

# Announcements

### YOUTH NEWS:

**SNE:** Today from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, all 7th and 8th grade boys are invited to the Matney home for a special time of fun and fellowship! Snacks will be provided.

**SNL:** Tonight all high school students are invited to dinner and fellowship. We will meet in the Youth Center from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

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

**RFN:** This week we will continue our study of the book of Psalms. We will examine its depth of expression and testimony to the greatness of God, so join us as we journey toward a greater understanding and love for these sacred verses.

**Bowling:** At 4:00 pm next Monday, January 21, all 7th to 12th graders are invited to the AMF Lynchburg Lanes! We will head to Chick-Fil-A for dinner after, finishing there at 6:30 pm.

**TWENTY-SOMETHINGS** will meet tonight, weather permitting, at 7:00 in Country Gardens. If **any** morning services are cancelled due to snow, we will postpone our meeting.

**SIXTY PLUS OR MINUS:** Join us this Wednesday at noon in the Fellowship Hall for our monthly luncheon! Josh Dempsey will speak on Christian philosophy. Please make your reservations by noon tomorrow on the sign-up by the Library or by calling the church office.

### CLUB 56 NEWS:

**RFN:** This week we will continue to discover the themes of creation, the fall, redemption, and the Christian life in C. S. Lewis's *The Chronicles of Narnia*.

**FNL:** On Friday, January 25, all 5th and 6th grade students are invited to join Josh in the Youth Center for games and fellowship from 6:00 to 7:30 pm.

**RIVERMONT FELLOWSHIP NIGHT**, which is our midweek gathering for fellowship and growth in Christ, continues this Wednesday. For dinner, the cost is \$5 per adult (9 and older), \$3 per child (8 and under), with a maximum cost to a family of \$22. College students may eat for free if they show their college ID. **All those wishing to attend dinner must make a reservation by noon tomorrow, January 14.** To make your reservation, visit our website, email or call the church office, or fill out a reservation card for the offering plate. The entrée this week will be tacos.

**MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITY:** From January 25 to 26, REPC will host the next "Nourish & Cherish" marriage seminar led by Matt and Julia Bradner. Built on a biblical foundation, Nourish & Cherish is highly inspirational and extremely practical. Friday will run from 6:30 - 9:00 pm while Saturday will run from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Those interested should email matt.bradner@gmail.com. Cost is \$59 per couple.

**SOUND TEAM OPENING:** We are in need of a new member to help regulate and record services at REPC. Anyone in high school and above is welcome. Stop upstairs on Sundays to see Charlie Wilson, or call/email during the week (582-9943 / forestlawn16@gmail.com).

# Announcements (Cont.)

**LAST CHANCE DIRECTORY PHOTOS:** If you were unable to make the previous directory photo sessions, please sign up for a time on one of our make-up days: January 21 or 22, from 2:00 to 9:00 pm. Visit [rivermont.org/my-repc](http://rivermont.org/my-repc) to sign up. If necessary, you may submit a personal photo by January 22 to be included in the new directory instead. **The cost for this is \$10.** Please mark in the memo line "directory photo".

**PHOTO PICK UP:** For those whose directory pictures have already been updated, your free 8 x 10 photo will be in an envelope in the Communication Center, which is the Cheatham Center closet to the left of the John Knox entrance.

**ATTENDANCE:** Morning Worship: 8:30 service: 307; 11:00 service: 314; Total: 621. Sunday School: 301.

**USHERS SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 20:** **Head Deacon:** Todd Matthews  
**Assistant Deacon:** MaryByrd Denham **Morning Only:** Russ Matney  
**8:30:** Paul Denham, Jarrett Dodd, Stewart Dodd, Mark Faulconer  
**11:00:** Scooter Harris, Ned Hudson, Ned Hudson Jr., Ryan Webb

# Calendar

**Sunday, January 13**  
8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)  
8:30 am Worship with Installation of Deacons  
9:45 am Sunday School  
9:45 am College Hour (Rivermont A)  
11:00 am Worship with Installation of Elders  
11:00 am Westminster Canterbury Worship Service  
2:00 pm 7th-8th Grade Boys' SNE (Matney Home)  
6:00 pm 9th-12th Grade SNL (Youth Center)  
7:00 pm Twenty-Somethings (Country Gardens)

**Monday, January 14**  
9:00 am Preschool  
10:00 am Prayer Group (Family Room)

**Tuesday, January 15**  
6:30 am Dawn Patrol  
6:36 am Boys' 636 (Biscuitville)  
9:00 am Preschool  
6:15 pm Deacons' Meeting (John Knox)  
7:00 pm Officers' Prayer Meeting (John Knox)  
7:30 pm Sesesion Meeting (John Knox)

**Wednesday, January 16**  
9:00 am Preschool

**Wednesday, January 16 (continued)**  
12:00 pm 60+/- Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)  
3:45 pm Rivermont Ringers (206)  
4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes (John Knox)  
4:30 pm Praise Ringers (206)  
5:15 pm Carillon (206)  
5:15 pm Cherub Choir (308)  
5:15 pm Chapel Choir (Choir Room)  
5:15 pm New Song (301)  
5:45 pm RFN Dinner (Fellowship Hall)  
6:30 pm RFN Classes, Prayer Service  
6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir

**Thursday, January 17**  
9:30 am CBS (Sanctuary)  
9:30 am OASIS (Quinlan Room)

**Sunday, January 20**  
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  
6:00 pm 6th-8th Grade SNL (Youth Center)  
6:00 pm Mission First Service (Chapel)

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

### MINISTRY STAFF

David Weber | SENIOR PASTOR  
Ron Cox | EXECUTIVE PASTOR/HEAD OF STAFF  
Brett Eubank | PASTOR OF OUTREACH AND ASSIMILATION  
Miike Palombo | PASTOR OF RELATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP  
Shane Whelan | PASTOR OF STUDENT FAMILIES  
Peggy Bettcher | DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY  
Ann Knight | DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRY  
Josh Dempsey | DIRECTOR OF MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRIES  
Matt Bradner | REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CAMPUS OUTREACH  
Heidi Terry | SANCTUARY CHOIR ACCOMPANIST  
Julia Sansone | DIRECTOR OF CHOIRS  
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.

January 13, 2019 | 8:30 AM & 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.)*

**PRELUDE:** **"Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound"** arr. George Shearing  
Amazing grace! - how sweet the sound - that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

### THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Almighty and dear Father, Who has given Your only Son to be both the sacrifice for our sin and the example of the godly life to which You have called us: grant us grace, we pray, that we may truly and thankfully trust in Jesus as our Savior, and daily endeavor to follow in the steps of His most holy life, obeying Him as Lord; by the sanctifying grace of the Holy Spirit; to the glory of Your name. Amen.

**THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** **Pastor Mike Palombo**

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 28:6-9 (responsively)

*Blessed be the Lord!*  
**For He has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.**  
*The Lord is my strength and my shield;*  
**in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him.**  
*The Lord is the strength of His people;*  
**He is the saving refuge of His anointed.**  
*Oh, save Your people and bless Your heritage!*  
**Be their shepherd and carry them forever.**

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #463 "A Debtor to Mercy Alone"** TREWEN

### \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

### \*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 5:1-2

*(Before turning the page, please receive 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, to 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 to the orange room, #115.

**THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: Matthew 11:28-30** (page 816)

**THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**THE SERMON:** "The Ultimate Invitation" Pastor Ron Cox

**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 ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS:**

**(8:30) DEACONS:** Clay Atkins, Judy Aylor, Sheree Britton, Mike Emanuel, David Faidley, Eddie Ivins, Todd Scruggs, Eleanor Webb

**(11:00) ELDERS:** Gary Helm, Sam Mizener, Ben Moomaw, Dave Young

- The Words of Instruction
- The Constitutional Vows of the Officers
- \*The Constitutional Vows of the Congregation
- The Prayer of Ordination and Installation
- The Declaration of Ordination and Installation
- The Welcome, Charge, and Blessing

**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:** Sanctuary Choir

*"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"* Kathryn S. Bonner

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and power.  
I will arise and go to Jesus; He will embrace me with His arms;  
In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.  
Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall;  
If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.  
Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;  
True belief and true repentance, ev'ry grace that brings you nigh.  
Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;  
All the fitness He requireth is to feel your need of Him.  
I will arise and go to Jesus; He will embrace me with His arms;  
In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

**\*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):**

Dear 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: (See Insert)** *"My Worth Is Not in What I Own"* Getty

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

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

**\*POSTLUDE:** *"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"* arr. Diane Bish

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

**SERMON NOTES**

**1. The Greatest Need**

**2. The Greatest Person**

**3. The Greatest Solution**

## Concerns of the Church

**RECUPERATING:** Nancy Hicks, Tina Hickson, Jude Meador, Ginny Young

**CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO** Pastor David Weber and family in the death of his grandfather, Donald Weber, who died Wednesday, January 9. He was from Washington state.

**IN APPRECIATION:**

- *A big thank you to all who supported the Churches for Urban Ministry by buying fruit. The fundraiser was quite successful overall. Our members ordered lots of citrus and also donated 88 pounds of fruit to the Food Bank: a delicious gift!* - Janie Henderson
- *Thank you for your prayers, cards, and phone calls while I recuperated after my hospital stay with pneumonia. What a wonderful church family!* - Dot Barker

**PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: Pastor Brett Eubank and Eric Vess**

Rivermont EPC Elder Eric Vess left this past Tuesday for Myanmar and Nepal. He will teach in a pastors and leaders conference in Mandalay before meeting Pastor Brett Eubank in Yangon, Myanmar for the annual Myanmar Young Crusaders training conference sponsored by REPC (Jan 17-19). Our relationship with MYC began in the year 2000 through the efforts of Vic Uotinen, whose parents were missionaries in Burma. The relationship is facilitated by Advancing Native Missions, where Eric serves as International Communications Director. Pastor Brett and Eric will also visit our ministry partners in Nepal (Jan 21-27). It will be Brett's first visit to both countries. Please pray for health and safety through the long hours and days of travel to and from Myanmar and Nepal. Pray that Brett and Eric will be an encouragement to the pastors and leaders they will minister to in both countries.

**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 Center. They will be identified with name tags. This ministry is available to visitors as well as members. All prayer requests are confidential.