

Sermon Notes

"The Peace of God's Terrifying Voice"
Psalm 29

1. The Perspective of the Temple (vv. 1-2)

2. The Voice of the Thunder (vv. 3-9)

3. The Power of the Throne (vv. 10-11)

Congregational Meeting, Sunday, August 30

The Session has called a congregational meeting for this morning after the 8:00 am worship service. It will be held in the Sanctuary and via Zoom for the following purposes:

- To adjust the three-year terms of service for ruling elders and deacons to correspond with the ministry year, September 1 - August 31.
- For Session to assign an elder or deacon to serve as a mentor for each respective elder or deacon nominee for a period of up to one year.
- For Officer Nominees to attend training classes and meetings per pastoral directive and to receive guidance from the pastors and mentors for opportunities to prepare the nominee for service.
- To approve revisions to the congregation-approved documents entitled, "*The Nomination and Election of Church Officers*" and related "*Elders and Deacons*" (vows and qualifications for church officers) to reflect the previous motions.

Prayer Opportunities

RECUPERATING: Greg Alty, Claire Dodd, David Faidley, Lori Gassler, Charlie Mitchell, Andrew Shaddock, Chuck and Anne Spruill, and Ryan Webb

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center

The Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center exists to save lives and comfort those involved with unplanned pregnancies while furthering the gospel of Jesus Christ. They are a non-profit medical clinic offering free and confidential services regarding options for women and men facing a mistimed pregnancy. Their annual banquet will be held Thursday, September 24, 2020 in the International Plaza fellowship area at Heritage Baptist Church. We are asked to pray for recent changes in abortion laws in Virginia and how they will effect the ministry at BRPC.

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 on our website at rivermont.org/connect.

Next Steps to Connect:

We invite you to take some additional steps to get more connected to this church body.

- Visit www.rivermont.org/zoom to find Adult online Discipleship groups.
- Attend a Sunday School class via zoom at 9:30 am between worship services.
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.

If you would like more information about these opportunities, visit our website at rivermont.org.

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

There are four ways to give:

1. By placing your offering in the offering plates located in the Narthex.
2. Texting an amount to 434-595-3833, follow the prompts.
3. Online at www.rivermont.org/give.
4. Mail check to REPC, 2424 Rivermont Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24503.

Coming Up This Week

Sunday, August 30

8:00 am Worship Service
9:05 am Congregational Meeting
(Sanctuary and via Zoom)
9:30 am Adult Sunday School (via Zoom)
9:30 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group (via Zoom)
11:00 am Worship Service
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (via Zoom)

Tuesday, September 1

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study
(via Zoom)
12:00 pm Fasting & Prayer (via Zoom)

Wednesday, September 2

4:30 pm Praise Ringers (John Knox)
5:15 pm Carillon (John Knox)
5:15 pm Chapel Choir (Choir Room)
5:15 pm New Song (Room 301)
6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir (Sanctuary)

Friday, September 4

6:00 pm Women's Picnic Dinner (Riverside Park)

Sunday, September 6

8:00 am Worship Service with Communion
9:30 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group (via Zoom)
11:00 am Worship Service with Communion
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (via Zoom)

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

ORDER of WORSHIP

August 30, 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:

Lord, as we come to worship You this morning, may Your Spirit open our hearts and our understanding to see both our own desperate need and Your gracious provision for our salvation in Jesus Christ. Open our eyes also to see Your greatness and glory more clearly. Convict us, convert us, cleanse us and consecrate us, so that we may willingly and wholeheartedly give ourselves to You and to Your service. Enable us now to worship You in spirit and in truth. This we pray in the strong name of Jesus. Amen.

PRELUDE: "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"

arr. Robert A. Hobby

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love;
Leading onward, leading homeward, to Thy glorious rest above.

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Ron Cox

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 29:1-2 (responsively)

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE:

"O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing" (vv. 1,5,6)

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O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.

He speaks and, listening to His voice, new life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 1 John 1:8-9

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (v. 4)

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He breaks the power of reigning sin, He sets the pris'ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.

*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: Psalm 29

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "The Peace of God's Terrifying Voice"

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: "Gloria Patri"

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end! A—men, A—men!

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 OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

Julie Haley, soloist

"Come, Ye Disconsolate"

Rob Gardner

Come, ye disconsolate, where'er ye languish.
Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.
Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell your anguish;
Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.
Joy of the desolate, light of the straying,
Hope of the penitent, fadeless and pure!
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying,
"Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot cure."
There is hope and joy in its pastures, there is life and light in its stores,
There is peace and love in its meadows, there is healing on its shores!
There is peace and love in its teachings, there is comfort in its words.
Here see the bread of life; see waters flowing.
Flow from the throne of God, pure from above.
Come to the feast of love; come, ever knowing
Earth has no sorrow but heaven can remove.
Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal.

*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.

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*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. May all that we have and all that we are be consecrated for Your service and Your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE:

"How Great Thou Art" (vv. 1,3,4)

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O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r thro'out the universe displayed.

(Refrain) Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!
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And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in,
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.

*THE BENEDICTION

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

*(PLEASE WAIT FOR ROW BY ROW DISMISSAL BY THE USHERS)

*POSTLUDE: "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" arr. Michael Burkhardt

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