\*THE BENEDICTION

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

\*POSTLUDE:

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

arr. Franklin Ritter

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

## Session Meeting

Confirmed members are invited to attend monthly Session Meetings as a guest. Session meets on the third Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:30 pm in the John Knox Room. Join us for Officer Prayer at 7:00 pm. Being the third Tuesday, Session will meet this Tuesday evening, February 18.

## Praver & 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 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
- 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 <u>rivermont.org/events</u>

#### Sunday, February 16 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 Middle School SNL(Youth Center)

#### Monday, February 17

7:00 am No Walls Bible Study (Room 201)

9:00 am Preschool

10:00 am Prayer Group (Country Gardens) 5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 🔔

#### Tuesday, February 18

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

9:00 am Preschool

6:15 pm Deacons' Meeting (John Knox Room) 7:00 pm Officers' Prayer Meeting (John Knox

Room)

7:30 pm Session Meeting (John Knox Room)

In Rivermont for Rivermont Event (Members Welcome!) For more information, please visit inrivermont.com

#### Wednesday, February 19

9:00 am Preschool

4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes & Praise Ringers

5:15 pm Carillon

5:15 pm Cherub, Chapel & New Song Choirs

5:55 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, February 20

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

#### Saturday, February 22

10:00 am Pickleball in the Park (Riverside Park) 🞰 10:30 am Youth Girls' Prayer Group (The Home of Hadley Hall)

#### Sunday, February 23

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) 📥



**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

February 16, 2025

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## 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)

"I Will Arise and Go to Jesus"

**Praise Ringers** arr. Matthew Compton

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and pow'r.

I will arise and go to Jesus; He will embrace me in His arms;
In the arms of my dear Savior, O there are ten thousand charms.

Hadley Hall - Director

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(11:00) Carillon

"Fantasia on 'O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus'" arr. Mathew Compton

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free; Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love,
Leading onward, leading homeward, to Thy glorious rest above.

WELCOME: Pastor Ron Cox

#### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 16:8-11 (responsively)

I have set the LORD always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.

For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let Your Holy One see corruption. You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: (see insert)

"Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending"

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

\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 5:8; Ephesians 1:7

#### \*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Crown Him with Many Crowns" (v. 1)

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne; Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own! Awake, my soul, and sing of Him Who died for thee, And hail Him as thy matchless King thro' all eternity.

#### (11:00) THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Dr. David Weber

DIADEMATA

Grant and Sarah Grace Barkley present their daughter, Judith Grace Ann, 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: Acts 2:25-36

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: Pastor Brett Eubank

"A Certainty That Demands Confession"

#### 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

"Praise and Glory to the Father"

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)
"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Praise Ringers
arr. Arnold Sherman

**REGENT SQUARE** 

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!

(11:00) Carillon

"Toccata on 'At the Name of Jesus' "

At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bow, Ev'ry tongue confess Him King of glory now.

'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call Him Lord,

Who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

### \*THE DOXOLOGY:

OLD HUNDREDTH

arr. Matthew Compton

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: (see insert)
"In Christ Alone"

IN CHRIST ALONE