

# Announcements

**THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** today are given by Martha Craig to the glory of God and thankfulness unto the Lord for His bounteous blessings.

**NAMES OF JESUS ADVENT CHAIN:** The members of The Children’s Council have prepared materials for an Advent Chain. Children in Sunday School from three-year-olds through fourth grade will receive them today or November 26. There is a chain link with a name of Jesus and a scripture verse for each day from December 1 to Christmas Day. We pray this Advent Chain will be a blessing as we are reminded of the beautiful names of our Savior! Please see Ann Knight if your child hasn’t received a packet by the 26th.

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL FELLOWSHIP:** Come "gather" in Country Gardens today, Sunday, November 19th from 3:00 - 5:00 pm for a Women's Ministry Fall Fellowship, *"Thankful for Each Season."* Julia Bradner will lead us in a devotional time on "being thankful for the season you are in and serving the kingdom where you are." Questions: etwebb@gmail.com

**ONE-YEAR-OLD PRESCHOOL CLASS:** The Preschool Coucil would like to see if there is interest in providing a spring class for one-year-olds. The class would be held on Monday mornings from 9:00 am until noon. The children must be one year old by September 30th. If interested, please contact Ann Knight before November 21st.

**HANGING OF THE GREENS, DECEMBER 3rd, AT 6:00 pm:** Our Sanctuary will be adorned with Christmas greens as we sing hymns, hear Scripture readings and enjoy presentations by the youth strings and the Cherub Choir.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Join us for a Ladies' Advent Fellowship and Teaching by Barbara Bell on Thursday, December 7th in the Cheatham Center from 9:30 until 11:00 am. Light refreshments will be served.

**ALL NATIONS CHRISTMAS MISSION OPPORTUNITY:** Please stop by the Christmas Tree in the Cheatham to see how you can help a needy family this Christmas!

**THE NURSERY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE** for December/January/February is ready for pick-up. It will be located in the nursery commons or the hallway leading to the Cheatham area.

### FLORAL FUND & CHRISTMAS MISSIONS PROJECT

Christmas floral decorations in our Sanctuary are made possible through the contributions of members, in memory or in honor of loved ones. Contributions may also be made to the **Christmas Missions Project**, which will go to support REPC’s City Life Fund. Like our Body Life Fund, which helps members through an extraordinary financial crisis, the City Life Fund helps our Rivermont/Lynchburg neighbors through an extraordinary financial crisis. If you would like to contribute to either fund, please clip and complete the form below and send it with your check to the church office, or drop it in the offering plate by Sunday, December 17, 2017.

**Floral Fund/Missions Project Contribution**

**Donor’s Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Honor Of:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Memory Of:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Floral Fund \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Missions Project \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to REPC with notation:  
**“Floral Fund” or “Christmas Missions Project”**  
**Due 12/17/17**

# Announcements (continued)

**THE GOSPEL COALITION** has opened registration for their fourth TGC Women's Conference, *Listen and Live: Promised Grace for Rebel Hearts*. The conference will be held on June 14th - June 16th, 2018 in Indianapolis, Indiana. If you are interested in more information about attending or registering for this conference, please email Eleanor Webb at [etwebb@gmail.com](mailto:etwebb@gmail.com)

**CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED** Thursday, November 23 and Friday November 24 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

# Concerns of the Church

**IN THE HOSPITAL:** Barbara Shaughnessy

**RECUPERATING:** Anne Blanks

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Joey and Sherry Day in the birth of their grandson, William Randolph, on Friday, November 10th. Proud parents are Anne and Chase Bryan.

**IN APPRECIATION:** *Dear REPC Family, For the second time in less than a year, I have again been the recipient of your prayers, cards, meals and other expressions of care. Know that you have been the hands and feet of Jesus in ministering to me during this trying time, and I have been both blessed and overwhelmed by His and your faithfulness and goodness. With my deep gratitude and love, Mary Ruth Mizener*

**ATTENDANCE:** Morning Worship: 8:30 service: 359; 11:00: service: 336. Total: 695. Sunday School: 443.

### USHERS SERVING THANKSGIVING SERVICE, NOVEMBER 23:

**Head Deacon:** Jeff Griffith **Assistant Deacon:** Susan Crawford

### USHERS SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26: **Head Deacon:** Calvin Dameron

**Assistant Deacon:** Andy Morse **Morning Only:** Treasa Plude

**8:30 am:** Keith Mascher, Ron Meng, Brian Nash, Lyn Nash

**11:00 am:** Mick Ritchie, Sam Rose, Andrew Shields, Brad Weaver

# Calendar

**Sunday, November 19**  
 8:00 am Pre-service Prayer (Family Room)  
 8:30 am Worship  
 9:45 am College Hour  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 10:30 am Pre-service Prayer (Family Room)  
 11:00 am Worship  
 4:30 pm Youth Music Practice (Youth Center)  
 6:00 pm Mission Service with Eric Vess (Chapel)

**Monday, November 20**  
 9:00 am Preschool  
 10:00 am Prayer Group (Family Room)

**Tuesday, November 21**  
 6:30 am Dawn Patrol  
 9:00 am Preschool

**Thursday, November 23**  
 Office Closed  
 10:00 am Thanksgiving Service

**Friday, November 24**  
 Office Closed

**Sunday, November 26**  
 8:00 am Pre-service Prayer (Family Room)  
 8:30 am Worship  
 9:45 am College Hour  
 9:45 am Sunday School  
 10:30 am Pre-service Prayer (Family Room)  
 11:00 am Worship  
 4:30 pm Youth Music Practice (Youth Center)

# Contact Us

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**OFFICE:** Monday - Friday 8:30 AM-5:00 PM  
 Saturday 9:30 AM-12:00 PM



### OUR MISSION

REPC SEEKS THE RENEWING OF LIVES THROUGH GOD’S COMPELLING LOVE IN LYNCHBURG AND THE WORLD.

November 19, 2017 | 8:30 AM ☞ 11:00 AM

# Order Of Worship

*The prelude is a time for the body of Christ to spiritually prepare to enter into His presence in worship. As the prelude begins, please assume a quiet, prayerful and reverent attitude of worship. (Please silence your mobile devices.)*

**PRELUDE:** *"Let All Things Now Living"* arr. Carolyn Hamlin

### THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Our Father in heaven, Who sent Your only-begotten Son into the world, not to condemn the world but that the world through Him might be saved: we pray that You would be pleased to pour out Your Spirit upon us; that, with true repentance of our sin, we might take up our cross, deny ourselves, and faithfully follow Jesus Christ; in Whom alone we trust for our salvation, and in Whose holy name we pray. Amen.

**THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Pastor Palombo

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 95:1-2 (responsively)**  
*O come, let us sing to the Lord;  
 Let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation!*  
**Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving;  
 Let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!**

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #119**  
*"I Sing the Almighty Power of God"* FOREST GREEN

**\*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

**\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:**  
*"And Can It Be That I Should Gain" (vs 1)* SAGINA

**And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood?  
 Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pusued?  
 Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
 Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?**

**(11:00) THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Mike and Abi Lovell present their son, Thomas Patrick.

**\*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."  
(Romans 15:7)*

**(11:00) SPECIAL TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

**The Cherub Choir**

*"Never Forget to Be Thankful"*

Natalie Sleeth

**Whitney Palombo - Director; Charis Jantomaso - Accompanist**

**THE INTERLUDE:**

Children pre-K through first grade may be dismissed for Children's Church.

8:30: Pre-K thru First Grade meet in the ORANGE room, #115

11:00: First Grade meet in ORANGE room, #115;

Pre-K/K meet in RED room, #114

**THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: Colossians 3:18 - 4:1 (pgs. 984 - 985)**

**THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**THE SERMON: "Heavenly Ethics for Earthly Situations" Dr. Weber**

**THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD**

**\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from Colossians 1:15-20 (in unison)**

We believe in Christ Jesus: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities - all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

**\*THE GLORIA: "Psalm 117"**

(Tune: All Creatures of Our God and King)

From all the dwell below the skies, O let Jehovah's praise arise!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

And let His glorious name be sung, in every land, by every tongue!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Great are the mercies of the Lord, and truth eternal is His word!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Ye nations, sound from shore to shore Jehovah's praise for evermore!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**A MOMENT FOR MISSION: Eric Vess**

**THE PASTORAL PRAYER, 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 RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:**

*"Give Me Jesus"*

**Sanctuary Choir**

arr. Hal Hopson

Oh, when I am alone, oh, when I am alone,

Oh, when I am alone, give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, give me Jesus.

You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.

When I lose my way, oh, when I lose my way,

Oh, when I lose my way, give me Jesus.

When I come to die, when I come to die,

Oh, when I come to die, give me Jesus.

When I want to sing, when I want to sing,

When my heart and my voice cry out, oh, give me Jesus.

**Julia Sansone – Accompanist**

**\*THE DOXOLOGY:**

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise Him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison):**

Father, in response to Your great gift to us, we offer ourselves to You, with thanksgiving and joy. Accept these tokens of our lives; bless and multiply them for the spread of the gospel, the strengthening of Your church, and the increase of Your kingdom, to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #535**

*"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!"*

EBENEZER

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

**\*THE CONGREGATIONAL AND CHORAL AMEN (sung by all):**

**"A-men, A-men, A-men!"**

**\*POSTLUDE: "Now Thank We All Our God"**

J. S. Bach, arr. V. Fox

\*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.  
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**SUNDAY EVENING AT RIVERMONT  
MISSION SERVICE  
With Eric Vess  
TONIGHT at 6:00 pm in the Chapel**

**PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: DENNIS AND LINDA  
(LAST NAME WITHHELD FOR SECURITY PURPOSES)**

Dennis serves as the Chief Financial Officer for the Jesus Film Project, which is a ministry of CRU based in Orlando, Florida. Over the years Dennis has helped determine where translation and recording teams would go to film new Jesus film projects. Under his leadership and God-given financial skills, the ministry has thrived. More recently, Dennis has been traveling on teams helping with the recording and translations of Jesus Film projects. This week, Dennis has been in New England raising up new partners to support the work of the ministry. Pray that this trip would help grow the ministry.

**SERMON NOTES**

**1. Our Lord is Christ.**

**2. Our motive is love.**

**3. Our situations are earthly.**

**THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE**  
Thursday, November 23 at 10:00 am  
*"All Things Come From You"* by Pastor Palombo  
Scripture: 1 Chronicles 29:10-22  
The offering will go to Sports Outreach.  
(No nursery provided)

**CHRISMON DINNER AND WORSHIP SERVICE NOVEMBER 29:** Join your church family for the annual Lighting of the Chrismon Tree on Wednesday, November 29th. We will meet for a Pot Luck Dinner in the Fellowship Hall from 5:45 to 6:30 pm. At 6:35 pm, we will gather in the Cheatham Reception for the lighting of the Chrismon Tree. This service will include special music, an explanation of the ornaments, congregational singing, a brief devotional and the illumination of the Chrismon Tree. What a wonderful opportunity for the family of God to celebrate the first advent of our Lord Jesus Christ during this season. Friends and neighbors are always welcome.