

Sermon Notes

"Whole Life Care"
Psalm 71

1. Remember God's Lifetime of Care

2. Trust God's Present Strength

3. Pursue God's Continuing Purpose

4. Hope in God's Resurrection Promise

Prayer Opportunities

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO:

- Betty Lynn Blanks and family in the death of her mother, Lorene Smallwood Johnson, who died February 13. Visitation is today from 3:30 pm until 5:30 pm at Updike Funeral Home in Bedford, VA. A funeral service will be held on Monday, February 17, at 11:00 am at Bedford Baptist Church in Bedford.
- The family of Audrey Pritchett, who died on February 13. Visitation and service details to follow in a future email.

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: Oong and Elana Lee -- Serge London, UK

Please pray for wisdom in how to care for our church members, many of whom are going through times of severe trial, confident that He who began a good work in us (and them) will continue to perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

The Lees and their small church family are still in contact with Tim (not real name), though he has not attended church or Bible study in the New Year. He's recently expressed that he's struggling with religion. Let's pray that the Lord will answer Tim's questions and draw him and his family to Jesus.

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 16

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
 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
 5:30 pm 7th-8th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

Monday, February 17

9:00 am Preschool
 10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 202)
 6:30 pm BRITE Class (Room 205)

Tuesday, February 18

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study
 9:00 am Preschool
 5:30 pm VBS Council Meeting (Room 302)
 6:15 pm Deacons' Meeting (John Knox)
 6:30 pm BRITE Class (Room 205)
 7:00 pm Officers' Prayer Meeting (John Knox)
 7:30 pm Session Meeting (John Knox)

Wednesday, February 19

9:00 am Preschool
 12:00 pm 60 Plus Luncheon (Rivermont Room)
 3:45 pm Rivermont Ringers
 4:30 pm Praise Ringers and Rivermont Chimes

Wednesday, February 19 (continued)

5:15 pm Carillon, Cherub, Chapel, New Song
 5:45 pm Rivermont Fellowship Night Meal (Fellowship Hall)
 6:30 pm Bible Studies
 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 20

9:30 am Rivermont Oasis (Quinlan Room)
 10:00 am Community Bible Study (FH)
 6:00 pm Men's Brunswick Stew (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, February 21

7:00 pm Father - Daughter Dance (Cheatham Center)

Sunday, February 23

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
 9:45 am Sunday School
 9:45 am Getting to Know Rivermont (Room 203)
 11:00 am Worship Service
 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
 6:00 pm Getting to Know Rivermont Connections Dinner (Eubank's)

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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

February 16, 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:

Holy Father, Whose only-begotten Son endured the cross for our salvation: grant us grace, and the power of the Holy Spirit, that we in true faith might take up our cross daily and follow Him. In this hour of worship, replenish our souls, renew our minds, and refresh our spirits, so that we may run with endurance the race that is set before us. And not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to Your name give glory, for the sake of Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prelude:

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

Rivermont Chimes

Founds, arr. Bettcher

Lord, I lift Your name on high, Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life, I'm so glad You came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth, to show the way;
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay.
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky,
Lord, I lift Your name on high.

"Here I Am to Worship"

Hughes, arr. Bettcher

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You.
Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Ron Cox

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Matthew 11:28-29

"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: #460

"Amazing Grace!"

AMAZING GRACE

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Psalm 103:12; 1 John 1:7,9

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" (vs. 3 & 4)

TOPLADY

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling; naked, come to Thee for dress; helpless, look to Thee for grace; foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death, when I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne, Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

*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: Psalm 71 (page 484)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"Whole Life Care"

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"

REGENT SQUARE

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

"In You, O Lord, I Will Place My Trust"

Allen Pote

(Based on Psalms 31 and 71)

In You, O Lord, I will place my trust, for You are my hope and my strength.
In You, O Lord, I have taken refuge, for You are the God of truth.
Be my guide, lead me, Lord, incline Your ear unto me.
Save me, Lord, in Your steadfast love, be my rock and my strength.
I will rejoice and be glad, be glad in Your love,
For You have seen my affliction.
You have known the sorrows, the sorrows of my heart. I will trust in You.

In You, O Lord, I will place my trust, for You are my hope and my strength.
In You, O Lord, I have taken refuge, for You are the God of truth.
You are my hope and my strength, You are my rock and salvation.
In You, O Lord, I will place my trust.
Praise the Lord, for He is gracious; never shall His promise fail.
God has made His saints victorious; sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation; hosts on high, His pow'r proclaim;
Heav'n and earth, and all creation, laud and magnify His name!
My hope and my strength, my rock and salvation.
In You, O Lord, I will place my trust.

*THE DOXOLOGY:

OLD HUNDREDETH

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):

Eternal God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – we praise You for Your providence above, around, beneath and within our lives! We thank You for every good and perfect gift which we have received from Your all-gracious hand. We rejoice in Your unfailing faithfulness and unchanging goodness. Receive this offering, we pray, as we offer ourselves anew to You. May Your kingdom increase in our lives, in Your church, and throughout the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #402

"Abide with Me: Fast Falls the Eventide"

EVENTIDE

*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE:

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

arr. Don Hustad

*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.