



THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH
CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Children, Youth and Families Calendar

Sundays in 2024-2025

DATE	STORY	OTHER INFORMATION	Choir
9/15 Homecoming National Hispanic Heritage Month	Genesis 15:1-6 (Luke 3:8) God promises Abraham descendants as numerous as the stars. Abraham believes.	Families worship together in the Nave.	
9/22 National Hispanic Heritage Month	Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15- 21 (Luke 6:35) Joseph's dreams lead to family conflict and he is sold into slavery. In the end Joseph forgives. God works for good.	CYF programming begins	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
9/29 National Hispanic Heritage Month	Exodus 12:1-13; 13:1-8 (Luke 22:14- 20) Passover: the blood of the lamb and unleavened bread signify God's sacrifice of the lamb God's deliverance.	CYF programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
10/6 National Hispanic Heritage Month	Exodus 32:1-14 (Luke 23:34) Golden calf shows unfaithfulness at Mt. Sinai. Moses intercedes, God forgives.	COMMUNION Families Worship together in the Nave	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals

10/13 National Hispanic Heritage Month	1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20; 2:1-10 (Luke 1:46-55) Samuel is God's answer to Hannah, who sings of God's care for the needy.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
10/20 National Hispanic Heritage Month	2 Samuel 7:1-17 (Luke 1:30-33) God's promise to David concerning his heir, who will be God's Son and whose kingdom will endure forever.	Children's Sabbath Sunday CYF worship in the Nave	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir Sing in the Nave
10/27 National Hispanic Heritage Month	1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:27-30, 41-43 (Luke 19:45-46) Solomon fulfills the promise and builds the temple, a place of prayer for all nations	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
11/3 National Native American Heritage Month	1 Kings 17:1-16 [17-24] (Luke 4:24-26) Elijah and the widow; God's care for those on the margin.	COMMUNION Families Worship together in the Nave	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
11/10 National Native American Heritage Month	Jonah 1:1-17; 3:1-10 [4:1-11] (Luke 18:13) Jonah's attempted escape from God, God's mercy on the people of Nineveh.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
11/17 National Native American Heritage Month	Isaiah 6:1-8 (Luke 5:8-10) Call of Isaiah: Holy, holy, holy is God; the prophet's sin, cleansing, and sending.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir Sing in the Nave
11/24 National Native American Heritage Month	Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-23, 27-28; 31:31-34 (Luke 22:19-20) Jeremiah's scroll calls for repentance, but the king burns it. The prophet promises a new covenant, written on the heart.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals

12/1 ADVENT I	Daniel 6:6-27 (Luke 23:1-5) Daniel in the lions' den; deliverance; God's kingdom shall never be destroyed.	COMMUNION Families Worship together in the Nave ADVENTFEST	Pageant Rehearsal
12/8 ADVENT II	Joel 2:12-13, 28-29 (Luke 11:13) Turn to a merciful God, promise of the Spirit.	PAGEANT	Pageant
12/15 ADVENT III	Isaiah 61:1-11 (Luke 4:16-21) The Spirit of the Lord is upon me to bring good news, liberty, and to make an everlasting covenant.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir Sing (Candlelight)
12/22 ADVENT IV	Luke 1:26-45 [46-56] (Psalm 113) Announcement of Jesus' birth to Mary; he will receive the throne of David.	Families Worship together in the Nave	
12/24 Family Christmas Eve Service	An intergenerational cast performs the story of the nativity in a series of monologues interspersed with carols.	Families Worship together in the Nave	
12/29	Luke 2:21-38 (Psalm 131) Simeon and Anna, Lord now you let your servant depart in peace.	Families Worship together in the Nave	
1/5	Luke 2:41-52 (Psalm 2:7-8) Jesus in the temple at age twelve. He is in "his Father's house."	The children join Dr. Pam Davis with Wellbotics to learn the story of the magi using robots.	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
1/12	Luke 3:1-22 (Psalm 51:6-17) John baptizes, bear fruit worthy of repentance, share what you have.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals

1/19	Luke 4:14-30 (Psalm 146) Sermon at Nazareth (Isaiah fulfilled, Elijah and widow, Elisha and Naaman).	Families Worship together in the Nave	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
1/26	Luke 5:1-11 (Psalm 90:14-17) Great catch of fish, Peter will fish for people.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir Sing in the Nave
2/2 Black History Month	Luke 6:1-16 (Psalm 92) Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath (plucking grain, healing a man) and call of disciples.	COMMUNION Families Worship together in the Nave	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
2/9 Black History Month	Luke 7:1-17 (Psalm 119:105-107) Healing the centurion's slave by a word and raising the widow's son at Nain.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
2/16 Black History Month	Luke 7:18-35 (Psalm 146:5-10) Tell John what you see and hear	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
2/23 Black History Month	Luke 7:36-50 (Psalm 103:3-6) Sinful woman weeps at Jesus' feet and is forgiven	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir Sing in the Nave
3/2	Luke 9:28-45 (Psalm 36:5-10) Transfiguration, healing a boy with a demon, passion prediction.	COMMUNION Families Worship together in the Nave	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
3/9 LENT I	Luke 10:25-42 (Psalm 15) Parable of the Good Samaritan	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
3/16 LENT II	Luke 13:1-9, 31-35 (Psalm 122) The tower in Siloam and need for repentance, parable of fig	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals

	tree that bore no fruit, lament over Jerusalem.		
3/23 LENT III	Luke 15:1-32 (Psalm 119:167-176) Parables of lost sheep, coin, prodigal son.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir Sing in the Nave
3/30 LENT IV	Luke 16:19-31 (Psalm 41:1-3) Parable of the rich man and Lazarus.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
4/6 LENT V	Luke 18:31—19:10 (Psalm 84:1-4, 10-12) Healing a blind man, meeting Zacchaeus. Jesus came to seek and save the lost.	COMMUNION Families Worship together in the Nave	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
4/13 LENT VI Palm Sunday	Luke 19:29-44 (Psalm 118:19-23) Triumphal entry; Jesus weeps over the city that does not know peace.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir Sing in the Nave
4/20 EASTER	Luke 24:1-12 (Psalm 118:17, 21-24) Empty tomb, women perplexed, bring the message.	Families worship together in the Nave Easter Egg Hunt	
4/27 Holy Humor Sunday	Luke 24:13-35 (Psalm 30) "Our hearts burned along the road, as he opened to us the Scriptures."	Families worship together in the Nave	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
5/4 Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month	Acts 6:1—7:2a, 44-60 (Luke 23:33-34a, 46) Controversy in the early church; some set aside for service. Stephen forgives and is martyred.	COMMUNION Families worship together in the Nave	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir Sing at Spring Concert

5/11 Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month	Acts 8:26-39 (Luke 24:44-47) Ethiopian reads the Scriptures, comes to believe and be baptized by Philip.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir Sing in the Nave
5/18 Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month	Acts 15:1-18 (Luke 2:29-32) Council at Jerusalem, Faith gives identity to both Jews and Gentiles.	CYF Programming	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
5/25 Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month	Galatians 1:13-17; 2:11-21 (Luke 18:9-14) Paul's former life; conflict with Peter at Antioch; justification by faith.	Memorial Day Weekend Families Worship together in the Nave	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
6/1 Juneteenth	Galatians 3:1-9, 23-29 (Luke 1:68-79) Neither Jew or Greek, slave or free, male and female; one in Christ.	COMMUNION Bible Sunday students prepare. Other children worship with their families in the Nave.	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir rehearsals
6/8 Juneteenth	Acts 2:1-4; Galatians 4:1-7 [5:16-26] (Luke 11:11-13) Pentecost; God pours the Spirit into our hearts so we can call on God as Father. Fruit of the Spirit.	Pentecost Final Day of Programming Year Bible Sunday Scholarship Sunday	Cherub/Rising Voices/Youth Choir Sing in the Nave
SUMMER			