

Sermon Notes

"The Curse of the Gospel"
Galatians 3:10-14

1. Our Sin Makes the Law a Curse (vv.10-12)

2. The Law Makes Christ a Curse (v. 13)

3. Christ Makes Us Blessed (v.14)

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.

Prayer Opportunities

RECUPERATING: Greg Alty, Will Jenkins, and Ryan Webb

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: Oong and Elena Lee serve with Serge in London, UK as part of a church planting team. Their church, New City IPC, is very much a reflection of their neighborhood, which is diverse ethnically and socio-economically. Pray that a spirit of unity will pervade in this church plant and that it will lead them to become more effective ministers of reconciliation in their neighborhood. Also pray for the team as they work through some leadership transitions that will see Oong transition to the lead pastor. Pray for a sense of renewed vision and purpose for this church plant that it might flourish in its community and mission.

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 Class. Learn more at rivermont.org/gtkr.
- If you would like more information about these opportunities, visit our website at rivermont.org.

Monthly Financial Report

GENERAL FUND as of February 28, 2021

Budget to date:	\$ 1,199,151
Ahead of Budget:	\$ 45,568
Year-to-date contributions:	\$1,244,719
Year-to-date expenses:	\$ 1,108,746
Contributions over Expenses:	\$ 135,973

Coming Up This Week

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| <p>Sunday, March 21
8:00 am Worship Service
9:30 am Sunday School
9:30 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group
11:00 am Worship Service
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (via Zoom)</p> <p>Monday, March 22
9:00 am Preschool</p> <p>Tuesday, March 23
6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (via Zoom)
9:00 am Preschool</p> <p>Wednesday, March 24
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)</p> | <p>Wednesday, March 24 continued
6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir (Sanctuary)
6:30 pm 7th-12th Grade Youth Group (Youth Center)
7:00 pm Women's Oasis Bible Study (via Zoom)</p> <p>Thursday, March 25
10:00 am Women's Oasis Bible Study (via Zoom)</p> <p>Friday, March 26
12:00 pm Lent Prayer Time (via Zoom)</p> <p>Saturday, March 27
9:30 am 20 Somethings+ Food and Fun (Lynchburg Community Market)</p> <p>Sunday, March 28 - Palm Sunday
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
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (via Zoom)</p> |
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OUR PASSION: *the renewing of lives through God's compelling love in Lynchburg and the world.*

ORDER of WORSHIP

March 21, 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:

Gracious Lord, our good and faithful Shepherd, we give You thanks for all the ways in which You guide and guard our lives. We thank You for protecting us and providing for our every need. We rejoice that You know us by name, and call us by name, and care for each one of us. We ask You now, O Shepherd of our souls, to be present with us in the power of Your Spirit. Comfort the afflicted, correct the wayward, assure the anxious, warn the straying, seek and save the lost, and lead us in the paths of righteousness, for Your names sake. Amen.

PRELUDE:

(8:00)

"At the Name of Jesus"

At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bow,
Ev'ry tongue confess Him King of glory now.
'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call Him Lord
Who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

Carillon

arr. Matthew Compton

(11:00)

"Cornerstone"

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame but wholly trust in Jesus' name.
Christ alone, Cornerstone; Weak made strong in the Savior's love.
Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all.
When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil.

Praise Ringers

arr. P. Bettcher

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 95:1-2

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;
Let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: (See Insert)

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

MADRID

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 1 John 1:9

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us" (vs. 1 & 3)
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.

TOWNEND

*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 3:10-14

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"The Curse of the 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:

(8:00)

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

What wondrous love is this, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!
To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing!
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
And through eternity I'll sing on!

Carillon

arr. Brenda E. Austin

(11:00)

"Bless the Lord, O My Soul (10,000 Reasons)"

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul, worship His Holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul, I'll worship Your Holy name.
The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.
You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.
And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come.
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending;
Ten thousand years and then forevermore!

*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 HUNDREDTH

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison):

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, You did not spare Your own Son, but gave Him up for us all; and with Him, You have freely given us all things. Receive these offerings, we pray; and enable us, with all our gifts, so to yield ourselves to You that with body, soul, and spirit we may truly and freely serve You, and in Your service find our perfect freedom and our deepest joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: (See Insert)

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

WONDRIOUS LOVE

*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:

"Trumpet Voluntary"

John Stanley

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

The Session received the following people into membership on their
March 16 meeting via Zoom:

Ken and Melinda Bradford	Steve and Rhonda McCombs
Ruth Ann Harris	Jason and Melissa Phelps
Lissa Hull	Cathy Rutman
Katrina Ing	

We give thanks to God for bringing them into the Rivermont family.