

The Words of Invitation and Institution

The Prayer of Consecration, 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 Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

The Distribution Anthem:

"To the Lamb on the Throne"

Sanctuary Choir

Dan Forrest

Worthy the Lamb.

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad His wonderful name;
The name all victorious of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.
"Salvation to God, Who sits on the throne!"
Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son;
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.
God rules in the height, almighty to save;
Though hid from our sight, His presence we have,
The great congregation His triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.
Then let us adore and give Him His right,
All glory and pow'r, all wisdom and might;
All honor and blessing with angels above,
And thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

The Concluding Communion Prayer

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #295

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DIADEMATTA

*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

*POSTLUDE:

"Toccata from Symphony No. 5"

C. M. Widor

*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.
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Ministering in Music This Morning

Trumpets:	Mark Campbell, Todd Jennings	Tuba:	Bill Folger
Horn:	Kelly Hartless	Timpani:	Jacob Caldwell
Trombone:	Walker Pennock		
Assistant Organists/Pianists: Miriam Amos, Noah Caldwell, Hadley Hall			

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).
- Join us for dinner and Bible Studies on Wednesday nights starting in September.
- Attend men's, women's, or youth Bible studies and events throughout the year.
- Attend the next Getting to Know Rivermont Weekend Class May 16-17. For more information and to register go to rivermont.org/gtkr.

Coming Up This Week

For more information, please visit rivermont.org/events

Sunday, April 20 - Easter Sunday

7:30 am Garden Service (Courtyard)
8:30 am Worship Service with Communion
9:45 am Fellowship Hour (Cheatham Center and Locke Commons)
11:00 am Worship Service with Communion

Friday, April 25

6:15 pm 20 Somethings+ Food and Fun (Quinlan/Youth House)

Saturday, April 26

10:00 am Pickleball in the Park (Riverside Park) 🏠
10:30 am Youth Girls' Prayer Group (Hadley Hall's Home)

Sunday, April 27

8:30 am Worship Service
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
12:45 pm Youth Senior Lunch (La Villa)
4:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Chapel)

Monday, April 21

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, April 22

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

Wednesday, April 23

4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes & Praise Ringers
5:15 pm Cherub, Chapel & New Song Choirs
5:15 pm Carillon
6:30 pm Missionary Prayer & Care (Pastors' Lounge)
6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

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

For more information, please visit inrivermont.com

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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

April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday

Preparation *for* Worship

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

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Almighty God, Who through Your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, destroyed the sting of death and opened to those who repent the way of everlasting life: grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may continually be raised from the death of sin by the same power that raised from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forevermore. Amen.

MUSIC FOR EASTER:

"The Day of Resurrection"

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from this world to the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.

Carillon Handbells and Brass Quintet

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

WELCOME:

Pastor Brett Eubank

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 118:1-5 (responsively)

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good;
For His steadfast love endures forever!
Let Israel say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
Let the house of Aaron say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
Let those who fear the LORD say,
"His steadfast love endures forever."
Out of my distress I called on the LORD;
The LORD answered me and set me free.
Christ is risen!
He has risen indeed!

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE:

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured, Alleluia!
Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as His love, Alleluia!
Praise Him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

Donald Fischel

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name!

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation! (*Refrain*)

Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
Jesus has died and is risen! (*Refrain*)

*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: Matthew 28:1-20 (page 835)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON:

"Resurrection Freedom"

Dr. David Weber

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"

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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 CALL TO GOSPEL RESPONSE:

Pastor Ron Cox

THE RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

Sanctuary Choir

"Resurrection Hymn (See What a Morning)" Getty/Townend/Beethoven, arr. Steven Strite

Alleluia!
See what a morning gloriously bright, with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem.
Folded the grave clothes, tomb filled with light,
As the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"
See God's salvation plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,
Fulfilled in Christ, the Man, for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!
See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?"
As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;
Hears a voice speaking, calling her name;
It's the Master, the Lord, raised to life again.
The voice that spans the years, speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,
Will sound 'til He appears, for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead!
One with the Father, Ancient of Days,
Through the Spirit Who clothes faith with certainty,
Honor and blessing, glory and praise
To the King crowned with pow'r and authority.
And we are raised with Him, death is dead, Love has won, Christ has conquered.
And we shall reign with Him, for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead!

*THE COMMUNION HYMN: (Please see insert)

"I Am the Bread of Life"

Suzanne Toolan

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER:

If you are not a member of this congregation but are a baptized believer who is welcome to receive Communion in your home church, then you are invited to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us. Baptized children of this congregation are welcome to receive the Sacrament after they have received instruction and admission by the Session. After reviewing the Communion packet with your child, contact the church office to set up a meeting with the pastors. The packet may be found at www.rivermont.org/communion.