*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):

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is Yours. Both riches and honor come from You, and You rule over all. We offer to You the riches You provide and the gifts You have given. We give to You, for You have given all to us through Christ our Savior. Grant us power and might to serve You, our King, and live to Your glory this day and forevermore. 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:

"Grand Jeu"

Du Mage

In Appreciation

Dear Rivermont family and friends, thank you for all the prayers and expressions of sympathy following the death of my granddaughter, Zion Emmanuel Larsson. Your love and kindness shown to me have been very comforting. - Della-Jane Brooks Healey and family. Isaiah 57:1-2.

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. All requests are confidential.

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

- 1. By placing your offering in the offering plate.
- 2. By texting an amount to 434-595-3833; follow the prompts.
- Online at www.rivermont.org/give.
- 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 \square $\P \overset{\bullet}{\Longrightarrow}$ 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 (<u>rivermont.org/sundayschool</u>).
- Join us for dinner and Bible Studies on Wednesday nights. To make dinner reservations go to <u>rivermont.org/rfn</u>.
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Class. For more information go to rivermont.org/gtkr.

Coming Up This Week

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

Sunday, March 19

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 9th - 12th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

Monday, March 20

7:00 am No Walls Bible Study (Quinlan)

9:00 am Preschool

9:30 am Story Time (Youth House) 📥

10:00 am Prayer Group (Room 206)

Tuesday, March 21

6:26 am HS Boys' 626 (Biscuitville,

Timberlake Road)

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (FH)

9:00 am Preschool

12:00 pm 60 Plus Luncheon (FH)

6:15 pm Deacons' Meeting (John Knox)

7:00 pm Officers' Prayer Meeting (John Knox)

7:30 pm Session Meeting (John Knox)

= In Rivermont for Rivermont Event Members Welcome!

Wednesday, March 22

9:00 am Preschool

4:30 pm Praise Ringers

4:45 pm Chess Club (Room 303) 📥

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, March 23

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

Saturday, March 25

10:00 am Beginner Pickleball (Riverside Park) 10:30 am Rivermont United Soccer Outreach 11:00 am 60 Plus/20 Somethings+ Bingo Brunch

(Fellowship Hall)

5:30 pm Confirmation Dinner (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, March 26

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

8:30 am Worship Service 9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service

12:30 pm College Lunch (CO House) 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

5:00 pm Knitting Circle (Locke Commons) 👍

6:00 pm 7th-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

March 19, 2023 Fourth Sunday of Lent

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

Preparation for Worship

As the Prelude begins, prepare your heart for worship and please silence your mobile devices.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Father of all grace and glory, look upon us in love and compassion through Your Son, Jesus Christ; and, by the power of Your Holy Spirit, enable us to worship You in spirit and in truth. Help us to draw near to You, in the assurance that You dwell with those who are of humble and contrite heart. Renew our minds by the truth of Your Word, strengthen our souls, and direct our wills, that we may more fervently love You and more sincerely serve You, to the glory of Your name. Amen.

PRELUDE:

N. Abraham, piano

"I Bow My Knee Before Your Throne"

Ron Kenoly

I bow my knee before Your throne, I know my life is not my own; I offer up this song of praise to bring You pleasure, Lord. I seek the Giver not the gift, my heart's desire is to lift You high above all earthly kings, to bring You pleasure, Lord. Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, Glory to the King! Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, Glory to the king!

WELCOME:

Pastor Shane Whelan

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Lamentations 3:22-25 (responsively)

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.

"The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in Him."

The Lord is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #4

"All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Verse 4 – Women; Verse 5 - Men

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Crown Him with Many Crowns" (verse 1)

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne; Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own!

Awake, my soul, and sing of Him Who died for thee, And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

*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: Hebrews 1:10-14 (page 1001)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "The Lord of All Creation Reigns" **Pastor Ron Cox**

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

World without end! A-men, A-men!

THE PHILIPPIAN CREED based on Philippians 2:6-11 (in unison)

We believe in Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death - even death on a cross! Therefore, God has highly exalted Him and given Him the name that is above every name; that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. 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,

MOMENT FOR MISSION: Josh Ashcroft, Rivermont United Soccer Club

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:

DIADEMATA

Sanctuary Choir (8:30)arr. Marianne Forman

"Jesus Paid It All"

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small, Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all." Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; Jesus paid it all; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow, Jesus paid it all.

For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim; I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb. And when, before the throne, I stand in Him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat!

Hadley Hall – Accompanist

Chapel Choir (11:00) arr. Mark Patterson

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

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!

Oh, come and sing: Alleluia! Amen! Let praises ring: Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore, singing forevermore, God's goodness we'll adore: 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!

Alleluia! Amen!

Lori Flowers – Director; Hadley Hall – Accompanist