

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 this morning and following the service join us in the multipurpose room after for cake, lemonade & conversation.

TODAY'S MESSAGE

We worship together this morning as one family of faith. As we celebrate the gift of God's presence, we will consider what it means to participate in a faith community. What might make this the Best Sunday Ever? Is it possible for all creation to declare together, "Best. Sunday. Ever.?" **Scripture:** Mark 4:26-34

This Week

GARDENS Just like he gave Adam and Eve, God (and our congregation) gave us gardens to surround us. But like all gardens, ours at Riverside need some TLC. To help, why not adopt one of our gardens! Contact Rob Dykeman at 226-236-0229 or rdykeman@uwo.ca to get your hands dirty!

SALT Our SALT staff training is this week, **June 27th /28th**. Please keep our 12 SALT staff in your prayers. Their first camp begins on Tues. July 3rd.

VOLUNTEERS FOR LEMONADE are needed to serve lemonade in the Multi Purpose Room following the 10:30 worship service during the summer months. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

DROP-IN WITH JACOB SHAW **Wed. June 20th 1-4 pm** in the Friendship Room.

The church office will be closed on Monday July 2nd for Canada Day.

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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JUNE 24, 2018

10:00 am



RIVERSIDE United Church

"Gale-force winds arose, and waves crashed against the boat so that the boat was swamped. But Jesus was in the rear of the boat, sleeping on a pillow. They woke him up and said, "Teacher, don't you care that we're drowning?" He got up and gave orders to the wind, and he said to the lake, "Silence! Be still!" The wind settled down and there was a great calm."

Mark 4:32-33 (CEB)

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.

ACCESSIBILITY QUESTIONS?

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

Upcoming Events

GRATITUDE WALL - As you enjoy the warmth of spring, consider shining a light on someone who has had a notable impact on life at Riverside. Honour him/her through a nomination for a plaque on the Gratitude Wall outside the boardroom. Details are available in the office. Donations are tax deductible and nominations can be forwarded by a group or individual. Nominations are open until July.

PRAAYER GROUP The Thursday Morning Prayer team continues to meet each **Thurs. at 10 am.** During August they will break for a holiday. Prayers can be sent to Don at don.lucas@rogers.com

LONDON PRIDE PARADE Sun. July 29th. Riverside has a legacy of 7 years of marching in the parade! We'd love to have a great group again. **Please register with Marilyn Arthur by mid-July.** And let her know if you can bring a lunch to share.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE Rev. Dave will be co-leading a trip scheduled for **Jan. 20th -31st, 2019.** Brochures and forms are available.

AGELESS GRACE - **Mondays – 2pm** Come join us for an hour of lively music and chair exercise. \$5/person

Mission and Outreach

DAILY BREAD FOOD BANK The Outreach & Social Action committee invites you to bring **soups** this week & place it in the wooden benches.

FOODGRAINS Doug Allen and the Outreach Committee would like to say thanks for the generous donations in April to the local Good Neighbour Project (Canada Foodgrains Bank). The amount of \$955 will assist with the costs of planting soy beans.

THIS LAND
Riverside United Church gathers on the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee (Iroquois), Ojibway/Chippewa, and Anishinabek people. We acknowledge their stewardship of this land and respect the history, spirituality and culture of the people with whom Treaty 6 was signed. May we live with respect on this land, and live in peace and friendship with all our relations.

Children and Youth

SUNDAY MORNING PROGRAM There will be Children's Worship with Linda Thompson today for JK-Gr. 8 and high school youth.

NURSERY Child care for children up to age 4 is available in our professionally staffed nursery. Available at both services.

RUC AT CAMP KEE MO KEE We had a wonderful time this weekend with some of our church family. We celebrated with the theme "We Are Family" by sharing in campfires, games, food, activities, crafts, community building and lots of great laughter and discussion.

CONGRATULATIONS to all our young people who are graduating this year from elementary, high school and post-secondary school. We also wish all our high school students the best of luck with their exams.

YOUR GIFT MATTERS
Riverside United Church is a community of faith that makes a difference in the lives of so many individuals. Long-time members and newcomers alike understand the power of this positive and vibrant faith community. Why should you share monetary gifts with Riverside? Because we're not just a building. We are a community of faith that is committed to changing lives and enriching the spiritual health and well-being of our members and the wider community. Your financial support allows us to provide space and resources to do God's work at Riverside and in our world.

SUMMER CAMP – space is still available in all three camps being held at Riverside this summer. **July 16th -20th, Aug. 20th -24th** and the Leadership Camp **July 16th -20th.** You can register by going to the children and youth page on our website.

THANK YOU, LINDA. We give great thanks to Linda Thompson for her ministry as the Children's Worship Coordinator. Her work is from Sept. – June. She will be off this summer and will be back working with our children on Sunday mornings in the fall.

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.

Phyllis Wilkinson – LHSC, University Campus

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Anna Busby, following her death on June 21st. A memorial service will be held later in August.

Thank you to my Riverside family for all the love, support and well wishes on my ordination and our move to Calgary AB. We arrived safely and I begin my ministry with St. Andrews UC on June 24. I have been so blessed by you all! With love and thanksgiving,

Hillary MacDonald and Kevin Van Spronsen

Our new address is: 241 Copperstone Terrace SE, Calgary AB T2V 0J4

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 Diane Szoller, David & Ruth Taylor, Carolyn Thompson, George & Connie Thompson, Linda Thompson and family, Betty & Bob Thornton, Ted & Dolores Thurston, Diana Timmermans and family, Marilyn Topp, Anna-Jean Troyer and the work and ministry of our 844 band. Middlesex Presbytery has asked that we include in our prayers: the ministry and mission of First-St. Andrew's United Church and for the strength, wellbeing and joy of Rev. Michelle Down and all those involved in ministry leadership there.