

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: (See Insert)
"Romans Doxology"

John Elliot

*THE BENEDICTION

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

*POSTLUDE: "Presto from Organ Concerto No. 5" G. F. Handel

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

"Lessons in Ignoring the Word of God"
1 Kings 22:1-40

1. Act without Considering God's Word
2. Look for Only Approval in God's Word
3. Overlook All Rebuke in God's Word
4. Suppress the Messenger of God's Word
5. Manipulate God's Word

Prayer Opportunities

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

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY are extended to Rodney and Jan Suddith in the death of their grandson, Alex Skinner. Pray for God's comfort for his parents, Tom and Abby Skinner and his siblings, Sam and Bobby.

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: RUSH HOMES

Rush Homes provide affordable and accessible housing opportunities for low-income people with disabilities in Lynchburg and surrounding communities. Rivermont has a strong connection to Rush Homes and we give thanks to God for the advocacy and support they provide for the disabled and disadvantaged in our community. Pray that God will continue to provide additional properties they can turn into housing for the disabled. For more on their ministry, go to www.rushhomes.org.

Prayer & Care

If you have a need or prayer request, you may 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 (rivermont.org/rfn).
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont class (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 www.rivermont.org/give.
4. 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, March 27

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)
 8:30 am Worship Service
 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)
 5:30 pm 7th-12th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

Monday, March 28

9:00 am Preschool
 10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 206)
 11:15 am Caregivers' Support Group (Room 206)

Tuesday, March 29

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall & via Zoom)
 9:00 am Preschool
 12:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

Wednesday, March 30

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

Thursday, March 31

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

Sunday, April 3

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

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

ORDER of WORSHIP

March 27, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Preparation for Worship

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

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

BLESSED LORD, Who has caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

PRELUDE:

(8:30)

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Grayson Laughon, violin

arr. Kristin Coleman Campbell

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

(11:00)

"Lessons from Colossians"

Chapel Choir

Joseph M. Martin

Clothe yourself with kindness. Be true in all your ways.
Be gentle kind and loving. Be covered in God's grace.
Be patient and forgiving. Share peace and harmony.
For God wants all His people to be all they can be.
We are God's church, a people set apart,
Working all together with unity of heart.
We are God's church, come see what Love has done!
For we are God's children, and grace has made us one.
Clothe yourself with mercy. Adorn yourself with love.
Grow strong and give to others. Have faith in God above.
Reflect the heart of Jesus. Reach out to those in need.
For God wants all His people to be all they can be.

Lori Flowers – Director; Charis Jantomaso – Accompanist

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Shane Whelan

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 119:9-11; 15-16

How can a young man keep his way pure?

By guarding it according to Your Word.

With my whole heart I seek You;

Let me not wander from Your commandments!

I have stored up Your Word in my heart,

That I might not sin against You.

I will meditate on Your precepts and fix my eyes on Your ways.

I will delight in Your statutes; I will not forget Your Word.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #26

"Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord"

WOODLANDS

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 1 John 1:9

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Jehovah's Perfect Law"

(Tune: "Rejoice the Lord is King")

Jehovah's perfect law restores the soul again;
His testimony sure gives wisdom unto men;
The precepts of the Lord are right and fill the heart with great delight.

His errors who can know? Cleanse me from hidden stain;
Keep me from willful sins, nor let them over me reign;
And then I upright shall appear and be from great transgressions clear.

Let all the words I speak and all the thoughts within;
Come up before Thy sight and Thine approval win;
O Thou Jehovah unto me my Rock and my Redeemer be.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

8:30 am: John and Jennifer Neil present their daughter, Adelynn Elizabeth, for baptism.

11:00 am: Harrison Nash Watson

(11:00)THE RECEPTION OF CONFIRMANDS:

Rachel Amos	Josiah Jantomaso	Leighton Nelson	Nash Watson
Noah Caldwell	Carson Layman	Megan Nelson	Charlie Webb
Emily Emanuel	Olivia McCombs	Nicolas Plude	Amelia Weber
Micaiah Hall	Catherine Meyer	John Scruggs	Jackson Whelan

The Words of Instruction

The Confirmation Vows

*The Covenantal Vows of the Congregation

*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 Church to room #115.)

(11:00) ANTHEM FOR PREPARATION FOR THE WORD:

New Song

"My Victory"

Crowder, Cash, Bentley, Mulligan, arr. Parks

You came for criminals and ev'ry Pharisee.
You came for hypocrites, even one like me.
You carried sin and shame, the guilt of ev'ry man,
The weight of all I've done nailed into Your hands.
Oh, Your love bled for me; oh, Your blood in crimson streams.
Oh, Your death is hell's defeat. A cross meant to kill is my victory.
Oh, Your amazing grace! I've seen and tasted it.
It's running through my veins; I can't escape its grip.
In You my soul is safe. You cover ev'rything!
Behold the Lamb of God Who takes away our sin!
The holy Lamb of God makes us alive again!

Catherine Meyer – Accompanist

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: 1 Kings 22:1-40 (page 304)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "Lessons in Ignoring the Word of God" Dr. David Weber

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH based on Philippians 2:6-11 (in unison)

We believe in Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death — even death on a cross! Therefore, God has highly exalted Him and given Him the name that is above every name; that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. 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, 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:

Sanctuary Choir

"The Last Words of David"

Randall Thompson

(2 Samuel 23: 3-4)

He that ruleth over men must be just; ruling in the fear of God.
And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun riseth,
Even a morning without clouds; as the tender grass
Springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain. Alleluia. Amen.

*THE DOXOLOGY:

OLD HUNDREDETH

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):

God, You are the fountain of all good: we bring to You our gifts, according to the blessing You have given. Enable us, with our earthly things, to give You the love of our hearts and the service of our lives. Let Your favor, which is life, and Your loving kindness, which is better than life, be upon us now and always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.