\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #441

"Jesus Shall Reign"

**DUKE STREET** 

\*THE BENEDICTION

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

\*POSTLUDE:

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

arr. Robert A. Hobby

\*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so. Lyrics and music reproduced under CCLI#64526

### In Appreciation

- "Liz and I would like to thank you all for your many expressions of sympathy and encouragement following the death of my father last month. Your cards and kind words were very uplifting. My father (and late mother) were always drawn to God's love at work here at Rivermont and we are grateful to be part of this congregation. Thanks again" - Scott Wade
- Dear Members of the Congregation, Thank you so much for your donation of \$2,828.25 to Meals on Wheels of Greater Lynchburg. Your support enables us to continue to meet an ever-growing need and serve some of the most vulnerable individuals in our area. - Kris Shabestar, Meals on Wheels of Greater Lynchburg

## Fellowship Luncheon

As we continue to pray for Pastor Mike and his family in his call to Lake Oconee Presbyterian Church in Eatonton, Georgia, please look forward to a covered dish luncheon after the 11 am service on February 12.

## Prayer & Care

If you have a need or prayer request, you can share your needs on a Connect Card, which can be found in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate or one of the designated prayer boxes located outside the Library and in the Locke Commons. You may also submit a prayer request at rivermont.org/prayer or email janet@rivermont.org. All requests are confidential.

## The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

#### Ways to give:

- 1. By placing your offering in the offering plates.
- 2. By texting an amount to 434-595-3833; follow the prompts.
- 3. Online at <u>www.rivermont.org/give</u>.
- 4. By mailing a check to REPC, 2424 Rivermont Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24503.

## 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).
- Join us for dinner and Bible Studies on Wednesday nights. To make dinner reservations go to rivermont.org/rfn.
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Weekend on Feb. 10-11. For more information and to sign up go to rivermont.org/gtkr.

# Coming Up This Week

#### For more information, please visit <u>rivermont.org/events</u>

#### Sunday, January 29

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)

8:30 am Worship Service

9:20 am College Coffee (Locke Commons)

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel) 5:00 pm Knitting Circle (Locke Commons) 📥

6:00 pm 7th-12th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

#### Monday, January 30

9:00 am Preschool

9:30 am Story Time (Youth House) 📥 10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 206)

6:30 pm Hill City Cloggers (Room 308) 1

#### Tuesday, January 31

6:26 am High School 626 (Chick-fil-A near

Hobby Lobby)

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

9:00 am Preschool

#### Wednesday, February 1

9:00 am Preschool

4:30 pm Praise Ringers 4:45 pm Chess Club 🚣

#### Wednesday, February 1, continued

5:15 pm Carillon, Cherub, Chapel & New Song

5:45 pm Rivermont Fellowship Night Meal

6:30 pm Bible Studies

6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir

#### Thursday, February 2

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

#### Friday, February 3

6:00 pm OASIS Women's Retreat (Fellowship Hall)

#### Saturday, February 4

9:00 am OASIS Women's Retreat (Fellowship Hall)

#### Sunday, February 5

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)

8:30 am Worship Service with Communion

9:20 am College Coffee (Locke Commons)

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service with Communion

4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

5:00 pm Knitting Circle (Locke Commons) 🚣





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in Lynchburg and the world.

**ORDER** of WORSHIP

January 29, 2023

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## Preparation for Worship

As the Prelude begins, 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:

(8:30) "Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners"

arr. Robert A. Hobby

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners! Jesus! lover of my soul;

Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend!

Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.

## (11:00) Mike Garcia, Mark Landry, Jeffrey Smith, Jeffrey Westbrook "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" arr. Larry Mayfield

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!

Let all with heart and voice before His throne rejoice;

Praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high; Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!

He is our guide and friend, to us He'll condescend.

His love shall never end; Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again; Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore His goodness we'll adore,

Singing forevermore, Alleluia! Amen!

Miriam Amos – Accompanist

#### THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Pastor Brett Eubank** 

#### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 50:3-5, 14-15 (responsively):

Our God comes; He does not keep silence;

Before Him is a devouring fire, around Him a mighty tempest.

He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that He may judge His people:

Gather to Me My faithful ones, who made a covenant with Me by sacrifice!

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High, and call upon Me in the day of trouble;

I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me.

#### \*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #53

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DI

#### \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

#### \*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### \*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (verses 1 & 4)

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

#### \*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: Nehemiah 10 (Page 406)

#### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "Foundational Commitments"

Dr. David Weber

HAMBURG

#### THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

#### \*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

#### **EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MEMBERSHIP VOWS:**

Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God and without hope for your salvation except in His sovereign mercy?

#### I do.

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and the Savior of sinners, and do you receive and depend upon Him alone for your salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?

#### I do.

Do you now promise and resolve, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as become the followers of Christ?

\*Do you promise to serve Christ in His church by supporting and participating with this congregation in its service of God and its ministry to others to the best of your ability?

#### I do.

\*Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church and to the spiritual oversight of this church session, and do you promise to promote the unity, purity and peace of the Church?

I do.

#### \*For current Rivermont EPC members only.

\*THE GLORIA:

"Gloria Patri"

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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 RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

(8:30)

Mike Garcia, Mark Landry, Jeffrey Smith, Jeffrey Westbrook
"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

arr. Larry Mayfield

(11:00)

#### "To Sing Once More"

Craig Courtney

Sanctuary Choir

Awake our souls to sing once more the songs that long have silent been.

From troubled nights and fearful days, our notes of praise and joy begin. Inspired by hope, compelled by grace, we sing Your everlasting praise.

Most holy God, Your song we seek and trust in Your unchanging ways.

With comfort, Your eternal voice is music to our fainting soul.

It speaks in times of hurt and wrong, it whispers peace, it makes us whole.

Arise, His children, rise again, your God and maker now adore.

No longer silent, lift your voice, awake your souls to sing once more.

Awake our souls to sing once more. Amen.

#### Miriam Amos – Accompanist

#### \*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 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.

LOBE DEN HERREN