

# Announcements

**THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** today are given by Larry and Julie Shackleton to the glory of God and in loving memory of their parents Brant and Mimi Parker and Larry and Prue Shackleton.

**YOUTH NEWS:**

**636:** All high school boys are invited for a time of early morning fellowship this Tuesday, October 17th. The guys will join Shane at Biscuitville 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, this Wednesday, October 18th, at 6:30 pm in the Quinlan Room.

**Corn Maze:** All 7th and 8th grade students are invited to join Josh for a trip to the Layman Family Farm corn maze on Saturday, October 21st! We plan to depart at 9:00 am and return at 3:00 pm. Sign up on the Youth Welcome Table!

**Barn Bash:** All 9th through 12th grade students are invited to join Shane for a time of fun and fellowship at the Bradners' barn from 6:00-9:00 pm on Saturday, October 21st! Dinner will be provided. Don't miss this awesome event!

**CLUB 56:**

**Club 56 RFN:** Come join us at Club 56 this Wednesday, October 18th, 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!

**Reformation Party:** Our study of the Reformation will culminate in a party on Saturday, October 28th! All 5th and 6th grade students are invited and encouraged to dress up as a reformer or other historical figure. We will have Reformation themed games and snacks and the event will take place from 2:00 - 5:00 pm in the REPC Fellowship Hall.

**60 PLUS/MINUS** is a program for all church seniors and visitors! Our next luncheon will be held on Wednesday, October 18th in the Fellowship Hall at noon. Bruce Bell will be sharing some of the highlights of his Reformation Tour which commemorated the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. He will speak about its causes, effects and what it means to us reformed believers today. Margaret Smith will also share her photos from the trip.

**RIVERMONT FELLOWSHIP NIGHT:** The menu for our RFN dinner on October 18th 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, October 16th.**

**PRAISE AND PREPARATION:** We praise God that Mike Palombo and Shane Whelan are approaching ordination and Pastor Weber will soon be installed as our Senior Pastor. In preparation for a tremendous celebration for our church, look forward to a full day of worship and fellowship on Reformation Sunday, October 29. Beyond the blessings of morning worship, we'll enjoy a reception in the afternoon (4:00-5:45 pm), and three of our ministry partners will be ordained and/or installed during worship at 6:00 pm. Nursery will be provided during the evening service for infants through 3 years old beginning at 5:45 pm.

**ANNUAL RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE:** It's almost time for our annual blood drive and we need volunteers! If you would like to help, please contact Alisha Meador at [alisha.meador@gmail.com](mailto:alisha.meador@gmail.com) or call 434-426-0787. The Red Cross is always in need of blood donations, and they can, quite literally, save a life! Mark your calendars for the afternoon of November 14th. Sign up after the service on October 22nd, or go online at <http://www.redcrossblood.org/rcbmobile/drive/chooseDonationTime.jsp>.

# Concerns of the Church

**IN THE HOSPITAL:** Erle Thompson

**RECUPERATING:** Patricia Hylton

**CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY** are extended to Clay and Betty Atkins in the death of Clay's mother, Betty Atkins who died October 8th in Eden, North Carolina.

**ATTENDANCE:** Morning Worship: 8:30 service: 264; 11:00: service: 343. Total: 607. Sunday School: 410.

**USHERS SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22:** **Head Deacon:** Mark Smith  
**Assistant Deacon:** Patrick Yeatts **Morning Only:** Todd Matthews  
**8:30 am:** Dave Dinsmore, Beth Doan, Jarrett Dodd, Stewart Dodd  
**11:00 am:** John Blanks, Isaiah Bradner, Matt Bradner, Earl Weaver

# Calendar

**Sunday, October 15**

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  
 10:30 am Pre-service Prayer (Family Room)  
 11:00 am Worship  
 12:30 pm Luncheon with Paul & RG Sydnor along with Steve & Joan Tinsley (Fellowship Hall)  
 4:30 pm Youth Music Practice (Youth Center)  
 6:00 pm Mission Service (Chapel)

**Monday, October 16**

9:00 am Preschool  
 10:00 am Prayer Group (Family Room)

**Tuesday, October 17**

6:30 am Dawn Patrol  
 6:36 am HS Boys 636 (Biscuitville)  
 9:00 am Preschool  
 6:15 pm Deacons' Meeting (John Knox)  
 7:00 pm Officers' Prayer Meeting (John Knox)  
 7:30 pm Session Meeting (John Knox)

**Wednesday, October 18**

9:00 am Preschool  
 12:00 pm 60 Plus Lunch (Rivermont Room)  
 3:45 pm Rivermont Ringers (206)

**Wednesday, October 18 (continued)**

4:15 pm GriefShare (Room 202)  
 4:30 pm Praise Ringers (206)  
 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 Club 56 RFN (Club 56 Room)  
 6:30 pm Youth RFN (Quinlan Room)  
 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir

**Thursday, October 19**

9:30 am CBS  
 9:30 am OASIS

**Saturday, October 21**

6:00 pm MS Corn Maze (Layman's Farm)  
 6:00 pm HS Barn Bash (Bradners' Barn)

**Sunday, October 22**

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  
 10:30 am Pre-service Prayer (Family Room)  
 11:00 am Worship  
 4:30 pm Youth Music Practice (Youth Center)



OUR MISSION

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

October 15, 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:** **Rivermont Ringers**  
*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"* arr. John A. Behnke  
 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet your tribute bring;  
 Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, His praise should sing?  
 Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise the everlasting King.  
**Julia Sansone - Director**

**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.

**THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** **Mike Palombo**

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 116 (responsively)**  
*I love the Lord, because He has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.*  
**Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; our God is merciful.**  
*You have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;*  
**I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord.**

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #252**  
**"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"** HAMBURG

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

**\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

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

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**\*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:**

*"Crown Him with Many Crowns" (v. 1)*

DIADEMATA

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne;  
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own!  
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless King thro' all eternity.

**\*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 Chapel Choir

*"Lessons from Colossians"*

Joseph M. Martin

Lori Flowers - Director; Charis Jantomaso - Accompanist

**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 3:1-11 (page 984)**

**THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**THE SERMON: "Union With Christ (Present)"**

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:**

*"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!

**A MOMENT FOR MISSION:**

Paul and RG Sydnor

**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:**

*"Who But the Lord?"*

The Sanctuary Choir

Craig Courtney

Who but the Lord can give the shadows light,  
Can break into the dark, draw morning from the night?  
Who but the Lord will hear our cry and answer, "Here am I"?  
Who but the Lord makes blinded eyes to see,  
Brings music to the deaf, sets the lonely captive free?  
Who but the Lord will by His glory show the paths of peace?  
Who but the Lord?  
O shine on us the brightness of Your face,  
To earth's remotest end, every people, every race.  
O shine on us until to each is shown Your saving grace. O shine on us.  
Who but the Lord can give the shadows light? None but the Lord.

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):**

Almighty and gracious Father; we give You thanks and praise for all Your goodness to us and over all creation; but above all, we give thanks for the gift of Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, in Whom alone we have life and peace and everlasting joy. In His name, we offer our hearts to You, eagerly and entirely; and we pray that You will bless and multiply these tokens of our lives, and use them for the sake of Your kingdom throughout the earth; to the glory of Your name. Amen.

**\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #311**

*"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"*

AURELIA

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

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

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

**\*POSTLUDE:**

*"Stand Up for Jesus"*

arr. Franklin Ritter

\*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. Where is Christ?**

**2. Where are we?**

**3. Where are our minds?**

**PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES:** Paul and Reinhild Sydnor, based in Lille, France, minister to refugees in Europe, where temporary haven has been found by millions of refugees from countries (mainly in the Middle East and North Africa) that have experienced severe religious or political persecution. Paul advocates for and works to help meet many of their practical needs by mobilizing and building partnerships with established national churches in European countries. Please pray that Paul's team will be able to open a Refugee Ministry Center in Lille soon. Praise for Paul's successful defense of his doctoral dissertation on Refugee ministry as well as for new team members.

**SUNDAY EVENING AT RIVERMONT**

**MISSION SERVICE**

With Paul & RG Sydnor and Steve & Joan Tinsley

TONIGHT at 6:00 PM in the Chapel

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