

***THE BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE:** "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" arr. James Denton

*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).
- Join us for dinner and Bible Studies on Wednesday nights. To make reservations go to 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.

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, March 3

- 8:30 am Worship Service with Communion
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service with Communion
- 12:30 pm Covered-Dish Lunch with Missionaries (Fellowship Hall)
- 4:00 pm Special Missionary Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
- 5:00 pm Stitching Circle (Locke Commons) 🏰
- 6:00 pm Youth SNL (Youth House)

Monday, March 4

- 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)
- 5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 🏰
- 7:30 pm WEEE Connect (Room 201)

Tuesday, March 5

- 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
- 9:00 am Preschool
- 10:30 am Women's Circle (Room 201)
- 6:30 pm Mission Steering Committee (Library)

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

Wednesday, March 6

- 9:00 am Preschool
- 12:00 pm Monthly Prayer and Fasting (John Knox)
- 4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes & Praise Ringers
- 5:15 pm Cherub, Chapel & New Song Choirs
- 5:15 pm Carillon
- 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, March 7

- 9:30 am Women's Bible Study (Room 203)
- 10:00 am Community Bible Study

Saturday, March 9

- 10:00 am Pickleball in the Park (Riverside Park) 🏰
- 12:00 pm No Walls Second Saturday Picnic (Gospel Community Church College Hill)

Sunday, March 10 - Daylight Savings Time Begins

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 12:15 pm 20 Somethings+ Lunch on the Run (Waterstone Pizza)
- 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
- 5:00 pm Stitching Circle (Locke Commons) 🏰



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

March 3, 2024

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.

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.

Contact Us

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Preparation for Worship

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

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Our Father in heaven, Who sent Your only-begotten Son into the world, not to condemn the world but that the world through Him might be saved: we pray that You would be pleased to pour out Your Spirit upon us; that, with true repentance of our sins, we might take up our cross, deny ourselves, and faithfully follow Jesus Christ; in Whom alone we trust for our salvation, and in Whose holy name we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE:

"Be a Light!"

Chapel Choir

Mark Hayes

You are the light of the world. You shine like a lighthouse high upon a hill.
Do not hide it. Let your light shine! Be a light! Shine wherever you go.
Be a light! Light your world with a glow.
May your actions reflect the light inside of you.
May you be loving in ev'rything you do.
May you always live a life that is kind and true.
Be a light that shares God's love.
You are the light of the world.
When you see darkness, shine your light around.
You are the answer. Let your light shine!

Lori Flowers – Director; Noah Caldwell – Accompanist

WELCOME:

Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 32:1-2,11 (responsively)

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #167 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

LAUDES DOMINI

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Psalm 32:5,11

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Jesus Paid It All" (vs. 3 & 4)

ALL TO CHRIST

**For nothing good have I, whereby Your grace to claim
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.
Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.**

**And when, before the throne, I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.
Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.**

*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 12:14-17 (page 1009)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"The Hiker's Guide to Glory"

Dr. David Weber

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from Colossians 1:15-20 (in unison)

We believe in Christ Jesus: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

*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!**

THE RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

(8:30)

"Who But the Lord?"

Sanctuary Choir

Craig Courtney

Who but the Lord can give the shadows light,
Can break into the dark, draw morning from the night?
Who but the Lord will hear our cry and answer, "Here am I!"
Who but the Lord makes blinded eyes to see,
Brings music to the deaf, sets the lonely captive free?
Who but the Lord will by His glory show the paths of peace?
Who but the Lord?
O shine on us the brightness of Your face,
To earth's remotest end, every people, every race.
O shine on us until to each is shown Your saving grace. O shine on us.
Who but the Lord can give the shadows light? None but the Lord.
Kayla Suter – Director; Hadley Hall – Accompanist

(11:00)

"Psalm 121 (I Lift My Eyes)"

New Song

Kauflin, Getty, Merker, Papa

I lift my eyes up to the hills; from where does my help come?
My help comes from the Maker of the heavens and the earth.
He will not let my foot be moved; He keeps my journey safe.
He is the shade at my right hand, my shelter in the storm.
No sun by day nor moon by night shall ever bring me harm.
He will not slumber, will not sleep; He watches all my ways.
O my soul, praise the Lord most high; strong to save, He upholds my life.
Forevermore He will be my light; I lift my eyes up to the Lord most high.
The God of Israel is my guide wherever I may go;
And in His strength I will abide until He leads me home.

Else Frazier – Director; Ashley Plude – Accompanist

*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION:

"Lamb of God" (vs. 1-2)

TWILA PARIS

**Your only Son, no sin to hide, but You have sent Him from Your side
To walk upon this guilty sod and to become the Lamb of God.**

Chorus:

**O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God.
O wash me in His precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.**

**Your gift of love they crucified. They laughed and scorned Him as He died.
The humble King they named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God.**

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 Reception of the Bread and the Cup

The Concluding Communion Prayer

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE:

"Lamb of God" (v. 3)

TWILA PARIS

**I was so lost I should have died, but You have brought me to Your side
To be led by Your staff and rod, and to be called a child of God.**

Chorus:

**O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God.
O wash me in His precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.**