

\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: (see insert)

"Romans Doxology"

John Elliot

\*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

\*POSTLUDE:

"Allegro from Fourth Cello Sonata"

Antonio Vivaldi

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

Dear Friends at Rivermont Evangelical Presbyterian Church, I want to thank you for your long-time generous support of Paul Sydnor and his ministry with IAFR! You are making a difference in the lives of refugees through your longstanding partnership in their ministry. You have also played a significant role in his work with the Refugee Highway Partnership in Europe and with the Lausanne Movement's Global Diaspora Network. We live in a time of great need for partners like you. The number of people uprooted by the forces of hatred and violence continues to escalate worldwide. While we could be paralyzed thinking we can't possibly solve the issues that are driving people from their homes and homelands, I take heart knowing that it is through seemingly small acts of kindness and generosity that the kingdom of God comes. I take heart knowing that the answer to Jesus' prayer is certain - Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven! - Tom Albinson, President, International Association for Refugees

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](https://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](https://rivermont.org/sundayschool)).
  - Join us for dinner and Bible Studies on Wednesday nights. To make reservations go to [rivermont.org/rfn](https://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](https://rivermont.org/gtkr).

# Coming Up This Week

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

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) 🏰

Monday, March 31

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, April 1

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

9:00 am Preschool

10:30 am Women's Circle (Country Gardens)

5:00 pm Relational Discipleship

6:30 pm Mission Steering Committee (Library)

Wednesday, April 2

9:00 am Preschool

12:00 pm Monthly Prayer Meeting (John Knox)

4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes & Praise Ringers

5:15 pm Carillon

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

For more information, please visit [inrivermont.com](https://rivermont.org)

Wednesday, April 2, continued

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, April 3

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

Friday, April 4

Men's Retreat (Eagle Eyrie)

Saturday, April 5

Men's Retreat (Eagle Eyrie)

10:00 am Pickleball in the Park (Riverside Park) 🏰

10:00 am Soccer Outreach (Kingston Field) 🏰

10:30 am Youth Guys' Bible Study

1:00 pm Embrace Grace Baby Shower 🏰 (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, April 6

8:30 am Worship Service with Communion

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Worship Service with Communion

4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (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

March 30, 2025  
Fourth Sunday of Lent

Preparation *for* Worship

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

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

BLESSED LORD, Who has caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

PRELUDE:

(8:30)

Miriam Amos, organ

*"All Things Bright and Beautiful"*

arr. Neil Harmon

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.  
Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,  
He made their glowing colors, He made their tiny wings.

*"Fairest Lord Jesus"*

arr. Neil Harmon

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul’s glory, joy, and crown.

(11:00)

New Song

Mary McDonald

*"I Will Make All Things New"*

(Based on Isaiah 43:1-19)

When you pass through the waters, I am with you.  
When you go through the sea, I am there.  
When you pass through the fire, the flames will not harm you.  
I am God, I am Lord, I am there!  
I will make all things new; I will watch over you.  
I will renew, I will restore, I am God!  
I will make all things new; I paid a price for you.  
I am the Lord, I am your God, you are Mine.  
In your trial or your sorrow, I am with you.  
When hope fades for tomorrow, I am there.  
In your trouble or pain, call My name; I’ll be with you.  
I am God, I am Lord, I am there!  
I created the heavens; I created the earth.  
I created My people. Rejoice! I am God!

Else Frazier – Director; Noah Caldwell – Accompanist

WELCOME: Pastor Shane Whelan

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 119:9-11; 15-16 (responsively)  
How can a young man keep his way pure?  
By guarding it according to Your Word.  
With my whole heart I seek You;  
Let me not wander from Your commandments!  
I have stored up Your Word in my heart,  
That I might not sin against You.  
I will meditate on Your precepts and fix my eyes on Your ways.  
I will delight in Your statutes; I will not forget Your Word.

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #26  
"Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord"

WOODLANDS

\*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:  
"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (vs. 1)  
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.

SOLID ROCK

(11:00) THE RECEPTION OF CONFIRMANDS:  
Ella Eskridge  
Anna Eubank  
Emme Sue Foster  
Kellan Hall  
Abby Kuhn  
Mindy Morse  
Oliver Petersen  
Audrey Pierce  
Broughton Webb  
Sawyer Whelan

The Words of Instruction  
The Confirmation Vows  
\*The Covenantal Vows of the Congregation

\*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 4:23-31 (Page 912)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "Praying for Gospel Boldness" Dr. David Weber

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD

\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:  
THE PHILIPPIAN CREED based on Philippians 2:6-11 (in unison)  
We believe in Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death — even death on a cross! Therefore, God has highly exalted Him and given Him the name that is above every name; that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. 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 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)  
New Song  
Mary McDonald  
"I Will Make All Things New"  
  
(11:00)  
Sanctuary Choir  
Craig Courtney  
"Eternal Life"  
(Based on John 3:16-17)  
For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son.  
For God sent not His Son to condemn the world,  
But that the world might be saved through Him.  
For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son,  
That whosoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.  
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.