

Welcome Home!  
Thanks for joining us today

February 27 & 28, 2021

Greater

Welcome

Blessed Be Your Name

Your Great Name

Build My Life

Lord's Supper Thought

Way Maker

Prayer

Communion

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

Part 39: Who's Climbing Jacob's Ladder?

~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](http://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.

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## 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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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 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, March 4th 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).

# **The Big Story Of The Bible #39**

## **WHO'S CLIMBING JACOB'S LADDER?**

**May God pass on to you and your descendants the blessings he promised to Abraham. May you own this land where you are now living as a foreigner, for God gave this land to Abraham." So... Jacob left Beersheba and traveled toward Haran. Genesis 28:4 (NLT)**

### **The Three Acts Of Jacob's Ladder:**

**Act 1: Heaven Is ----- & -----.**

**\* Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Haran. When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. Genesis 28:10-11 (NIV)**

**\* Awake, O Lord! Why do you sleep? Rouse yourself! Do not desert us forever. Why do you hide your face and forget our misery and oppression? Psalm 44:23-24 (NLT)**

**Act 2: Heaven Isn't ----- & -----.**

**\* And he dreamed: A stairway was set on the ground with its top reaching heaven, and God's angels were going up and down on it. Yahweh was standing there beside him. Genesis 28:12-13 (CSB)**

**\* Look, I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go. I will bring you back to this land." Genesis 28:15 (NLT)**

**\* Later, Matthew invited Jesus and his disciples to his home as dinner guests, along with many tax collectors and other disreputable sinners. But when the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with such scum?" When Jesus heard this, he said, "Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do." ...I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners." Matthew 9:10-13 (NLT)**

## **Act 3: Jacob's ----- Assumption.**

**\* When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it." He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven." Early the next morning Jacob took the stone he had placed under his head and set it up as a pillar and poured oil on top of it. He called that place Bethel. Genesis 28:16-19 (NLT)**

**\* Jesus asked him, "Do you believe this just because I told you I had seen you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this." Then he said, "I tell you the truth, you will all see heaven open and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man, the one who is the stairway between heaven and earth." John 1:50-51 (NLT)**

**\* "No, we don't know, Lord," Thomas said. "We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. John 14:5-6 (NLT)**

**\* LORD, Forgive my wrongdoing, for it is great. Psalm 25:11 (NLT)**

**\* That means you must not give sin a vote in the way you conduct your lives. Don't give it the time of day. Don't even run little errands that are connected with that old way of life. Throw yourselves wholeheartedly and full-time... into God's way of doing things. Sin can't tell you how to live. After all, you're not living under that old tyranny any longer. You're living in the freedom of God. Romans 6:12-14 (NLT)**

**\* Then Jacob made this vow: "If God will indeed be with me and protect me on this journey, and if he will provide me with food and clothing, and if I return safely to my father's home, then the Lord will certainly be my God." Genesis 28:20-22 (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.

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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