

Sermon Notes

1. The Content of Our Defense

2. The Manner of Our Defense

3. The Suffering for Our Defense

Prayer Opportunities

IN HOSPITAL: None

RECOVERING: None

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO Jeff Griffith and family in the death of his mother, Betty Kiser Griffith, who died Tuesday, June 11. She was from Charlotte, North Carolina.

BE IN PRAYER FOR OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS AND LEADERS as they attend The Edge Conference this week. Pray for students to hear and know the gospel of Jesus Christ.

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK:

JOHN CARTER – FELLOWSHIP INTERNATIONAL MISSION (FIM)/JAPAN

John Carter was commissioned at REPC on June 9 for his two months of service in Kanazawa, Japan. John will partner with missionaries John and Misty Mahar who teach English. Pray that God will use him to support Japanese congregations in their evangelism, create ESL and Bible study materials, and do campus outreach at the Japan Advanced Institute of Science and Technology.

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 16

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
6:00 pm Mission First Service (Chapel)

Monday, June 17

10:00 am Prayer Group (Family Room)

Tuesday, June 18

6:30 am Dawn Patrol
6:15 pm Deacons' Meeting (John Knox)
7:00 pm Officers' Prayer Meeting (John Knox)
7:30 pm Session Meeting (John Knox)

Wednesday, June 19

6:30 pm Wednesday Evening Prayer Service
7:00 pm VBS Training (206)

Thursday, June 20

10:00 am VBS Training (206)
7:00 pm Women's OASIS Bible Study

Sunday, June 23

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
12:00 pm VBS Set Up
4:00 pm 2020 Israel Trip Planning Meeting

Monthly Financial Report

GENERAL FUND AS OF MAY 31, 2019

Budget to date:	\$1,687,416
Behind budget:	(\$109,065)
Year-to-date contributions:	\$1,578,350
Year-to-date expenses:	\$1,637,686
Contributions under Expenses:	(\$59,336)

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EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

ORDER of WORSHIP

June 16, 2019

Trinity 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:

Our Lord and King, Who rules the world by Your powerful might and Your steadfast love, help us to worship You this morning in all of our songs, all of our prayers, all of our conversations, and all of our thoughts. Strengthen our faith with the great assurance of our hope in Christ which is as an anchor to our soul. Be to us our refuge that we might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us. And send us from this service to live lives of worship and mission to Your glory. Amen.

PRELUDE:

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

arr. Dan Miller

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Ron Cox

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 67:1-4 (responsively)

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us,
that Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations.
Let the peoples praise You, O God;
let all the peoples praise You!
Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon the earth.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #53

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

LOBE DEN HERREN

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: John 3:16; 1 John 1:9, 4:10

*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!

(8:30) THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Drew and Kristen Shaddock present their children Andrew William, Katherine Grace, and Parker William for baptism.

*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*"But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ."
(Ephesians 2:13)*

(11:00) 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 3:15-17 (page 1016)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"A Ready Defense"

Pastor Mike Palombo

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:

"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 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:

"Canon of Praise"

Sanctuary Choir

Mozart, arr. Wagner

Heav'n and earth, rejoice and sing:
"Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy, holy," to the King.
Glory, honor, adoration, alleluia, praises we bring.
Allelu, allelu, alle, alleluia!

*THE DOXOLOGY:

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.

OLD HUNDREDT

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison):

Gracious God, everything we have comes from You. You fill us with good things. Our hearts and lives overflow with Your abundance. With thanksgiving we bring to You our time, talents, and tithes. Use these gifts that You have given us to feed others as we have been fed, to serve others as we have been served, to bless others as we have been blessed, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #263

"Lift High the Cross"

CRUCIFER

*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE:

"Sortie"

Cesar Franck

*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.

The Sanctuary Floral Arrangement

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the marriage of Sarah Catherine Straw to Jacob Michael Sonnenberg.