

**Welcome!** We are glad you are here! We want to help you grow into a reproducing disciple of Jesus Christ. Please let us know how we can help.

August 10, 2025  
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Call to Worship	<i>The King is in the Room</i>	
Scripture		<i>Hebrews 12:1-4</i>
Offering		
Worship Songs	<i>Offering</i> <i>Hope Has a Name</i> <i>Living Hope</i>	
Message	<i>Samson, The Promised Child</i>	<i>Judges 13</i>
Worship Song	<i>Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus</i>	

<b><u>Nursery today</u></b> Church- Sharon Weaver	<b><u>Nursery Next Sunday</u></b> Church- Mira Allen
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(Nursery is available for ages up to 3)

**This Week:**  
Sat.- Off the Charts Music Festival @ Cavalier

**Coming Up:**

Aug. 18-	Blood Drive @ church- 12-6
Aug. 20-	Awana Training- 5:00-6:00 p.m.
Aug. 22-	RADIATE Bonfire @ Boulais- 9:30-midnight
Aug. 24-	Klaski Open House- 1-3 here at church
Aug. 27-	Awana Kick-off - 6:30 p.m.
Aug. 29-Sept. 1	Family Camp @ CBC

**Prayer/Praise:**

- Pembina EFC, Pembina, ND
- Red River Valley Chinese Christian Church, Moorhead, MN

**Missionaries:**

- Bill & Cindy Hoppe, North Central Awana Director
- John & Paula Peterson, CRU @ MSU

**Praying for our church family each week:** Dustin & Sarah Olson, Daryl & Brenda Osborn, Richie & Jane Ostlie, Adam & Erin Overmoe

#### PRAYER WALK

If your schedule did not allow you to attend the prayer walk, Erin gave those who came a handout. If you would like a copy, there are extras on the foyer table by the west entrance. Shirley

#### BLOOD DRIVE

There will be a Blood Drive here at church Monday, August 18 from noon-6. See Leslie Frederick or Sammie Sanchez after church to sign up or text Leslie at 319-899-4970 to schedule your donation. There is a \$10 gift card for completed donations and a chance to win 1 of 3 \$10,000 gift cards.

#### KLASKI RECEPTION

Please come and help celebrate Dixon Klaski's graduation from Klaski Academy and Lynne's Welding Training. There will be an open house on Sunday, August 24 from 1-3 here at church.

#### RADIATE NEWS

##### YOUTH GROUP MEALS NEEDED

Each Wednesday night during the school year we provide a meal at youth group. These meals provide a great opportunity for fellowship and help students be able to attend who help with AWANA, come directly from sports practices, or who live far enough from town that if they go home for a meal won't come back. We are looking for individuals and groups to sign up to provide meals for students & leaders. We expect a group of about 20-25 this fall. A sign up sheet is on the Radiate board.

##### OFF THE CHARTS DRIVERS NEEDED

Off the Charts is a FREE Christian music festival in Cavalier, ND on Saturday, August 16th. This years' worship artists include Rend Collective, Riley Clemmons, and Jordan St. Cyr. We are looking for adults to drive students. Consider coming as a family! We leave at noon and return at 1am. Contact me if you are available to drive. **Drivers need to complete a background check and take our Ministry Safe online training if they have not done so before.**

#### STATEMENT OF FAITH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

A 9am Sunday school class begins on September 7th. This is a 28-week class, going through our Statement of Faith. Combined with a Bible Survey class in 2026-2027, it replaces our Bible Instruction Course. While we don't believe in "confirmation" as a spiritual practice, these classes are similar to the curriculum of a confirmation class, and thoroughly cover the basics of our faith. This class is designed for 7th to 12th graders but is open to all adults as well. Maybe you've never had the opportunity to take a class like this, or maybe you did but you forgot most of it! In any case, we'd love to have you join us. We are taking sign ups so that we can plan our classrooms for the fall and so that I can prepare materials. A sign up sheet is on the Radiate bulletin board.

#### AWANA TRAINING

Attention! Anyone signed up to help with Awana or who may be interested in helping with Awana: **There will be an Awana Staff Training on Wednesday, August 20 from 5:00-6:00 p.m.** We will address changes to the club books, order of evening, theme for the year, Missionary In Focus, review forms we use, discipline, special events, salvation presentations and a chance to ask questions. etc.

If you have any questions, please contact any Awana Board member: Amanda Dockter-Commander, Mira Allen-Cubbies, Maria Smukalla-Sparks, Brandon Boulais-T&T, Diane Johnson or Laura Overmoen-Secretarial, Gayle Aasen-Treasurer.

#### COOPERSTOWN BIBLE CAMP

This year's Family Camp is extra special—it's our 100-Year Celebration! Whether you've been coming for decades or it's your first time, you won't want to miss this milestone weekend. Although the camp is full you can still come for the day. Just let camp know for meal planning purposes. Camp is August 29-Sept. 1.

#### WELCOME FORM CARDS

If you are new to Riverside, have a change of address, email, phone number, or have a prayer request, please put the welcome form card in the offering boxes in the foyer.

#### CHAIR BIBLES

If you need a Bible, please take one from underneath the chairs as our gift to you.

#### GIVING OPTIONS

You can give online, in the offering plate, in the offering in the boxes in the foyer, or scan the QR code.



Offering Last Sunday- \$ 6,891.51

Offerings for August- \$ 6,891.51

Weekly Budget Goal- \$ 5,200.00

An online giving option & scheduled giving is available on the church website:

[www.riversideefc.com](http://www.riversideefc.com).

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

# Riverside Evangelical Free Church



Name: Oliker, Td(oma)

Title: Judges 13

(An angel appears with news about a baby)

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