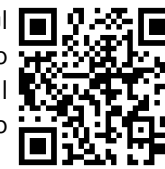


Welcome to Rivermont!

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 starting on September 4.
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Weekend Class. For more information go to rivermont.org/gtkr.

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, July 21

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

Monday, July 22

7:00 am No Walls Bible Study (Quinlan)
10:00 am Prayer Group (Country Gardens)
11:00 am Story Time (Riverside Park) 🏰
11:00 am Caregivers' Group (Family Room)
5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 🏰

Tuesday, July 23

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study
(Rooms 203-204)
5:30 pm Pickup Basketball (Kingston Court) 🏰

Wednesday, July 24

6:00 pm Youth Ultimate Frisbee (Centenary
Methodist Church/Kingston Field)
6:30 pm Missionary Prayer & Care (Pastors'
Lounge)
7:00 pm Women's Summer Study (Youth House)

Thursday, July 25

6:30 pm Pickup Soccer (Kingston Field) 🏰

Friday, July 26

6:30 pm 20 Somethings+ Bowling
(AMF Bowling, 4643 Murray Place)

Saturday, July 27

8:00 am Pickleball in the Park (Riverside Park) 🏰

Sunday, July 28

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 rivermont.com

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Rivermont Chimes, the beginner handchime choir for youth in Grades 2-5, has several openings for the fall. Those participating in **Rivermont Chimes** will be able to develop to a higher level their musical talents and skills while they experience the rewards of playing in this unique ensemble. Rehearsals will be each Wednesday afternoon from 4:30-5:10 p.m. beginning September 4, and presentations for this season will be approximately 2 or 3 times each semester in a Sunday worship service through May of 2025. Noah Caldwell is the director of the group. Prior experience in reading music is not necessary. To reserve a spot in this choir, please contact Peggy Bettcher at pbettcher@rivermont.org.

Sanctuary Floral Arrangement

The flowers under the cross are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Carol Thompson from her Rivermont sisters in Christ. A memorial service was held yesterday in the REPC Sanctuary.

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.



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

July 21, 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 come to worship You this morning, may Your Spirit open our hearts and our understanding to see both our own desperate need and Your gracious provision for our salvation in Jesus Christ. Open our eyes also to see Your greatness and glory more clearly. Convict us, convert us, cleanse us and consecrate us, so that we may willingly and wholeheartedly give ourselves to You and to Your service. Enable us now to worship You in spirit and in truth. This we pray in the strong name of Jesus. Amen.

PRELUDE:

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Miriam Amos, organ

arr. Carolyn Hamlin

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down:
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?
Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

WELCOME:

Eric Vess, Ruling Elder

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 121 (responsively)

I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, Who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; He Who keeps you will not slumber.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: (Please see insert)

"He Will Hold Me Fast"

MERKER

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners" (vs. 4)

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**Jesus! What a guide and keeper! While the tempest still is high,
Storms about me, night o'er-takes me, He, my pilot, hears my cry.
Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.**

*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: Mark 5:1-20 (Page 840)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"Go Home, Young Man"

Pastor Brett Eubank

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

THE PHILIPPIAN CREED based on Philippians 2:6-11 (in unison)

We believe in Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death — even death on a cross! Therefore, God has highly exalted Him and given Him the name that is above every name; that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*THE GLORIA:

"Alleluia, Alleluia"

EBENEZER

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Savior, Who has won the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity
Alleluia! Alleluia! to the Triune Majesty.**

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:

"Be Thou My Vision"

Sarah Bromke, soloist

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art –
Thou my best thought by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

*THE DOXOLOGY:

**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.**

OLD HUNDREDTH

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison):

God, You are the fountain of all good: we bring to You our gifts, according to the blessing You have given. Enable us, with our earthly things, to give You the love of our hearts and the service of our lives. Let Your favor, which is life, and Your loving kindness, which is better than life, be upon us now and always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: (Please see back of insert)

"In Christ Alone"

IN CHRIST ALONE

*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE:

"Prelude and Fugue in G Major"

J. S. Bach

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