

Announcements

THE CROSS ARRANGEMENT IN THE SANCTUARY today is a gift of worship and gratitude for God's steadfast love and faithfulness. It features the color red, the traditional color of the Reformation, to remind us of the Holy Spirit's work in the life of the church.

FOR OUR GUESTS: We invite you to visit our Welcome Table today in the Narthex (Lobby) for information about the life and ministries of Rivermont. A member of our Hospitality Team will be there to greet you and answer your questions.

TWENTY-SOMETHINGS will meet tonight at 7:00 in Country Gardens (house behind the church). We will explore the mission of God and the Psalms by looking at Psalm 67.

ATTENTION CYCLISTS: Parking spaces are now available for your bikes! Our bike rack comes with chains so you only need to provide the lock. The rack is located in the corner off Quinlan Street near the basketball court.

YOUTH NEWS:

SNE: Tonight from 5:30 to 7:30, all 7th and 8th grade boys and girls are invited to the Johnson home for a special night of food, fun, and fellowship! Dinner will be provided.

SNL: Tonight all high school students are invited to Sunday Night Live. We will meet at the Whelan home from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Dinner will be provided.

636: All high school boys and girls are invited for a time of early morning fellowship this Tuesday! Students will join Shane and Ciera at Bojangles on Old Forest Road at 6:36 am.

Truck-or-Treat: All 7th to 12th grade students are invited to **volunteer at Truck-or-Treat** this Wednesday! While students up to 8th grade may also collect candy, all students are asked to serve at various stations throughout the evening. Please let Shane or Josh know if you will be able to help!

FOOD DRIVE will be held during the month of November to replenish the Food Pantry in our community. Find the bin across from the Library or downstairs near the Fellowship Hall to place your donations. The following non-perishable items, with an expiration date of November 2019 or later, are needed: jelly, peanut butter, soup, canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned chicken, canned tuna, macaroni and cheese, crackers, cereal, pasta, and pasta sauce. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, contact Paulette Parker (434-384-1897) or Jay Spencer (434-384-3642).

PRESCHOOL NIGHT AT PANERA on Old Forest Road is Monday, November 5 from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. Take a flyer from the church or show the announcement found at rivermont.org/news-events; **this is required** to ensure twenty percent of the proceeds is donated to the Preschool. If ordering online, use promotional code "PRFUND."

ANNUAL RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE will be Tuesday, November 13 from 12:00 to 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up to donate on one of the sheets located around the church or online at <https://rdcrss.org/2ytYH4A>. For questions or to volunteer, contact Alisha Meador by phone (434-426-0787) or by email (alisha.meador@gmail.com).

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: Morning Worship: 8:30 service: 334; 11:00 service: 261; Total: 595; Sunday School: 348.

USHERS SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, November 4: **Head Deacon:** Andy Morse
Assistant Deacon: Wayne Melancon **Morning Only:** Russ Matney
8:30 am: Chris Burch, Sherwood Day, Dave Dinsmore, Chris Matney
11:00 am: Ray Ganthner, Billy Giles, Drew Neiderer, Earl Weaver

Concerns of the Church

RECUPERATING: Ruth Stinespring

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: No Walls Ministry

With thanksgiving, we praise God for His work through our No Walls Ministry, uniting believers from several congregations in our city as we see lives changed through the gospel. Continue to pray for our Second Saturday picnics at the Hunton-Randolph Community Center, that they will deepen our fellowship and expand our outreach. Pray also for the Community Thanksgiving Worship Service and dinner we will enjoy next Sunday, November 4 at All Nations Community Church, that God will be glorified as He continues to tear down the walls that divide us.

Calendar

Sunday, October 28 (Reformation 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)
9:45 am Getting to Know Rivermont (203)
11:00 am Worship Service
5:30 pm 7th-8th Grade SNE (Johnson Home)
6:00 pm 9th-12th Grade SNL (Whelan Home)

Monday, October 29
9:00 am Preschool
10:00 am Prayer Group (Family Room)
7:00 pm Small Group Leaders' Training (John Knox)

Tuesday, October 30
6:30 am Dawn Patrol
6:36 am Girls' and Boys' 636 (Bojangles)
9:00 am Preschool

Wednesday, October 31
9:00 am Preschool
3:45 pm Rivermont Ringers (206)
4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes (John Knox)
4:30 pm Praise Ringers (206)

Wednesday, October 31 (continued)
5:15 pm Carillon (206)
5:15 pm Cherub Choir (308)
5:15 pm Chapel Choir (Choir Room)
5:15 pm New Song Choir (301)
6:00 pm Truck-or-Treat, meal included
6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, November 1
9:30 am CBS
9:30 am Oasis
5:30 pm ERC (Library)

Sunday, November 4 (All Saints' Sunday)
Daylight Savings Time Ends
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)
9:45 am Bearing Burdens (Library)
11:00 am Worship Service
3:30 pm CWMC (Library)
4:45 pm RIMC (Library)
5:00 pm No Walls Thanksgiving Service and Dinner (All Nations Church)
6:00 pm 6th-8th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

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MINISTRY STAFF

David Weber | SENIOR PASTOR
Ron Cox | EXECUTIVE PASTOR/HEAD OF STAFF
Brett Eubank | PASTOR OF OUTREACH AND ASSIMILATION
Mike Palombo | PASTOR OF RELATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP
Shane Whelan | PASTOR OF STUDENT FAMILIES
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Josh Dempsey | DIRECTOR OF MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRIES
Matt Bradner | REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CAMPUS OUTREACH
Julia Sansone | DIRECTOR OF CHOIRS AND ACCOMPANIST
Alisha Meador | CARE COORDINATOR

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OUR MISSION

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

October 28, 2018

8:30 & 11:00 AM

Order Of Worship

The prelude is a time for the body of Christ to prepare spiritually 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.)

REFORMATION SUNDAY

On October 31, 1517 (All Hallows' Eve), a Roman Catholic monk named Martin Luther nailed a document now known as "**The Ninety-five Theses**" on the church door in Wittenburg, Germany, calling for debate on the unbiblical teachings and practices of the church. It was never Luther's intention to divide the church or start a "new" church, but rather to *reform* the church according to the Word of God written in Scripture. Luther's confrontation with the papacy ignited the Protestant Reformation as a history-making movement which would spread across Europe and Britain and eventually to the new world of America, influencing the politics, economics, education, and common life of those societies. **John Calvin** (1509-1554) gave further distinctive influence to the Reformation, and it is to Calvin that Presbyterians trace their specific theological and ecclesiastical heritage.

The great themes of the Reformation faith are: the glory of the all-sovereign triune God, the supreme authority of Scripture, salvation by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone, the worship of God as directed by holy Scripture, and the life of the church as the people of God in the service of God. The true church of Jesus Christ is found in local congregations where the Word of God is preached in its purity and the sacraments are administered in their integrity, where scriptural church discipline is practiced, and where loving fellowship is maintained.

PRELUDE:

"How Firm a Foundation"

Carillon Handbells

arr. Brian Childers

Carillon Handbells and Brass

"Guide Us, O God of Grace"

Michael R. Keller

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Father of all grace and glory, look upon us in love and compassion through Your Son, Jesus Christ, and, by the power of Your Holy Spirit, enable us to worship You in spirit and in truth. Help us to draw near to You, in the assurance that You dwell with those who are of humble and contrite heart. Renew our minds by the truth of Your Word, strengthen our souls, and direct our wills that we may more fervently love You and more sincerely serve You, to the glory of Your name. Amen.

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP:** Pastor Brett Eubank
from Hebrews 12:22-24, 28-29 (responsively)
You have come to Mount Zion, to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God;
We have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven.
You have come to God, the judge of all men, to the spirits of righteous men made perfect;
We have come to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.
Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe,
For our God is a consuming fire!

***THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: (See Insert)**
"Reformation Hymn" Anderson/Kauflin, arr. J. Meredith, P. Bettcher

***THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

***THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:**
"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (vs. 1) SOLID ROCK
My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand!

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

THE SPECIAL TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

THE INTERLUDE:
Children pre-K through first grade may be dismissed for Children's Church.
8:30 and 11:00: Children meet in the ORANGE room, #115.

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: Philippians 3:2-11 (page 981)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "An Alien Righteousness" Dr. David Weber

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

***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" 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 PASTORAL PRAYER: Pastor Ron Cox
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: The Sanctuary Choir Philip W. J. Stopford
"Christ Is Our Cornerstone"
Christ is our cornerstone, on Him alone we build;
With His true saints alone the courts of heav'n are filled:
On His great love our hopes we place of present grace and joys above.
O then with hymns of praise these hallowed courts shall ring;
Our voices we will raise the Three in One to sing;
And thus proclaim in joyful song, both loud and long, that glorious name.
Here, gracious God, do Thou forevermore draw nigh;
Accept each faithful vow, and mark each suppliant sigh;
In copious show'r on all who pray each holy day Thy blessings pour.
Here may we gain from heav'n the grace which we implore;
And may that grace, once giv'n, be with us evermore,
Until that day when all the blest to endless rest are called away.
Christ is our cornerstone, on Him alone we build!

***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):**
Almighty and gracious Father, we give You thanks and praise for all Your goodness to us and over all creation; but above all, we give thanks for the gift of Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, in Whom alone we have life and peace and everlasting joy. Trusting in Him, our Savior, we offer our hearts to You, eagerly and entirely, with joy and gratitude; and we pray that You will bless and multiply these tokens of our lives, and use them for the sake of Your kingdom throughout the earth; for the glory of Your name. Amen.

***THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #92** EIN' FESTE BURG
"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

***THE BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE:** "March Triomphale" Karg-Elart, arr. Olson
(Now Thank We All Our God)

<i>Ministering in Music This Morning:</i>	
Trumpets:	Larry Seipp, Mike Straw
Horn:	Kelly Hartless
Trombone:	Walker Pennock
Tuba:	Bill Folger
Timpani:	Jay Robert Ware
Assistant Organist:	Julia Sansone

*The congregation will please stand.
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Prayer Usher Ministry - Prayer Ministry teams are available after each morning service for those who would like someone to pray with them about a personal need. The Prayer Ushers will meet you at the Family Room off the Cheatham Reception Center. They will be identified with name tags. This ministry is available to visitors as well as members.

SERMON NOTES

1. An Unblemished Record of Righteousness

2. An Unmerited Record of Righteousness

3. An Unassailable Record of Righteousness