

Sermon Notes

"The Mission Continues"
2 Kings 2

1. Every Christian Must Trust in the Power of God

2. Every Christian Must Not Dwell on the Past

3. Every Christian Must Keep on Task

Prayer Opportunities

ONGOING PRAYER: Kenneth (Stick) Haun, Michael Herbert, Joan Pennock, Ellen Torrance and Tami Urbani.

IN APPRECIATION: Many thanks to those who gave monetarily to support Ukraine. The funds were sent to the International Disaster Relief Fund, which works with a couple of ministries in neighboring countries working with Ukrainian refugees. If you would like to donate, please go to the link on the EPC's webpage: <https://epc.org/donate/internationaldisasterrelief/>

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES:TOM AND JANE (Last name withheld for security purposes.)

Tom and Jane labor in a sensitive area in North Africa where they and their teammates are engaged in micro business enterprise startups, which are critical to help bolster their host country's economy and as a means of reaching Muslims for Christ. Be in prayer for their team as they are in the final stages of translating a discipleship curriculum called "The Gospel-Centered Life" into Arabic. Pray that the Lord would use this curriculum to draw many to saving faith and a deeper understanding of the gospel. If you want to hear more about their ministry, join us for a luncheon after the 11:00am worship service in the Fellowship Hall.

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 (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. Learn more 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 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, April 10 - Palm Sunday

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
9:45 am College Hour (CO House)
11:00 am Worship Service
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
6:30 pm 6th-8th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

Monday, April 11

10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 206)

Tuesday, April 12

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study
(Fellowship Hall & via Zoom)

Wednesday, April 13

6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir
8:00 pm Brass Rehearsal

Thursday, April 14

7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Communion
Service (Sanctuary)

Friday, April 15

12:05 pm Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)

Saturday, April 16

11:30 am Community Easter Egg Hunt
(Riverside Park/Pavilion)

Sunday, April 17 - Easter Sunday

7:30 am Garden Service (Courtyard)
8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)
8:30 am Worship Service with Communion
9:45 am Continental Breakfast (Cheatham &
Locke Commons)
11:00 am Worship Service with Communion

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

ORDER of WORSHIP

April 10, 2022

Palm 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:

Triumphant Lord and God, we have come to welcome and worship Your Son this day. Yet as the words of Scripture echo through our souls, we realize how our behavior parallels that of the people of Jerusalem: one day we are celebrating Christ's arrival, the next we are criticizing Him for the demands He places on us. Gracious God, have mercy on us, for our faith is seldom mature. At times we resist Your message. At times we have treated Your Word carelessly, producing a shallow belief. Many times we compromise and shape our faith around convenience. Loving Lord, we confess our involvement in these sins. Cleanse and renew us by the consistent love and life of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

PRELUDE:

Sarah Catherine Sonnenberg, violin

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

arr. Funderburk

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing

Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam,

O praise Him, alleluia!

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Zechariah 9:9; Psalm 118:19-23, 26 (responsively)

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Behold, your King is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is He,

humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank You that You have answered me and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless You from the house of the LORD.

*THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN OF PRAISE: #235

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

ST. THEODULPH

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE: #535

"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!"

EBENEZER

*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST: Revelation 1:4-5 (responsively)

Grace to you and peace from Him Who is and Who was and Who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before His throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To Him Who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood.

Hosanna in the highest!

ANTHEM FOR PREPARATION FOR THE WORD:

"Hosanna, Blessed Is He"

Chapel and Cherub Choirs

Cindy Berry

Hosanna, blessed is He, blessed is He who comes.

Hosanna, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Look! The King is coming, riding on a donkey, entering Jerusalem.

Jesus is His name.

See the crowds adore Him, lay their palms before Him.

Jesus will forever reign. Sing hosanna, sing. Praise King Jesus!

Lori Flowers and Amy Hall – Directors; Charis Jantomaso – Accompanist

(Children pre-K through first grade may be dismissed for Children's Church to room #115.)

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: 2 Kings 2 (page 307)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"The Mission Continues"

Dr. David Weber

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

THE PHILIPPIAN CREED 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:

"Lift Your Voice"

Sanctuary Choir

David Lantz III

Lift your voice! Lift it like a trumpet!

Clap your hands, sing for joy, shout with the people of God!

Hosanna! Blessed is the King Who comes in the name of the Lord!

See, He comes, riding on a donkey.

Israel's King, Jesus Christ, comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna! Blessed be the King Who comes in the name of the Lord!

Lift your voice! Lift it like a trumpet! Blessed be the King!

Praise the living God! Glory in the highest! Stand and shout, "Hosanna!"

Miriam Amos – Accompanist

*THE DOXOLOGY:

OLD HUNDREDT

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 blessings 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 lovingkindness, which is better than life, be upon us now and always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #263

"Lift High the Cross"

CRUCIFER

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE CONGREGATIONAL AND CHORAL AMEN (sung by all):

"A-men, A-men, A-men!"

*POSTLUDE:

"March on a Theme of Handel"

Alexandre Guilmant

(Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates)

Special thanks to the Carillon handbell choir, Noah Caldwell, and Hadley Hall for assisting in worship.

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

The Palms used in the service today are presented by the Butler family to the glory of God and in loving memory of Laura and Lindsay Butler, Lindsay Butler, Jr., and Hazel Butler.