

***THE BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE:** "Finale from Symphony No. 1" Louis Vierne

*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.
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Ministering in Music This Morning

Trumpets:	Michael Straw, Mark Campbell	Tuba:	Bill Folger
Horn:	Kelly Hartless	Timpani:	Jacob Caldwell
Trombone:	Walker Pennock	Cymbals:	Noah Caldwell
Assistant Organists: Miriam Amos, Noah Caldwell, Hadley Hall			

In Appreciation

Dearest church family, you make us smile with joy and gratefulness. Thank you for your love and prayers during this time of loss. Christ's love was demonstrated by you and we thank you. Blessings from Pat Bell and the Bell family.

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 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.

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. For more information go to rivermont.org/gtkr.

Coming Up This Week

Sunday, April 9 - Easter Sunday

7:30 am Garden Service (Courtyard)
 8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)
 8:30 am Worship Service with the Lord's Supper
 9:45 am Continental Breakfast (Cheatham & Locke Commons)
 11:00 am Worship Service with the Lord's Supper

Monday, April 10
Church Office Closed

Tuesday, April 11
 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall & via Zoom)
 1:00 pm Shepherding & Care Meeting (Room 203)

Wednesday, April 12
 4:30 pm Praise Ringers (Chapel) 🏰
 4:45 pm Chess Club (Room 303) 🏰

🏰 = In Rivermont for Rivermont Event Members Welcome!

Wednesday, April 12, continued

5:15 pm Carillon, Cherub, Chapel, and New Song Choirs
 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir (Sanctuary)

Thursday, April 13
 7:30 pm CO Citywide College Night (Home of Brandon & Sarah Miller)

Saturday, April 15
 10:00 am Beginner Pickleball (Riverside Park) 🏰
 10:30 am Rivermont United Soccer Outreach 🏰

Sunday, April 16
 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) 🏰
 6:30 pm 6th-8th Grade SNL (Youth Center)



OUR PASSION: *the renewing of lives through God's compelling love in Lynchburg and the world.*

ORDER of WORSHIP

April 9, 2023
Easter Sunday

Contact Us

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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, Who through Your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, destroyed the sting of death and opened to those who repent the way of everlasting life: grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may continually be raised from the death of sin by the same power that raised from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore. Amen.

MUSIC FOR EASTER:

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"

Brass Quintet

arr. Charles Evans

Carillon Handbell Choir/Brass

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Beethoven, arr. Dobrinski

WELCOME:

Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 118:1-5 (responsively)

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;

For His steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

Let the house of Aaron say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

Let those who fear the LORD say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

Out of my distress I called on the LORD;

The LORD answered me and set me free.

Christ is risen!

He has risen indeed!

*THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN OF PRAISE:

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!

Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!

Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!

Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!

Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!

Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!

Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!

Our salvation have procured, Alleluia!

Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!

Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!

Praise eternal as His love, Alleluia!

Praise Him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!

Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

Donald Fischel

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name!

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.

He is the King of creation! (Refrain)

Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Jesus has died and is risen! (Refrain)

*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."

(Romans 15:7)

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: Luke 24:13-35 (page 885)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"Knowing the Risen Christ"

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"

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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 CALL TO GOSPEL RESPONSE:

Pastor Ron Cox

THE RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

The Sanctuary Choir

"Hark! Ten Thousand Harps and Voices"

arr. Craig Courtney

Hark, ten thousand harps and voices sound the note of praise above!

Jesus reigns, and heav'n rejoices; Jesus reigns, the God of love;

See, He sits upon the throne; Jesus rules the world alone.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Allelu! Alleluia! Amen!

Jesus, hail! Whose glory brightens all above and gives it worth;

Lord of life, Thy smile enlightens, cheers, and charms Thy saints on earth;

When we think of love like Thine, Lord, we own it love divine.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Allelu! Alleluia! Amen!

Savior, hasten Thine appearing; bring, O bring the glorious day

When, the mighty summons hearing, heav'n and earth shall pass away.

Then with all the saints we'll sing, "Glory, glory to our King!"

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Allelu! Alleluia! Amen! Amen!

*THE COMMUNION HYMN: (See Insert)

"I Am the Bread of Life"

Suzanne Toolan

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 Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

Distribution Anthem:

"This Is the Day the Lord Has Made"

(Based on Psalm 118)

The Sanctuary Choir

G. F. Handel, arr. Hopson

This is the day the Lord has made, rejoice and sing.

We triumph in the name of the Lord our God. Hallelujah!

We shall not die, but we shall live forevermore. Hallelujah!

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #267

"The Day of Resurrection!"

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