

Welcome to River Terrace Church

Today at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM

"Identity and Destiny"

based on Matthew 2:1-6, 13-16; 3:4-5; 4:23-5:1

Message by Pastor Ken Bieber

Special Offering: Adam Umbarger, IVCF

Sunday School at 10:10 AM for All Ages

Age 3 to 12th grade: Lower Level

Adult Forum: Gym

Series: God in My Workplace

"Education" with Laurie Harkema, Brian Mangiavellano, Lynette Pemble and Andrew Kleyn

WEDNESDAY, March 6

Ash Wednesday Service - 6:30 PM

Next Sunday at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM

Jesus, Unmatched: "in Worth"

based on Matthew 26:6-13

Message by Pastor Brent Wassink

Special Offering: Leanne Geisterfer/World Renew

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Sunday School at 10:10 AM for All Ages

Age 3 to 12th grade: Lower Level

Adult Forum: Gym - Series: God in My Workplace

"Politics and Government"

Derek Bajema, Mark and Molly Medenblik,

John Maxwell and Eric Walcott

Discussion Questions for Groups or at Dinner

1. Read Matthew 2:13-23 and Exodus 1-2:10 and then list the parallels you find between the stories of the two horrific events. What are the significant differences?
2. Survey the first four chapters of Matthew to see if you recognize any other places that might make reference to the Old Testament. Or, look up the story of Rahab in chapters 2 and 6 of the book of Joshua. List the reasons why it would be surprising to have her listed in the genealogy in Matthew 1:5, and list the reasons why it would not be surprising to have her included.
3. Identify two ways that the River Terrace congregation and two ways that you as an individual can put into practice the reality that Jesus is not just for us, but for others.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ignite Outreach Event: Archery Tag. Tonight's event is specifically geared toward inviting friends to Ignite! Meet at RTC by 4:00 PM for a night of Archery Tag, food, and plenty of other fun. The cost of just \$10 per person covers two hours of Archery Tag and dinner. All participants must fill out an Annual Waiver or Permission Slip (found at riverterrace.org/youth) to participate!

The Library Book Sale ends today. There are still many "great finds" for you in the Gathering Hall. Proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase new library materials.

Small Group Info Session: This is for you if you'd like to find out how a small group can work, want some ideas for a group you're in, or might want to help start one. Today and next Sunday Pastor Brent will lead (identical) info sessions between the services (10:15-11:00 AM, in the Conference Room). Just show up.

Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, March 10. Remember to set your clocks ahead 1 hour. **Adult Choir** rehearsals will not be held on March 6 or March 13. We will meet again on March 20.

THIS WEEK

Campus Edge Fellowship: Mon., Mar. 4, 7:00 PM, 1518 River Terrace Drive. Grad students, join us for snacks as we talk about justice and forgiveness.

Christian Service Brigade: Tues., Mar. 5, 7:00 PM. Boys, gr. 1-12.

Men's Sunrise Bible Study: Wed., Mar. 6, 6:45 AM, Mtg. Room.

Pastor's Bible Study: Wed., Mar. 6, 10:00 AM, Quad.

Prayer Gathering: Wed., Mar. 6, 12:30 PM, Prayer Room.

Ash Wednesday Service – 6:30 PM

Mark the beginning of the season of Lent with the

Ash Wednesday Service on March 6 at 6:30 PM.

There will be nursery care for children ages 0-4.

Community Night Dinner and all classes will not be held.

Breathing Space Yoga & Prayer: Thurs., Mar. 7, 7:00 PM, Quad.

Breathing Space Yoga & Prayer: Sat., Mar. 9, 9:00 AM, Quad.

COMING SOON

The **Pinewood Derby** is Wednesday, March 13, at 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome to stay after Community Night dinner and watch the Cadet and GEMS kids and leaders race the cars they helped create.

Joyful Noise Children's Choir will be singing at both services on March 17. We look forward to hearing them again!

River Terrace University is Monday, March 18, at 12:00 Noon.

Dr. Lois Wolfson, Ph.D, a Water Quality Senior Specialist with the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife and Institute of Water Research at MSU, will address "Emerging Water Issues." Join us for lunch and learn more about known and unknown chemicals in Michigan's water sources. Sign up in the church office today.

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Fresh Fruit Collection for the Homeless Angels is next Sunday.

Giving Box: Trash bags (lawn and kitchen size), laundry soaps and fabric softener for Second Saturday Personal Needs Store at Tithe Missionary Baptist Church.

Community Assistance Program: Canned meats (chicken, roast beef, corned beef, tuna, salmon, Vienna sausages, sardines).

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS and PRAYERS

Our sympathy is extended to **Jack and Char Meyer** in the death of Jack's mother, Ruby Meyer. Funeral services were held in Imlay City on Friday.

Our continued prayers are appreciated for **Kim Emery, David Geers, Robert Geers, Lucille Kuiper, Jane Outslay, Margie Stephenson, Lynn Stewart and Jean Wallin.**