Sermon Notes

"Time to Wait" Psalm 62

1. The Meaning of Waiting

2. The Reasons for Waiting

3. The Obstacles to Waiting

4. The Work of Waiting

5. The Hope of Waiting

Prayer Opportunities

RECUPERATING: Bill Westenbarger

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: Philip and Sarah (Miller) Weston, Young Life International, Hertford, England

Sarah and Phil give thanks for God's many gifts in 2019: the healthy arrival of Anne Radcliff in January, purchasing their first home in March, student ministry through the summer, the wedding of Sarah's sister Kathleen in October, and the baptism of two of their students in November. Let's pray for God's blessings on their family and their work among middle and high school students.

Welcome to Rivermont!

Whether you are new to Lynchburg or new to our 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 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).

Monthly Financial Report

GENERAL FUND as of December 31,2019 Budget to date: \$899,363 Ahead of budget: \$68,236 Year-to-date contributions: \$967,599 Year-to-date expenses: \$849,726 Contributions over Expenses: **\$117,873**

Praise God for your faithfulness and generosity reflected in our year-end giving. Your Session Elders are grateful for our gospel partnership.

Coming Up This Week

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Sunday, January 26	Wednesday, January 29
8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)	9:00 am Preschool
8:30 am Worship Service	3:45 pm Rivermont Ringers
9:30 am 20-Somethings+ Coffee Corner and	4:30 pm Praise Ringers and Rivermont Chime
Life Group (Country Gardens)	5:15 pm Carillon, Cherub, Chapel, New Song
9:45 am College Hour	5:45 pm Rivermont Fellowship Night Meal
9:45 am Sunday School	(Fellowship Hall)
9:45 am Getting to Know Rivermont	6:30 pm Bible Studies
(Room 203)	6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
11:00 am Worship Service	
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)	Thursday, January 30

Monday, January 27

9:00 am Preschool 10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 202) 10:30 am Caregivers' Group Meeting (Room 204)

6:30 pm BRITE Class (Room 205)

Tuesday, January 28

6:30 am Dawn Patrol 6:36 am High School Boys' (Biscuitville)

9:00 am Preschool 6:30 pm BRITE Class (Room 205)

Thursday, January 30

9:30 am Rivermont Oasis (Quinlan Room) 10:00 am Community Bible Study (FH)

Saturday, February 1

10:00 am Fostering Hope Meeting (Room 204)

Sunday, February 2

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room) 8:30 am Worship Service with Communion 9:30 am 20-Somethings+ Coffee Corner and Life Group (Country Gardens) 9:45 am College Hour (Rivermont A) 9:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am Getting to Know Rivermont (Room 203) 11:00 am Worship Service with Communion 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

6-20 nm 7th-12th Grade SNI (Youth Center)

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

ORDER of WORSHIP

January 26, 2020

Preparation for Worship

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

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Most holy God Who has created us and Who sustains us through Your mighty hand of providence; we pray that this morning You would send forth Your light and Your truth, that they would lead us and guide us. So that You would be honored in the praises of us Your people. In Christ's holy name. Amen.

PRELUDE: Praise Ringers

"Blessed Be Your Name"

Redman, arr. Bettcher

Blessed be Your name In the land that is plentiful; Where Your streams of abundance flow: blessed be Your name. Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place, Though I walk through the wilderness: blessed be Your name.

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.

When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say:

"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name!"

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me,

When the world's 'all as it should be': blessed be Your name.

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,

Though there's pain in the offering. Blessed be Your name.

You give and take away, You give and take away.

My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name!"

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Ron Cox

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 62:5-8 (responsively)

For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from Him.

He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

Trust in Him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before Him;

God is a refuge for us.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #513

BRYN CALFARIA

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 5:8; Colossians 1:13-14

"Blessed Lord, in Thee Is Refuge"

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power" (verses 1&3) O QUANTA QUALIA Blessing and honor and glory and power, Wisdom and riches and strength evermore Give ye to Him Who our battle hath won, Whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne.

Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb; Take we the robe and the harp and the palm; Sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain, Dying in weakness, but rising to reign.

THE SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM (8:30)

Josh and Tasha Yeoman present their son Henry Patterson Yeoman for baptism.

*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."
(Romans 15:7)

CHERUB CHOIR (11:00):

"My God Is So Great"

Jeff Reeves

Amy Hall - Director; Charis Jantomaso - Accompanist

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: Psalm 62 (page 479)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "Time to Wait" 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: "Praise and Glory to the Father"

Praise and glory to the Father, praise and glory to the Son,

Praise and glory to the Spirit: ever Three and ever One;

One in might and One in glory, while unending ages run!

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:

The Sanctuary Choir

Jane M. Marshall

"My Eternal King"

My God, I love Thee; not because I hope for heav'n thereby,
Nor yet because who love Thee not must die eternally.
Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst me upon the cross embrace;
For me didst bear the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace.
Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love Thee well?
Not for the hope of winning heav'n, or of escaping hell;
Not with the hope of gaining aught, not seeking a reward;
But as Thyself hast loved me, O everloving Lord!
E'en so I love Thee, and will love, and in Thy praise will sing;
Solely because Thou art my God, and my Eternal King.

*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 Father of everlasting love, we give You thanks for the gift of life, for the blessings of Your providence, and for the promise of Your presence with us through Your Son, Jesus Christ, by the power of Your Spirit. We praise You for all the spiritual blessings which You have lavished upon us through Your Son, our Savior – for the gift of new birth, new life, the forgiveness of our sins, our adoption as Your children, and the hope of glory! All praise, honor, and glory be to You, the Sovereign God of life and life everlasting. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #92

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

EIN' FESTE BURG

*THE BENEDICTION

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

THE POSTLUDE:

"How Firm a Foundation"

arr. Carolyn Hamlin

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.

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