

THE OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE is seeking input from the congregation regarding potential candidates to be considered for the office of Elder and Deacon. Your participation is very important to the process of officer nomination and election. Please prayerfully consider which members you would like to suggest, then fill out a form with your suggestions and place it in one of the drop boxes found in the Cheatham Center and in the Locke Commons. You may also fill out the online form by visiting rivermont.org/nominations.

In Appreciation

Dear Rivermont Family, Liz and I would like to thank you for your many acts of kindness and for your prayers after her recent injury and as she continues to recover. The visits, delicious meals, cheerful cards and phone calls have meant so much to both of us. We are very grateful to be part of such a caring church community. - Scott Wade

Prayer & Care

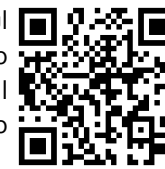
If you have a need or prayer request, you can share your needs on a Connect Card, which can be found in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate or one of the designated prayer boxes located outside the Library and in the Locke Commons. You may also submit a prayer request at rivermont.org/prayer. 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.

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 beginning on January 12, 2025. For more information and to register go to rivermont.org/gtkr.

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, November 10

8:30 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
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)

Monday, November 11

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' Group (Family Room)
5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 🏛️
6:00 pm Art with Amy (Country Gardens) 🏛️

Tuesday, November 12

6:26 am High School 626 (Biscuitville)
6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (FH)
9:00 am Preschool
1:00 pm Shepherding & Care (Library)

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

For more information, please visit rivermont.com

Wednesday, November 13

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

Thursday, November 14

9:30 am Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, November 15

10:30 am GriefShare (Country Gardens)
6:30 pm 20 Somethings+ Food and Fun (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday, November 16

10:00 am Beginner Pickleball (Riverside Park) 🏛️

Sunday, November 17

8:30 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
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

November 10, 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, we would know the hope that we have through the life, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We would know this hope in a way that would exorcise our doubts, conform our hearts, and sharpen our vision. Enable us through the power of Your Holy Spirit to worship You with informed minds and inflamed hearts. Reorient our affections and desires so that they find their greatest joy and fulfillment in Christ. This we pray in the strong name of Jesus. Amen.

PRELUDE:

(8:30)

"My Soul Finds Rest in God"

(Based on Psalm 62:1-2)

Truly my soul finds rest in God, truly His love is steady.
And when it seems all hope is lost, my soul finds rest in God.
Truly His hand will hold me strong, guiding me safely through.
He is my rock, my hiding place; my soul finds rest in God.
He is my fortress; I will not be shaken.
My rock and my salvation, my soul finds rest in God.
Truly the peace that flows through me passes all understanding.
I am content and fully known; my soul finds rest in God.
Truly His love will never fail, holding me safely near.
Guarding my heart and mind from harm, my soul finds rest in God.
Holy, holy His majesty. I will sing of His love for me!

Else Frazier – Director; Hadley Hall – Accompanist

New Song

Jay Rouse

(11:00)

"This Is the Day"

(Based on Psalm 118:24)

This is the day that the Lord has made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.
Ev'ry good and perfect gift comes from the Lord above.
I will sing my praise to Him and tell Him of my love.
Ev'ry day God blesses me with mercies that are new.
I can trust His Word because His promises are true.

Lori Flowers – Director; Patty Jennings – Accompanist

Chapel Choir

Cindy Berry

WELCOME:

Dr. David Weber

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 33:18-22 (responsively)

Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His steadfast love.

That He may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

Our soul waits for the Lord; He is our help and our shield.

For our heart is glad in Him, because we trust in His holy name.

*Let Your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
even as we hope in You.*

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: (see insert)

"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"

Getty, Boswell, Kauflin, Merker, Papa

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"He Will Hold Me Fast" (v. 1)

Merker

**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.**

*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: Hebrews 13:17 (page 1010)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"The Priority of Membership"

Pastor Brett Eubank

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:

"Praise and Glory to the Father"

REGENT SQUARE

**Praise and glory to the Father, praise and glory to the Son,
Praise and glory to the Spirit: ever Three and ever One;
One in might and One in glory, while unending ages run!**

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:

(8:30)

"This Is the Day"

Chapel Choir

Cindy Berry

(11:00)

"Have You Not Heard?"

(Based on Isaiah 40:28-31)

Sanctuary Choir

Craig Courtney

Who tends to His children like a shepherd and Who gently gathers them as lambs?
Whose breath blew the stars across the heavens
From the palm of His almighty hand?
Whose wisdom defies our understanding?
Whose mind knows our secret thoughts and plans?
Who is and will ever be eternal, and Who was before all time began?
Do you not know? Have you not heard Who spoke you into being with a word?
That Word endures forevermore: the Everlasting God, He is the Lord!
Like grass, you will wither and fade. Without Him, you will stumble, fall and faint.
But all those who wait upon the Lord will be renewed,
Their strength will be restored.
We will run and we will not grow weary. We hope in the Sov'reign God of all.
He Who watches will not sleep or slumber. He steadies our feet against the fall.
It was told to us from the beginning: One day we will rise to meet the Lord.
He will lift us on His wings like eagles.
We will walk, we will run, we will soar. Amen.

Elizabeth Matney – violin; Noah Caldwell – Accompanist

*THE DOXOLOGY:

OLD HUNDREDTH

**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: #355

"We Are God's People"

SYMPHONY

*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE:

"Festival Toccata"

Percy Fletcher

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