Sermon Notes

"Climate Change" 1 Kings 18:41-46

- 1. Every Christian Must Offer Humble Prayer to the Lord (vv.41-42)
- 2. Every Christian Must Offer Prayers Based on God's Promises (vv. 1, 42)
- 3. Every Christian Must Trust the Mystery of Prayer (v. 43)

4. Every Christian Must Awaken to the Wonder of Prayer (vv. 44-46)

Prayer Opportunities

ONGOING PRAYER: Sheree Britton, Kenneth (Stick) Haun, Michael Herbert, Westray Nowlin and Joan Pennock

CHURCH STAFF POSITION: Please be in prayer as we look to hire a part-time maintenance assistant to help with maintenance and repairs around our church facilities and grounds. If you know of someone who may be interested, have them send their resume to Kelly Nelson at Kelly@rivermont.org. The job description and application can be found on our church website at <u>rivermont.org/careers</u>.

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL

Thanking God for the lives that have been touched and changed in 200 countries through the ministry of Gideons International, we pray that God would add to that number daily those who are being saved through the reading of a Gideons Bible or New Testament. Pray that the Life Book, which contains a short recap of the Old Testament, the entire Gospel of John, and Scriptural answers to issues teens face, will be used to bring many young people to trust in Christ as their Lord and Savior. We are glad to welcome REPC member, David Harker, who will share more about the work of Gideons International in our morning worship service.

The Sanctuary Floral Arrangement

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by Dolly Pugh and family (Cary, Sydnor, Andrew and Frances) to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bill Pugh, who died February 15, 2018.

Prayer & Care

If you have a need or prayer request, please share that need through the Rivermont website at rivermont.org/prayer. You may also email janet@rivermont.org. All requests are confidential.

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 Digital Connect Card by scanning the QR code into your mobile device. You can also fill out a Connect Card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.



Next Steps to Connect:

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

- Attend live or Zoom Sunday School classes at 9:45 am (rivermont.org/sundayschool).
- Join us for dinner and Bible Studies on Wednesday nights.
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Weekend on March 4-5. Register at rivermont.org/gtkr.

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 <u>www.rivermont.org/give</u>.
- By mailing a check to REPC, 2424 Rivermont Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24503.

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, February 13

- 8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room) 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am GTKR (Country Gardens)
- 9:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group
- 9:45 am College Hour (CO House)
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 12:30 pm 20 Somethings+ Lunch on the Run
- (Mi Patron, Boonsboro Road) 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

Monday, February 14

9:00 am Preschool 10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 206)

Tuesday, February 15

- 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall & via Zoom) 9:00 am Preschool
- 6:15 pm Deacons' Meeting
- 7:00 pm Session Meeting

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- 9:00 am Preschool 4:30 pm Praise Ringers 5:15 pm Carillon, Chapel, Cherub, New Song 5:45 pm Rivermont Fellowship Night Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 pm Bible Studies 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, February 17

Wednesday, February 16

9:30 am Women's Oasis Bible Study 10:00 am Community Bible Study

Friday, February 18

6:00 pm Rivermont Youth (Dinner and Liberty Flames hockey game)

Sunday, February 20

- 8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room) 8:30 am Worship Service 9:45 am GTKR (Country Gardens) 9:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group 11:00 am Worship Service 12:30 pm College Lunch Hour (CO House) 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

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

ORDER of **WORSHIP**

February 13, 2022

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 prepare to worship You this morning, we would meditate and dwell on Your wonderful faithfulness. Great indeed is Your faithfulness. There is no shadow of turning with You. We pray that You would open our eyes this morning so that we might see You more clearly, and our ears that we may hear Your voice more clearly. Open also our hearts that we may eagerly respond to do what You call us to do. We ask these things in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

PRELUDE:

"The Lord's My Shepherd (Psalm 23)" (8:30) arr. Donald Hustad The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me down to lie In pastures green; He leadeth me the guiet waters by. My soul He doth restore again; and me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for His own name's sake. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear none ill, For Thou art with me; and Thy rod and staff me comfort still. My table Thou hast furnished in presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows. Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me: And in God's house forevermore my dwelling place shall be.

(11:00)

Doug and Julie Haley, Vicky Pogue "Your Grace Still Amazes Me" Craig and Harrington

My faithful Father, enduring Friend, Your tender mercy's like a river with no end. It overwhelms me, covers my sin. Each time I come into Your presence I stand in wonder once again. Your grace still amazes me, Your love is still a mystery. Each day I fall on my knees, 'cause Your grace still amazes me. Oh, patient Savior, You make me whole. You are the Author and the Healer of my soul.

What can I give You, Lord, what can I say?

I know there's no way to repay You, only to offer You my praise.

It's deeper, it's wider, it's stronger, it's higher

Than anything my eyes can see.

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Shane Whelan

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 111:1-3;9-10 (responsively) "Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever."

He sent redemption to His people;

He has commanded His covenant forever. Holy and awesome is His name! The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

His praise endures forever!

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #30 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"	ST. ANNE	THE PA Our Thy
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"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (v. 1) so	DLID 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,		(11:00)
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*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST "Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God (Romans 15:7) (Children pre-K through first grade may be dismissed for Children's Churc room, #115.)		Befo O kn On th His h Thou And I I will
THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: 1 Kings 18:41-46 (page 301)		
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*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:		for Y

THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, #1 (responsively):

What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

My only comfort is that I belong, body and soul, in life and in death, not to myself, but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. At the cost of His own precious blood, He has fully paid for all my sins, and has set me free from the dominion of the devil. He also watches over me so well that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven. Indeed, all things must work together to fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly ready and willing from now on to live for Him. Amen!

***THE GLORIA:** "Glorify Your Name" (VS. 1-3) Donna Adkins FATHER, we love You, we praise You, we adore You: Glorify Your name in all the earth! Glorify Your name, glorify Your name, glorify Your name in all the earth! (Repeat, using: JESUS and SPIRIT)

THE MOMENT FOR MISSION: **David Harker, Gideons International** (Checks should be made to Gideons International.)

***POSTLUDE:**

PASTORAL PRAYER, concluding with THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison): Our Father, Who art in heaven: hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Γhy 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 emptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

Doug and Julie Haley, Vicky Pogue "Your Grace Still Amazes Me" Craig and Harrington

Sanctuary Choir

Benjamin Harlan

OLD HUNDREDTH

"Know My Heart" (Adapted from Psalm 139) ord, You have searched me, You know ev'rything I do. When I rise, when I lie down, You are with me. Before I speak, You hear me, Your presence follows day by day. O know my heart, O God. If I ascend into heaven, You are there On the wings of the morning or in my deepest despair. lis hand shall lead me, His right hand will guide me, hough darkness should cover me, light shall surround me. And I will praise the Lord, I will praise the Lord, will praise Him with my whole heart!

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HE OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison):

Almighty and most merciful Father, we give You praise and thanks for all Your mercies: for Your goodness that created us; for Your bounty that sustains us; for Your discipline that corrects us; for Your patience that bears with us; and for Your love that has redeemed us. Grant us also, we pray, a heart to love You; and, by Your Spirit's power, enable us to show our thankfulness in lives of joyful service. Bless this offering for the sake of Your kingdom, for we offer these gifts in the name of Him Who loved us and gave Himself for us: Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #598 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

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***THE BENEDICTION**

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

"Toccata in G"

Theodore Dubois

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 congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so. Lyrics and music reproduced under CCLI#64526.