

# Sermon Notes

*"Fearless in a Fearful World"*  
Psalm 46

1. We can be Fearless because God is our Refuge (vv. 1-3)

2. We can be Fearless because God is our Help (vv. 4-7)

3. We can be Fearless because God is our Peace (vv. 8-11)

## Prayer Opportunities

**RECUPERATING:** Greg Alty, Claire Dodd, Lori Gassler, Charlie Mitchell, Chuck and Anne Spruill, and Ryan Webb

**PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: Sharon Moe & Myanmar Young Crusaders**  
Rivermont has been a faithful partner of the Myanmar Young Crusaders (MYC) providing funding for their annual pastors' and christian workers' training conference in January as well as speakers for the conference, including Pastor Brett and most notably, Eric Vess, whose ministry there spans about 20 years. In addition to the conference, MYC runs a children's home, a drug rehab program, a Bible college, and a church in a leper colony. Under the leadership of Sharon Moe, daughter of the founder David Yon Moe, the ministry continues to impact the nation of Myanmar for the gospel. Please pray for their ministry as they seek to serve under stringent COVID-19 restrictions and especially for the leadership of the ministry. Both Sharon and her brother, Kevin, are struggling with health problems at this time and are looking to the Lord to bring healing as well as an end to the global suffering caused by COVID-19.

**Prayer & Care**  
If you have a need or prayer request, please share that need through the Rivermont website at [www.rivermont.org/prayer](http://www.rivermont.org/prayer). You may also email [janet@rivermont.org](mailto:janet@rivermont.org). All requests are confidential.

# Welcome to Rivermont!

Visitors, 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](http://rivermont.org/connect).

## Next Steps to Connect:

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

- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Weekend on November 6-7. Learn more at [www.rivermont.org/gtkr](http://www.rivermont.org/gtkr).
- Visit [www.rivermont.org/zoom](http://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](http://rivermont.org).

## Monthly Financial Report

### GENERAL FUND as of September 30, 2020

Budget to date:	\$449,681
Ahead of Budget:	\$ 3,593
Year-to-date contributions:	\$453,274
Year-to-date expenses:	\$396,682
Contributions over Expenses:	\$ 56,592

## Coming Up This Week

### Sunday, October 25 - Reformation Sunday

- 8:00 am Worship Service
- 9:30 am Adult Sunday School (via Zoom)
- 9:30 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group (via Zoom)
- 9:30 am 7th-12th grade Sunday School (via Zoom)
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (via Zoom)
- 5:00 pm Outdoor Worship Service (behind Country Gardens)

### Monday, October 26

- 9:00 am Preschool

### Tuesday, October 27

- 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (via Zoom)
- 9:00 am Preschool
- 4:00 pm Preschool Fundraising Night (Chipotle, Old Forest Road)

### Wednesday, October 28

- 9:00 am Preschool
- 4:30 pm Praise Ringers (Chapel)
- 5:15 pm Carillon (Chapel)
- 5:15 pm Chapel Choir (Choir Room)
- 5:15 pm New Song (Room 301)
- 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir (Sanctuary)

### Sunday, November 1 - All Saints' Day End of Daylight Savings Time

- 8:00 am Worship Service with Communion
- 9:30 am Adult Sunday School (via Zoom)
- 9:30 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group (via Zoom)
- 9:30 am 7th-12th grade Sunday School (via Zoom)
- 9:45 am Communion with the Pastors (Sanctuary)
- 11:00 am Worship Service with Communion
- 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (via Zoom)

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**RIVERMONT**  
EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

## ORDER of WORSHIP

October 25, 2020  
*Reformation Sunday*

## Preparation for Worship

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

### THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Father of all grace and glory, look on us in love and compassion through Your Son, Jesus Christ, and, by the power of Your Holy Spirit, enable us to worship You in spirit and in truth. Help us to draw near to You, in the assurance that You dwell with those who are of humble and contrite heart. Renew our minds by the truth of Your Word, strengthen our souls, and direct our wills that we may more fervently love You and more sincerely serve You, to the glory of Your name. Amen.

### PRELUDE:

**"Now Thank We All Our God"**

Brass Quintet and Organ

J. S. Bach, arr. Olson

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done, in Whom His world rejoices;  
Who from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

### THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Ron Cox

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Hebrews 12:22-24, 28-29 (responsively)

*You have come to Mount Zion, to the heavenly Jerusalem,  
the city of the living God;*

**We have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven.**

*You have come to God, the Judge of all men, to the spirits of righteous men made perfect;*

**We have come to Jesus, the Mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.**

*Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe,*

**For our God is a consuming fire!**

### \*THE HYMN OF PRAISE:

**"All Creatures of Our God and King"**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam,

(Refrain) O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,  
O praise Him, alleluia!

Thou rising morn in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice,

Thou flowing water, pure and clear, make music for thy Lord to hear,  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou fire so masterful and bright, that givest man both warmth and light,

And all ye men of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye, alleluia!

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on Him cast your care,

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him, alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one,

### \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

### \*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### \*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

**"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"** (v. 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.**

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00)

Joshua and Audrey Ashcroft present their son, Gregory Kenneth, 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)*

### THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: Psalm 46

### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### THE SERMON:

**"Fearless in a Fearful World"**

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"**

GREATOREX

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,

Pastor Brett Eubank

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:

Brass Quintet and Organ

**"Fanfare on 'A Mighty Fortress' "**

Gordon Young

### \*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 HUNDRETH

### \*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison):

Almighty and gracious Father, we give You thanks and praise for all Your goodness to us and over all creation; but above all we give thanks for the gift of Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, in Whom alone we have life and peace and everlasting joy. Trusting in Him, our Savior, we offer our hearts to You, eagerly and entirely, with joy and gratitude; and we pray that You will bless and multiply these tokens of our lives, and use them for the sake of Your kingdom throughout the earth; for the glory of Your name. Amen.

### \*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE:

**"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"**

EIN' FESTE BURG

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
Our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and power are great; and armed with cruel hate,  
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;  
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing.  
Dost ask Who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He, Lord Sabaoth His name,  
From age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us.  
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;  
His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; One little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth;  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; His kingdom is forever.

### \*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:

**"Sinfonia from Cantata No. 29"**  
**("We Thank Thee, God, We Thank Thee")**

J. S. Bach, trans. Daniel Ficarri

\*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.  
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### Ministering in Music This Morning

Trumpets:	Michael Straw	Horn:	Kelly Hartless
	Larry Seipp	Tuba:	Bill Folger
Trombone:	Walker Pennock	Organ:	Peggy Bettcher, Adelheid Terry