WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY

Worship Services | 8:30am & 11:00am
Sunday School | 9:45am
Faith & Doctrine | *The Heidelberg Catechism* | The Chapel
Emmaus | *1 & 2 Timothy and Titus* | Room 201
The Bible Class | *The Gospel of John* | Room 202
Barnabas | *Gospel of Luke* | Room 203-204
Foundations | *The Basics & Reformed Theology 101* | Room 205
Sojourners | *Gospel of Luke* | Room 206
20 Somethings + | *The Larger Catechism* | Fellowship Hall Room A
Homebuilders | *The Holy Spirit & Parenting* | John Knox Room
Explorers | Library
College Hour | *Church* | Fellowship Hall

Nursery | 4 & under | 8:30, 9:45, & 11:00 | Nursery Area
Children's Sunday School | K-4th grade | 9:45am | Third Floor
Club 56 | 5th-6th grade | 9:45am | Room 207
Middle & High School | 9:45am | Youth House
Congregational Meeting | 9:45am
Prayer Meeting | 5:00pm | The Chapel

MONDAY

Church Office Closed

TUESDAY

Youth 626 | 6:26am | Biscuitville, Old Forest Road
Men's Bible Study (Dawn Patrol) | 6:30am | Fellowship Hall
Preschool | 9:00am
Mission Steering Committee | 6:30pm | Library
IRFR* | Rivermont Meals on Wheels | Contact John Lewis 434.515.3472

WEDNESDAY

Preschool | 9:00am
Music Ministry | Rivermont Chimes & Praise Ringers at 4:30pm | Carillon at 5:15pm | Cherub, Chapel & New Song Choirs at 5:15pm | Sanctuary Choir at 6:30pm
Rivermont Fellowship Night Meal | 5:55pm
Bible Classes | 6:30pm
Esther (Women's Study) | John Knox Room
Ephesians (Men's Study) | Room 201
The Bible & Homosexuality | Room 206
Financial Freedom God's Way | Room 205
Embrace Grace | Country Gardens
Open Table Principles | Room 203-204
Missionary Prayer Meeting | Pastor's Lounge
Youth | 7th-12th grade | Quinlan
Club 56 | Room 207
1st-4th grade | Boys Room 301 | Girls Room 302

THURSDAY

Women's Bible Study | 9:30am | Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY

IRFR* | Beginner Pickleball | 8:00am | Riverside Park
*In Rivermont For Rivermont

General Fund as of July 31, 2025

Budget to date:	$183,492
Ahead of Budget:	$5,905
Year-to-date contributions:	$189,397
Year-to-date expenses:	$174,895
Contributions Ahead of Expenses:	$14,502

Session minutes from our monthly and called meetings are available for review by confirmed members in the church office. Please contact Janet Freshour 434.846.3441 if you would like to schedule a time for review.

Congregational Meeting | Today| 9:45 am | No Children's Sunday School - Nursery Only | For the purpose of: Electing a new class of Ruling Elders and Deacons

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.

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

CURRENT DEACONS

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

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 31, 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

8:30 | Jesus Paid It All

Mike Garcia, Mark Landry, Lee Richwine, Jeffrey Smith
Miriam Amos, piano
Arr. Robert Sterling

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small!
Child of weakness, watch and pray. Find in Me thine all in all."
Jesus paid it all. All to Him I owe.
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.
For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim.
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's Lamb.
And when before the throne I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my should to save," my lips shall still repeat.

11:00 | When He Cometh — arr. Lani Smith

When He cometh, when He cometh to make up His jewels,
All His jewels, precious jewels, His loved and His own.
Like the stars of the morning, His bright crown adorning,
They shall shine in their beauty, bright gems for His crown.
He will gather, He will gather the gems for His kingdom,
All the pure ones, all the bright ones, His loved and His own.
Little children, little children who love their Redeemer,
Are the jewels, precious jewels, His loved and His own.

THE WELCOME — Chris Smith, Elder

✣ THE CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 66 (responsively)

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
Sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!
Say to God, "How awesome are Your deeds! So great is Your power that Your enemies come cringing to You.
All the earth worships You and sings praises to You; they sing praises to Your name."

✣ THE HYMN OF PRAISE | #164

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing — AZMON

✣ THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

✣ THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

✣ THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE

And Can It Be That I Should Gain (verse 1) — SAGINA

**And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, Who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?**

✣ 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 | Acts 8:1-25 (p. 916)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON — Dr. David Weber

And Samaria?

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

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!**

MOMENT FOR MISSION — Cam Colquitt, Campus Outreach

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 | You Shall Go Out with Joy
(Based on Isaiah 55)

The Sanctuary Choir
Miriam Amos, piano
David Edmonds

Come, all who thirst; come to the waters.
Incline your ear, and your soul shall live.
Seek the Lord while He is near you,
And call upon Him while He may be found.
I shall make a covenant with you –
Restore your soul in mercy and in truth.
I have promised glory unto you; you shall go out with joy!
For as the rain comes down from heaven,
So shall My Word go forth to you.
Seek the Lord while He is near you,
And call upon Him while He may be found.
Come, all who thirst; come to the waters.
Restore your soul, for the Lord has called you.
I shall make a covenant with you –
Restore your soul in mercy and in truth.
I have promised glory unto you; you shall go out with joy!

11:00 | Jesus Paid It All

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Miriam Amos, piano Arr. Robert Sterling

✣ 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)

Father, in response to Your great gift to us, we offer ourselves to You with thanksgiving and joy. Accept these tokens of our lives; bless and multiply them for the spread of the gospel, the strengthening of Your church, the increase of Your kingdom, to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

✣ THE HYMN OF RESPONSE | #44

How Great Thou Art — O STORE GUD

✣ THE BENEDICTION

✣ THE CONGREGATIONAL AND CHORAL AMEN

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

✣ POSTLUDE

Prelude in C Major — J. S. Bach