



RIVEROAKS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, January 7th, 2024

Services 9am & 10:45am

*Inviting People into Healing
Communion with Jesus.*

ORDER OF SERVICE

THE HOUSE OF GOD, FOREVER

Music & Lyrics: Jon Foreman (2008)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Josh Holstine

1 Timothy 1:15-17 (ESV)

¹⁵ The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF PRAISE / APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

Music & Lyrics: Martin Luther (1529), Frederick H. Hedge (1852)

CONFESSION OF SIN

Rev. Jonathan Dorst

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

ALMIGHTY GOD

Music & Lyrics: All Sons & Daughters, Sandra McCracken (2014)

I STAND AMAZED (HOW MARVELOUS)

Music & Lyrics: Charles Hutchinson Gabriel (1856-1932)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Ricky Jones

PRAYER FOR GOD'S HELP

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 9:1-18 (ESV)

¹ But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ² and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³ Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. ⁴ And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" ⁵ And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶ But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷ The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸ Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹ And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. ¹⁰ Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹ And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹² and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³ But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴ And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." ¹⁵ But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶ For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." ¹⁷ So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸ And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized.

"SUFFERING FOR CHRIST'S SAKE"

Sermon Series: *New World New People*

Speaker: *Rev. Ricky Jones*

1. Filling up what is lacking.

2. Empowered by Grace.

3. Sustained by Glory.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

IN CHRIST ALONE

Music & Lyrics: Stuart Townend, Keith Getty (2001)

OFFERING

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THE LORD'S SUPPER

STEADFAST

Music & Lyrics: Sandra McCracken (2016)

BENEDICTION

Rev. Ricky Jones

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1st SERVICE

Infants-3: Children can be dropped off in their classrooms before service.

4 Years Olds-Kindergarten: Children worship with their family and then go to their classroom when dismissed.

Kids Club (1st-4th Graders): Students worship with their family and gather in the lobby when dismissed to travel to the YAB with leaders. Guardians pick up children in the YAB after the service.

2nd SERVICE

Infants-2: Children can be dropped off before service in the 1 Year Old Classroom.

3 Year Olds: Children can be dropped off before service in the 3 Year Old Classroom. For lesson time, 3 year olds will join with the older kids. Please pick up your 3 year old from the 4 Year Old-Kindergarten Classroom.

4 Years Olds-Kindergarten: Children worship with their family and then go to their classroom when dismissed.

Kids Club 2 (1st-4th Graders): Students worship with their family and meet in the classroom off the lobby when dismissed.

For all RiverOaks Kids questions, email stacie@riveroakstulsa.com



5th Grade Class meeting during 1st service. Meet Jackson and Lindsey in the classroom off the lobby!

Follow CORE RiverOaks Youth on Instagram @riveroaksyouth

For questions, email josh@riveroakstulsa.com

Large Group

(Jan 7th, 6:00pm-8:00pm)

HS Coffee Hour

(Jan 9th 5pm-6pm Starbucks 91st Yale)

MS What's Up Wednesday

(Jan 10th 6:30pm-8:00pm)

HS Camp (June 10th-15th) & MS

Camp (July 25th-29th) signup on the app under Youth Events!

RiverOaks Budget Update (as of 01/03)

Yearly Giving Target: **\$1,400,945**

Giving so far: **\$1,156,330**

Deficit: **-\$244,615**

17% to go to make our giving target.

Story Time

Songs, Activities, & Art

For RiverOaks Kids 0-5yrs.

Join us for Songs, Activities, & Art! *January 10th, 9:30am to 10:30am* in the CE Room on the side of the sanctuary.

Info: stacie@riveroakstulsa.com

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Congregational Meeting

We have a Congregational Meeting planned *Today Jan. 7th at 10:15am* (between services) to elect elders.

School Choice Forum

Join Pastor Jonathan and school principal Dan Hahn *Jan 10th, 6pm-8pm* for a presentation on the different kinds of school options for children.

Childcare: stacie@riveroakstulsa.com

Women's Ministry Events

Coffee & Conversation

Thursday Jan 18th at 10:30-12:00pm (Event is every 3rd Thursday of the month.)

Gather for friendship and conversations with women of all ages. Feel free to come and go!

Info: charmaine@riveroakstulsa.com

Women's Discipleship Large/Small Group

Meeting on January 22nd at 6:30pm. See *Women's Ministry Events* on the app for more details.

Email charmaine@riveroakstulsa.com with any Women's Ministry questions.