

# Announcements

**RIVERMONT FELLOWSHIP NIGHT** is our mid week gathering where we enjoy fellowship and experience growth in Christ. It begins this Wednesday, September 13! Cost for the meal is \$5 per person (9 and older); \$3 for children (8 and under) with a maximum cost to a family of \$22. The menu for **September 13th is Spaghetti**. Make your reservations online at [www.rivermont.org](http://www.rivermont.org), fill out the reservation card and place it in the offering plate, email [donna@rivermont.org](mailto:donna@rivermont.org), or call the church office: 846-3441. **Reservations are mandatory and should be made by noon on Monday, September 11.**

**YOUTH NEWS:**

**SNL:** All 9th-12th grade students are invited to a time of food, fun, and fellowship at the Whelan home from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm today, September 10th. Dinner will be provided!

**636:** All high school girls are invited for a time of early morning fellowship this Tuesday, September 12. Meet at Panera on Old Forest Road at 6:36 am.

**RFN:** Come out and hear how Elijah and Elisha, biblical prophets and men of God, faced the same pressures and weaknesses we do, beginning Wednesday, September 13, at 6:30 pm in the Quinlan Room.

**HIGH SCHOOL HIKE:** All 9th-12th grade students are invited to hike Sharp Top with Shane on September 16! We'll meet at 9:15 am in the Forest Kroger (221) parking lot. Remember to pack a lunch and a drink. Get ready for adventure!

**PRESCHOOL NIGHT AT MAYLYNN'S CREAMERY:** Tuesday, September 12, 5:00 until 9:00 pm! All are invited to come enjoy delicious ice cream and fellowship with our church and preschool families. MayLynn's will be donating 10% of the evening proceeds to the preschool.

**DAWN PATROL:** Join us this Tuesday, September 12th at 6:30 am in the Fellowship Hall for our first Dawn Patrol Men's Bible Study of the Fall. We will study through the Book of Hebrews, which teaches us how to run with perseverance by keeping our eyes focused on Christ. We will learn how to live by faith trusting in Christ as our perfect Prophet, Priest, and King. Breakfast and coffee will be provided, so come start your day with us in God's Word!

**CIRCLE 1** will be studying "*Women of the New Testament*" this year. Please join us in the Library on Tuesday, September 12th from 10:00 am until noon. We will use Luke 1:5-25, 39-45 and 57-66 as our text as we study the life of Elizabeth.

**CLUB 56:** Why are events that happened 500 years ago so important to me and you today? Come and find out at Club 56 beginning Wednesday, September 13, at 6:30 pm in the Club 56 room as we learn about "The Five Solas of the Reformation" and five courageous men who stood up for the gospel they believed in!

**HELPING HURRICANE VICTIMS:** If you would like to contribute to Hurricane Harvey relief efforts, we recommend donating to the EPC Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund. Go to <https://epc.org/emergencyrelief> and choose "Emergency Relief" from the first pulldown menu and "Hurricane Harvey Relief (506)" from the second pulldown menu. You can also make a check payable to Evangelical Presbyterian Church and designate it to "Hurricane Harvey Relief." Send it to: Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 5850 T.G. Lee Blvd., Suite 510, Orlando, FL 32822. Donations collected will be sent to EPC churches in the greater Houston area affected by the storm.

**60 PLUS OR MINUS LUNCHEON:** We'll kick off our new season for 60 Plus/Minus on Wednesday, September 20 at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Our speaker will be Laura Hamilton, Exec. Director of Lynchburg Beacon of Hope. The group's efforts have dramatically increased the number of Lynchburg high school seniors seeking continuing education after high school. **To make reservations, please sign up on the bulletin board outside the library or call the church office (846-3441) by noon on Monday, September 18th.**

**ATTENTION PARENTS OF STRING PLAYERS:** We are planning for our Rivermont youth string players to participate in a special prelude and postlude at our Hanging of the Greens service that will take place on Sunday evening, December 3rd. Ginger Paris will be leading the group. If you are the parent of a youth who plays the violin, viola, or cello, and are interested in participating, please contact Peggy Bettcher at [peggy@rivermont.org](mailto:peggy@rivermont.org). All ages and levels are welcome!

# Announcements (Cont.)

**CHILDREN'S/YOUTH VOCAL CHOIRS** begin rehearsals this Wednesday, September 13th.

- Cherub Choir (Ages 4-Grade 2) (Room #308)
- Chapel Choir (Grades 3-6) (Choir Room)
- New Song (Grades 7-12) (Room # 301)

All choirs rehearse from 5:15 pm until 5:45 pm. New singers welcome! "Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth." Psalm 96:1.

**HANDBELL CHOIRS** begin rehearsals this Wednesday, September 13th.

- Rivermont Ringers meets at 3:45 pm (Room 206)
- Rivermont Chimes meets at 4:30 pm (John Knox)
- Praise Ringers meets at 4:30 pm (Room 206)
- Carillon meets at 5:15 pm (Room 206)

# Concerns of the Church

**IN HOSPITAL:** Ron Adams

**RECUPERATING:** Doris MacIntyre and Erle Thompson

**IN APPRECIATION:** *Dear Rivermont Family, Thank you so much for your prayers, cards and expressions of sympathy on the loss of my mother. Your support and encouragement mean so much during this time of grief for my family.* Ellen Geisert

**ATTENDANCE:** Morning Worship: 8:30 service: 374; 11:00: service: 363. Total: 737.

**MODGNIK 7th AND 8th GRADE:** Please be in prayer for the leaders and students attending Modgnik at Rockbridge Young Life camp this weekend, from September 8th -September 10th. Pray for hearts to be softened to the gospel.

**USHERS SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17: Head Deacon:** Dan Schepens

**Assistant Deacon:** Andy Morse **Morning Only:** Calvin Dameron

**8:30 am:** Thom Provenzola, Lola Provenzola, Larry Shackleton, Chuck Spruill

**11:00 am:** Brad Weaver, Ray Ganthner, Statham Gilliam

# Calendar

**Sunday, September 10**

- 8:00 am Pre-service Prayer (Family Room)
- 8:30 am Worship
- 9:45 am College Hour
- 9:45 am GTKR Class
- 9:45 am Sunday School Semester Begins
- 10:30 am Pre-service Prayer (Family Room)
- 11:00 am Westminster Canterbury Service
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 6:00 pm Youth SNL (9th-12th Graders ) (Whelans' home)
- 7:30 pm 20 Somethings Class (Country Gardens)

**Monday, September 11**

- 9:00 am Preschool
- 10:00 am Prayer Group (Family Room)
- 4:30 pm Preschool Council Meeting (Room 204)
- 5:30 pm Personnel Committee Mtg. (Ron's Office)
- 6:00 pm Leadership Training (John Knox)

**Tuesday, September 12**

- 6:30 am Dawn Patrol
- 6:36 am High School Girls (Panera Old Forest Rd)
- 10:00 am Circle 1 (Library)
- 5:00 pm Preschool Night (MayLynn's)
- 5:30 pm MSC
- 6:30 pm Trail Life (Fellowship Hall)

**Wednesday, September 13**

- 9:00 am Preschool
- 12:00 pm Elder Pool Lunch (Country Gardens)
- 3:45 pm Rivermont Ringers (206)
- 4:15 pm GriefShare (Room 202)
- 4:30 pm Praise Ringers (206)

**Wednesday, September 13 (continued)**

- 4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes (John Knox)
- 5:15 pm Carillon (206)
- 5:15 pm Chapel Choir (Choir Room)
- 5:15 pm Cherub Choir (308)
- 5:15 pm New Song (301)
- 5:45 pm RFN Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir
- 6:30 pm Club 56 RFN (Club 56 Room)
- 6:30 pm Youth RFN (Q)

**Thursday, September 14**

- 9:00 am OASIS
- 9:30 am CBS
- 5:30 pm Adm. Committee Mtg. (Conf. Room)

**Friday, September 15**

- 5:00 pm Officers' Retreat (Fellowship Hall)

**Saturday, September 16**

- 9:15 am Youth (9th - 12 graders) Sharp Top Mountain (Meet at Kroger 221)

**Sunday, September 17**

- 8:00 am Pre-service Prayer (Family Room)
- 8:30 am Worship/MFM with Murli Menon
- 9:45 am College Hour
- 9:45 am GTKR Class
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Pre-service Prayer (Family Room)
- 11:00 am Worship /MFM with Murli Menon
- 12:00 pm Luncheon with Murli Menon (Milano's)
- 6:00 pm Mission Service with Murli Menon (Chapel)



OUR MISSION

REPC SEEKS THE RENEWING OF LIVES THROUGH GOD'S COMPELLING LOVE IN LYNCHBURG AND THE WORLD.

September 10, 2017

8:30 AM ↔ 11:00 AM

# Order Of Worship

*The prelude is a time for the body of Christ to spiritually prepare to enter into His presence in worship. As the prelude begins, please assume a quiet, prayerful and reverent attitude of worship. (Please silence your mobile devices.)*

**PRELUDE:**

**Rebekah Heaphy, violin**

**"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"**

arr. Kristin Campbell

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free; Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me. Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love; Leading onward, leading homeward, to Thy glorious rest above.

**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 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.

**THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Mike Palombo**

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: (responsively) Revelation 19:5-7**

*Praise our God, all you His servants, you who fear Him, both small and great!*

**Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him glory!**

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #300**

**"Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power"**

O QUANTA QUALIA

**\*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

**\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*(Before turning the page, please receive the Assurance of Pardon.)*

**\*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:**

*"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven (vs. 1 & 3)* LAUDA ANIMA

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet your tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore His praises sing.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

Father-like He tends and spares us; all our hopes and fears He knows.  
In His hands He gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely as His mercy flows!

**\*THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

**SPECIAL TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

**THE INTERLUDE:**

Children pre-K through first grade may be dismissed for Children’s Church.  
8:30: Pre-K thru First Grade meet in the ORANGE room, #115  
11:00: First Grade meet in ORANGE room, #115;  
Pre-K/K meet in RED room, #114

**THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: Colossians 2:6-15 (page 984)**

**THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**THE SERMON:** "Circumcision Required" Dr. Weber

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

**\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from Colossians 1:15-20 (in unison)**

We believe in Christ Jesus: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities - all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. For in Him, all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

**\*THE GLORIA: "Alleluia! Alleluia!" (v. 3) EBENEZER**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;  
Alleluia to the Savior, Who has won the victory;  
Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctify.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! To the Triune Majesty.

**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:**

*"On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand"*

**The Sanctuary Choir**

Earlene Rentz

On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye  
To Canaan’s fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.  
O’er all those wide extended plains shines one eternal day  
When love forevermore shall reign, and turn the night to day.  
On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye  
To Canaan’s fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.  
There David stands with harp in hand as master of the choir;  
Ten thousand times was David blessed, the music rang with pow’r.  
No fear or sorrows or distress shall reach that blissful shore;  
All sickness, suff’ring, pain, and death are felt and feared no more.  
I’m bound for the promised land; Oh, who will come and go with me?  
I’m bound for the promised land.  
On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye.  
Oh, who will come and go with me? Who will come and go?  
I’m bound for the promised land!

**Julia Sansone - Accompanist**

**\*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):**

Gracious Father, Your goodness overflows upon us! We give You thanks and praise for Your faithfulness, Your kindness and Your love. Receive this offering, we pray, as we offer ourselves anew to You. May all that we are, all that we have, and all that we do, be blessed for the spread of the gospel, the increase of Your kingdom, and the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

**\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #188**

*"Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting"*

TRANQUILLITY

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

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

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

**\*POSTLUDE:**

*"O Worship the King"*

arr. Faye Lopez

\*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.  
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**Prayer Usher Ministry** - Prayer Ministry teams are available after each morning service for those who would like someone to pray with them about a personal need. The Prayer Ushers will meet you at the Family Room off the Cheatham Center. They will be identified with name tags. This ministry is available to visitors as well as members. All prayer requests are confidential.

**SERMON NOTES**

**1. To overcome sin, we must receive the circumcision of Christ.**

**2. To overcome sin, we must receive the baptism of Christ.**

**3. To overcome sin, we must have faith in the work of Christ.**

**PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: MEALS ON WHEELS**

Meals on Wheels of Lynchburg provides one hot, well-balanced meal five days a week to the elderly and younger disabled people who are unable to prepare meals for themselves, have no one to cook for them or are homebound. But, it’s more than just a meal...it is a connection with people who care and people who check on them every day. Last year, 71,000 meals were delivered in the Lynchburg area by more than 950 volunteers. Pray that God would continue to provide volunteers to take meals to the recipients and check on them. Pray that the recipients would not only be able to remain independent but will see these meals and connections as a tangible expression of God’s provision for them.

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