

**\*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison):**

Almighty and most merciful Father, we give You praise and thanks for all Your mercies: for Your goodness that created us; for Your bounty that sustains us; for Your discipline that corrects us; for Your patience that bears with us; and for Your love that has redeemed us. Grant us also, we pray, a heart to love You; and, by Your Spirit's power, enable us to show our thankfulness in lives of joyful service. Bless this offering for the sake of Your kingdom, for we offer these gifts in the name of Him Who loved us and gave Himself for us: Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

**\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: (Please see insert)  
"By Faith"**

GETTY AND TOWNEND

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

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

**\*POSTLUDE: "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"** arr. Lani Smith

\*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.  
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**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). All requests are confidential.

**Emergency Phone Line**

For Acute Illness and Death  
Evenings and Weekends: (434) 426-3774  
Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00-5:00: (434) 846-3441  
Please leave a message for an appropriate response.

# 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. To make reservations go to [rivermont.org/rfn](http://rivermont.org/rfn).
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Class beginning April 7. 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, February 11

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
- 5:00 pm Stitching Circle (Locke Commons)
- 6:00 pm 20 Somethings+ Super Bowl Watch (Home of Earl and Betsy Weaver)

### Monday, February 12

- 7:00 am No Walls Bible Study (Quinlan)
- 9:00 am Preschool
- 9:30 am Story Time (Youth House) 🏰
- 10:00 am Prayer Group (Library)
- 11:00 am Caregivers' Support Group (Room 203)
- 5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 🏰
- 6:00 pm Art with Amy ages 18+ (Youth House)

### Tuesday, February 13

- 6:26 am High School 626 (Biscuitville)
- 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (FH)
- 9:00 am Preschool
- 1:00 pm Shepherding & Care Meeting (Room 203)

### Wednesday, February 14

- 9:00 am Preschool
- 4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes & Praise Ringers
- 5:15 pm Carillon
- 5:15 pm Cherub, Chapel & New Song Choirs
- 5:45 pm Rivermont Fellowship Night Meal
- 6:30 pm Bible Studies
- 6:30 pm Missionary Prayer & Care (Pastors' Lounge)
- 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, February 15

- 9:30 am Women's Bible Study (Quinlan)
- 10:00 am Community Bible Study
- 5:00 pm No Walls Meeting (Rivermont A)

### Friday, February 16

- 5:30 pm Men's Retreat (Eagle Eyrie)

### Saturday, February 17

- 7:00 am Men's Retreat (Eagle Eyrie)
- 10:00 am Beginner Pickleball (Riverside Park) 🏰
- 1:00 pm Middle School Bowling

### Sunday, February 18

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
- 5:00 pm Stitching Circle (Locke Commons) 🏰
- 6:00 pm Youth SNL (Youth Center)
- 6:00 pm GTKR Dinner (Eubanks' Home)

🏰 = In Rivermont for Rivermont Event (Members Welcome!)  
For more information, please visit [rivermont.com](http://rivermont.com)

## Contact Us

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**OUR MISSION:** *For the glory of God and the good of His people, REPC seeks to follow Jesus Christ in His mission to awaken gospel renewal through Spirit-empowered worship, discipleship and mission, beginning in the Rivermont Community and extending to the ends of the earth.*

## ORDER of WORSHIP

February 11, 2024

## 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 prepare to worship You this morning, we would meditate and dwell on Your wonderful faithfulness. Great indeed is Your faithfulness. There is no shadow of turning with You. We pray that You would open our eyes this morning so that we might see You more clearly, and our ears that we may hear Your voice more clearly. Open also our hearts that we may eagerly respond to do what You call us to do. We ask these things in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

### PRELUDE:

**(8:30) "Savior, Teach Me, Day By Day"** arr. George Blake  
Savior, teach me, day by day, love's sweet lesson to obey;  
Sweeter lesson cannot be, loving Him Who first loved me.  
Love in loving finds employ, in obedience all her joy;  
Ever new that joy will be, loving Him Who first loved me.

**(11:00) "Come, All Christians, Be Committed"** arr. Matthew Compton  
Carillon Handbells  
Come, all Christians, be committed to the service of the Lord.  
Make your lives for Him more fitted, tune your hearts with one accord.  
Come into His courts with gladness, each His sacred vows renew,  
Turn away from sin and sadness, be transformed with life anew.

**WELCOME:** Pastor Shane Whelan

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 111:1-3;9-10 (responsively)**  
*Praise the LORD!*  
**I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**  
*Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.*  
**Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever.**  
*He sent redemption to His people;*  
**He has commanded His covenant forever. Holy and awesome is His name!**  
*The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.*  
**His praise endures forever!**

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #30**  
**"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"** ST. ANNE

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

**\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:**  
**"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"** (v. 1) SOLID ROCK  
**My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.  
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**(11:00) ANTHEM FOR PREPARATION FOR THE WORD:** Cherub Choir Trad.  
**"O How I Love Jesus"**  
There is a name I love to hear; I love to sing its worth.  
It sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.  
O how I love Jesus because He first loved me!  
It tells me of a Savior's love Who died to set me free;  
It tells me of His precious blood, the sinner's perfect plea.  
It tells of one whose loving heart from sin and sorrow free;  
I'll sing the new eternal song of Jesus' love to me.  
**Amy Hall – Director; Sandra Landry – Accompanist**

**\*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 11:30-40** (page 1008)

**THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**THE SERMON:** **"A Commendable Faith"** Dr. David Weber

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

**\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:**  
**THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, #1 (responsively):**  
*What is your only comfort, in life and in death?*  
**My only comfort is that I belong, body and soul, in life and in death, not to myself, but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. At the cost of His own precious blood, He has fully paid for all my sins, and has set me free from the dominion of the devil. He also watches over me so well that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven. Indeed, all things must work together to fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly ready and willing from now on to live for Him. Amen!**

**\*THE GLORIA:** **"Glorify Your Name"** Donna Adkins  
**FATHER, we love You, we praise You, we adore You:  
Glorify Your name in all the earth!  
Glorify Your name, glorify Your name, glorify Your name in all the earth!**  
(Repeat using: JESUS and SPIRIT)

**MOMENT FOR MISSION:** David Harker, Gideons International  
(Checks should be made payable to Gideons International)

**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:** **Praise Ringers**  
**(8:30) "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"** Redman, arr. Bettcher

Bless the Lord, o my soul, o my soul, worship His holy name.  
Sing like never before, o my soul, I'll worship Your holy name.  
The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning; it's time to sing Your song again.  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes.  
You're rich in love and You're slow to anger,  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.  
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.  
And on that day when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near and my time has come.  
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending;  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.  
**Hadley Hall – Director**

**(11:00) "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"** Carillon Handbells  
arr. Matthew Compton  
I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me, and rest,  
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon My breast."  
I came to Jesus as I was weary, and worn, and sad.  
I found in Him a resting-place and He has made me glad.  
I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give  
The living water: thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live."  
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream.  
My thirst was quenched my soul revived, and now I live in Him.  
I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's Light.  
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright."  
I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my Star, my Sun.  
And in that Light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.

**\*THE DOXOLOGY:** OLD HUNDRETH  
**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.**