

Sermon Notes

"Bewitched?"
Galatians 3:1-5

1. Every Christian has received the Spirit by hearing with faith (vv.1-2)

2. Every Christian must grow in the Spirit by hearing with faith (v. 3)

3. Every Christian must endure in the Spirit by hearing with faith (vv. 4-5)

Prayer Opportunities

RECUPERATING: Greg Alty, Will Jenkins, Charlotte Waters and Ryan Webb

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO Cliff Thomas and family in the loss of his wife, Shirley Thomas, on February 28. A memorial service was held on Friday, March 5, in the REPC Sanctuary. The flowers under the cross today are given by the family to the glory of God and in loving memory of Shirley.

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: Phil and Diane Thrash

Phil serves as the Eastern U.S. Associate for Missions Advancement and as Missionary Prayer Network Coordinator for the Eastern U.S. in EPC's World Outreach department. He travels throughout the eastern U.S. and elsewhere to visit EPC churches and to promote prayer for EPC World Outreach missionaries around the world, as well as to promote the "Engage 2025" initiative of our denomination. Pray that God will raise up prayer leaders in our presbytery as well as churches that will send church planting teams to unengaged Muslim areas. As Phil explains, "Prayer is important in the recruitment and equipping we do for our potential global workers, as well as the logistics of actually getting them and keeping them on the mission field so that they can be fruitful."

Prayer & Care

If you have a need or prayer request, please share that need through the Rivermont website at www.rivermont.org/prayer. You may also email 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.

Next Steps to Connect:

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

- Visit rivermont.org/zoom to find Adult Online Discipleship groups.
- Attend a Sunday School class at 9:30 am between worship services.
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Weekend on March 12-13. Learn more at rivermont.org/gtkr.

If you would like more information about these opportunities, visit our website at 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.
4. By mailing a check to REPC, 2424 Rivermont Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24503.

Coming Up This Week

Sunday, March 7

8:00 am Worship Service with Communion
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group
9:30 am College Hour
9:45 am Communion with the Pastors
11:00 am Worship Service with Communion
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (via Zoom)

Monday, March 8

9:00 am Preschool

Tuesday, March 9

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (via Zoom)
9:00 am Preschool
5:00 pm Preschool Fundraiser (Blaze Pizza)

Wednesday, March 10

9:00 am Preschool
4:30 pm Praise Ringers (Chapel)
5:15 pm Carillon (Chapel)
5:15 pm Chapel Choir (Choir Room)

Wednesday, March 10 continued

5:15 pm New Song (Room 301)
6:30 pm 7th-12th Grade Youth Group
7:00 pm Women's Oasis Bible Study (via Zoom)

Thursday, March 11

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

Friday, March 12

6:00 pm Getting to Know Rivermont Weekend (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday, March 13

9:00 am Getting to Know Rivermont Weekend (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, March 14 - Daylight Savings Time

8:00 am Worship Service
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group
9:30 am College Hour
11:00 am Worship Service
12:30 pm 20 Somethings+ Lunch on the Run (RA Bistro)
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

March 7, 2021

Preparation for Worship

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

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Our Father in heaven, Who sent Your only-begotten Son into the world, not to condemn the world but that the world through Him might be saved: we pray that You would be pleased to pour out Your Spirit upon us; that, with true repentance of our sins, we might take up our cross, deny ourselves, and faithfully follow Jesus Christ; in Whom alone we trust for our salvation, and in Whose holy name we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE:

(8:00)

"Allegro from 'Water Music Suite' "	String Quartet
"Minuet"	G. F. Handel
" 'Rigaudon' from Suite No. 5"	G. F. Handel
Elizabeth Matney – Violin I; Peggy Bettcher – Violin II	Henry Purcell
Christopher Matney – Viola; Jonathan Matney – Cello	

(11:00)

Doug and Julie Haley, Vicky Pogue	
"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing/Fill My Cup, Lord"	Robinson/Blanchard
Come Thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy never ceasing call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be; Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love. Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above. Fill my cup, Lord. I lift it up, Lord. Come and quench this thirsting of my soul. Bread of heaven, feed me 'til I want no more. Fill my cup. Fill it up and make me whole. Mold me, make me, fill me, use me. Here's my heart, Lord. Take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.	

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor Brett Eubank

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively): Psalm 32:1-2,11**
Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE: (See Insert)**
"All People That on Earth Do Dwell" OLD HUNDREDETH

***THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

***THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Psalm 32:5,11**

***THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:**
"Jesus Paid It All" (verses 3&4) ALL TO CHRIST
For nothing good have I, whereby Your grace to claim.
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.
Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.
Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

***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 3:1-5

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: **"Bewitched?"** 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 OFFERTORY ANTHEM:
(8:00) **Doug and Julie Haley, Vicky Pogue**
"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing/Fill My Cup, Lord" Robinson/Blanchard

(11:00) **"I Need Thee Every Hour"** Sanctuary Choir
arr. Mark Shepperd
I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine can peace afford.
I need Thee, O I need Thee; every hour I need Thee;
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.
I need Thee every hour, stay Thou nearby;
Temptations lose their pow'r when Thou art nigh.
I need Thee every hour, most Holy One;
O make me Thine indeed, Thou blessed Son.

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 Reception of the Bread and the Cup

The Concluding Communion Prayer

***THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: "Psalm 117"**
(Tune: All Creatures of Our God and King)
From all that dwell below the skies, O let Jehovah's praise arise!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
And let His glorious name be sung, in every land, by ev'ry tongue!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Great are the mercies of the Lord, and truth eternal is His Word!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Ye nations, sound from shore to shore Jehovah's praise for evermore!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

***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:** **"Psalm XIX"** Benedetto Marcello

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