Sermon Notes

"Peace Along the Way" Psalm 125

1. You Must Trust that the Lord Surrounds You (vv. 1-2)

2. You Must Trust that the Lord Protects You (v. 3)

3. You Must Trust that the Lord Leads You (vv. 4-5)

Prayer Opportunities

RECUPERATING: Greg Alty, Claire Dodd, Lori Gassler, Charlie Mitchell, Chuck and Anne Spruill and Ryan Webb

PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: Brandon and Sarah Miller

Brandon serves as the Director of Campus Outreach at Liberty University. Ministry has begun with students this Fall in spite of the impact of COVID-19 on the college campus. Brandon's been meeting with a number of guys one-on-one and will be launching small group Bible studies this week. As a staff team, they are excited for a focused season to invest in the students already involved in the ministry. Please pray that students would be able to stay on campus and that the staff will be able to meet with LU students in person. Also pray that these students would begin initiating to those in their context, to share the Gospel, pray and study the Bible.

Prayer & Care

If you have a need or prayer request, please share that need through the Rivermont website at <u>www.rivermont.org/prayer</u>. You may also email 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 Connect Card on our website at rivermont.org/connect.

Next Steps to Connect:

We invite you to take some additional steps to get more connected to this church body.

- Visit www.rivermont.org/zoom to find Adult online Discipleship groups.
- Attend a Sunday School class via zoom at 9:30 am between worship services.
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.

If you would like more information about these opportunities, visit our website at rivermont.org.

Monthly Financial Report

GENERAL FUND AS OF August 31, 2020

Budget to date: \$299,788 Ahead of Budget: \$ 5,935 Year-to-date contributions: \$305,723 Year-to-date expenses: \$266,277 **Contributions over Expenses:** \$ 39,446

Coming Up This Week

Sunday, September 20

8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Adult Sunday School (via Zoom) 9:30 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group (via Zoom)

9:30 am 7th-12th grade Sunday School (via Zoom)

11:00 am Worship Service

4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (via Zoom)

Monday, September 21

9:00 am Preschool

Tuesday, September 22

6:30 am Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study (via Zoom)

9:00 am Preschool

Wednesday, September 23

9:00 am Preschool

4:30 pm Praise Ringers (Chapel) 5:15 pm Carillon (Chapel)

5:15 pm Chapel Choir (Choir Room)

Wednesday, September 23 (continued)

5:15 pm New Song (Room 301)

6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir (Sanctuary)

7:00 pm Women's Oasis Bible Study (via Zoom)

Thursday, September 24

10:00 am Women's Oasis Bible Study (via Zoom)

Friday, September 25

8:00 pm 20 Somethings+ Food & Fun (drive-in movie at HumanKind)

Saturday, September 26

Presbytery (via Zoom)

Sunday, September 27

8:00 am Worship Service

9:30 am Adult Sunday School (via Zoom) 9:30 am 20 Somethings+ Life Group (via Zoom)

9:30 am 7th-12th grade Sunday School

(via Zoom)

11:00 am Worship Service

4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (via Zoom)

Contact Us

MAIL: 2424 Rivermont Avenue

EMAIL: rhonda@rivermont.org

Lynchburg, VA 24503

PHONE: (434) 846-3441 HOURS: Monday - Friday 8:30AM-5:00PM

WEB: www.rivermont.org FACEBOOK: facebook.com/rivermontepc TWITTER: twitter.com/rivermontepc

Rivermont Evangelical Presbyterian Church is a member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, a group of churches whose beliefs are summarized in the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms. For more information, go to www.epc.org.



OUR PASSION: the renewing of lives through God's compelling love in Lynchburg and the world.

ORDER of WORSHIP

September 20, 2020

Preparation for Worship

As you enter the Sanctuary, prepare your heart for worship and please silence your mobile devices.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Gracious Lord, we humbly ask Your blessing upon this worship service, that by Your power we may worship You in spirit and in truth, and truly honor You. May Your glory be magnified, may Your Name be exalted, and may we find our greatest joy in You. Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us afresh: to strengthen the fainthearted, encourage the weak, comfort the suffering, and call us all into renewed faith and committed discipleship; to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

PRELUDE:

Adelheid Terry, piano

"Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord"

Mendelssohn, arr. Sanborn

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee. He never will suffer the righteous to fall. He is at thy right hand.

Thy mercy, Lord, is great and far above the heav'ns. Let none be made ashamed that wait upon Thee.

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 124:8; 145:18-19 (responsively)

Our help is in the name of the LORD, Who made heaven and earth.

The LORD is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth.

He fulfills the desire of those who fear Him;

He also hears their cry and saves them.

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE:

"To God Be the Glory"

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

To God be the glory, great things He hath done! So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, Who yielded His life an atonement for sin, And opened the life gate that we may go in.

(Refrain) 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 through Jesus the Son, And give Him the glory, great things He hath done!

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 forgiveness receives.

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done, And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; But purer, and higher, and greater will be Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 8:1-2

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"There is a Redeemer" (vs. 2)

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names; Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Hope for sinners slain.

Thank you, O my Father, for giving us Your Son,

And leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: Psalm 125

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "Peace Along the Way" Dr. David Weber

Keith Green

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 guick 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: "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.

MOMENT FOR MISSION: Trail Life USA

(8:00) THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

The Sanctuary Choir

David Edmonds

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

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!

Charis Jantomaso, piano

*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):

O Lord, our gracious God, out of gratitude for Your grace to us in Jesus Christ, we give ourselves to You: all we have, all we are, all we hope to be. We pray that You will use these offerings; and that You will use us — our talents, our energies, our time and our possessions—for Your glory, for the strengthening of Your Church, and for carrying forth Your mission at home and around the world. Amen.

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE:

"Before the Throne of God Above"

BEFORE THE THRONE

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea; A great High Priest Whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart. I know that while in heaven He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart, No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died my sinful soul is counted free; For God the just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness, The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace. One with Himself I cannot die; my soul is purchased by His blood. My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God, With Christ, my Savior and my God!

*THE BENEDICTION

*THE CONGREGATIONAL AND CHORAL AMEN (sung by all): "A-men, A-men, A-men!"

*(PLEASE WAIT FOR ROW BY ROW DISMISSAL BYTHE USHERS)

*POSTLUDE: "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" Lutkin, arr. Sanborn

^{*}The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so. Lyrics and music reproduced under CCLI#64526.