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:**

"Lamb of God" (verse 3) Twila Paris I was so lost I should have died, but You have brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and rod, and to be called a child of God.

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God. O wash me in His precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

***THE BENEDICTION**

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

*POSTLUDE:	"Sinfonia to Act III of Solomon"	G. F. Handel

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

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.

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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 Classes 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/atkr.

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, March 2 - Missions Festival Wednesday, March 5, continued 4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes & Praise Ringers 8:30 am Worship Service with Communion 9:45 am Sunday School 5:15 pm Carillon 5:15 pm Cherub, Chapel & New Song Choirs 11:00 am Worship Service with Communion 12:30 pm Missionary Luncheon (Fellowship Hall) 5:55 pm RFN Dinner (Fellowship Hall) 6:30 pm Bible Classes 4:00 pm Special Missionary Prayer Meeting 6:30 pm Missionary Prayer & Care (Chapel) 5:00 pm Stitching Circle (Locke Commons) 📥 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm High School SNL (Youth Center)

Monday, March 3

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) 📥 7:30 pm WEEE Connect (Room 201)

Tuesday, March 4

6:30 am Men's Dawn Patrol Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) 9:00 am Preschool 10:30 am Women's Circle (Country Gardens) 6:30 pm Mission Steering Committee (Library)

Wednesday, March 5 9:00 am Preschool 12:00 pm Monthly Prayer Meeting (John Knox)

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

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Thursday, March 6

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

(Pastors' Lounge)

Saturday, March 8

10:00 am Pickleball in the Park (Riverside Park) 🚣 10:30 am Youth Girls' Prayer Group (1600 Ward's Ferry Rd., Apt. 401) 12:00 pm No Walls Second Saturday Picnic (Gospel Community Church College Hill)

Sunday, March 9 - Daylight Saving Time Begins

8:30 am Worship Service 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service 12:30 pm 20 Somethings+ Lunch on the Run (Charley's) 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**

March 2, 2025

Preparation for Worship

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

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Our Father in heaven, Who sent Your only-begotten Son into the world, not to condemn the world but that the world through Him might be saved: we pray that You would be pleased to pour out Your Spirit upon us; that, with true repentance of our sins, we might take up our cross, deny ourselves, and faithfully follow Jesus Christ; in Whom alone we trust for our salvation, and in Whose holy name we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE:

(8:30)

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

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!"

(11:00)

"Be Still and Know" Be still and know that God is God; trust His Word for each day. Be still and know that God is God; listen, hear, and obey. God is speaking with truth and grace, speaking love to the world. Lord, teach us to listen; give us wisdom to choose Your way. Come speak to our hearts today. Be still and know that God is God; let Him be your guide. Be still and know that God is God; ev'ry need He'll provide. Lori Flowers – Director; Patty Jennings – Accompanist

WELCOME:

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 96:1-4 (responsively) Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples! For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised.

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #101**

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

TRINITY

Pastor Brett Eubank

Hadley Hall, organ

arr. Sondra K. Tucker

Chapel Choir

Lynn Tracey

***THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

***THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:**

"Jesus Paid It All" (vs. 3 &4) For nothing good have I whereby Your grace to claim -I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.

Refrain:

Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

And when, before the throne, I stand in Him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.

***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 2:42-47 (page 911)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:	"A Flourishing Gospel Community"	Dr. David Weber			
THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD					
*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from Colossians 1:15-20 (in unison)					

We believe in Christ Jesus: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities-all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

*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

(8:30)

(11:00)

ALL TO CHRIST

"How Firm a Foundation" How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He hath said, To you who for refuge to Jesus hath fled? "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand." "When through the deep waters I call thee to go, The rivers of woe shall not overflow; For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress." What more can He say? Than His excellent Word? "When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply; The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine." "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose I will not, I will not desert to its foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!" Hadley Hall – Accompanist

***THE HYMN OF PREPARATION:**

Your only Son no sin to hide, but You have sent Him from Your side To walk upon this guilty sod and to become the Lamb of God.

Chorus: O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God. O wash me in His precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Your gift of love they crucified. They laughed and scorned Him as He died. The humble King they named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God.

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 OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

"Be Still and Know"

Chapel Choir

Lynn Tracey

Sanctuary Choir

arr. Dan Forrest

"Lamb of God" (verses 1-2)

Twila Paris

The Words of Invitation and Institution