

WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY
Worship Services 8:30am & 11:00am
Nursery 8:30am, 9:45am, & 11:00am Nursery Area
Ministry Fair 9:45am Cheatham Center
Teacher Training 9:45am Room 203/204
Sunday School 9:45am
Middle & High School Youth House
Club 56 5th-6th grade Room 207
Children’s Sunday School K-4th grade Third Floor
No Prayer Meeting

MONDAY
No Walls Bible Study 7:00am Room 201
Prayer Group 10:00am Country Gardens
*IRFR Story Time 11:00am Riverside Park
*IRFR Chess Club 5:30pm Club 56 Room

TUESDAY
Men’s Bible Study (Dawn Patrol) 6:30am Quinlan Room**
*IRFR Rivermont Meals on Wheels Contact John Lewis 434.515.3472
Deacons' Meeting 6:15pm John Knox Room
Officers' Prayer Meeting 7:00pm John Knox Room
Session Meeting 7:30pm John Knox Room

FRIDAY
Women's Gathering 7:30pm Country Gardens

SATURDAY
*IRFR Beginner Pickleball 8:00am Riverside Park

*In Rivermont For Rivermont
**Indicates Temporary Location Change

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) starting September 9.
 - 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
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Cecil Jackson Security
Hadley Jacobs Student Ministry Assistant
Melissa Johnson Custodian
Rhonda McCombs Receptionist
Kelly Nelson Business Administrator
Erin Colbert Director of Preschool
Adrienne Scruggs Care Ministry Coordinator
Liza Shields Director of Children’s Ministry
Donna Sligh Building Superintendent
Nicole Strubhar Nursery Supervisor

CURRENT ELDERS

Clay Atkins	Kevin Hicks	Matt Schubert
Ken Bradford	Russ Matney	Andrew Shields
Randy Davy	Ben Moomaw	Chris Smith
Paul Denham	Ben Reeves	Earl Weaver

CURRENT DEACONS

Andrea Adams	Evan Harris	Ryan Pickard
Grant Barkley	Eric Harrison	Neil Selz
Beth Doan	Eddie Ivins	TJ Smiley
Claire Dodd	Ron Meng	Chris Steed
Baxter Gordon	Steve Mullen	Branson Terrell
Reid Goss	Drew Neiderer	Brad Weaver
Scott Hall	Wistar Nelligan III	Brandon White

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

† Those who are able, please stand

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A Telecoil hearing assistance system is available for use with compatible hearing aids or cochlear implants. Step-by-step instructions are located in the Narthex.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Gracious Lord, our good and faithful Shepherd, we give You thanks for all the ways in which You guide and guard our lives. We thank You for protecting us and providing for our every need. We rejoice that You know us by name, and call us by name, and care for each one of us. We ask You now, O Shepherd of our souls, to be present with us in the power of Your Spirit. Comfort the afflicted, correct the wayward, assure the anxious, warn the straying, seek and save the lost, and lead us in the paths of righteousness, for Your name’s sake. Amen.

PRELUDE

Rachel Amos - soloist; Grayson Laughon - violin
arr. Sally DeFord

Be Still My Soul

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side;
With patience bear thy cross of grief or pain.
Leave to thy God to order and provide;
In ev’ry change He faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heav’nly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.
Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake
To guide the future, as He has the past.
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake,
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
His voice Who ruled them while He dwell below.
Be still, my soul: the hour is hast’ning on.
When we shall be forever with the Lord.
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgot, love’s purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

THE WELCOME

Bruce Bell, Elder

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 28:6-9 (responsively)

Blessed be the LORD! For He has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.
The LORD is my strength and my shield;
In Him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
My heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him.
The LORD is the strength of His people; He is the saving refuge of His anointed.
Oh, save Your people and bless Your heritage! Be their Shepherd and carry them forever.

† 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

How Deep the Father's Love for Us (v. 1)

TOWNEND

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure;
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss;
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

† 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 | Hosea 10:1-15 (p. 756)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON

Dr. David Weber

To Bear Good Fruit

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD

† THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | The Creed of Hippolytus circa 215 AD (responsively)

Do you believe in God the Father Almighty?
I do.
Do you believe in Christ Jesus, the Son of God, Who was begotten by the Holy Spirit from the Virgin Mary, Who was crucified under Pontius Pilate, and died and was buried and rose the third day living from the dead, and ascended into the heavens, and sat down at the right hand of the Father, and will come to judge the living and the dead?
I do.
Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, in the holy church, and in the resurrection of the body?
I do.

† THE GLORIA

Praise and Glory to the Father

REGENT SQUARE

Praise and glory to the Father, praise and glory to the Son,
Praise and glory to the Spirit: ever Three and ever One;
One in might and One in glory, while unending ages run!

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

Emily Emanuel - soloist
Jeremiah Jones

What a Savior

Atoning Sacrifice, keeper of this life, hallelujah!
You are Savior.
Beginning and the End, forgiver of my sin,
By Your mercy You have saved us.
Jesus, You are stronger, more than any other.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Jesus, You are higher, my soul’s deepest desire.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!
You are the Shepherd King. You lead us by still waters.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!
You are my only hope, Your kindness is my friend.
And in Your presence, You restore us.
You are the Way, the Truth, and the Life.
You are my joy and my salvation.
Stood in my place, taking my shame upon
Your shoulders.

† 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.

† 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, and the increase of Your kingdom, to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

† THE HYMN OF RESPONSE | #94

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

† THE BENEDICTION

† THE CONGREGATIONAL AND CHORAL AMEN

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

† POSTLUDE

Fanfare from Premiere Suite

Jean Joseph Mouret

Sanctuary Floral Arrangement | The flowers under the cross today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Janice Hatton.