

**\*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison):**

Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is Yours. Both riches and honor come from You, and You rule over all. We offer to You the riches You provide and the gifts You have given. We give to You, for You have given all to us through Christ our Savior. Grant us power and might to serve You, our King, and live to Your glory this day and forevermore. Amen.

**\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: (see insert)**

**"For the Cause"**

Getty and Townend

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

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

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

**\*POSTLUDE:**

**"Postlude in F Minor"**

George Blake

\*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.  
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**General Fund as of February 28, 2025**

Budget to date:	\$ 1,461,266
Ahead of Budget:	\$ 88,470
Year-to-date contributions:	\$ 1,549,736
Year-to-date expenses:	\$ 1,382,772
Contributions Ahead of Expenses:	\$ 166,964

Session minutes from our monthly and called meetings are available for review by confirmed members in the church office. Please contact Janet Freshour (846-3441) if you would like to schedule a time for review.

**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](http://rivermont.org/prayer) or email [janet@rivermont.org](mailto:janet@rivermont.org). All requests are confidential.

# 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](http://rivermont.org/sundayschool)).
- Join us for dinner and Bible Studies on Wednesday nights. To make reservations go to [rivermont.org/rfn](http://rivermont.org/rfn).
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Weekend Class on May 16 and 17. For more information and to register, go to [rivermont.org/gtkr](http://rivermont.org/gtkr).

## Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit [rivermont.org/events](http://rivermont.org/events)

### Sunday, March 23 - Membership 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 Middle School SNL (Youth Center)

### Monday, March 24

- 7:00 am No Walls Bible Study (Room 201)
- 9:00 am Preschool
- 10:00 am Prayer Group (Country Gardens)
- 11:00 am Caregivers' Support (Family Room)
- 5:30 pm Chess Club (Youth House) 🏰

### Tuesday, March 25

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

### Wednesday, March 26

- 9:00 am Preschool
- 4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes & Praise Ringers

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

For more information, please visit [inrivermont.com](http://inrivermont.com)

### Wednesday, March 26, continued

- 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, March 27

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

### Saturday, March 29

- 10:00 am Pickleball in the Park (Riverside Park) 🏰
- 10:30 am Youth Girls' Prayer Group (Hadley Hall's Home)
- 10:45 am 20 Somethings+ and 60 Plus Bingo Brunch (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 pm Confirmation Dinner (Fellowship Hall)

### Sunday, March 30 - Confirmation 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) 🏰



**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

March 23, 2025

Third Sunday of Lent

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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:

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:

(8:30)

#### *"If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee"*

Carillon Handbells

arr. Matthew Compton

If thou but suffer God to guide thee, and hope in Him through all thy ways,  
He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee,  
And bear thee through the evil days:  
Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on the Rock that naught can move.

(11:00)

#### *"Jesus Calls Us"*

arr. Robert J. Hughes

Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea,  
Day by day His sweet voice soundeth, saying, "Christian, follow me."  
Jesus calls us: by Thy mercies, Savior, may we hear Thy call,  
Give our hearts to Thine obedience, serve and love Thee best of all.

### WELCOME:

Pastor Ron Cox

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 98:1-3 (responsively)

*Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things!*

**His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him.**

*The Lord has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations.*

**He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.  
All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

### \*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #297

*"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"*

DIADEM

### \*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

### \*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Isaiah 53:5 and Colossians 1:14

### \*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

*"To God Be the Glory" (verse 2)*

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!

To ev'ry believer the promise of God;

The vilest offender who truly believes,

That moment from Jesus salvation receives.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,

And give Him the glory, great things He has done!

### (11:00) THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS:

Beata Chako

Megan Dinsmore

Jared and Nicole Fitts, along with their children, Everett, Weston, and Joshua

Heather Gibson

Gordon Hackman

Tucker and Carolyn Leverone

James and Regina Lowe

Justin and Laura McClure

Benjamin Newhouse

Chuck and Susan Neil

Sally Peters

Joshua Prentice

Katelyn Smith

Brenton and Kimbra Stenson

Preston and Olivia Touchette

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

Jared Fitts

Jared and Nicole Fitts present their children, Everett Stephen, Weston Scott and

Joshua Edwin 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 4:1-22 (Page 911)

### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### THE SERMON:

*"Arrested"*

Pastor Brett Eubank

### 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 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)

*"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"*

Carillon Handbells

arr. Matthew Compton

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down;  
Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, Thine only crown;  
O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss till now was Thine!  
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call Thee mine.

(11:00)

*"Our God"*

Praise Ringers

Tomlin, arr. P. Bettcher

Water You turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind,  
There's no one like You, none like You.  
Into the darkness You shine, out of the ashes we rise,  
There's no one like You, none like You.  
Our God is greater, our God is stronger, God, You are higher than any other.  
Our God is healer, awesome in power, our God, our God.  
Into the darkness You shine, out of the ashes we rise,  
There's no one like You, none like You.  
And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us?  
And if our God is with us, then what can stand against?  
Hadley Hall - Director

### \*THE DOXOLOGY:

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.

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