

Sermon Notes

1. You must give your life to the church. (v. 8)
2. You must give your life to your enemies. (v. 9a)
3. You must receive your life from the Lord. (vv. 9b-12)

Prayer Opportunities

IN HOSPITAL: None

RECUPERATING: Erle Thompson

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO Toni Termotto in the death of her daughter-in-law, Christy Ann Termotto, who died Friday, May 24. She was from College Station, Texas. Remain in prayer for Toni's son Christian and her granddaughter Mali.

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK:

DENNIS RYAN – THE JESUS FILM PROJECT/CRU ORLANDO, FLORIDA
Dennis leaves on June 6 for a six-week, 2,000-mile bike ride from Washington, DC to Fort Collins, Colorado, where he will participate in CRU19, a biennial gathering of CRU staff. Dennis's prayer is that his trip will be used to help new ethnic minority staff members who have special challenges raising the support they need to begin their work. He hopes to raise pledges totaling \$10 a mile, which would provide \$20,000 to help match the support raised by the new ethnic minority staff. If you want to read more and/or make a pledge, email Dennis.Ryan@CRU.org.

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, 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)
9:45 am Infant-8th Grade Sunday School
11:00 am Worship with the Lord's Supper

Monday, June 3

10:00 am Prayer Group (Family Room)

Tuesday, June 4

6:30 am Dawn Patrol
10:30 am Circle 4 (Country Gardens)
4:00 pm Shepherding and Care (204)
5:00 pm RDC (Conference Room)
6:00 pm 6th-12th Grade Bible Study

Wednesday, June 5

5:00 pm Building and Grounds Meeting

Thursday, June 6

6:30 pm Youth Ultimate Frisbee
7:00 pm Women's OASIS Bible Study

Saturday, June 8

12:00 pm No Walls Second Saturday Picnic

Sunday, June 9

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)
8:30 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am College Hour
11:00 am Worship Service
11:00 am Westminster Canterbury Service

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

ORDER of WORSHIP

June 2, 2019
Ascension Sunday

Preparation for Worship

As you enter the Sanctuary, please prepare your heart for worship and silence your mobile devices.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Almighty God, Your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that He might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace; bring all creation to worship at His feet, Who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRELUDE: *"Partita on 'Rejoice, the Lord Is King'"* Charles Callahan

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!

Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;

When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above.

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n;

The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n.

He sits at God's right hand till all His foes submit,

And bow to His command, and fall beneath His feet.

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,

And take His servants up to their eternal home.

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 34:1-3 (responsively)

I will bless the LORD at all times;

His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

Let the humble hear and be glad.

Oh, magnify the LORD with me,

And let us exalt His name together!

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #295 *"Crown Him with Many Crowns"* DIADEMATA

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 8:1-2

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE: *"Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!"* (vs. 5) HYFRYDOL

Jesus! I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find;

He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine.

Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend!

Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.

*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:

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 3:8-12 (page 1015)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "To Love Life" Dr. David Weber

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

THE PHILIPPIAN CREED based on Philippians 2:6-11 (in unison)

We believe in Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death—even death on a cross! Therefore, God has highly exalted Him and given Him the name that is above every name; that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*THE GLORIA: *"Alleluia! Alleluia!"* (vs. 3) EBENEZER

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;

Alleluia to the Savior, Who has won the victory;

Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity.

Alleluia! Alleluia to the Triune Majesty.

THE RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM: Sanctuary Choir

"Steal Away" Traditional Spiritual, arr. Howard Helvey

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus.

Steal away, steal away home, I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, He calls me, He calls me by the thunder.

The trumpet sounds within-a my soul, I ain't got long to stay here.

Charles Taylor – soprano saxophone

*THE COMMUNION HYMN: #94 *"How Firm a Foundation"* (vs. 1-4) FOUNDATION

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 HYMN OF RESPONSE: #94 *"How Firm a Foundation"* (vs. 5-6) FOUNDATION

*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE: *"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"* arr. Alice Jordan

*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.
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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.