

\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE:#690

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

BRADFORD

\*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

\*POSTLUDE:

"Hymn to Joy"

Ludwig van Beethoven

\*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.  
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# 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](http://rivermont.org/sundayschool)).
- Join us for dinner and Bible Studies on Wednesday nights beginning September 6.
- 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](http://rivermont.org/gtkr).

## Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit [rivermont.org/events](http://rivermont.org/events)

### Sunday, July 30

- 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, July 31

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

### Tuesday, August 1

- 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall & via Zoom)
- 4:00 pm Park Play Group (Riverside Park) 🏰

### Thursday, August 3

- 9:29 am Youth Boys' and Girls' 929 (Biscuitville, Old Forest Road)
- 6:30 pm Pick-up Soccer (Field at Early and Dinwiddie) 🏰

### Saturday, August 5

- 8:00 am Beginner Pickleball (Riverside Park) 🏰

### Sunday, August 6

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am Sunday School
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- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

🏰 = In Rivermont for Rivermont Event (Members Welcome!)  
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**OUR PASSION:** *the renewing of lives through God's compelling love in Lynchburg and the world.*

## ORDER of WORSHIP

July 30, 2023

### Sanctuary Choir

Sanctuary Choir rehearsals begin Wednesday, August 30. The choir sings for Sunday morning worship services (alternating between the 8:30 and 11:00 am services) beginning September 3. This December we look forward to presenting the Vivaldi Gloria. Membership is open to singers college age and above who have some previous choir or other vocal performance experience. Please contact Peggy Bettcher at [pbettcher@rivermont.org](mailto:pbettcher@rivermont.org) for more information.

### 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](http://rivermont.org/prayer) or email [janet@rivermont.org](mailto:janet@rivermont.org). All requests are confidential.

## Preparation *for* Worship

*As the Prelude begins, 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.

### PRELUDE:

Sarah Catherine Straw, violin

*"Sonata I – IV. Allegro"*

G. F. Handel

### WELCOME:

Eric Vess, REPC Elder

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 24 (responsively)

*Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in His holy place?*

**He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.**

*He will receive blessing from the LORD and his righteousness from the God of his salvation.*

**Such is the generation of those who seek Him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.**

*Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.*

**Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory!**

### \*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #26

*"Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord"*

WOODLANDS

### \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

### \*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### \*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

*"Before the Throne of God Above"* (vs. 1 & 2) Cooke and Bancroft

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea:

A great High Priest Whose name is love, Who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on His hands. My name is written on His heart.

I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,

No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within,

Upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end of all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free,

For God the Just is satisfied, to look on Him and pardon me

To look on Him and pardon me.

### \*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 7:1-10 (Page 1004)

### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### THE SERMON:

*"Not Who You'd Expect"*

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"*

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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:

Amy Hall, soloist

*"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"* Getty, Papa, Kauflin, Boswell, Merker, arr. Larson

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone.

What is our only confidence? That our souls to Him belong.

Who holds our days within His hand? What comes, apart from His command?

And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good.

Where is His grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood.

Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the stormy trial?

Who sends the waves that bring us nigh unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal.

O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

Unto the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, He lives! Christ, He lives!"

And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with him!

There we will rise to meet the Lord. Then sin and death will be destroyed.

And we will feast in endless joy when Christ is ours forevermore.

### \*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):

Gracious heavenly Father, we praise You for every good and perfect gift which

comes down from heaven. We praise You for the gift of Your Son, our Savior,

in Whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins! We praise You for the

gift of the Holy Spirit, by Whom we are born anew and adopted as Your

children through Jesus our Lord. With joy, we present ourselves as living

sacrifices in Your service. Receive and bless this offering, for the sake of Your

kingdom, and send us forth in the power of Your Spirit to live as witnesses of

Jesus Christ, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.