

### Session Appreciation

The Session expresses thanksgiving to God for the ministry of Toni Termotto, our Nursery Supervisor over the past twelve years, who completed her service on March 31. Please remain in prayer for Toni and her family. Notes of appreciation may be sent to her home address: 1510 Isaac Walton Road, Lynchburg, VA 24572.

### In Appreciation

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with Rivermont's Neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23 in Riverside Park. During the past couple weeks, many of you helped to stuff Easter eggs, deliver door hangers, plan and serve lunch for our guests, and much more! Through your warm hearts and hands, you glorified Jesus Christ as He brought our neighborhood together, provided beautiful weather, and gave us meaningful Gospel connections. With joyful hearts, praise His holy name!

Dear members of the Flower Guild, In the book of Romans we are told that we have various gifts. It is very evident that you all have a beautiful gift of artistry in floral design. Thank you for the blessing of having gorgeous flowers throughout the church for Easter Sunday. The arrangements in the sanctuary were especially breathtaking. Their beauty gives us yet another reason to praise & thank the Lord. Blessings, Jane Miller

### 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.

### 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 starting in September.
- 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, April 7

- 8:30 am Worship Service with Communion
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 9:45 am Getting To Know Rivermont (Family Room)
- 11:00 am Worship Service with Communion
- 12:15 pm 20 Somethings+ Lunch on the Run (Taco Jesús)
- 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
- 5:00 pm Stitching Circle (Locke Commons) 🏰
- 6:00 pm Youth SNL (Youth Center)

#### Monday, April 8

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

#### Tuesday, April 9

- 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
- 9:00 am Preschool
- 11:00 am Story Time at Mission Thrift 🏰

🏰 = In Rivermont for Rivermont Event (Members Welcome!)

For more information, please visit [inrivermont.com](http://inrivermont.com)

#### Wednesday, April 10

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

#### Thursday, April 11

- 10:00 am Community Bible Study

#### Saturday, April 13

- 10:00 am Pickleball in the Park (Riverside Park) 🏰
- 10:30 am Soccer Outreach (Kingston Field) 🏰
- 12:00 pm No Walls Second Saturday Picnic (Gospel Community Church College Hill)

#### Sunday, April 14

- 8:30 am Worship Service
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 12:30 pm Campus Outreach Lunch (Whelan Home)
- 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
- 5:00 pm Stitching Circle (Locke Commons) 🏰

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# Rivermont

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**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

April 7, 2024

First Sunday in Eastertide

## 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:

(8:30) **Liesl Amos, Amy Hall, Beth Ulrich, Betsy Weaver**

*"In the Beauty of Your Holiness"*

Berry, arr. Lin

Lord, You alone are holy, in rev'rence I bow to You.

Lord, You alone are worthy of praise and honor true.

I glory in Your matchless name; I lift my voice in song.

You are holy, worthy God.

In the beauty of Your holiness, I come to You, Your name to bless.

In the beauty of Your holiness I bow to worship You.

Lord, You alone are mighty, Maker of sky and sea.

Lord, You alone are Savior Whose blood has set me free.

Creator of the universe, Redeemer of my soul,

You are Savior, mighty God.

Someday soon I'll see You in all Your glory.

Ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess, "You are Lord!"

In the beauty of Your holiness, I come to You, Your name to bless.

In the beauty of Your holiness I kneel to adore You, Christ the Lord.

I bow to worship You.

**Miriam Amos – Accompanist**

(11:00) *"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"* arr. Charles W. Ore

I know that my Redeemer lives; what comfort this sweet sentence gives!

He lives, He lives, Who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living Head.

WELCOME: **Pastor Brett Eubank**

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 133 (responsively)

*Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!*

**It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes!**

*It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!*

**For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.**

### \*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #3

*"Give to Our God Immortal Praise"*

WARRINGTON

### \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

### \*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Titus 2:11-14

### \*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE: (Please see insert)

*"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"* Getty, Boswell, Kauflin, Merker & Papa

### \*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 13:1-8 (page 1009)

### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: *"Staying Connected"* **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)

Sanctuary Choir

Mary McDonald

*"Jesus Is the Living Stone"*

He is Jesus, Rock of Ages, Our Messiah, the Prince of Peace;

Lord, our refuge, strength and power, and His love will never cease.

He is Alpha and Omega; the Beginning and the End!

Our Redeemer, Master, Savior, Jesus, Comforter and Friend.

Jesus is the firm foundation, for our sins His blood atones.

He's the Rock, the mighty fortress, Jesus is the Living Stone.

The foundation never wavered, like an anchor through ev'ry storm;

He's the Rock of our salvation; Jesus calms the raging storm.

Yesterday, today, forever, His love reaches ev'ry man;

From His birth to heaven's glory, Jesus Christ, the Great "I Am!"

**Miriam Amos – Accompanist**

(11:00)

**Liesl Amos, Amy Hall, Beth Ulrich, Betsy Weaver**

*"In the Beauty of Your Holiness"*

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### \*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION: #359

*"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (verses 1-4)*

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### 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](http://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: #359

*"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (verses 5-6)*

DENNIS

### \*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

### \*POSTLUDE: *"The Trumpet Shall Sound"*

G. F. Handel