Sermon Notes:

1. Live as one who is loved.

2. Live as one who is foreign.

3. Live as one who is at war.

4. Live as one who loves.

Prayer Opportunities

IN HOSPITAL: None

RECUPERATING: Clay Atkins, Margaret Shanks, Erle Thompson, Bill Wingfield

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK: Joe and Duncan (Gay) Maye

In the summer of 2017, former Rivermont member Duncan Maye (daughter of Kell and Gina Gay) and her husband Joe planted a church in the Waughtown neighborhood in urban Winston-Salem, called Rise Church (www.risechurchws.org). Responding to God's call to this community, God has given them a heart to see this community "rise up" to new life in Christ Jesus, within His family, to live out His purpose for their life. They meet for worship on Sunday evenings at a recreation center, and hold weekly women's and men's Bible studies. They opened Rise Academy with a Kindergarten class in September 2018 and hope to grow by adding a grade each year.

Welcome to Rivermont!

Whether you are new to Lynchburg or new to church, we are so grateful to the Lord that He has brought you to us this morning. We would love to connect with you more personally and invite you to fill out a Digital Connect Card by scanning the QR code into your mobile device. You can also fill out a Connect Card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. You can also drop it off at the Welcome Table in the Narthex (lobby) and receive a special gift as our way of saying thanks for coming.



Next Steps:

We invite you to take some additional steps to get more connected to this church body.

- Attend a Sunday School class at 9:45am between worship services.
- Join a Life Group, which meet throughout the week in member homes.
- Sign up for our next Getting To Know Rivermont class at www.rivermont.org/gtkr.

Coming Up This Week:

Sunday, April 7

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)
8:30 am Worship with the Lord's Supper
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am College Hour (Rivermont A)
11:00 am Worship with the Lord's Supper
6:00 pm 6th-8th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

Monday, April 8

10:00 am Prayer Group (Family Room) 4:00 pm Preschool Night at Chipotle (Old Forest Road) 5:30 pm Personnel Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 9

6:30 am Dawn Patrol 6:36 am Girls' and Boys' 636 (Bojangles) 10:00 am Women's Circle 1 (Conference Room) 6:30 pm Trail Life (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, April 10

12:00 pm Elder Pool Lunch (Country Gardens) 3:45 pm Rivermont Ringers (206) 4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes (John Knox) 4:30 pm Praise Ringers (206)

Wednesday, April 10 (continued)

5:15 pm Carillon (206) 5:15 pm Cherub Choir (308) 5:15 pm Chapel Choir (Choir Room) 5:15 pm New Song (301) 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir 6:30 pm Prayer Service (Chapel)

Thursday, April 11

9:30 am CBS (Fellowship Hall) 9:30 am OASIS (Quinlan Room) 5:30 pm Administrative Committee Meeting

Saturday, April 13

12:00 pm No Walls Picnic (Hunton-Randolph Center)

Sunday, April 14 - Palm Sunday

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)
8:30 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am College Hour (Rivermont A)
11:00 am Worship Service
11:00 am Westminster Canterbury Worship Service
7:00 pm 20-Somethings (Country Gardens)

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through God's compelling love in Lynchburg and the world.

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April 7, 2019 Fifth Sunday of Lent

ORDER of WORSHIP

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Preparation for Worship

Please prepare your heart for worship and silence your mobile devices.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Lord, as we prepare to worship You this morning, we meditate on Your great faithfulness. Indeed, there is no shadow of turning with You. We ask You to open our eyes this morning so that we may see You more clearly, and our ears that we may hear Your voice more clearly. Open also our hearts that we may eagerly respond to Your call. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

PRELUDE:

Rivermont Ringers

"Ten Thousand Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

Myrin, Redman, arr. Peggy Bettcher

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 92:1-4 (responsively)

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;

to declare Your steadfast love in the morning, and Your faithfulness by night,

for You, O Lord, have made me glad by Your work;

At the works of Your hands I sing for joy.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #4

"All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above" MIT FREUDEN ZART (Women - vs. 4; Men - vs. 5)

THE CALL TO CONFESSION: Isaiah 55:6-7 (responsively)

Seek the Lord while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that He may have compassion on him, and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 2 Corinthians 5:17

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Man of Sorrows! What a Name" (vs. 3) HALLELUJAH! WHAT A SAVIOR Guilty, vile, and helpless we; spotless Lamb of God was He; Full atonement! can it be? Hallelujah! what a Savior!

*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, to the glory of God."

THE ANTHEM FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE WORD:

New Song

"The Lion and the Lamb" Brown, Johnson, Mooring, arr. Sorenson

He's coming on the clouds, kings and kingdoms will bow down.

And ev'ry chain will break as broken hearts declare His praise.

For who can stop the Lord Almighty?

Our God is the Lion, the Lion of Judah.

He's roaring with power, and fighting our battles.

And every knee will bow before Him.

Our God is the Lamb, the Lamb that was slain for the sins of the world.

His blood breaks the chains.

And ev'ry knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb.

Every knee will bow before Him.

So open up the gates, make way before the King of kings.

The God Who comes to save is here to set the captives free.

Maryah Haley - Accompanist

THE INTERLUDE:

Children ages 4 to first grade are dismissed for Children's Church to Room #115.

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: 1 Peter 2:11-12 (page 1015)

THE SERMON:

"A Beautiful Life"

Dr. David Weber

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED (in unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*THE GLORIA:

"Gloria Patri"

"Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed"

GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end! Amen, Amen!

THE RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

Sanctuary Choir

arr. Dan Forrest

Alas, and did my Savior bleed and did my Sovereign die? Would He devote that sacred head for sinners such as I? Was it for crimes that I have done He groaned upon the tree? Amazing pity, grace unknown, and love beyond degree! Well might the sun in darkness hide and shut his glories in, When Christ, the Maker died for man, the creature's sin. But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe: Here, Lord, I give myself away, 'tis all that I can do.

*THE COMMUNION HYMN:

"Hast Thou Heard Him, Seen Him, Known Him" (vs. 1-3)

(To the tune of: 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus)

Hast thou heard Him, seen Him, known Him? Is not Thine a captured heart? Chief among ten thousand own Him; joyful choose the better part.

Refrain: Captivated by His beauty, worthy tribute haste to bring; Let His peerless worth constrain thee, crown Him now unrivaled King. Idols once they won thee, charmed thee, lovely things of time and sense; Gilded thus does sin disarm thee, honeyed lest thou turn thee thence.

(Repeat Refrain)

What has stripped the seeming beauty from the idols of the earth? Not a sense of right or duty, but the sight of peerless worth. (Repeat Refrain)

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER:

If you are not a member of this congregation but are a baptized believer who is welcome to receive Communion in your home church, then you are invited to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us. Baptized children of this congregation are welcome to receive the Sacrament after they have received instruction and admission by the Session. After reviewing the Communion packet with your child, contact the church office to set up a meeting with the pastors. The packet may be found at www.rivermont.org/communion.

The Words of Invitation and Institution

The Prayer of Consecration, concluding with The Lord's Prayer (in unison):
Our Father, Who art in heaven: hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

The Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

The Concluding Communion Prayer

THE DISTRIBUTION ANTHEM:

Doug and Julie Haley

arr. Fernando Ortega

"Jesus Paid It All"

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small, Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all."

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;

Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find Thy power, and Thine alone,

Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone.

For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim—

I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's Lamb.

And when, before the throne, I stand in Him complete,

"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.

Maryah Haley - piano

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE:

"Hast Thou Heard Him, Seen Him, Known Him" (vs. 7)

(To the tune of: 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus)

Let His peerless worth constrain thee, crown Him now unrivaled King.

Drawn and win and fill completely, till the cup overflow the brim;
What have we to do with idols who have companied with Him?
Refrain: Captivated by His beauty, worthy tribute haste to bring;

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE CONGREGATIONAL AND CHORAL AMEN (sung by all): "A-men, A-men, A-men!"

*POSTLUDE:

"Fugue in G Minor"

J. S. Bach

*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so. Lyrics and music reproduced under CCLI#64526.

Prayer Ushers

Prayer Ministry teams are available after each morning service for those who would like someone to pray with them about a personal need, large or small. The Prayer Ushers will meet you at the Family Room off the Cheatham Center. They will be identified with name tags. This ministry is available to visitors as well as members. All prayer requests are confidential.