

Riverside Baptist Church

# Happening @ Riverside

## Worship

### Sermon Series

Our English Worship Service, led by Pastor Otto, takes place on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. in the Worship Center and is also streamed on YouTube.

Pastor Otto continues his sermon series on Heroes of Faith: A Study of Hebrews 11. The series is as follows:

- ◆ **June 7<sup>th</sup>:** "Abraham: Obeying by Faith"
- ◆ **June 14<sup>th</sup>:** VBS Celebration Sunday
- ◆ **June 21<sup>st</sup>, Father's Day:** "David: Great Faith but Failed Fatherhood"
- ◆ **June 28<sup>th</sup>:** "The Patriarchs: Faith in Exile"
- ◆ **July 5<sup>th</sup>:** Youth Sunday
- ◆ **July 12<sup>th</sup>:** "Abraham: Obeying by Faith"
- ◆ **July 19<sup>th</sup>:** Missions Sunday
- ◆ **July 26<sup>th</sup>:** "Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph: Faith Facing Death"

### Lord's Supper

**Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>** and **Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>**, we will joyfully celebrate the Lord's Supper during the English Worship Service.

The Lord's Supper, a time of spiritual connection and reflection, will be observed at the end of the service.

For those joining us from home, please have unsalted crackers and juice ready, so you can feel truly included and connected in this meaningful observance.

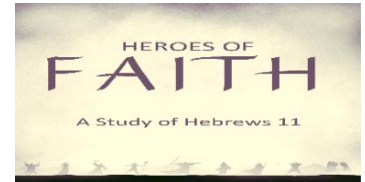
We also kindly ask you to remember that during the Lord's Supper, we collect for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund (PDF).

Your giving helps support members of our community in need, reinforcing our shared care and compassion.

### VBS Celebration Sunday

Join us for our exciting VBS Celebration on Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>! This is a fantastic opportunity for the entire family to come together and relive the joyful experience that your child had during the VBS week.

You won't want to miss the thrilling announcement of the winner of the 21st Annual "Give-Off" contest—it's bound to be a highlight of the day!



*Current Sermon Series*

Before the service, we invite you to the Fellowship Hall for a delightful Continental Breakfast starting at 10:00 AM.

Remember to wear your VBS t-shirts, as we celebrate together and honor all the wonderful volunteers and children involved!

### Spanish Service

Our Spanish Worship Service, led by Dr. Guillermo Lozano, meets on **Sundays** at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel.

Their Connect Groups gather at 9:30 a.m. in the East Wing (Rooms 207/216).



## Outreach, Training, and Missions

### Vacation Bible School

Our VBS theme this year is "Illumination Station."

Culture claims to know about Jesus, but many people are in the dark about who He really is. Some might see Jesus as just a person from history or a good man or a good teacher—but He is more than that!

This summer, VBS will shine a light on the truth of who Jesus really is. Kids will explore all the ways light brightens, illuminates, reflects, and reveals while discovering that Jesus is the light who brings hope to a dark world!

Like the disciples, kids will be challenged to answer Jesus' question, "Who do you say that I am?" They will discover it's not a matter of opinion. Jesus is who Scripture says He is—the perfect, proven, and powerful Son of God.

Light up your summer at Illumination Station and shine a light on Jesus!!

### Important Dates:

- VBS Set up, June 4<sup>th</sup>–6<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- VBS Training, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.
- VBS Set up, June 4<sup>th</sup>–6<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- VBS, June 8<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. until Noon

- VBS Celebration Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 a.m.

### Ladies Summer Bible Study

Our Ladies' Summer Bible Study will be on Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., June 16<sup>th</sup> through August 4<sup>th</sup>. Our study, "One in a Million" by Priscilla Shirer, will be facilitated by Pat Eskolin and Isabel Huergo-Jones.

Only two in two million entered the Promised Land after a 40-year journey from Egypt. So, it was one in a million. This summer, take a journey to your Promised Land.

If you're interested in attending, please sign up in the Foyer. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing this journey together. The cost for the book is \$23.00, due at the first class.

### Boston Mission Trip Fundraisers

#### ◆ Faith Tree Fundraiser

A life that positively impacts others is everlasting, and the seeds we plant will grow into magnificent trees. Show your appreciation for someone who has guided you on your spiritual journey by purchasing a heart to hang on our Faith Tree in the foyer, a beautiful symbol of your support and gratitude. Every contribution directly supports our

Boston Mission Trip, and your generosity makes a profound difference in our community's mission. Join us in expressing your heartfelt gratitude on the Faith Tree in the foyer and help us cultivate a spirit of giving within our community. For any questions, please reach out to Kara Cordoba

#### ◆ Hotdog Fundraiser

On **Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup>**, we have a special opportunity to support our mission team through a Hotdog Box To-Go fundraiser. Your participation will directly contribute to the success of the mission trip. You can pick up a box at the Gazebo on your way home or enjoy it in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your continued support!

### Widow and Widower Support Group

Join our Widow and Widower Support Group, a caring community for those navigating the journey of loss. We meet on the fourth Saturday of each month from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. in the Volunteer Room, where you can find understanding and companionship. You don't have to face this alone—come and connect with others who share your experience. For more details or to ask any questions, please contact Joseph Goelz at jody@riversideonline.org.

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#### [Spanish/Portuguese Schedule]

##### **Sundays**

**9:30-10:30am** - Sunday School, Connect Groups (Rooms 207 & 216)

**11:00am - 12:00pm** - Spanish/Portuguese Worship Service (Chapel)

##### **Wednesdays**

**8:00-9:00pm** - Spanish/Portuguese Bible Study (Room 207)

##### **Fridays**

**8:00-9:00pm** - Spanish Choir Practice (Room 204)

##### **Saturdays**

**7:00-8:30am** - Prayer Meeting (Warehouse)

## Weekly Happenings

Our **Coed Exercise and Fellowship Class** meets on Mondays and Wednesdays at the Warehouse and on Fridays via Zoom at 10:00 a.m. It is an exercise program developed specifically for mature participants. It is designed to be socially stimulating while focusing on areas of recognized importance for mature participants.

**Heart and Hands**, our Tuesday gathering, is more than just a project. It's an opportunity for people of all ages to come together and make a real difference. By assisting with projects that advance God's Kingdom, we're reaching out with heart and hands to meet the needs of others near and far. Your participation is not just appreciated; it's vital to our mission. Join us on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.

The **Men's Ministry**, a Tuesday night tradition in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m., is more than just a gathering. It's a platform for engaging discussions on topics that matter to us today. From faith to family, we cover it all. For more information, contact Lannes Whitelock at 305-519-3060.

Our weekly **Church Prayer Meeting** is on Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. and is a time when we come together corporately for prayer. We meet via Zoom. Call the church office for the meeting ID to join us.

Join our **College Group** at FIU in the Green Library on the first floor at 11040 SW 14th Street, 33174. Connect with fellow students as we explore 1 Corinthians together, discovering how to apply biblical truths to enhance our everyday lives on campus. Don't miss this opportunity to grow in faith and friendship! For additional information, reach out to Pastor Nicholas Noyola.

Our **Women's Bible Study** is for women of all ages. It meets off premises on Friday mornings from 10:00 a.m. until noon. The group studies various books of the Bible and has group discussions. Betty Rodriguez leads the study. Contact the church office for the location or additional information.

Our **Children in Action** meets on Friday nights at 7:00 p.m. in The Dock (Room 215) for children aged 5 to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Trace it back to just the facts! The evidence is clear. The proof is all right here! Join us as we discover and explore Jesus working in our world.

The **Riverside Students'** Ministry meets on Friday nights at 7:00 p.m. at The Warehouse and is for students in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. Students will have a time of fellowship, games, singing, and a sermon on relevant topics for today's youth.

**Face-to-Face Bible Study** takes place on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in Room 204. This Bible study is open to all women and girls, regardless of age, as they come together to explore the Word of God. Sherri Beall leads the group.

The **Boys Discipleship Class**, designed for boys in 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade, takes place on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. For questions or additional information, contact Nicholas Noyola.

Our **Young Adults** meet on the first Monday of each month from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. off premises. Dinner is provided, and kids are welcome. Led by Marty and Sherri Beall. For additional information, contact [Nicholas Noyola](mailto:Nicholas.Noyola@riversidebaptist.org).

## Events and Miscellaneous Information

### Church-wide Potluck Dinner

We invite you to our exciting church-wide potluck on **Tuesday, June 2nd**, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Bring along your favorite dish to share and delight in the flavors of our community!

After enjoying a meal together, we'll end the evening with uplifting hymns and prayer.

Don't miss this wonderful opportunity for fellowship and connection!

### School's Out for Summer!

The last day for our public schools is **Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**. We wish everyone a safe and healthy summer.

### RCS Summer Camp

Our Riverside Christian School's Illumination Station Summer Camp will be held June 15th through August 5th, 2026. Registration is now open.

Registration fee is \$150 (includes one camp T-shirt). Our weekly rate is \$280.00.

For additional information, contact Lieska de Jesus, Director or Maria Avila, Assistant Director (305) 279-3637.

### Children in Action (CIA) Summer Fun

Children in Action (for children aged 5 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) meets on Friday nights from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Dock (room 215).

We invite you and your friends to join us. Also, please join us for our FREE Summer Special Events:

- ◆ Game Night, June 19th, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- ◆ Movie Night, July 10th, 7:00-9:00 p.m. (Movie to be determined)
- ◆ Water Day, July 25th, 10:00 a.m. until Noon. Fun, Fellowship, and Water Games.

CIA will NOT meet on June 5th, June 12th, July 3rd, and July 24<sup>th</sup> due to special events.

### Student Camp

Our middle and high school students will be attending the Super Summer Serve Camp in Leesburg, FL, from June 30<sup>th</sup> to July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Super Summer is an awesome camp experience where students will grow closer to God, experience powerful music and speakers, and have fun with lots of recreation, including crazy games, team events, paintball, a ropes course, team mega relay, creative arts breakout sessions, a swimming pool, and more!

Be in prayer for our students and leaders as they attend the camp.

### Fourth of July

This year, America will celebrate 250 years of our independence from British rule on July 4<sup>th</sup>, a milestone that should fill us all with pride and unity.

As we celebrate this 4<sup>th</sup> of July, let's remember that we are a nation committed to liberty and self-determination, which defines the United States. We are One nation under God, united in our shared ideals.

The church office and our Riverside School Christian Camp will be closed on Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> for the holiday.

Have a Happy and Healthy Fourth of July and enjoy this special day with your loved ones and community.

### Quarterly Business Meeting

Our Quarterly Business Meeting will occur on Sunday, July 26th, following our worship service in the Worship Center. All members are encouraged to attend.

We will elect a Trustee-at-Large member at the meeting to take office on October 1st, 2026.