# In Appreciation

Dear Rivermont Family, praise God for the opportunity to serve and to fellowship with our neighbors during the Fall Festival that was held yesterday. Thank you for your investment of time, energy and resources for this enjoyable time of connection.

# Sermon Q & A

As we continue to focus on Rivermont's mission sermon series, Gospel Renewal, if you have any questions concerning the morning sermon, please join Pastor Weber in the Chapel at 5:00 pm following the 4:00 pm Sunday afternoon prayer service.

# 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 <u>rivermont.org/prayer</u> or email 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).
- Join us for dinner and Bible Studies on Wednesday nights. To make reservations go to <u>rivermont.org/rfn</u>.
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Class. For more information go to <u>rivermont.org/qtkr</u>.

# Coming Up This Week

#### For more information, please visit <u>rivermont.org/events</u>

Sunday, October 6 Wednesday, October 9, continued 8:30 am Worship Service with Communion 5:15 pm Cherub, Chapel & New Song Choirs 5:45 pm Rivermont Fellowship Night Meal 9:45 am Sunday School 6:30 pm Bible Studies 11:00 am Worship Service with Communion 6:30 pm Missionary Prayer & Care (Pastors' 12:30 pm Lunch with the Webers 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel) Lounge) 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 5:00 pm Sermon Q & A (Chapel) 5:00 pm Stitching Circle (Locke Commons) 📥 Thursday, October 10

9:30 am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) 10:00 am Park Play Group (Riverside Park) 📥

#### Friday, October 11

10:30 am GriefShare (Country Gardens) 6:30 pm Youth Fall Retreat

#### Saturday, October 12

10:00 am Pickleball in the Park (Riverside Park) 📥 11:30 am Youth Fall Retreat 12:00 pm No Walls Second Saturday Picnic (Gospel Community Church College Hill)

#### Sunday, October 13 8:30 am Worship Service

9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service 12:00 pm Reformed History Trip Interest (John Knox) 12:30 pm 20 Somethings+ Lunch on the Run (Big Lick Tropical Grill) 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel) 5:00 pm Sermon Q & A (Chapel) 5:00 pm Stitching Circle (Locke Commons)

6:00 pm Youth SNL (Youth Center)

# (Members Welcome!) For more information, please visit inrivermont.com

here in Rivermont for Rivermont Event

Contact Us

Monday, October 7

9:00 am Preschool

Tuesday, October 8

9:00 am Preschool

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5:15 pm Carillon

Wednesday, October 9

6:26 am High School 626

7:00 am No Walls Bible Study (Quinlan)

10:00 am Prayer Group (Country Gardens)

(Biscuitville, Old Forest Rd.)

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study

1:00 pm Shepherding & Care (Room 203)

4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes & Praise Ringers

(Fellowship Hall)

11:00 am Story Time (Room 207) 📥

5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 📥 7:30 pm WEEE Connect (Room 201)

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**OUR MISSION:** For the glory of God and the good of His people, REPC seeks to follow Jesus Christ to awaken gospel renewal through Spiritempowered worship, discipleship and mission, beginning in our church, extending to our neighborhood and our world.

ORDER of WORSHIP

October 6, 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: "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

arr. Charles Callahan

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need Thy tender care; In Thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use Thy folds prepare:

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are; Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

Early let us seek Thy favor; early let us do Thy will;

Blessed Lord and only Savior, with Thy love our bosoms fill:

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast loved us, love us still;

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast loved us, love us still.

#### WELCOME:

Dr. David Weber

#### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 67:1-5 (responsively)

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us, That Your way may be known on earth, Your saving power among all nations.

Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You!

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise You, O God;

Let all the peoples praise You!

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: (Please see insert)

"May the Peoples Praise You"

Getty, Townend, Cash, Zimmer

#### \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

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

#### \*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death" (v. 1) Getty, Boswell, Kauflin, Merkel & Papa

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone.

What is our only confidence? That our souls to Him belong.

Who holds our days within His hand? What comes, apart from His command?

And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.

O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal;

O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

#### (11:00) ANTHEM FOR PREPARATION FOR THE WORD:

Cherub Choir

"This Is My Commandment/Deep and Wide"

arr. Hal Wright

This is My commandment that you love one another, that your joy may be full.

Deep and wide, deep and wide, there's a fountain flowing deep and wide.

Amy Hall – Director; Noah Caldwell – Accompanist

#### \*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: Acts 1:6-8 (page 909)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: Pastor Brett Eubank

"Gospel Renewal in our Neighborhood and World"

#### THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

#### \*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

#### THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, #1 (responsively):

What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

My only comfort is that I belong, body and soul, in life and in death, not to myself, but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. At the cost of His own precious blood, He has fully paid for all my sins, and has set me free from the dominion of the devil. He also watches over me so well that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven. Indeed, all things must work together to fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly ready and willing from now on to live for Him. 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 RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

#### THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

Sanctuary Choir

"Lord God, You Have Called Your Servants"

unts" J. Aaron McDermid

Lord God, You have called Your servants
To ventures of which we cannot see the ending,

By paths as yet untrod, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with courage, not knowing where we go, But only that Your hand is leading us, and Your love supporting us,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### \*THE COMMUNION HYMN:#469

"How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place" (vs. 1-4)

) ST. COLUMBA

#### 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.

#### 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: #469

"How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place" (vs. 5-6)

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J. S. Bach

\*THE BENEDICTION

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

\*POSTLUDE: "Fugue in C Major"

<sup>\*</sup>The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so. Lyrics and music reproduced under CCLI#64526.