

Rivermont Chimes youth handbell choir will be offered this fall to children entering Grades 3 through 5. Those participating in Rivermont Chimes will be able to develop to a higher level their musical talents and skills while they experience the rewards of playing in this unique ensemble.

A handchime is an instrument similar to a handbell, but it is shaped differently and has a more mellow, softer tone. Many of our current youth handbell players were trained in the Rivermont Chimes choir, and unfortunately, this choir was suspended in 2020 due to COVID. We are pleased that this fall we are again offering this opportunity to our grade school-aged youth.

Rehearsals for this choir will be each Wednesday afternoon from 4:30-5:10 p.m. beginning September 6, and presentations for this season will be approximately once every 5-6 weeks in a Sunday worship service through May of 2024. Noah Caldwell will be directing the group. Noah is a rising senior at New Covenant Schools and has a huge passion for music. He has grown up at Rivermont and at age nine became a member of Rivermont Chimes. For the past seven years he has been playing handbells, piano, and more recently the organ. In addition to music, Noah has coached at several local Sports Outreach camps for children ages five to eleven. In his free time he enjoys soccer theater, and jiu jitsu.

Parents of young people who are interested in this outstanding opportunity should contact Peggy Bettcher at pbettcher@rivermont.org. Space is limited. Prior experience in reading music (i.e. piano lessons) is helpful, but not required.

General Fund as of May 31, 2023

Budget to date:	\$ 1,804,917
Ahead of Budget:	\$ 70,125
Year-to-date contributions:	\$ 1,875,042
Year-to-date expenses:	\$ 1,751,212
Contributions Above Expenses:	\$ 123,830

Sanctuary Floral Arrangement

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by Wistar and Blair Nelligan to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of their daughter, Julia Elizabeth Nelligan to Stewart Harter Yates. They were united in marriage yesterday in the REPC Sanctuary.

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.

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 beginning September 10. For more information and to register go to rivermont.org/gtkr.

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, June 25

8:30 am Worship Service
 9:45 am Sunday School
 9:45 am College Hour Sunday School (CO House, 2436 Rivermont Avenue)
 11:00 am Worship Service
 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

Monday, June 26

7:00 am No Walls Bible Study (Quinlan)
 9:00 am Vacation Bible School
 10:00 am Prayer Group (Country Gardens)
 5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 🏰

Tuesday, June 27

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (John Knox)
 9:00 am Vacation Bible School
 4:00 pm Park Play Group (Riverside Park) 🏰
 6:30 pm Youth Frisbee and MayLynn's (Peaks View Park)

Wednesday, June 28

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
 7:00 pm Women's Summer Fellowship (Courtyard/Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, June 29

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
 6:30 pm Pick-up Soccer (Field at Early and Dinwiddie) 🏰
 7:30 pm Campus Outreach Putt-Putt and Ice Cream (Putt-Putt Fun Center)

Friday, June 30

9:00 am Vacation Bible School
 11:30 am VBS Family Celebration (Portico and Back Parking Lot)

Saturday, July 1

8:00 am Beginner Pickleball (Riverside Park) 🏰

Sunday, July 2

8:30 am Worship Service with Communion
 9:45 am Sunday School
 9:45 am College Hour Sunday School (CO House, 2436 Rivermont Avenue)
 11:00 am Worship Service with Communion
 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
 6:00 pm Youth Dinner and Fireworks Viewing (CVCC Parking Lot)

🏰 = In Rivermont for Rivermont Event (Members Welcome!)
 For more information, please visit inrivermont.com

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ORDER of WORSHIP

June 25, 2023

Preparation *for* Worship

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

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

BLESSED LORD, Who has caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; grant that we may hear, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Crown Him with Many Crowns" (v. 1)

DIADEMATA

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 thro' 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 5:7-10 (Page 1003)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"The Priest We Need"

Pastor Brett Eubank

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!

MOMENT FOR MISSION:

Grace Eaton

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)

Miriam Amos and Rachel Amos, duet

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Ruth Elaine Schram

(11:00)

"God With Me"

Sanctuary Choir

Stephen Paulus

God with me lying down, God with me rising up.
God with me in each ray of light,
Nor a ray of joy without Him, nor one ray without Him.
Christ with me sleeping, sleeping, Christ with me waking up.
Christ with me watching o'er each moment,
And with me every day and night, with me each day and night.
God with me protecting, the Lord with me directing.
The Spirit with me strengthening,
Forever and forevermore, the Chief of chiefs. Amen.
God with me lying down, Christ with me waking up.
God with me in each ray of light,
And with me every day and night, forever and forevermore.

Mark Landry – Directing

*THE DOXOLOGY:

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.

OLD HUNDREDETH

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison):

God, You are the fountain of all good: we bring to You our gifts, according to the blessing You have given. Enable us, with our earthly things, to give You the love of our hearts and the service of our lives. Let Your favor, which is life, and Your loving kindness, which is better than life, be upon us now and always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #644

"May the Mind of Christ My Savior"

ST. LEONARDS

*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE:

"Prelude and Fugue in C Minor"

J. S. Bach

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

(8:30)

Hadley Hall, organ

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

arr. Charles Ore

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, Son of God and Son of Man!
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

(11:00)

Miriam Amos and Rachel Amos, duet

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Ruth Elaine Schram

For the beauty of the earth; for the glory of the skies;
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:
Lord of all, to You we raise this our song of grateful praise.
For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
Lord of all, to You we raise this our song of grateful praise.
For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild:
Lord of all, to You we raise this our song of grateful praise.

WELCOME:

Dr. Chris Smith

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: 33:18-22 (responsively)

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His steadfast love, that He may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

Our soul waits for the LORD; He is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in Him, because we trust in His Holy name. Let Your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in You.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #310

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

DARWALL

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON