Sermon Notes

- 1. The Beauty of Redeemed Desire (1-6)
- a. Desires Redeemed Headship (1-2)
- b. Desires Christlike Submission (3-6a)
- c. Fears the Lord Alone (6b)
- 2. The Empathy of Redeemed Honor (7)
 - a. Honors Redeemed Submission (7a)
 - b. Honors Equality in Christ (7b)
 - c. Fears the Lord Alone (7c)

Prayer Opportunities

IN HOSPITAL: Erle Thompson, Vic Uotinen

RECUPERATING: None

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK: ADVANCING NATIVE MISSIONS

Our missionary partners, Advancing Native Missions (ANM) are spearheading a prayer event to mobilize Christians to pray for the gospel to be shared with the 7,100 remaining unreached people groups in the world. The prayer event will begin on May 30 (Ascension Day) and conclude on June 9 (Pentecost Sunday). This is an exciting opportunity for REPC to be involved in. Please pick up your prayer guide today on the Mission Table in the Cheatham Center. Also, be on the lookout for an email from Pastor Brett on Tuesday with more information. To learn more, you can go to: https://advancingnativemissions.com/pray-for-the-unreached.

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 we 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 9:45 am between worship services.
- Join one of our Life Groups 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, May 26

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 12:30 pm 20-Somethings Lunch (Youth House) 5:30 pm Youth Summer Intern Party

Monday, May 27 MEMORIAL DAY - CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, May 28 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Tuesday, May 28 (continued) 6:30 pm Trail Life (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, May 30

5:00 pm Men's Pig Pickin' 7:00 pm Women's OASIS Bible Study

Sunday, June 2

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room) 8:30 am Worship with the Lord's Supper 9:45 am Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary) 11:00 am Worship with the Lord's Supper 6:00 pm 6th-8th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

Monthly Financial Report

GENERAL FUND AS OF APRIL 30, 2019

Budget to date: \$1,534,014
Behind budget: (\$66,319)
Year-to-date contributions: \$1,467,696
Year-to-date expenses: \$1,486,718
Contributions under Expenses: (\$19,022)

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OUR PASSION: the renewing of lives through God's compelling love in Lynchburg and the world.

ORDER of WORSHIP

May 26, 2019
Fifth Sunday in Eastertide

Preparation for Worship

As you enter the Sanctuary, 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 would meditate and dwell on Your wonderful faithfulness. Great indeed is Your faithfulness. There is no shadow of turning with You. We pray that You would open our eyes this morning so that we may see You more clearly and our ears so that we may hear Your voice more clearly. Open also our hearts so that we may eagerly respond to do what You call us to do. We ask these things in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

PRELUDE:

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

arr. James Pethel

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

arr. Michael D. Costello

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Mike Palombo

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Matthew 11:28-30 (responsively)

Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.

Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart,

and you will find rest for your souls.

For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #283

"Allelvia! Allelvia!"

EBENEZER

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Isaiah 54:5,10

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE: #188

"Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting" (vs. 2, 3) TRANQUILLITY

*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:

During the interlude, children ages 4 to first grade may be dismissed for Children's Church to the Orange Room #115.

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: 1 Peter 3:1-7 (page 1015)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "The Redeemed Culture of Marriage"

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE NICENE CREED (in unison)

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by Whom all things were made; Who, for us and our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; Who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*THE GLORIA:

"Gloria Patri"

GREATOREX

Dr. David Weber

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, 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

arr. Lloyd Larson

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"
(Based on Psalm 23)

My Shepherd will supply my need, the God of love supreme; In pastures green You let me feed beside the living stream. You bring my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake Your ways; And lead me for Your mercy's sake in paths of truth and grace. When I walk through the shades of death Your presence is my stay; One word of Your supporting breath drives all my fears away. Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my table spread; My cup with blessings overflows, Your oil anoints my head. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; O may Your house be my abode, and all my work be praise! There would I find a settled rest while others go and come; No more a stranger nor a guest, but like a child at home.

Abigail Hartless – flute

*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):

All praise be to You, eternal God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—to Whom be glory forever and ever! You are the God of our creation, redemption, sanctification; and from You we have received every good gift for body and soul. Receive this offering of our lives, we pray, and be pleased to work Your good will in our lives and through these gifts, for the increase of Your kingdom upon the earth and the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: See Insert

"The Reformation Hymn"

Anderson and Kauflin

*THE BENEDICTION

"A-men, A-men!"

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

*POSTLUDE:

"O Worship the King"

arr. Michael Burkhardt

*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.

You can also share your prayer needs on a Connect Card, which can be found in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate or one of the designated prayer boxes located outside the Library and in the Locke Commons.

The Sanctuary Floral Arrangement

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Stan Marshall.