

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.

RIVERSIDE CHURCH



Please pray for:

Our deepest condolences to Ambassador Mattie Sharpless in the loss of her aunt, Carlita Shepard
Edward Harris's sister, Denise Harris

If you'd like to submit a joy or concern, you may contact your deacon, the church administrator, or Rev. Mia

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Multi-cultural, Ecumenical, Inclusive

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Masks continue to be available in the atrium and the narthex.*

Riverside Baptist Church

The Worship of God

November 26, 2023

ADVENT I: HOPE

10:00 A.M.

Prelude

Opening Song - see the song sheet insert

Call to Worship

Lighting of the Advent Candle (see the song sheet insert)

Deacon Terryn Nelson

Invocation

*Song 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

This Little Light

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

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.

Offertory

*Response

To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory, to God be the glory, To God be the glory for the things God has done.

*Prayer of Thanks

Reading

Isaiah 40:1-8 (OT 517)

Michelle Yancey

Musical Selection

Sermon Lesson

Genesis 21:8-21 (OT 13)

Sermon

Re-Membering God: Hope

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

Prayers of the People

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 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

Institution

Sharing of the Meal

Please come to the table as directed by a deacon

* Benediction

*Closing Song

Sweet Sweet Spirit

There's a sweet, sweet spirit in this place, and I know that it's the spirit of the Lord.

There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know that it's the presence of the Lord.

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love.

And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise.

Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place

* for those who are able, please stand