At Riverside Baptist Church, our one law is love of God and neighbor. In this diverse community, we celebrate all identities, orientations, gender equality, and racial diversity. We draw the circle of God's love large here. Whoever you are and wherever you are on the journey, you are included.



Pray For; Eduardo Gyles; Lillie Ransom; Freda White's sister, Virginia Howerton & Family; Terryn Nelson and her sister, Rachelle Nelson, niece and nephew Cecilly and Hasaan, and family friend Robert Napson; Lynda Gyles's aunt, Heidi DeVaughn; Terri Battle and her mother, Claudia Green; Karl Maxwell and his brother, Kenneth Maxwell; Edward Harris's mother, Ruth Harris; Edith Booker; Annie Abbott; Tanya Bethel and her mother, Ruby McCrary; Lillie Ransom's sister Teriea and her husband, Jerry; Sheba Greene's daughter Donna; Dr. Bledsoe's mother, Peggy Bledsoe

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RIVERSIDE CHURCH



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Riverside Baptist Church

The Worship of God

May 14, 2023

Prelude

Opening Song - see the song sheet insert

Call to Worship and Invocation

*Songs of Praise - see the song sheet insert

Welcome

Visitors - We are so excited that you are joining us, in-person and online! If this is your first time, please fill out a welcome card in the pew. We'd love to get to know you better.

*The Peace of Christ

They'll Know We Are Christians

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Invitation to Offering

There are 3 ways to give:

- 1. Text "Give" to 202.5194330
- 2. Go to RiversideDC.com/giving
- 3. Offer Cash/check in-person or by mail

Thank you for your generosity.

*Response Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below Praise God above ye heavenly host. Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Thanks

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Please join in the prayer using the language you prefer

Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy/your name
Thy/Your kin-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread
Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against u

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/yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

Scripture Lesson

John 14:15-21 (page NT 83)

Selected and read by Deacon Terryn Nelson

Anthem

Sermon Lesson

John 14:1-14 (NT 83)

Sermon

Greater Things

Rev. Mia M. McClain

Invitation to Community

At this time, anyone who is interested in prayer, inquiring about baptism, or becoming a member of this community may come up to the front. You may also find a deacon immediately after worship by the communion table.

Hymn - see the song sheet insert

The Ordinance of Holy Communion

Communion Litany – see the insert

Communion Prayer

Institution

Sharing of the Meal

Please come to the table as directed by a deacon

*Closing Song

Go Now in Peace

Go now in peace: never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know God will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others, so all the world can see. God will be there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen, amen, amen.

^{*} Benediction

^{*} for those who are able, please stand