

Welcome Home!
Thanks for joining us today

February 13 & 14, 2021

Lay Me Down

Welcome

Good, Good Father

Reckless Love

Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)

Lord's Supper Thought

How Great is Our God

Prayer

Communion

Lesson: The **BIG** Story Of The Bible -

Part 37: Jacob: The Power of Blessing~

Pastor Ed



Good Stuff To Know

Riverside Services Online- If you aren't in town on the weekend, you can still follow our services. We live stream each service on Facebook! You can also watch them anytime through Facebook by navigating over to <https://www.facebook.com/EagleRiverside>. And you don't need a Facebook account to watch the videos.

Offerings To Riverside - In case you were wondering- We don't pass a collection plate at Riverside. If you'd like to give, there are boxes at the back & envelopes in the information racks for cash donations. If you would like the convenience of giving online, go to www.RiversideCommunity.net, click on "Donate Online" and follow the directions. Your donations are an answer to our prayers and are the only means by which Riverside is able to operate.

FAQs - Have questions about why we do what we do and why we don't do what we don't do? Chances are you'll find more about it on our FAQs page. You can access the page from our website or text the word "Guest" to 907-312-2662 and you'll receive a link to the page.



First Time Visitors

The Lord's Supper (Communion)

This is a time when we "commune" with God and remember Jesus' sacrifice. We also "commune" with one another as His church family. You are welcome to participate with us by going to one of the tables set up with trays- each cup is actually 2 cups (bread in bottom and juice on top) so grab a set of cups and take it back to your place (and don't forget to social distance). You can eat/drink the cracker and juice whenever you feel ready and then throw the cups away on your way out (there are trash cans at all exits). Everyone is welcome to join us if you're interested in remembering Jesus' life & sacrifice with us.

"Welcome To Riverside" brochure available online.
www.RiversideCommunity.net

This Week At Riverside

(Specific info about these activities is listed in the "Happenings" section)

- ➔ Bible Study on Wednesday
- ➔ Thrive - Virtual Wednesday and In-Person Thursday
- ➔ COVID help



Need To Talk?...

The church office is not staffed during the week. There is a preschool that uses our building, so Ed, Aniela & Nate work from home. If you would like to contact them directly you can call them or email and set up an appointment.

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Website: www.riversidecommunity.net

Facebook: EagleRiverside

Riverside Happenings

COVID Help - Riverside firmly believes that we are called to help each other. If you or your family are struggling because of COVID, please reach out to us. If your family comes down with COVID, we can help set up a meal train. Contact Melissa at (907) 854-4667.

Reserving The Cry Room- If your crew of kids is especially spirited and you have a tough time enjoying the service while also worrying about wrangling them then maybe this is for you. We are now reserving the cry room for individual families (or more if you have other families that are in your social "bubble" anyways). You can find the link to reserve the room on our Facebook page or website.

IRS Donation Forms- If you donate to the mission of Riverside and would like a donation form please reach out to Aniela (anielawhah@gmail.com) and she'll get you your receipt. And if anything is missing just let her know and she'll work on getting it up to date. And thank you so much for donating to the mission of Riverside- without you we couldn't keep the doors opened.

Bible Study - Wednesday nights Bible Study is back on at 6:30.

Contact Info- We're required to keep a log of everyone that attends our services. If you signed up through [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com) then we've got you covered. But if you didn't please make sure and fill out a contact form that you'll find near the front doors.



Upcoming Youth Events

Monday, ON HOLD 6:00 - 7:30

Ignite and Rev (our two younger youth groups) will combine on Monday nights at Riverside for pizza, games, and a devotional.

For 4th - 8th graders. Questions? Like to help?

See Tayler or Aniela.

IGNITE

REV

Thursday, February 18th 6:00 - 8:00

9th - 12th graders. At Riverside. Pizza, games, and a devotional.

Questions? Like to help?

See Liz & Kyle, Tayler, or Aniela.

THRIVE

To get updates, text the following to 907.312.2662:

"IGNITE" (4th & 5th) "REV" (6th-8th), -or- "THRIVE" (9th-12th).

Everybody's Welcome...

Nobody's Perfect...

Anything's Possible!

The **Big** Story Of The Bible #37

JACOB: THE POWER OF BLESSING

When the time came to give birth, Rebekah discovered that she did indeed have twins! The first one was very red at birth and covered with thick hair like a fur coat. So they named him Esau. Then the other twin was born with his hand grasping Esau's heel. So they named him Jacob. Genesis 25:24-26 (NLT)

No wonder his name is Jacob, for now he has cheated me twice. First he took my rights as the firstborn, and now he has stolen my blessing. Genesis 27:36 (NLT)

Observations On Blessing:

1. The _____ Of Blessing.

* But Rebekah overheard what Isaac had said to his son Esau. So when Esau left to hunt for the wild game, she said to her son Jacob... Genesis 27:5-6 (NLT)

* "I am an old man now," Isaac said, "and I don't know when I may die... Prepare my favorite dish, and bring it here for me to eat. Then I will pronounce the blessing that belongs to you, my firstborn son, before I die." Genesis 27:2-4 (NLT)

* The sons in your womb will become two nations. From the very beginning, the two nations will be rivals. One nation will be stronger than the other; and your older son will serve your younger son. Genesis 25:23 (NLT)

* This is a record of the ancestors of Jesus the Messiah, a descendant of David and of Abraham: Abraham was the father of Isaac. Isaac was the father of Jacob. Jacob was the father of Judah and his brothers. Judah was the father of Perez and Zerah (whose mother was Tamar). Perez was the father of Hezron... Nahshon was the father of Salmon. Salmon was the father of Boaz (whose mother was Rahab). Boaz was the father of Obed (whose mother was Ruth). Obed was the father of Jesse. Jesse was the father of King David. David was the father of Solomon (whose mother was Bathsheba, the widow of Uriah). Matthew 1:1-6 (NLT)

* In all things we know God works for the good of those who love Him and are fitting into His plans. Romans 8:28 (TLB)

2. We All ----- Blessing.

* Isaac loved Esau because he enjoyed eating the wild game Esau brought home, but Rebekah loved Jacob. Genesis 25:28 (NLT)

* So Jacob took the food to his father. "My father?" he said. "Yes, my son," Isaac answered. "Who are you—Esau or Jacob?" Jacob replied, "It's Esau, your firstborn son. I've done as you told me. Here is the wild game. Now sit up and eat it so you can give me your blessing." Genesis 27:18-19 (NLT)

* Esau prepared a delicious meal and brought it to his father. Then he said, "Sit up, my father, and eat my wild game so you can give me your blessing." But Isaac asked him, "Who are you?" Esau replied, "It's your son, your firstborn son, Esau." Genesis 27:31-32 (NLT)

* When Esau heard his father's words, he let out a loud and bitter cry. "Oh my father, what about me? Bless me, too!" he begged. Genesis 27:34 (NLT)

3. ----- Blessing Doesn't Work.

* Then she took Esau's favorite clothes, which were there in the house, and gave them to her younger son, Jacob. She covered his arms and the smooth part of his neck with the skin of the young goats. Genesis 27:15-16 (NLT)

* Then Isaac said to Jacob, "Please come a little closer and kiss me, my son." So Jacob went over and kissed him. And when Isaac caught the smell of his clothes, he was finally convinced, and he blessed his son. He said, "Ah! The smell of my son is like the smell of the outdoors, which the Lord has blessed!" Genesis 27:26-27 (NLT)

* Isaac began to tremble uncontrollably and said, "Then who just served me wild game? I have already eaten it, and I blessed him just before you came. And yes, that blessing must stand!" Genesis 27:33 (NLT)

4. Jesus Came To ----- Our Blessing.

* Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is firstborn over all creation. Colossians 1:15 (NLT)

* And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. Colossians 1:18 (NLT)

* For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. John 3:16 (NKJV)

*** As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am delighted."
Matthew 3:16-17 (NLT)**

*** But even as he spoke, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy. Listen to him."
Matthew 17:5 (NLT)**

*** At about three o'clock, Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" which means "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"
Matthew 27:46 (NLT)**

*** Christ redeemed us from the curse... by becoming a curse for us... He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit. Galatians 3:13-14 (NLT)**

*** The Word became (took on) flesh and made his dwelling (tabernacled) among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. John 1:14 (NLT)**

*** For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on Christ, like putting on new clothes.
Galatians 3:26-27 (NLT)**

*** But you have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. Hebrews 12:22-23 (NLT)**

*** Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. John 17:23 (NLT)**

*** For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God... the Spirit you received brought about your adoption... The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ. Romans 8:16-17 (NLT)**

Riverside Info Texting System

At Riverside we aren't terribly organized- in fact we're sort of the poster church for "disorganized religion". So we use a "text for information" system where how much info you get is controlled by you. You will never have someone from the church call you without asking for a call. If you can't find the info you need or have more questions or need some help reach out to one of the pastors directly- if we don't answer your call try texting or emailing us and we may get your message sooner.

Ed - 907.306.2823, ednjude@gmail.com

Aniela (kids/teens ministries) - 907.748.1556, anielawhah@gmail.com

Nate (worship/teens ministry)- 907.360.4825 nrsandback@gmail.com

For info on any of the following areas simply text the keyword to 907-312-2662. You'll get a text in return with a link to the info you asked for.

- * Frequently Asked Questions About Riverside- keyword= FAQs
- * Communion Info- keyword= Communion
- * Digital Sermon Notes= Notes
- * Online Reflections- Reflections
- * New To Riverside? keyword= Guest
- * Want news and updates periodically? keyword= Loop
- * Want more info about following Jesus? keyword= Shine
- * Want info on baptism at Riverside? keyword= Baptism

Youth Programs At Riverside:

- * Want info on 4-5 grade programs? keyword= Ignite
- * Want info on 6-8 grade programs? keyword= Rev
- * Want info on high school programs? keyword= Thrive