

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #92

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE: "All Creatures of Our God and King"

arr. Vaclav Nelhybel

*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.
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Ministering in Music this Morning:

Trumpets:	Shepard Wells, Mike Straw
Horn:	Kelly Hartless
Trombone:	Walker Pennock
Tuba:	Bill Folger
Timpani:	Jacob Caldwell
Organ/Piano:	Miriam Amos, Peggy Bettcher, Noah Caldwell, Hadley Hall

Sanctuary Floral Arrangement

The flowers under the cross today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Greg Alty.

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 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 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. For more information go to rivermont.org/gtkr.

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, October 27 - Reformation Sunday

8:30 am Worship Service
 9:45 am Sunday school
 11:00 am Worship Service
 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
 5:00 pm Stitching Circle (Locke Commons) 🏰
 6:00 pm Youth SNL (Youth Center)

Monday, October 28

7:00 am No Walls Bible Study (Quinlan)
 9:00 am Preschool
 10:00 am Prayer Group (Country Gardens)
 11:00 am Story Time (Room 207) 🏰
 11:00 am Caregivers' Support (Family Room)
 5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 🏰

Tuesday, October 29

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
 9:00 am Preschool

Wednesday, October 30

9:00 am Preschool
 4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes & Praise Ringers
 5:15 pm Carillon
 5:15 pm Cherub, Chapel & New Song Choirs



= In Rivermont for Rivermont Event (Members Welcome!)

For more information, please visit rivermont.org

Wednesday, October 30, continued

5:45 pm Rivermont Fellowship Night Meal
 6:30 pm Bible Studies
 6:30 pm Missionary Prayer & Care (Pastors' Lounge)
 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
 6:30 pm Nominating Committee Meeting (Library)

Thursday, October 31

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

Friday, November 1

10:30 am GriefShare (Country Gardens)
 7:30 pm Campus Outreach Ladies LBD Event (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday, November 2

10:00 am Pickleball in the Park (Riverside Park) 🏰
 11:00 am Campus Outreach Men's Paintball (Scottsville, VA)

Sunday, November 3 - All Saints' Day (Daylight Savings Time Ends)

8:30 am Worship Service with Communion
 9:45 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship Service with Communion
 12:30 pm 20 Somethings+ Lunch on the Run (Waterstone Pizza)
 4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)
 5:00 pm Sermon Q & A (Chapel)
 5:00 pm Stitching Circle (Locke Commons) 🏰

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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 Spirit-empowered worship, discipleship and mission, beginning in our church, extending to our neighborhood and our world.*

ORDER of WORSHIP

October 27, 2024

Reformation Sunday

Preparation *for* Worship

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

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Father of all grace and glory, look upon us in love and compassion through Your Son, Jesus Christ; and, by the power of Your Holy Spirit, enable us to worship You in spirit and in truth. Help us to draw near to You, in the assurance that You dwell with those who are of humble and contrite heart. Renew our minds by the truth of Your Word, strengthen our souls, and direct our wills; that we may more fervently love You and more sincerely serve You, to the glory of Your name. Amen.

PRELUDE:

"One Foundation"

Carillon Handbells

arr. Matthew Compton

Carillon Handbells and Brass

"Guide Us, O God of Grace"

arr. Michael R. Keller

WELCOME:

Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: from Hebrews 12:22-24, 28-29 (responsively)

You have come to Mount Zion, to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God;

We have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven.

You have come to God, the judge of all men, to the spirits of righteous men made perfect;

We have come to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe,

For our God is a consuming fire!

*THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

AZMON, arr. Schwoebel

**O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.**

**My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.**

**Jesus, the name that calms my fears, that bids my sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears; 'tis life and health and peace.**

Choir only: He breaks the pow'r of canceled sin, He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.

**To God all glory, praise, and love be ever, ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven. Amen.**

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (vs. 1)

SOLID ROCK

**My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand!**

(11:00) THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Kensley and Avery Nichols present their children, Bracken and Kynlee, 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: Romans 3:19-31 (Page 941)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"The Hinge of Christianity"

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!**

THE PASTORAL PRAYER, concluding with

Pastor Ron Cox

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:

Sanctuary Choir and Congregation

"O God Beyond All Praising"

arr. David Schwoebel

Choir: O the depth of the riches of the wisdom of God!
O the depth of the riches of the knowledge of God!
How unsearchable His judgments, and untraceable His ways.
O the depth of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
For of Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things:
To Whom be the glory for ever. Amen.

Congregation and Choir:

**O God beyond all praising, we worship You today
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
For we can only wonder at ev'ry gift You send,
At blessings without number and mercies without end;
We lift our hearts before You and wait upon Your Word,
We honor and adore You, our great and mighty Lord.**

**Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
That we who know Your favor may serve You as our King;
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless You still:
To marvel at Your beauty and glory in Your ways,
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.**

Choir: For of Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things:
To Whom be the glory for ever. Amen.

*THE DOXOLOGY:

OLD HUNDREDETH

**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):

Almighty and gracious Father, we give You thanks and praise for all Your goodness to us and over all creation; but above all we give thanks for the gift of Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, in Whom alone we have life and peace and everlasting joy. Trusting in Him, our Savior, we offer our hearts to You, eagerly and entirely, with joy and gratitude; and we pray that You will bless and multiply these tokens of our lives, and use them for the sake of Your kingdom throughout the earth; for the glory of Your name. Amen.