

Sermon Notes

"Mission Authority"
Matthew 28:16-20

1. Christ's Authority Is the Reason We Live on Mission
2. Christ's Authority Gives Us Boldness to Live on Mission
3. Christ's Authority Gives Us Confidence to Live on Mission

Prayer Opportunities

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

RECUPERATING: Charlie Wilson and Kenny Wright.

IN APPRECIATION: The Marsh family would like to thank you for all of your love shown through visits, phone calls, meals, and prayers. *Our Rivermont family has been such a blessing to all of us - Sylvia Marsh.*

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: CAMPUS OUTREACH LYNCHBURG STAFF
Thousands of college students will be moving into dorms and apartments on college campuses in our area and around the country. This morning we have the privilege to not only pray for these students, but also for our team of Campus Outreach staff who will be ready to love them when they arrive. Please be in continual prayer for our Campus Outreach staff who serve on campuses in our surrounding geographic area. Pray that "God would open to them a door to declare the mystery of Christ...and that they would make it clear" (Colossians 4:3-4). Let's also be in prayer for how we, as their church family, can come alongside and encourage the Campus Outreach staff as they seek to reach and raise up the next generation of Christian leaders.

The Campus Outreach staff and their ministry assignments are:

- Regional Director: Cam Colquitt (Katherine)
- Resource Director: Reid Goss (Kat)
- University of Lynchburg: Reid Goss (Kat), Davis Hester, Shekinah Chidzero, C.J. Williams
- Liberty University: Brandon Miller (Sarah), Cam Colquitt (Katherine), Charis Jantomaso, Eric Meinerding, Sarah Stephen, Jenny Milhoan, Davis Hester

Sanctuary Floral Arrangement

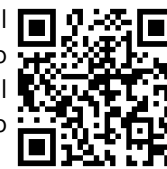
The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by Dot Barker, Barbara Steadman, Pam Ruble and Connie Pearson to the glory of God and in loving memory of their dear friend Pat Uzsoy who died on August 14. A graveside service was held on August 23 at Spring Hill Cemetery.

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.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

September 4, 9:45 am, during the Sunday School Hour
No Children's Sunday School - Nursery Only

For the purpose of:

1. Electing a new class of Ruling Elders and Deacons
 2. Electing a new class for the Officer Nominating Committee
- Join us afterward in the Cheatham Center for a time of fellowship.

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, August 28

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)
8:30 am Worship Service
9:00 am College Coffee (CO House, 2436 Rivermont Avenue)
9:45 am Sunday School
9:45 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group
11:00 am Worship Service
12:30 pm College Lunch (CO House)
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

Monday, August 29

10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 206)
6:30 pm BRITE Class (Room 205)
6:30 pm Discipleship Training (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, August 30

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

Wednesday, August 31

6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir (Choir Room)
6:30 pm BRITE Class (Room 205)

Sunday, September 4

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)
8:30 am Worship Service with Communion
9:00 am College Coffee (CO House)
9:45 am Congregational Meeting & Fellowship (Sanctuary & Cheatham Center)
9:45 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group
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

August 28, 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:

Lord, as we come to worship You this morning, may Your Spirit open our hearts and our understanding to see both our own desperate need and Your gracious provision for our salvation in Jesus Christ. Open our eyes also to see Your greatness and glory more clearly. Convict us, convert us, cleanse us and consecrate us, so that we may willingly and wholeheartedly give ourselves to You and to Your service. Enable us now to worship You in spirit and in truth. This we pray in the strong name of Jesus. Amen.

*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: Matthew 28:16-20 (Page 835)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"Mission Authority"

Dr. David Weber

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from Colossians 1:15-20 (in unison)

We believe in Christ Jesus: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

*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 MOMENT FOR MISSION:

Cam Colquitt, Regional Director
Campus Outreach Lynchburg

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:

Vicky Pogue, soloist

"My Dwelling Place (Psalm 91)" Getty, Minter, Eaton, Townend

My dwelling place is God Most High; my refuge and my fortress.
When plague and pestilence draw nigh, I'm hidden in His Presence.
When terrors fall and arrows fly, His shield will be my safety;
When stones across my pathway lie, on angels' wings I'm carried.
My dwelling place is God Most High; a present help in danger.
I rest secure in love's pure light, beneath my Master's favor.
He freed me from the fowler's snare, where sin and shame had bound me;
Deceived I'd made my refuge there, till fearless He came for me.
Wonderful, powerful, my hope and my defender.
Mighty God, Emmanuel; my dwelling place forever.
My dwelling place is God Most High; I'll never seek another.
For I am His and He is mine; my heart He'll keep forever.
I know the Name on Whom I call; He promises to answer.
With life He satisfies my soul, and crowns me with His pleasure.

*THE DOXOLOGY:

OLD HUNDREDTH

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 Father of everlasting love, we give You thanks for the gift of life, for the blessings of Your providence, and for the promise of Your presence with us through Your Son, Jesus Christ, by the power of Your Spirit. We praise You for all the spiritual blessings which You have lavished upon us through Your Son, our Savior – for the gift of new birth, new life, the forgiveness of our sins, our adoption as Your children, and the hope of glory! All praise, honor, and glory be to You, the sovereign God of life and life everlasting. May all that we have and all that we are be consecrated for Your service and Your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #310

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

DARWALL

*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE:

"Fanfare"

Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens

*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.

PRELUDE:

"Arioso"

Christy Lynn, violin

J. S. Bach

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Mike Palombo

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 66 (responsively)

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!
Say to God, "How awesome are Your deeds!"
So great is Your power that Your enemies come cringing to You.
All the earth worships You and sings praises to You;
they sing praises to Your name."

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #166

"Wondrous King, All-Glorious"

WUNDERBARER KÖNIG

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" (verses 2 & 3)

TOPLADY

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress; helpless look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.