

## UPCOMING THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY

Worship Services | 8:30 am & 11:00 am  
 Sunday School | 9:45 am  
 Ministry Fair | 9:45 am  
 20 Somethings+ Lunch | 12:30 pm | County Smoak  
 Prayer Meeting | 5:00 pm | The Chapel

### MONDAY

No Walls Bible Study | 7:00 am | Room 201  
 Prayer Group | 10:00 am | Country Gardens  
 Caregivers' Support | 11:00 am | Family Room  
 IRFR\* | Story Time | 11:00 am | Riverside Park  
 IRFR\* | Chess Club | 5:30 pm | The Youth House

### TUESDAY

Men's Bible Study (Dawn Patrol) | 6:30 am | Fellowship Hall  
 IRFR\* | Good News Club Training | 1:00 pm | Room 207  
 Shepherding & Care | 1:00 pm | Library

### THURSDAY

Men's Cornhole Tournament | 6:30 pm | Back Portico

### SATURDAY

IRFR\* | Beginner Pickleball | 8:00 am | Riverside Park

\*In Rivermont For Rivermont

#### Children & Youth Choirs

In Psalm 100:2 the Lord instructs us to "Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His presence with singing!" It is never too early to begin teaching our children how to serve the Lord. Participating in a youth choir is a wonderful opportunity for service. Not only do the children benefit from a fine musical experience, but they are given the opportunity to serve in corporate worship several times each semester. We encourage your child's participation in one of the children's youth vocal choirs this fall:

Cherub Choir - PreK-Grade 2 - Amy Hall, Director  
 Chapel Choir - Grades 3-6 - Lori Flowers, Director  
 New Song - Grade 7-College - Elese Frazier, Director

Rehearsals begin on September 3 and are from 5:15-5:50. Please pre-register by contacting Peggy Bettcher at [pbettcher@rivermont.org](mailto:pbettcher@rivermont.org).

#### Sanctuary Choir

Rehearsals begin Wednesday, August 27. The choir sings for Sunday morning worship services (alternating between the 8:30 and 11:00 am services) beginning August 31. This December, the choir will be presenting a Service of Lessons and Carols, and in April, we are excited to be singing at the historic Bruton Parish in Williamsburg. Membership is open to singers, college age and up, who have some previous choir or other vocal performance experience. Contact Peggy Bettcher at [pbettcher@rivermont.org](mailto:pbettcher@rivermont.org) for more information.

## WELCOME TO RIVERMONT

Whether you are new to Lynchburg or new to Rivermont, we are so grateful the Lord has brought you to us this morning. We would love to 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

We invite you to take some additional steps to get more connected to Rivermont.

- Attend a Sunday School class at 9:45am between worship services.
- Join us for dinner on Wednesday nights (called Rivermont Fellowship Night).
- Join a Life Group, which meet throughout the week in member homes.
- Sign up for our next Getting To Know Rivermont class at [www.rivermont.org/gtkr](http://www.rivermont.org/gtkr).

### PASTORAL STAFF

David Weber ..... Senior Pastor  
 Shane Whelan ..... Pastor of Discipleship & Administration  
 Brett Eubank ..... Pastor of Outreach & Connection

### CHURCH STAFF

Peggy Bettcher ..... Director of Music Ministry  
 Cam Colquitt ..... Regional Director of Campus Outreach  
 Katherine Colquitt ..... Director of Women's Ministry  
 Jennifer Eaton ..... Director of Neighborhood Outreach  
 George Everson ..... Office Assistant  
 Janet Freshour ..... Pastoral Administrative Assistant  
 Davis Hester ..... Director of Student Ministry  
 Hadley Jacobs ..... Student Ministry Assistant  
 Melissa Johnson ..... Custodian  
 Rhonda McCombs ..... Receptionist  
 Skylar Montrose ..... Communication Coordinator  
 Kelly Nelson ..... Business Administrator  
 Treasa Plude ..... Director of Preschool  
 Adrienne Scruggs ..... Congregational Care Coordinator  
 Liza Shields ..... Director of Children's Ministry  
 Donna Sligh ..... Building Superintendent  
 Nicole Strubhar ..... Nursery Supervisor

### CURRENT ELDERS

Clay Atkins	Ben Moomaw	Andrew Shields
Ken Bradford	Brian Nash	Chris Smith
Jacob Caldwell	Ben Reeves	Rodney Suddith
Russ Matney	Matt Schubert	Earl Weaver

### CURRENT DEACONS

Andrea Adams	Scott Hall	Ryan Pickard
Grant Barkley	Debby Hallgren	Todd Scruggs
Beth Doan	Evan Harris	Neil Selz
Claire Dodd	Eric Harrison	TJ Smiley
Gary Eaton	Ron Meng	Chris Steed
Jane Gordon	Steve Mullen	Brad Weaver
Reid Goss	Drew Neiderer	Brandon White

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## August 10, 2025

† Those who are able, please stand

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### THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Lord, as we come to worship You this morning, may Your Spirit open our hearts and our understanding to see both our own desperate need and Your gracious provision for our salvation in Jesus Christ. Open our eyes also to see Your greatness and glory more clearly. Convict us, convert us, cleanse us, and consecrate us, so that we may willingly and wholeheartedly give ourselves to You and to Your service. Enable us now to worship You in spirit and in truth. This we pray in the strong name of Jesus. Amen.

### PRELUDE

Miriam Amos and Rachel Amos

*This Is My Father's World*

arr. Franklin L. Sheppard

This is my Father's world  
And to my listening ears all nature sings,  
And around me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;  
His hand the wonders wrought.  
This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair;  
In rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me ev'rywhere.  
This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,  
God is the ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world: why should my heart be sad,  
The Lord is King: let the heaven's ring! God reigns;  
Let the earth be glad! Alleluia!

### THE WELCOME

Matt Schubert, Elder

### † THE CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 27:4,7-8 (responsively)

*One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:  
That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of  
my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to  
inquire in His temple  
Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and  
answer me!  
You have said, "Seek My face." My heart says to You, "Your  
face, LORD, do I seek."*

### † THE HYMN OF PRAISE | #4

*All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above*  
(verse 4 women, verse 5 men)

MIT FREUDEN ZART

### † THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

### † THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### † THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE

*He Will Hold Me Fast (verse 1)*

Matt 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  
Pre-K - 1st grade may be dismissed for Children's Church to  
room #115

### THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE | Amos 6 (pg. 768)

### THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### THE SERMON

Dr. David Weber

*True Rest*

### THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

### † THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | The Apostles' Creed (in unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and  
earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was  
conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and  
buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again  
from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the  
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He  
shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the  
Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of  
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

### † THE GLORIA

*Psalm 117*

*(Tune: All Creatures of Our God and King)*

From all that dwell below the skies,  
O let Jehovah's praise arise!  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
And let His glorious name be sung;  
In every land by every tongue!  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.  
Great are the mercies of the Lord,  
And truth eternal is His Word;  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Ye nations, sound from shore to shore;  
Jehovah's praise for evermore!  
O praise Him, O praise Him,  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

### 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

Grayson Laughon, violin

arr. Ruth Coleman

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near,  
Join me in glad adoration.  
Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work  
And defend thee!  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;  
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do,  
If with His love He befriend thee.  
Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath,  
Come now with praises before Him!  
Let the amen sound from His people again;  
Gladly fore'er we adore Him.

### † 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.

### † OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison)

Dear Father, in response to Your great gift to us, we offer  
ourselves to You. We bring these gifts as expressions of our  
gratitude and love. Accept them, we pray, and bless them  
for the sake of the gospel and the increase of Your  
kingdom, to the glory of Your name, through Jesus Christ  
our Lord. Amen.

### † THE HYMN OF RESPONSE | #305

*Arise, My Soul, Arise*

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### † THE BENEDICTION

### † THE CONGREGATIONAL AND CHORAL AMEN

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

### † POSTLUDE

*Toccata in E Minor*

Johann Pachelbel