

*Beulah Camp*  
and Conference Center

# RIVERVIEW

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Liturgy of Gratitude  
and Rededication



November 20, 2023



**Call to Worship, Opening Remarks & Prayer:**

Psalm 90:1,14,17

*District Superintendent Peter Moore*

**The Story of Riverview:** *Dr. Shirley Mullen*

*read by Rev. Rob Trafton*

For over 120 years, Riverview has served the Beulah Camp and Conference Center. It has long been the jewel of the Beulah dormitories-celebrated for its welcoming porches that are accessible from each of its rooms-providing not only beautiful views of the magnificent St. John River, but also natural air conditioning, and ready gathering places for conversation among family and friends. It was highly desirable for guests coming to the campground via the riverboats and railroads-and many found themselves returning to the same rooms year after year-almost as if they were their own.

Over the years, the whimsy and historic beauty of Riverview, has been replaced by the practical needs of growing families for more space, for showers, and for cooking facilities. It is now time to release the building and this space for new purposes. We are gathered today to remember with gratitude God's faithfulness accomplished through Riverview-and to re-dedicate this space to all that God has yet to accomplish in this place.

**Scripture:** Ecclesiastes 3:1-8;11

*Mrs. Tami Mutch-Ketch*

## **Responsive Liturgy of Gratitude and Rededication**

**Leader:** For your generous Establishment of Beulah Camp over 125 years ago-a space dedicated for the purpose of Renewing your people in Love and Holiness. *(Rev. John Symonds)*

**Response:** We thank you, God.

**Leader:** For the gracious gift of Riverview that has provided shelter for individuals and families for over 100 years - shelter that drew attention to the beauty of your creation in nature, as well as the beauty of the craftsmanship created by the creatures who bear your image. *(Mrs. Joanne LeRoy)*

**Response:** We thank you, God.

**Leader:** For the memories that have been made over the decades in this building, the commitments that have been made in these rooms, and your faithfulness to each of the individuals and families who occupied these rooms over the past century. *(Rev. Steve Bradley)*

**Response:** We thank you, God.

**Leader:** We celebrate with joy all that you have accomplished through this building and this space over the past century. As we release Riverview from its current purposes, we also rejoice that you are not finished using this space for the nourishing and care of your people and the display of your glory. *(Rev. Sharon Guptill)*

**Response:** We gather today to rededicate this land for the ongoing purposes of gathering God's people for joyful fellowship, celebrating the beauty of creation, finding calm and rest, and drawing attention to the nearby Tabernacle where God will continue to meet his people.

**Leader:** May God-Father, Son, and Holy Ghost-hallow this ground by His presence and secure it for the accomplishment of His ongoing purposes in the lives of His people at Beulah Camp and Conference Center for generations to come. *(Rev. John Symonds)*

**All:** May it Be So.

**Doxology:**

*Rev. Don Ingersoll*

**Announcements:**

*Rev. Rob Trafton*





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