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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 "Gospel of Matthew: The King and the Kingdom."

The series is as follows:

- **November 1st:** "The King's Mission Begins" (Matthew 4:12-17)
- **November 8th:** "The King's Call" (Matthew 4:18-25)
- **November 15th:** "How to Always Give Thanks" (Ephesians 5:20)
- **November 22nd:** "A Psalm of Praise" (Psalm 160)
- **First Sunday of Advent, November 29th:** "Believe in Hope " (Galatians 4:4-5)

Lord's Supper

Sunday, November 1st, 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 help supports members of our community in need, reinforcing our shared care and compassion.

Special Thanksgiving Offering

November is a perfect time to reflect on and express our gratitude for the many blessings God gives us. As a united community of believers, we are facing a budget shortfall, largely due to repairs and the 50th certification of our church building.

However, together, we can turn this challenge into an opportunity for growth and support. We invite you to participate in our November Special Thanksgiving Offering.

Your involvement is essential and can make a significant impact. Every contribution, no matter the size, brings us closer to achieving our collective goal.

We promise to use your gifts wisely and responsibly, ensuring they create a lasting difference.

Thank you in advance for your generous support! Your commitment and willingness to give are truly valued and appreciated by all.



Current Sermon Series

Spanish Service

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

Their Connect Group meets at 9:30 a.m. in the East Wing (Room 216).



Outreach, Missions, and Meetings

Quarterly Business Meeting

As we begin our new church year, we will hold our Quarterly Business Meeting in the Worship Center following the worship service on **Sunday, November 1st.**

During this meeting, we will elect our new church officers, committee members, and church leaders.

Please note that your attendance is necessary to vote on church matters.

Operation Christmas Child

Riverside Baptist Church partners with Samaritan's Purse to take the Good News to the ends of the earth, doing so through a shoebox.

Every gift-filled shoebox is a tool for evangelism and discipleship for a local church around the world. Keep in mind, the shoebox a child receives may be their only gift. Your involvement in this campaign can truly transform their life.

If you're unsure how to pack a shoebox, detailed instructions are available online at Samaritan's Purse or by picking up a brochure in the Foyer.

Please label the box with the age and gender it's intended for; labels are available in the Foyer.

Please remember ***not to include*** soap, candy, toothpaste, gum, used or damaged items, scary or war-related items, seeds, food, liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items or glass containers, or aerosol cans.

A $10 donation per shoebox is critical to help cover the costs of collecting, processing, shipping, evangelism training, and materials. You can also give online through Samaritan's Purse and ***Follow Your Box*** to see where your gift goes.

Remember, we will be collecting shoeboxes at Riverside **until Sunday, November 8th**.

Don't miss the chance to make a difference!

If you don't have time to go to the store, no problem. Visit Samaritan's Purse website to build a shoebox online and participate from home easily.

Kids at Heart Meeting

All Kids at Heart participants (Children's Ministry Workers) are invited to attend our Quarterly Discipleship Meeting on **Sunday, November 8th**, in the Fellowship Hall.

For additional information please contact Kara Cordoba.

Prayer Walk

We warmly invite you to join us for our Prayer Walk on **Saturday, November 12th**, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. This is a great opportunity to strengthen community bonds through prayer.

Please meet us in the foyer at 10:00 a.m. before we head out into our neighborhood.

This event lets you engage with our community through prayer and share details about our upcoming December activities.

Join us as we walk, pray, and work together to create a positive impact in our community!

Christmas Cantata Choir Rehearsal

Attention all choir members! We warmly invite you to a special rehearsal for the Christmas cantata on **Saturday, November 21st,** from 10:00 a.m. to noon in the Music Suite. Your voice is essential, and this session will help us create a magical experience together! Don't miss out!

Widow and Widower Support Group

Our Widow and Widower Support Group is 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. However, we will not meet in November. Instead, join us on **Saturday, December 5th,** as this will be the date of our November and December meetings because of the holidays.

You don't have to face this alone—come and connect with others who share your experience.

For more details or questions, contact Joseph Goelz at jody@riversideonline.org.

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A Church on a Journey

Spanish/Portuguese Schedule

Sundays
9:30-10:30am - Sunday School, Connect Groups (Room 216)
11:00am - 1200pm - 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)

Visit our webpage for additional information.

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 5th 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 6th-12th grade. Students will have a time of fellowship, games, singing, and a sermon on relevant topics for today's youth.

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.

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 6th through 12th 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.

All college students are invited to our **College Group** on the last Sunday of each month at 6:30 p.m. (off campus). For additional information and location, contact Nicholas Noyola.

Events and Miscellaneous Information

Daylight Savings Time

Don't forget to mark your calendar: Daylight Saving Time ends on **Sunday, November 1st,** at 2:00 a.m.

Before you go to bed on Saturday night, remember to "fall back " one hour so you can enjoy an extra hour of rest.

Don't miss out!

Couples Fellowship

All married and engaged couples are warmly invited to join us for our Fall Potluck Fellowship on **Saturday, November 7th,** at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We look forward to sharing this special evening with you.

Our program is themed "Choosing Gratitude in the Journey, " designed to inspire reflection and strengthen our bonds as couples.

Please bring your favorite fall dish to share.

To help us prepare, kindly sign up in the foyer or email svd4gdwrks@bellsouth.net by Sunday, November 1st.

If you need childcare, please contact Kara Cordoba by Sunday, November 1st.

Veterans Day

Veterans Day, originally known as Armistice_Day, is a federal holiday observed on **November 11th**.

It commemorates the end of World War I and honors U.S. Armed Forces veterans who have served in all wars, inspiring respect and gratitude among our community members.

It is a day to recognize and thank our veterans for their service and sacrifice. Take a moment to thank a veteran for their service and sacrifice. Their dedication in defending the freedoms we enjoy today is a debt we can never fully repay.

As a reminder, public schools, including our Riverside Christian School, will be closed on **Wednesday, November 11th,** in observance of Veterans Day. However, the church will remain open.

Thanksgiving Luncheon and Service

Join us for our English congregation Thanksgiving Luncheon and Service at Riverside Baptist Church on **Sunday, November 15th,** at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This cherished tradition brings our church community together to celebrate and give thanks.

After the luncheon, we'll gather for a special prayer and thanksgiving to recognize God's blessings and strengthen our community bonds.

We hope to see you there!

Spanish Congregation Thanksgiving Luncheon

Join us for our Spanish congregation's Thanksgiving Luncheon on **Sunday, November 22nd.**

For more information, please get in touch with Dr. Lozano (guillermo@riversideonline.org).

Thanksgiving

Our public schools and Riverside Christiam School will be closed **November 23rd through November 27th** for their Thanksgiving break.

The church office will be closed **November 26th and 27th**. All regularly scheduled activities are canceled.