

WELCOME TO RIVER TERRACE CHURCH

Sunday: March 8 at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM
"Reasons to Love God: *God Works to Win Us*"
based on Hosea 2
Message by Pastor Brent Wassink
Special Offering: Campus Edge Fellowship
Celebration of the Lord's Supper
Fresh Fruit Collection

Sunday School at 10:10 AM for all Ages
Age 3 to 12th grade: Lower Level

Adult Forum - Gym
"A Week in the Life of Ephesus"
John Kaufmann and Pastor Bieber

Lectio Divina – Quad

International Bible Study - Meeting Room

Next Sunday: March 15 at 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM
"Reasons to Love God: *God Restores the Relationship*"
based on Hosea 3
Message by Pastor Ken Bieber
Special Offering: Dynamic Youth

Sunday School at 10:10 AM for all Ages
Age 3 to 12th grade: Lower Level

Adult Forum - Gym
"A Week in the Life of a Greco-Roman Woman"
Pastor Bieber

Lectio Divina – Quad

International Bible Study - Meeting Room

Questions for Small Group Discussion

1. What most diverts or distracts you from loving God back?
2. Discuss Luther's line: "Your god is what your heart clings to."
3. Notice all the "mys" in v 5. How much credit do you give yourself for God's gifts?
4. Reread v 14. How does God "allure" and "speaks tenderly" to us? To you?
5. Vv 15-23 link with Jeremiah 31.31-34 which link with Jesus' words, "*This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.*" Do you know God? Thank him!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ignite Sunday Night: TONIGHT from 5:00 to 7:30 PM. We are starting our "Real Talk" series. We'll stay together for dinner, an icebreaker and our group game, but will separate into middle and high school groups for the discussions.

A **printed Picture Directory** is now available in the gathering hall as well as online at riverterrace.org. (Check the March River's Edge for directions to view the directory online.) **Thank you, Dave Ruark, for taking the photos to update the directory.**

HS Senior Lunch: Upcoming graduates are invited to the first of three monthly discussions on Sun., Mar, 22, directly after second service. We'll talk about finishing high school well and preparing for the next step in their journey. RSVP to Brendan by Friday, March 20!

New small groups are forming. If you want to be part of one, at least for Lent, fill out a Connect Card and check Small Group, or contact Lynette Pemble at michaelpemble@sbcglobal.net.

THIS WEEK

Campus Edge Fellowship: Mon., Mar. 9, 7:00 PM, 1518 River Terrace Drive. Grad students, join us for snacks as we look at Sloth. Questions? Contact brenda@campusedgemsu.com.

Mom to Mom: Tues., Mar. 10, 9:30 AM, Gym.

Christian Service Brigade: Tues., Mar. 10, 7:00 PM. Boys, gr. 1-12.

Men's Sunrise Bible Study: Wed., Mar. 11, 6:45 AM, Mtg. Room.

Pastor's Bible Study: Wed., Mar. 11, 10:00 AM, Quad.

Prayer Gathering: Wed., Mar. 11, 12:30 PM, Prayer Room.

COMMUNITY NIGHT - Wednesday, March 11

5:45-6:30 PM: Community Dinner – Entrée: Meatloaf, mini-burger sliders for kids, sides, salad bar, beverages and dessert. Suggested donation: \$5/adult, \$3/kids 5-12; free/kids under 5.

6:30-7:45 PM: **Nursery** (ages 0-3)
Kingdom Kids (ages, 4, 5, and K)
GEMS (girls, gr. 1-6), Cadets (boys, gr. 1-6)
Youth Bible Study (students, grades 6-12)
Adult Education:
 The World of the New Testament – E. Quad
 English as a Second Language – W. Quad
Quality Living – Rooms 7 & 8
Friendship Ministry - Fellowship Hall
Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

ARK Chinese Christian Fellowship: Sat., Mar. 14, 9:45 AM.

Campus Edge Fellowship: Sat., Mar. 14, 6:00 PM, 1518 River Terrace Drive. Join us for dinner and then look at Envy and Pride.

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Thank you for your donations of fruit for the Homeless Angels.

Giving Box: Trash bags (lawn and kitchen size), laundry soap (liquid and powder) and fabric softener.

Community Assistance Program: Canned meats (chicken, roast beef, corned beef, tuna, salmon, Vienna sausages, sardines). Cans with pull tabs are good.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS and PRAYERS

Continued prayers are appreciated for **Cheryl Bolt, Henry Boyer, Shirley Geers, Judy Hamilton, Lucille Kuiper, Jan Lanker, Jane Outslay, Jim Pignataro, Margie Stephenson, Jim Sytsma and Andy Worgul.**