

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

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

**\*POSTLUDE:** "To God Be the Glory" arr. Robert J. Hughes

\*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 in September.
  - Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
  - Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Class on June 28-29. For more information and to sign up 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, June 2

- 8:30 am Worship Service with Communion
- 9:45 am Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)
- 11:00 am Worship Service with Communion
- 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

### Monday, June 3

- 7:00 am No Walls Bible Study (Quinlan)
- 10:00 am Prayer Group (Country Gardens)
- 11:00 am Story Time (Riverside Park) 🏰
- 5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 🏰
- 7:30 pm WEEE Connect (2007 Pansy Street)

### Tuesday, June 4

- 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
- 9:29 am High School 929 (Chick-fil-A near Hobby Lobby)
- 5:30 pm Pick up Basketball (Kingston Court) 🏰
- 6:30 pm Missions Steering Committee (Library)

### Wednesday, June 5

- 1:00 pm Shepherding & Care Meeting (Library)
- 6:00 pm Youth Ultimate Frisbee (Centenary Methodist Church Field)
- 6:30 pm Missionary Prayer & Care (Pastors' Lounge)
- 7:00 pm Women's Summer Study (Youth House)

### Thursday, June 6

- 6:00 pm Pick up Soccer (Kingston Field) 🏰

### Saturday, June 8

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

### Sunday, June 9

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

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



**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

June 2, 2024

### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

(There will be a panel discussion about missional small groups following the meeting)

**Today, 9:45 am  
(No Sunday School)**

For the purposes of:

1. Receiving as information updates regarding the current year-to-date financial report and the fiscal year budget, ending June 30, 2025.
2. Receiving as information ministry updates.

### 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.

## 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:

Almighty and everlasting God, in Whom alone is our peace and security: Grant us this day to draw near to You in faith, with sorrowful repentance for all our sins, with humble trust in Jesus Christ the only Savior, with renewed resolve to honor and obey You, placing all our confidence and hope in You alone; all by the grace of the Holy Spirit, to the glory of Your name. Amen.

### PRELUDE:

(8:30) **"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"** arr. Gerald Near

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly.  
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past;  
Safe into the haven guide, O receive my soul at last!

(11:00) **Thomas Miller, alto saxophone**  
**"Isn't He?/Because He Lives/Then Sings My Soul"** Wimber/Gaither/Hine

Isn't He beautiful? Beautiful, isn't He?  
Prince of Peace, Son of God, isn't He?  
Isn't He wonderful? Wonderful, isn't He?  
Counselor, Almighty God, isn't He?  
Because He lives I can face tomorrow.  
Because He lives all fear is gone.  
Because I know He holds the future,  
And life is worth the living just because He lives.  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

WELCOME: **Pastor Brett Eubank**

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 139:1-10 (responsively)

*O, LORD, You have searched me and known me!*

**You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You discern my thoughts from afar.**

*You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.*

**Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, You know it altogether.**

*You hem me in, behind and before, and lay Your hand upon me.*

**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.**

*Where shall I go from Your Spirit?*

**Or where shall I flee from Your presence?**

*If I ascend to heaven, You are there!*

**If I make my bed in Sheol, You are there!**

*If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,*

**Even there Your hand shall lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me.**

### \*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #181

**"We Come, O Christ, to You"** DARWALL

### \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

### \*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### \*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

**"He Will Hold Me Fast" (verse 3)**

Matt Merker

**For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;  
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.  
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast  
'Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last!  
He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;  
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.**

### \*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: Philippians 4:4-7

### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: **"Christ and the Pursuit of Peace"** **Pastor Ron Cox**

### 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: **"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 RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

(8:30) **Thomas Miller, alto saxophone**  
**"Isn't He?/Because He Lives/Then Sings My Soul"** Wimber/Gaither/Hine

(11:00) **Sanctuary Choir**  
**"O Word of God"** arr. Craig Courtney

O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,  
O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky;  
We praise You for the radiance that from the hallowed page,  
A lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age. O Word of God.  
The church from You, our Savior, received the gift divine,  
And still that light is lifted o'er all the earth to shine.  
It is the sacred vessel where gems of truth are stored;  
It is the heav'n-drawn picture of Christ, the living Word.  
The Scripture is a banner, before God's host unfurled;  
It is a shining beacon above the dark'ning world.  
It is the chart and compass that o'er life's surging tide,  
Mid mists and rocks and quicksands, to you, O Christ, will guide.  
O make Your church, dear Savior, a lamp of purest gold,  
To beat before the nations Your true light as of old.  
O teach Your wand'ring pilgrims by this their path to trace,  
Till, clouds and darkness ended, they see You face to face. Amen.

**Thomas Miller – clarinet; Hadley Hall – Accompanist**

### \*THE COMMUNION HYMN: (Please see insert)

**"The Communion Hymn" (verses 1-3)** COMMUNION

### 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 Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

### The Concluding Communion Prayer

### \*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: (Please see insert)

**"The Communion Hymn" (verse 4)** COMMUNION