

Holy Week Services

March 24 - Palm Sunday: 8:30 am & 11:00 am - Worship Services

4:00 pm Requiem Musical Performance in the Sanctuary

March 28 - Maundy Thursday: 7:00 pm - Worship Service in the Sanctuary, including Communion

March 29 - Good Friday Service at 12:05 pm in the Sanctuary

March 31 - Easter Sunday:

7:30 am - Garden Service in the Courtyard

8:30 am - Worship Service, including Communion

9:45 am - Continental Breakfast, Cheatham Center & Locke Commons
(No Sunday School)

11:00 am - Worship Service, including Communion

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 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) 🏛️

Monday, March 11

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
(Family Room)

5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 🏛️

6:00 pm Art with Amy ages 18+ 🏛️
(Country Gardens)

Tuesday, March 12

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, March 13

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, March 14

9:30 am Women's Bible Study (Quinlan)

10:00 am Community Bible Study

Saturday, March 16

10:00 am Beginner Pickleball (Riverside Park) 🏛️

Sunday, March 17

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)

🏛️ = In Rivermont for Rivermont Event

(Members Welcome!)

For more information, please visit rivermont.com

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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

March 10, 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. 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.

Preparation *for* Worship

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

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Gracious Lord, our good and faithful Shepherd, we give You thanks for all the ways in which You guide and guard our lives. We thank You for protecting us and providing for our every need. We rejoice that You know us by name, and call us by name, and care for each one of us. We ask You now, O Shepherd of our souls, to be present with us in the power of Your Spirit. Comfort the afflicted, correct the wayward, assure the anxious, warn the straying, seek and save the lost, and lead us in the paths of righteousness, for Your name's sake. Amen.

PRELUDE:

"Jesus Paid It All"

Grayson Laughon, violin

arr. James Michael Stevens

I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small,
Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me your all in all."
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 loves me, this I know; for the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong, they are weak, but He is strong.

WELCOME:

Pastor Shane Whelan

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 2:7–12 (responsively)

I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me,

"You are My Son; today I have begotten you.

Ask of Me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.

Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and you perish in the way, for His wrath is quickly kindled.

Blessed are all who take refuge in Him.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #9

"All You That Fear Jehovah's Name"

PARK STREET

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Galatians 5:1

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King" (v. 2)

DARWALL

**Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;
When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above.**

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

*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 12:18-24 (page 1009)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"A Better Kingdom"

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:

"Praise and Glory to the Father"

REGENT SQUARE

**Praise and glory to the Father, praise and glory to the Son,
Praise and glory to the Spirit: ever Three and ever One;
One in might and One in glory, while unending ages run!**

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:

(8:30)

Emily Emanuel, soloist

Laura Story

"Remember"

This is the body that was torn for us. This is the blood that was spilt;
Points to the pain You endured for us, points to the shame, the blame, the guilt.
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, come, move our hearts to remember.
This is the Lamb Who was slain for us so we, the church, may enter in.
So bittersweet when we think of You, the One Who bore our curse, our sin.
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, come, move our hearts to remember.

(11:00)

Sanctuary Choir

Lloyd Larson

"Amazing Love! How Can It Be"

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, should die for me?
He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infinite His grace!
Emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me.
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, should die for me?
No condemnation now I dread; Jesus and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine;
Bold I approach th'eternal throne and claim the crown, through Christ my own.
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, should die for me?

Miriam Amos – Accompanist

*THE DOXOLOGY:

OLD HUNDREDDTH

**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):

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, You did not spare Your own Son, but gave Him up for us all. And with Him, You have freely given us all things. In Your mercy, receive these offerings, which we dedicate to You. With all our gifts, enable us to yield ourselves to You, so that with body, soul, and strength, we may truly and freely serve You. In Your service, may we find our perfect freedom and deepest joy, through Jesus Christ 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:

"Fantasia in G Minor"

J. S. Bach

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