

Sermon Notes

"Prayer and Praise from Pits and Peaks"
Psalm 30

1. How You Fell Down into the Pit

2. How God Draws You Up From the Pit

3. How You Lift Up God From the Pit and the Peak

Prayer Opportunities

IN APPRECIATION:

Dear Rivermont Family, Thank you for your fervent prayers for David and our family. Meals, visits and texts have made us feel very loved and cared for during this past month. We are thankful to be a part of this church body and have received Christ's peace, love and comfort through you.
"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts to which indeed you were called in one body. Colossians 3:15
In Christ, Andrea, Sydney and Nick Adams

PRAYING FOR REPC STAFF: Carlton Cash and Donna Sligh

- We give thanks for Carlton Cash who has been a part of our staff for 9 years. He will be retiring at the end of March. Please let Carlton know how much he is appreciated for his faithful service!
- Donna Sligh will be our new Buildings Superintendent, and will begin working with Carlton starting tomorrow, February 3! Please welcome Donna and let her know you are excited she is part of our staff!

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: Tom and Jane, last name withheld for security

Tom and Jane labor in a sensitive area in North Africa where they and their teammates are engaged in micro business enterprise startups, which are critical to help bolster their host country's economy and as a means of reaching Muslims for Christ. They are planning an English Camp for this summer, which has been fruitful to make and deepen relationships with those around them. Our own Ashlyn, who joined Tom and Jane's team last year, reports, "I have moved into a house, started language learning, and begun serving. It finally feels like both feet are on the ground and now I am learning to walk."

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.

Next Steps to Connect:

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 us for dinner and classes on Wednesday nights during the fall and spring.
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- 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.

If you would like more information about these opportunities, stop by our Welcome Table!

Coming Up This Week

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)
5:00 pm 7th-12th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

Monday, February 3

9:00 am Preschool
10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 202)

Tuesday, February 4

6:30 am Dawn Patrol
9:00 am Preschool
10:30 am Circle #4 (Country Gardens)
12:00 pm Prayer and Fasting (Chapel)
4:00 pm Shepherding and Care Meeting (Room 205)
5:00 pm Relational Discipleship Meeting (Conference Room)
6:30 pm BRITE class (Room 205)

Wednesday, February 5

9:00 am Preschool
3:45 pm Rivermont Ringers
4:30 pm Praise Ringers and Rivermont Chimes
5:00 pm Building and Grounds Meeting
5:15 pm Carillon, Cherub, Chapel, New Song

Wednesday, February 5 (continued)

5:45 pm RFN Meal (Fellowship Hall)
6:30 pm Bible Studies
6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 6

9:30 am Oasis (Quinlan Room)
10:00 am CBS (Fellowship Hall)
6:30 pm BRITE class (Room 205)

Friday, February 7

6:00 pm REPC Women's Winter Retreat (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday, February 8

9:00 am REPC Women's Winter Retreat (Fellowship Hall)
12:00 pm No Walls Second Saturday Picnic (HRCC)

Sunday, February 9

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)
8:30 am Worship Service
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
11:00 am Westminster Canterbury Service
12:45 pm 20-Somethings+ Lunch on the Run (Country Gardens)
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

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

ORDER of WORSHIP

February 2, 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:

Almighty and everlasting God, Who governs all things in heaven and earth: mercifully hear our prayers and receive our praises, and grant us Your peace by the power of Your Word and Spirit; to the glory of Your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE:

Carillon Handbells

arr. Ron Mallory

"How Firm a Foundation"

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He has said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

arr. Robert James Lamb

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last!

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively): Psalm 30:4-5

*Sing praises to the LORD, O you His saints,
and give thanks to His holy name.
For His anger is but for a moment,
and His favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may tarry for the night,
but joy comes with the morning.*

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #523

"My Hope Is in the Lord"

WAKEFIELD

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

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

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"There Is a Redeemer" (v. 2)

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain.
Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

CHAPEL CHOIR:

"Spirit Train"

Patti Drennan

Lori Flowers – Director; Rebecca Edmiston – 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 30 (page 461)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

Dr. David Weber

"Prayer and Praise from Pits and Peaks"

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!"

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

"Great God of Wonders"

John Newton

Great God of wonders! All Thy ways are matchless, god-like, and divine;
But the fair glories of Thy grace more god-like and unrivaled shine.
Who is a pard'ning God like Thee? Or who has grace so rich and free?
In wonder lost, with trembling joy we take the pardon of our God;
Pardon for crimes of deepest dye, a pardon bought with Jesus' blood.
O may this strange, this matchless grace, this god-like miracle of love,
Fill the whole earth with grateful praise, and all th' angelic choirs above.

*THE COMMUNION HYMN: (See Insert)

"The Communion Hymn" (vs. 1-3)

COMMUNION

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: (See Insert)

"The Communion Hymn" (v. 4)

COMMUNION

*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE:

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

arr. Carolyn Hamlin

*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.