at The 844 service or join us in the multipurpose room after the 10:30 service for coffee & conversation.

TODAY'S MESSAGE

We begin a new four week sermon series today – “The Upside-down Kingdom” – where we will explore Jesus’ views on God’s realm through the lens of Mark’s gospel. Today we ask the question – What does Jesus mean when he says, “the first will be last and the last will be first”?
Scripture: Mark 9:30-37

This Week

PROM QUEEN If you haven't already purchased tickets to see the upcoming Grand Theatre High School Project production, we encourage you to do so. The show runs from **Sept 19th -29th** Support this local production which includes our own Emma Exley as a member of the cast.

ATTENTION MUSIC LOVERS The choir invites new members to join them. They rehearse Thursday evenings, have lots of fun and brighten our Sunday morning 10:30 services. Ability to read music is not necessary. Contact Marque Smith for more information.

FUN FAIR TODAY - following the 10:30 service. BBQ lunch, bouncy castle, SNAG Golf and fun for all ages.

TURKEY PIES 2018
Pre-ordering has closed but additional pies will be made and sold after church Sept. 30th until they are gone. **Pre-ordered frozen pies can be picked up Sept. 26th or 27th - 1:00-4:30 pm**
Sept. 28th – 10:00-4:30, or
Sept. 29th – 10:00 -2:00.
Fresh pies can be picked up Sept. 25th – 1:00-4:30, or
Sept. 26th -28th from 10:00 -4:30.

Riverside United Church is an Affirming community of faith. To find out more, visit riverside.on.ca/about/affirm.php



Riverside

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OFFICE HOURS: M-F 8:30 – 4pm

Service Times

Sundays 8:44am (Express Service)
Sundays 10:30am (Traditional)

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www.riverside.on.ca

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ACCESSIBILITY QUESTIONS?

PERSONAL FM SOUND ENHANCEMENT, ELEVATOR, HYMN BOOKS, BIBLES AND LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE. ASK AN USHER FOR ASSISTANCE.

SEPTEMBER 23, 2018



“Jesus said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be least of all and the servant of all.” Mark 9:35

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Riverside United Church is a diverse and inclusive Christian community. We are a mix of age and experience sharing our journey in a supportive and respectful environment, empowering us to be at work in the world.

Upcoming Events

FALL SPEAKER SERIES

Together with the Alzheimer Society, Riverside presents **Understanding Dementia & Becoming a Dementia Friendly Community** by Susan Osler on **Oct. 2nd at 7pm** and **Care for the Caregiver** by Nancy O'Regan on **Oct. 9th at 7pm**. Free admission, donations accepted. Please contact the church office to register.

FRANKIE & THE

FAIRLANES – "Good Rockin' Tonight" return engagement, but all new show! **Fri. Oct. 19th at 7pm** Tickets \$20/adults, \$10/child (preteens) on sale after the service or at the church office.

APPLE PIES

Place orders now for individual serving size (\$4.50) or 9" size (\$10) with Cheryl at 226-927-5729 leave your name and phone # or email cherylpriverside@yahoo.ca. **Pick up is Nov. 4th**. If you are available to help make pies on Oct. 19th, Oct. 26th or Nov. 2nd, 9 to noon, call Stella Finkbeiner 519-474-7401 and leave name & dates you are available or email sfinkbeiner@outlook.com. No experience necessary. Men are most welcome to help!

SETUP HELPERS

we require helpers willing to set up/take down chairs/tables as needed for rental groups at the church approximately 6 times a month, time/days vary. Contact Sue Anderson 519-641-8243

Mission and Outreach

ST. PAUL'S SOCIAL SERVICES

The Outreach & Social Action committee invites you to bring **bath soap** this week & place it in the wooden benches.

GREENING THE CHURCH

Courtesy of the Outreach Committee, we now have a composter for food waste. There will be container in the kitchen and the servery which can be used to collect food scraps. Please note no bones or meat.

ORANGE SHIRT DAY

On **Sunday, September 30th** Riverside will participate in Orange Shirt Day. We encourage everyone to wear an orange shirt to church. Take a moment to remember those children and communities dramatically affected by the Indian Residential School System. Orange Shirt day is inspired by Phyllis Jack Webstad who, on her first day at a residential school in 1973, was stripped of her new orange shirt.

Children and Youth

SUNDAY MORNING PROGRAM

At the 844 and 10:30 services, children and youth begin in the service and then depart after the congregational welcome. Our Sunday School Co-ordinator will meet with everyone at the front before moving to the education rooms. Children can be picked up downstairs in the Auditorium.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

REGISTRATION If you have a child/teen who is part of our Sunday morning Children's Worship please register them in the next week or two. Registration forms are available from Linda Thompson in the auditorium/classrooms on Sun. mornings. This information allows us to learn your child's birthday, allergies etc.

RUCUS

A youth activity night for Gr. 5-8 on the first Friday of the month from 7-9pm beginning Oct. 5th. For more information please contact Shannon Hunter Shannon-30@hotmail.com. Friends are always welcome.

MARILYN'S SABBATICAL

Marilyn will be on sabbatical from Sept. 17th – Jan. 2nd. This will be a time for learning, education, rest and renewal. During this time Marilyn will be auditing a course at Emmanuel Theological College, visiting congregations to learn about their children and youth programs and reading. Plans have been put in place to support our children/youth and the major programs/events that Marilyn coordinates. Thank you to everyone who is helping coordinate and lead programs during this time. Thank you to the congregation for this time away.

NURSERY

COORDINATORS – We welcome Mackenzie Lukings and Halle Johnson who will be sharing the position of nursery coordinator. Mackenzie is a recent graduate from the ECE program at Fanshawe College and has been attending Riverside for the past year. Halle, who has been a member for many years, has a great deal of experience working with children through our SALT program and Children's worship. She attends Brescia University. Please introduce yourselves and welcome them to their new positions.

Child care for children up to age 4 is available during both services in our nursery.

Ongoing Events

EVENT:	DAY/TIME:	CONTACT:
Ageless Grace	Mondays 2pm	connie.zolotar@sympatico.ca
Starbucks	Tues. 9-11:30am	dave@riverside.on.ca
Prayer Team	Thursdays 10am	don.lucas@rogers.com
Euchre	Thursdays 1pm	Shirley 519-474-1106
Senior Choir	Thursdays 7:30	marque@riverside.on.ca
Bell Choir	Contact Marque	marque@riverside.on.ca
Quilting group	4 th Wednesdays	paohara@rogers.com
844 Brunch	1 st Sun/month	macgowan@live.ca

Our Church Family

Please pray for those who are or have recently been in hospital and if you are aware of anyone in the hospital, please call the church office at 519-472-6071.

From Church Council: As many of you know, the United Church of Canada is restructuring the levels of church governance. London Conference will become part of a regional district and, as of March 31, 2019, will no longer be renting space from us. Council is putting together an adhoc group to explore our options for that space. If you are interested in being considered for the adhoc group please contact Sue Anderson, Council Chair, 519-641-8243. Knowledge in real estate, finance, law would be helpful but a desire to further the work of Riverside is the greatest asset!

Reception of New Members is scheduled for **Sunday Oct. 14th**. Please contact Jan in the church office if you are interested in becoming a member of Riverside United Church.

PRAYER CYCLE

Let us pray during the week for these families, their needs, their hopes, and their well-being. May they know and feel our support and God's embrace all week long. This week let us pray for Irene Felkar, Paul & Mary Fennell, Claire Fidler, Dave Filipowich, Mel & Stella Finkbeiner, Shannon Fisher, Marg Fliss, Jack Foote, John & Connie Ford, Jennifer Foster and family and the ministry of our presbytery reps. Middlesex Presbytery has asked that we include in our prayers: the ministry and mission of White Oaks United Church and the well-being, wisdom, strength and joy of Rev. Nancy Waterman and all those involved in ministry leadership at this pastoral charge.