

Riverside Baptist Church

Happening @ Riverside

Worship

Sermon Series

Our English Worship Service, led by Pastor Otto, meets on **Sundays** at 11:00 a.m. in the Worship Center and on YouTube.

Pastor Otto's current sermon series is "Navigating Life's Storms." The series is as follows:

- August 3rd: Joy in the Storm
(James 1:2-8)
- August 10th: Riding Out the Storm
(Acts 27:1-44)

Promotion Sunday and Teacher Recognition

Sunday, August 10th, is Promotion Sunday and Teacher Recognition.

On Sunday, August 17th, our students will embark on a new chapter as they report to their new Connect Groups. This transition is a significant step in their spiritual journey, and we bid them a fond farewell as they move forward.

Our graduating kindergarteners and fifth graders, new first graders, and sixth graders will receive a Bible during the Worship Service on **August 10th**, at

11:00 a.m. If you are a graduating kindergartener or fifth grader and would like to participate in this event, please contact Kara Cordoba by **Thursday, August 7th**, so we can adequately prepare and ensure your inclusion.

In addition, we will take a moment to honor our dedicated teachers and pray for them as they prepare for a new and exciting school year. Let's come together to support and celebrate our students and educators!

Lord's Supper:

Join us on **Sunday, August 10th**, as we come together to celebrate the Lord's Supper during the English Worship Service. We will hold this sacred tradition at the end of the service, providing a meaningful conclusion to our gathering.

This is also a wonderful opportunity to support our Pastor's Discretionary Fund (PDF), which helps those in our community who are in need. Contributing to the PDF is a responsibility we all



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share, and your generosity can make a significant impact on the lives of others. Let's come together to offer hope and assistance where it matters most.

Spanish Worship Service

Our Spanish Worship Service meets on **Sundays** at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel. Their Connect Groups gather at 9:30 a.m. in the East Wing.

Portuguese Worship Service

Our Portuguese Worship Service meets on **Sundays** at 12:30 p.m. in the Chapel.



Outreach, Training, and Missions

Florida and Beyond Summer Mission Offering

Our **Florida and Beyond Summer Mission Offering** reaches out to Florida's orphaned and disadvantaged children, feeding the hungry of the world and our state mission efforts. Our goal is \$2,000, which will be distributed as follows:

- 25% of our total goal is for the Florida Baptist Children's Home
- 25% of our total goal is for Florida Baptist Global Hunger Relief
- 50% of our total goal goes to the Maguire State Offering

The offering will be collected throughout August, and your timely contributions are crucial to our mission.

Face to Face Women's Bible Study

Our Women's Bible Study, "Mary and Martha," will begin on **Tuesday, August 12th**. If you are interested in joining this study, please reach out to Sherri Beall. The class will meet twice a month, specifically on the second and fourth Tuesdays, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in Room 204.

The cost of the book is \$10.25, due at the first class. This study is open to both Mentor and Mentee women of all ages.

Children and Youth Workers Training

We greatly appreciate your dedication and strongly encourage all youth and children's leaders to participate in our essential security training on **Sunday, August 24th**, right after our worship service in the Fellowship Hall.

This training is crucial as it will familiarize you with our new security procedures for children and youth, called ECAP (*Evangelical Council for Abuse Prevention*).

Don't miss this opportunity to enhance our environment's safety—a light lunch will be provided!

Widow and Widower Support Group

Join our Widow and Widower Support Group, a caring community for those navigating the journey of loss. We usually 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, this month, we will meet on **Saturday, August 30th**. 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 get in touch with Joseph Goelz at jody@riversideonline.org.

Discover Riverside Class

Don't miss this exciting chance to join Pastor Otto on **Sunday, August 31st**, for the Discover Riverside Class, happening right after the Worship Service in the Volunteer Room. This engaging one-time class will provide you with valuable insights on how to connect with God and become part of His family. Whether you joined our church after April 2000 or are contemplating membership at Riverside, we warmly invite you to attend this essential class. To ensure we can accommodate everyone, please sign up in the Foyer if you plan to join us!

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Weekly Happenings

Our **Connect Groups** meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. We offer classes for all ages, from infants to adults. If you are not currently part of a Connect Group, we encourage you to join one.

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 Chosen is a discipleship class for girls in 6th through 12th grade. It meets on Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Warehouse. Please bring a Bible and a journal. For questions or additional information, contact Nicholas Noyola.

The **Boys Discipleship Class**, designed for boys in 6th through 12th grade, is scheduled on Tuesday nights from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. For questions or additional information, contact Nicholas Noyola.

Face-to-Face Women's Bible Study meets 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 involved in the Mentor/Mentee program, regardless of age, as we come together to explore the Word of God. Sherri Beall leads the group.

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. (Please note at present, the group is studying the "Mind of Christ.")

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.

Events and Miscellaneous Information

[Children in Action Back to School Bonfire](#)

Join us for Children in Action, an exciting program for kids aged 5 through 5th grade! We meet every Friday night from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Dock (room 215) and would love for you and your friends to be part of our fun community.

Don't miss our special Back to School Bonfire on **Friday, August 8th**, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. where we'll celebrate the new school year together! Get ready for a fantastic way to end the summer and kick off the new school year with our Children in Action program and the Back to School Campfire event. Invite your family and friends to join us.

So we can adequately prepare please RSVP to Kara Cordoba by Tuesday, August 5th.

[Reception for Pastor and Mrs. Jamil Ribeiro](#)

We invite you to celebrate and support our beloved Spanish/Portuguese Pastor, Jamil Ribeiro, and his wife, Elzeil, as they prepare to embark on an exciting mission in Brazil.

Please join us on **Sunday, August 10th**, immediately following our worship service, for a reception of heartfelt thanks. This reception is

a time for us to express our gratitude and share our best wishes as Pastor Jamil and Elzeil prepare for their mission in Brazil. If you plan to attend, you must register by **Sunday, August 3rd**. Your presence will mean a lot!

[Public Schools and Riverside Christian School](#)

Public schools and Riverside Christian School are excited to welcome students back as classes resume on **Thursday, August 14th**.

Let's keep our children safe by strictly observing the school speed limit zones—your cooperation makes a difference!

[Quarterly Business Meeting](#)

Our Quarterly Business Meeting will occur on **Sunday, August 17th**, 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, 2025.

[Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday](#)

Mark your calendars: the Florida Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday starts on **Friday, August 1st**, and

lasts until **Sunday, August 31st**. This is a fantastic opportunity for consumers to stock up on qualifying back-to-school supplies while enjoying tax savings throughout the entire month.

[Fall Connect Groups](#)

We are excited to announce that our Fall Quarterly study kicks off on **Sunday, September 7th**. If you haven't joined a Connect Group yet, now is the perfect time to get involved and deepen your faith journey. This quarter, we are offering two enriching studies:

Explore the Bible: *Numbers; Deuteronomy*

Bible Studies for Life: *The Greatest Truths of ALL Time, and How to Handle Life's Interruptions.*

Don't miss out on this opportunity to grow spiritually and connect with others. If you're interested in either study, be sure to sign up in the Foyer or simply drop into one of the classes listed on the bulletin boards.

Join us and experience the transformative power of fellowship and scripture!