

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #295
"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DIADEMATA

*THE BENEDICTION

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

*POSTLUDE: **The Sanctuary Choir**
"Hallelujah Chorus" G. F. Handel

*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.
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Ministering in Music This Morning

Violins:	Christy Lynn, Grayson Laughon	Trombone:	Walker Pennock
Viola:	Luca Trombetta	Tuba:	Bill Folger
Cello:	Elise Roberts	Timpani:	Jacob Caldwell
Trumpets:	Michael Straw, Mark Campbell	Cymbals:	Noah Caldwell
Horn:	Kelly Hartless	Piano:	Adelheid Terry

Sermon Notes

"Hope in a Hopeless World"
2 Kings 4:8-37

1. Hope in the God Who Mercifully Brings Satisfaction (vv. 8-17)

2. Hope in the God Who Mysteriously Brings Sorrow (vv. 18-31)

3. Hope in the God Who Miraculously Brings Salvation (vv. 32-37)

Prayer Opportunities

RECUPERATING: Beth Helm, Michael Herbert, Susannah Morrison, Joan Pennock, Ellen Torrance and Tami Urbina.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Evan and Katie Harris on the birth of their daughter, Evelyn May, on April 11. Proud siblings are Foster and Charlotte. Proud grandparents are Warner and Nancy Hall and great-grandmother, Phyllis Workman.

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: BLUE RIDGE PREGNANCY CENTER

The Blue Ridge Pregnancy Center is a local evangelical Christian ministry that ministers to women experiencing unplanned pregnancies, providing prenatal testing/screening, compassionate counseling, clothing, and help with placement of the child, if requested. Over the years, God has worked through the BRPC to save the lives of hundreds of babies. With their new Ministry Center on Old Forest Road, they will have greater opportunities to expand their ministry of care and compassion. Thanks to your generosity through the Easter Mission Offering, we raised \$5,540. Continue to pray for ministry effectiveness for the BRPC team.

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

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

Monday, April 18
Church Office Closed

Tuesday, April 19

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

Wednesday, April 20

9:00 am Preschool
4:30 pm Praise Ringers (Chapel)

Wednesday, April 20, continued

5:15 pm Carillon, Cherub, Chapel, and New Song Choirs
6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir (Sanctuary)

Thursday, April 21

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

Friday, April 22

6:30 pm 20 Somethings+ Food and Fun (The Pickard's, 2429 Mimosa Dr.)

Sunday, April 24

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
11:00 am Worship Service
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
6:30 pm 9th-12th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

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

ORDER of WORSHIP

April 17, 2022

Easter 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:

Almighty God, Who through Your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, destroyed the sting of death and opened to those who repent the way of everlasting life: grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may continually be raised from the death of sin by the same power that raised from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore. Amen.

MUSIC FOR EASTER:

"Canzona per Sonare No. 2"

Giovanni Gabrieli

"Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals"

Karg-Elert, arr. Grassier

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 118:1-5 (responsively)

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;

For His steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

Let the house of Aaron say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

Let those who fear the LORD say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

Out of my distress I called on the LORD;

The LORD answered me and set me free.

Christ is risen!

He has risen indeed!

*THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN OF PRAISE:

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!

Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!

Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!

Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!

Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!

Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!

Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!

Our salvation have procured, Alleluia!

Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!

Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!

Praise eternal as His love, Alleluia!

Praise Him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!

Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

Donald Fischel

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name!

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.

He is the King of creation! (Refrain)

Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Jesus has died and is risen! (Refrain)

*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)

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: 2 Kings 4:8-37 (page 309)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"Hope in a Hopeless World"

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 CALL TO GOSPEL RESPONSE:

Pastor Ron Cox

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

"Is He Worthy?"

The Sanctuary Choir

Peterson, Shive, arr. Dan Forrest

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain."

Do you feel the world is broken? We do.

Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do.

But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? We do.

Do you wish that you could see it all made new? We do.

Is all creation groaning? It is. Is a new creation coming? It is.

Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? It is.

Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? It is.

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah Who conquered the grave;

He is David's Root, and the Lamb Who died to ransom the slave.

Is He worthy, is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?

Is He worthy of this? He is!

Worthy is the Lamb. Does the Father truly love us? He does.

Does the Spirit move among us? He does.

And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves? He does.

Does our God intend to dwell again with us? He does.

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah Who conquered the grave;

He is David's Root, and the Lamb Who died to ransom the slave

From ev'ry people and tribe, ev'ry nation and tongue.

He has made us a kingdom and priests to God, to reign with the Son.

Is He worthy, is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory? He is!

Soloists – Doug and Julie Haley

*THE COMMUNION HYMN: (See Insert)

"I Am the Bread of Life"

Suzanne Toolan

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 Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

The Distribution Anthem:

"O Lamb of God, Most Holy"

The Sanctuary Choir

Johannes Brahms

O Lamb of God most holy, made lowly,

Redeemer, our souls to win. He died our sin to cover.

What perfect love displaying, not straying.

Anointed. His blood was shed. To Him this dread appointed.

From death to life, now risen. He's risen!

Defender. He set us free! His glory be forever! Amen.

Hadley Hall – Organ

The Concluding Communion Prayer