

Sermon Notes

"Surrounded"

2 Kings 6:8-23

1. We are Surrounded by God's Knowledge (vv. 11-14)

2. We are Surrounded by God's Presence (vv. 15-19)

3. We are Surrounded by God's Power (vv. 20-23)

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, June 5, 2022

9:45 am (no adult Sunday School)

9th grade - all adults are encouraged to attend

5th-8th grade - meet in the Youth Center

For the purposes of:

1. Receiving as information updates regarding the current year-to-date financial report and the fiscal year budget, ending June 30, 2023.
2. Receiving as information ministry updates.

Prayer Opportunities

ONGOING PRAYER: Priscilla Ribeiro-Cummings, Michael Herbert, Joan Pennock, Ellen Torrance, and Tami Urbina.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY are extended to the following:

- Sonia Terrell and family in the death of her father, Dub Whitescarver, on June 1.
- Lisa Sosin and family in the death of her mother, Anita Schmetterling, on June 2.

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: John and Carlene (last name withheld for security) John and Carlene are EPC World Outreach Missionaries working in a closed country in South Asia. John has established a sustainable sea cucumber business there and it not only employs local workers but also provides opportunities for John and his team to reach out with the love of Christ to these workers, many who are Muslim. Praise the Lord for dramatic progress at their hatchery. Pray that their rapid scale up to commercial production would continue to go smoothly. Pray for their church planting team members to have greater opportunities to build gospel relationships with their partners.

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 Sunday School classes at 9:45 am (rivermont.org/sundayschool).
- 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, June 5

- 8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)
- 8:30 am Worship Service with Communion
- 9:45 am Congregational Meeting
- 11:00 am Worship Service with Communion
- 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

Monday, June 6

- 10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 206)

Tuesday, June 7

- 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall & via Zoom)
- 10:30 am Women's Circle (Country Gardens)

Thursday, June 9

- 7:00 pm Summer Oasis Women's Fellowship

Saturday, June 11

- 12:00 pm No Walls Second Saturday Picnic (Gospel Community Church at College Hill)

Sunday, June 12

- 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
- 12:45 pm 20 Somethings+ Lunch on the Run (Magnolia Foods, Rivermont Ave.)
- 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

June 5, 2022

Pentecost Sunday

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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, Your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that He might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace; bring all creation to worship at His feet, Who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRELUDE:

(8:30)

"Andante Festivo"
Teresa Angell – Director

Cello Choir

Jean Sibelius

(11:00)

"Take Time to Be Holy"

arr. Lani Smith

Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord;
Abide in Him always, and feed on His Word.
Make friends of God's children; help those who are weak;
Forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek.

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Mike Palombo

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 139:1-10 (responsively)

O LORD, You have searched me and known me!

You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You discern my thoughts from afar.

You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, You know it altogether.

You hem me in, behind and before, and lay Your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.

Where shall I go from Your Spirit?

Or where shall I flee from Your presence?

If I ascend to heaven, You are there!

If I make my bed in Sheol, You are there!

If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

Even there Your hand shall lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #38

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

JOANNA

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Titus 3:4-7

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!" (vs. 5)

HYFRYDOL

**Jesus! I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find;
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His and He is mine.
Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.**

*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 6:8-23 (page 312)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"Surrounded"

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:

"Alleluia! Alleluia!"

EBENEZER

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Savior, Who has won the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity.
Alleluia! Alleluia to the Triune Majesty.**

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

(8:30)

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds/Nearer, My God to Thee"

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me;
Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God to Thee,
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

Cello Choir

(11:00)

"An Offering"

Sanctuary Choir

Dan Forrest

O Christ, Who spared not any cost, nor any grace withheld,
But poured forth Your redeeming blood in love unparalleled;
What would You have me offer, Lord? What must I count as loss
That I may taste the fellowship that brings me near the cross?
Why should I cling to gifts You give? Why grasp in foolish pride
What You Who gave Yourself for me now bid me lay aside?
To know You is my highest gain, worth any sacrifice,
A treasure worthy to possess at any earthly price.
Yet if behind my open hands, my heart shrinks from the cost,
Teach me nothing offered You is ever truly lost.
A hundredfold reward awaits in one glimpse of Your face,
My sacrifice forgotten in the riches of Your grace.

Miriam Amos - piano

*THE COMMUNION HYMN: #297

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" (verses 1-4)

DIADEM

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 Reception of the Bread and the Cup

The Concluding Communion Prayer

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #297

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" (verses 5-6)

DIADEM

*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE:

"To God Be the Glory"

arr. Robert J. Hughes

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