

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

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

**\*POSTLUDE:** "Psalm XIX" Benedetto Marcello

\*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.  
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General Fund as of July 31, 2024	
Budget to date:	\$ 182,658
Behind Budget:	\$ 30,109
Year-to-date contributions:	\$ 152,549
Year-to-date expenses:	\$ 164,749
Contributions Behind Expenses:	\$ 12,200

**Congregational Meeting**  
September 1, 9:45 am, during the Sunday School Hour  
No Children's Sunday School - Nursery Only

For the Purposes of:

1. Electing a new class of Ruling Elders and Deacons
2. Electing a new class for the Officer Nominating Committee
3. General Assembly Report and Ministry Updates

**Sanctuary Floral Arrangement**

The flowers under the cross are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Carol Thompson for her many years of service on the Flower Guild.

**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. To make a reservation go to [rivermont.org/rfn](http://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 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, August 25

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

### Monday, August 26

- 7:00 am No Walls Bible Study (Quinlan)
- 10:00 am Prayer Group (Country Gardens)
- 11:00 am Story Time (Room 207) 🏰
- 5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 🏰

### Tuesday, August 27

- 6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

### Wednesday, August 28

- 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 pm Missionary Prayer & Care (Pastors' Lounge)

### Thursday, August 29

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

### Saturday, August 31

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

### Sunday, September 1

- 8:30 am Worship Service with Communion
- 9:45 am Congregational Meeting
- 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 [rivermont.com](http://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

August 25, 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:

**"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"**

arr. Carolyn Hamlin

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!  
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;  
Praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!  
Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore,  
Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

### WELCOME:

Dr. David Weber

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 115 (responsively)

*Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to Your name give glory, for the sake of Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness!*

**Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?" Our God is in the heavens; He does all that He pleases.**

*O Israel, trust in the LORD! He is their help and their shield. O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD! He is their help and their shield. You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD! He is their help and their shield.*

**The LORD has remembered us; He will bless us; He will bless the house of Israel; He will bless the house of Aaron; He will bless those who fear the LORD, both the small and the great.**

*May the LORD give you increase, you and your children! May you be blessed by the LORD, Who made heaven and earth!*

**The heavens are the LORD's heavens, but the earth He has given to the children of man. The dead do not praise the LORD, nor do any who go down into silence. But we will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!**

### \*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #30

**"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"**

ST. ANNE

### \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

### \*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 8:34-35

### \*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

**"Amazing Grace!" (vs. 1 & 5)**

AMAZING GRACE

**Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.**

**And when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease,  
I shall possess within the veil a life of joy and peace.**

### (8:30) THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Pastor Brett Eubank

Scott and Amber Jones present their children, Titus and Selah, for baptism.

### \*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: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 (Page 970)

### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### THE SERMON:

**"Grace Sustains Us"**

Pastor Shane Whelan

### 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!**

**MOMENT FOR MISSION:** Cam Colquitt, Campus Outreach Regional Director

### 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:

**"My Jesus, I Love Thee"**

Jim Gleason, soloist

arr. Dan Forrest

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;  
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.  
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.  
I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,  
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;  
And say when the death-dew lies cold on my brow:  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.  
In mansions of glory and endless delight,  
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;  
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

### \*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 HUNDRETH

### \*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison):

**Almighty Father of everlasting love, we give You thanks for the gift of life, for the blessings of Your providence, and for the promise of Your presence with us through Your Son, Jesus Christ, by the power of Your Spirit. We praise You for all the spiritual blessings which You have lavished upon us through Your Son, our Savior – for the gift of new birth, new life, the forgiveness of our sins, our adoption as Your children, and the hope of glory! All praise, honor, and glory be to You, the sovereign God of life and life everlasting. May all that we have and all that we are be consecrated for Your service and Your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

**"We Will Feast in the House of Zion"**

Shane Coffman