

Sermon Notes

"Loving God's Vengeance"
2 Kings 9

1. God's Vengeance Means Justice

2. God's Vengeance Means Hope

3. God's Vengeance Means Forgiveness

Prayer Opportunities

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

RECUPERATING: Nancy Head, Linda Kochendarfer and Charlie Wilson.

CONGRATULATION TO Caleb and Autumn Wade on the birth of their son, Eliezer (Eli) James, on June 16.

TRAIL LIFE USA TROOP VA 2424 would love your support. This August, the troop plans on a local canoe and kayak day trip on the James River. If you have any canoes or kayaks you would be willing to lend or even donate, please contact Scott Hall at skhall30266@gmail.com or (434)209-7001. For more information on how you can support the TLUSA ministry, please review our webpage at <https://www.rivermont.org/trail-life> or <https://www.trailifeusa.com>.

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (June 26-30)

Join us for 5 fun-filled sessions of Experiencing God's Word at Jerusalem Marketplace. Step back in time to where Jesus walked to the Cross. Smell the fresh, warm bread; make a special piece of jewelry; learn and about herbs and spice ... Can you hear the music echoing through the Marketplace? Engage all senses as our church is transported to a different time and a fresh experience—and walk with Jesus each day! Our prayer is that the children who are believers will be encouraged in their faith and those who don't know Him will receive Him. Pray for the teachers, volunteers, and workers who will serve during VBS. Pray that God will enable us to welcome, serve, and build relationships with everyone who enters our doors. For more information visit our website at rivermont.org/VBS.

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 starting September 11. Learn more at rivermont.org/gtkr.

General Fund as of May 31, 2022

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| Budget to date: | \$1,703,892 |
| Ahead of Budget: | \$ 66,552 |
| Year-to-date contributions: | \$1,770,444 |
| Year-to-date expenses: | \$1,643,131 |
| Contributions Above Expenses: | \$ 127,313 |

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, June 26

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
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
5:00 pm VBS Kickoff/Family Celebration with Picnic (Sanctuary)

Monday, June 27

9:00 am VBS
10:00 am Prayer Group (Chapel)
11:00 am Caregivers' Support Group (Chapel)

Tuesday, June 28

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall & via Zoom)
9:00 am VBS
6:30 pm 7th - 12th Grade American Gospel (Quinlan)

Wednesday, June 29

9:00 am VBS

Thursday, June 30

9:00 am VBS
12:30 pm VBS Picnic
7:00 pm Women's Oasis Summer Fellowship

Sunday, July 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
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

June 26, 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:

Gracious Father, we give You thanks for the gift of this day on which we gather as Your people to find our rest in You. May Your Spirit dwell with us, work within us, and move among us, that we may worship You in spirit and in truth. May Your Word come to us in power, and be received by us in faith. May our love for You and for one another be increased; and may our lives be further sanctified, that we may grow in the likeness of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, in Whose name we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE:

"Rhosymedre"

R. Vaughn Williams

My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown, that they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?
My Lord should take frail flesh and die?
He came from His blest throne, salvation to bestow;
But men made strange, and none the longed-for Christ would know.
But, oh, my friend, my friend indeed, Who at my need His life did spend;
Who at my need His life did spend!

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Mike Palombo

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 94:1-2; Isaiah 60:1-2 (responsively)

O LORD, God of vengeance, O God of vengeance, shine forth!

Rise up, O Judge of the earth;

The glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;

But the LORD will arise upon us, and His glory will be seen upon us.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #100

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

NICAEA

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Isaiah 57:14-16

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"In Christ Alone" (verses 2 & 3)

IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone Who took on flesh; fullness of God in helpless Babe.

This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save;

'Til on that cross as Jesus died the wrath of God was satisfied;

For every sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay; Light of the world by darkness slain.

Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!

And as He stands in victory sin's curse has lost its grip on me;

For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ!

(11:00) THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Pastor Ron Cox

Drew and Julie Neiderer present their daughter, Julia Frances, for baptism.

*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 9 (page 315)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"Loving God's Vengeance"

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 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:

(8:30)

"How Great Thou Art"

Kelly Hartless, Horn

arr. Bruce Greer

Oh Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:

How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:

How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation

And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,

And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.

(11:00)

"Canon of Praise"

Sanctuary Choir

Mozart (arr. Douglas E. Wagner)

Heav'n and earth, rejoice and sing:

"Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy," to the King.

Glory, honor, adoration, alleluia, praises we bring.

Allelu, allelu, alle, alleluia!

Sandra Landry - piano

*THE DOXOLOGY:

OLD HUNDREDDTH

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):

Almighty and eternal God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we offer thanks and praise for the multitude of Your blessings upon us; for what do we have that we have not received? These gifts which we now offer are the gifts of Your own hand, and they all belong to You. With these gifts, therefore, we would offer ourselves, entirely and joyfully, to the praise of Your glorious grace; for we are not our own: we have been bought with a price, by Him Who loved us and gave Himself up for us. So may the offering of this substance and the offering of our lives be blessed for the sake of Your kingdom throughout the world and the glory of Your name forever and ever. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #253

"There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood"

FOUNTAIN

*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE:

"Gavotte"

Matthew Camidge

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