

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

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

**\*POSTLUDE:** "Prelude 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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**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](mailto:pbettcher@rivermont.org).

**Sanctuary Choir** rehearsals begin Wednesday, August 28 at 6:30 pm. The choir sings for Sunday morning worship services (alternating between the 8:30 and 11:00 am services) beginning September 1. This December we look forward to presenting the Christmas portion of Handel's MESSIAH. Membership is open to singers college age and above who have some previous choir or other vocal performance experience. Please contact Peggy Bettcher at [pbettcher@rivermont.org](mailto:pbettcher@rivermont.org) for more information.

**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 beginning September 4.
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Class beginning September 8. 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, July 28

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

### Monday, July 29

- 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) 🏰

### Tuesday, July 30

- 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Rooms 203-204)
- 9:29 am High School 929 (Chick-fil-A near Hobby Lobby)
- 5:30 pm Pickup Basketball (Kingston Court) 🏰

### Wednesday, July 31

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

### Thursday, August 1

- 10:00 am Park Play Group (Riverside Park) 🏰

### Saturday, August 3

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

### Sunday, August 4

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

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

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

## Contact Us

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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

July 28, 2024

## Preparation for Worship

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

### THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Gracious Father, we give You thanks for the gift of this day on which we gather as Your people to find our rest in You. May Your Spirit dwell with us, work within us, and move among us, that we may worship You in spirit and in truth. May Your Word come to us in power, and be received by us in faith. May our love for You and for one another be increased; and may our lives be further sanctified, that we may grow in the likeness of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ; in Whose name we pray. Amen.

### PRELUDE:

#### *"The Heart of Worship"*

Ashley Plude, piano

Redman, arr. Keveren

When the music fades, all is stripped away, and I simply come,  
Longing just to bring something that's of worth that will bless Your heart.  
I'll bring You more than a song, for a song in itself is not what You have required.  
You search much deeper within, through the ways things appear;  
You're looking into my heart.  
I'm coming back to the heart of worship; and it's all about You,  
It's all about You, Jesus.  
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it, when it's all about You,  
It's all about You, Jesus.  
King of endless worth, no one could express how much You deserve.  
Though I'm weak and poor, all I have is Yours - every single breath.

### WELCOME:

Chris Smith, Ruling Elder

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 24 (responsively)

*Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in His holy place?*

**He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.**

*He will receive blessing from the LORD and his righteousness from the God of his salvation.*

**Such is the generation of those who seek Him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.**

*Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.*

**Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory!**

### \*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #300

*"Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power"*

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### \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

### \*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### \*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

*"Majesty"*

Jack W. Hayford

**Majesty, worship His majesty;  
Unto Jesus be all glory, power and praise.  
Majesty, kingdom authority flow from His throne  
Unto His own, His anthem raise.  
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus;  
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.  
Majesty, worship His majesty;  
Jesus, Who died, now glorified, King of all Kings.**

### \*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: Revelation 5:1-12 (Page 1030)

### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### THE SERMON:

Cam Colquitt, Campus Outreach Regional Director

*"The Lion and the Lamb"*

### 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:

*"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 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: Todd Jennings – trumpet; Patty Jennings – piano

*"He Will Hold Me Fast"*

Sibelius/Merker

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side; bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
Leave to your God to order and provide; in ev'ry change He faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'nly Friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.  
When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;  
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.  
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;  
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.  
He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;  
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.  
Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;  
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.  
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;  
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.  
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  
'Til our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last!

### \*THE DOXOLOGY:

OLD HUNDRETH

**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):

**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: #165

*"Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"*

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