

# Sermon Notes

**"No Other Gospel"**  
Galatians 1:6-10

1. The Nature of Grace is Exclusive (vv. 6-7)

2. The Nature of Revelation is Exclusive (vv. 8-9)

3. The Nature of Service is Exclusive (v. 10)

## Prayer Opportunities

**RECUPERATING:** Greg Alty, Will Jenkins, Paul Lass, Jr., Rochelle Tillapaugh, and Ryan Webb

**EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE AND SYMPATHY:** As you remain in prayer for the family of Barb Schwan who passed away peacefully on January 6, 2021, the family embraced a private committal out of an abundance of caution with Covid-19. Mark and Kevin Schwan, Barb's sons, express their gratitude for your condolences and prayers. They also provide the following link for anyone who would like to view the service over the next 90 days in the safety of your home:

<https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/498994985>

### PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: BLUE RIDGE PREGNANCY CENTER

Rivermont's pastors and Session continue to affirm a strong biblical position in support of the sanctity of human life. The Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center is a local evangelical Christian ministry that ministers to women experiencing unplanned pregnancies, providing prenatal testing/screening, compassionate counseling, clothing, and help with placement of the child, if requested. Over the years, God has worked through the BRPC to save the lives of numerous babies, and the Center has been instrumental in leading many young women to a saving faith in Jesus Christ. To learn more about their ministry or to volunteer, consult the bulletin insert or go to: <http://brpcfriends.org>.

### 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.

- 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.
- Sign-up for our next Getting To Know Rivermont class at [www.rivermont.org/gtkr](http://www.rivermont.org/gtkr).

If you would like more information about these opportunities, visit our website at [rivermont.org](http://rivermont.org).

## The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Ways to give:

1. By placing your offering in the offering plates located in the Narthex.
2. By texting an amount to 434-595-3833; follow the prompts.
3. Online at [www.rivermont.org/give](http://www.rivermont.org/give).
4. By mailing a check to REPC, 2424 Rivermont Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24503.

## Coming Up This Week

### Sunday, January 17 - Sanctity of Life 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)

### Monday, January 18

9:00 am Preschool

### Tuesday, January 19

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (via Zoom)  
9:00 am Preschool  
6:00 pm Deacons' Meeting (via Zoom)  
7:00 pm Session Meeting (via Zoom)

### Wednesday, January 20

9:00 am Preschool  
4:30 pm Praise Ringers (Chapel)

### Wednesday, January 20 (continued)

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)  
7:00 pm Women's Oasis Bible Study (via Zoom)

### Thursday, January 21

10:00 am Women's Oasis Bible Study (via Zoom)

### Friday, January 22

6:30 pm 20 Somethings+ Food and Fun (Neiderers' home)

### Sunday, January 24

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)

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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

January 17, 2021

*Sanctity of Life 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:

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 we pray. Amen.

#### PRELUDE:

**(8:00) "Wonderful Words of Life"** arr. James Denton

Sing them over again to me, wonderful words of life;  
Let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life.  
Words of life and beauty teach me faith and duty:  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.  
Sweetly echo the gospel call, wonderful words of life;  
Offer pardon and peace to all, wonderful words of life.  
Jesus, only Savior, sanctify forever:  
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.

**(11:00) "Trio"** Noah Caldwell - Organ  
Johann Ludwig Krebs

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor Ron Cox

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: From Psalm 32 (responsively)**  
*Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,  
Whose sin is covered.*  
*Many are the sorrows of the wicked,*  
**But steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord.**  
*Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous,*  
**And shout for joy, all you upright in heart!**

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE:** (See Insert)  
**"To God Be the Glory"** TO GOD BE THE GLORY

#### \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON:** Isaiah 53:5; Colossians 1:4

**\*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:**  
**"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"** (vs. 1&3) TOWNEND  
**How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure;  
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One, bring many sons to glory.**

**I will not boast in anything; no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom;  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ; His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.  
But this I know with all my heart; His wounds have paid my ransom.**

**\*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: Galatians 1:6-10

#### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: **"No Other Gospel"** 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 OFFERTORY ANTHEM: **The Sanctuary Choir**  
**(8:00)** Kauflin, arr. Forrest

**"O Great God"**  
O Great God of highest heav'n, occupy my lowly heart.  
Own it all and reign supreme; conquer ev'ry rebel pow'r.  
Let no vice or sin remain that resists Your holy war.  
You have loved and purchased me; make me Yours forevermore.  
I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice,  
Did not know Your love within, had no taste for heaven’s joys.  
Then Your Spirit gave me life, opened up Your Word to me  
Through the gospel of Your Son, gave me endless hope and peace.  
Help me now to live a life that’s dependent on Your grace.  
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face.  
You are worthy to be praised with my ev'ry thought and deed.  
O great God of highest heav’n, glorify Your name through me.

**(11:00) "Meditation"** String Quartet  
Morricone, arr. Longfield  
Elizabeth Matney – Violin I, Peggy Bettcher – Violin II  
Christopher Matney – Viola, Jonathan Matney – Cello

**\*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:** (See Insert)  
**"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"** BEECHER

#### \*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:** **"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"** arr. Michael Burkhardt

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