



OUR MISSION

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

Palm Sunday | March 25, 2018 | 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 Chimes "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" arr. Robin Benton

THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION: Triumphant Lord and God, we have come to welcome and worship Your Son this day. Yet as the words of Scripture echo through our souls, we realize how our behavior parallels that of the people of Jerusalem: one day, we are celebrating Christ's arrival, the next we are criticizing Him for the demands He places on us. Gracious God, have mercy on us, for our faith is seldom mature. At times, we resist Your message. At times, we have treated Your Word carelessly, producing a shallow belief. Many times, we compromise and shape our faith around convenience. Loving Lord, we confess our involvement in these sins. Cleanse and renew us by the consistent love and life of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor Cox

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #235 "All Glory, Laud and Honor" ST. THEODULPH

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 118 (responsively) O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His steadfast love endures forever! The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone; This was the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes! This is the day which the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it! Hosanna! Save us, I pray, O Lord! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna!

\*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Isaiah 53:5

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

Concerns of the Church

RECUPERATING: Terry Beckloff, Mike Pogue, Anne Spruill, Mary Jane Sydnor

IN APPRECIATION: Special thanks to the many youth and their fearless leaders who came to church early last Saturday to spread mulch and help beautify our church grounds! With Appreciation ~ The Building & Grounds Committee

USHERS SERVING MAUNDY THURSDAY, MARCH 29: Calvin Dameron, Michele Dameron

USHERS SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 1: Head Deacon: Patrick Yeatts

Assistant Deacon: Andy Morse Morning Only: Larry Langhans

8:30 am: Beth Doan, Jarrett Dodd, Stewart Dodd, Mark Faulconer

11:00 am: Danny Boyers, Ray Ganthner, Billy Giles, Statham Gilliam

ATTENDANCE MARCH 18: Morning Worship: 8:30 service: 309; 11:00 service: 314. Total: 658. Sunday School: 382.

CHILDREN'S CROSS FOR EASTER gives children a meaningful way to participate in the Easter celebration. Any child may bring in a few flowers on April 1 to tuck onto the cross. located in the center of the back patio. We will also have some flowers on hand for those who may need them. The Flower Guild welcomes you and your family to be a part of this delightful tradition.

Calendar

Sunday, March 25 Palm Sunday

8:00 am Pre-Service Prayer (Family Room)
8:30 am Worship
9:45 am College Hour
9:45 am Sunday School
10:30 am Pre-Service Prayer (Family Room)
11:00 am Worship
11:00 am Confirmation Class Membership
4:30 pm Youth Music Practice (Youth Center)
5:30 pm SNL Ultimate Frisbee (Peaks View Park)
7:00 pm 20 Somethings (Country Gardens)

Monday, March 26

9:00 am Preschool
10:00 am Prayer Team (Family Room)
10:30 am Caregivers' Group Meeting (Library)

Tuesday, March 27

6:30 am Dawn Patrol
6:36 am HS Boys' 636 (Biscuitville)
9:00 am Preschool
9:30 am Staff Meeting (204)
6:30 pm Trail Life (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 pm Young Life (Quinlan)

Wednesday, March 28 (continued)

9:00 am Preschool
4:30 pm Praise Ringers
5:15 pm Carillon
6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir
7:45 pm Brass Rehearsal

Thursday, March 29

9:30 am CBS
7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, March 30

12:05 pm Good Friday Service (Sanctuary)

Saturday, March 31

8:00 am Grounds Clean Up (REPC)

Sunday, April 1 Easter Sunday

7:30 am Garden Service
8:00 am Pre-Service Prayer (Family Room)
8:30 am Worship with the Lord's Supper
9:45 am Continental Breakfast (No Sunday School)
11:00 am Worship with the Lord's Supper

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Announcements

THE PALMS used in the service today are presented by the Butler family to the glory of God and in loving memory of Laura and Lindsay Butler, Lindsay Butler, Jr., and Hazel Butler.

YOUTH NEWS:

SNL: All 7th-12th grade students are invited to Peaks View Park tonight, March 25 for a special Ultimate Frisbee Sunday Night Live! We will meet at 5:30 pm at the tennis court entrance and we'll play until 7:00 pm.

6:36: All high school boys are invited for a time of early morning fellowship this Tuesday, March 27. The guys will join Shane at Biscuitville on Old Forest Road at 6:36 am.

NUSERY VOLUNTEERS GREATLY NEEDED on Easter Sunday. There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway leading to the Cheatham area or see Toni. Thank you.

20-SOMETHINGS will meet this Sunday, March 25 at 7:00 pm in Country Gardens (house behind the church). We will discuss how Psalm 2 enables us to trust and follow our Savior King whose kingdom reaches to the ends of the earth.

CAREGIVERS' SUPPORT GROUP will meet Monday, March 26, at 10:30 am in the Library. We welcome all caregivers to attend for support and prayer.

GROUND'S CLEAN-UP will be Saturday, March 31 from 8:00 am until noon. Everyone is invited to join in and help beautify the church grounds for Easter. Grab your gloves, rakes, wheelbarrows, and gardening tools, and join your church family!

CIRCLE 4 will meet Tuesday, April 3rd, in Country Gardens at 10:30 am.

SAVE THE DATE: Preschool Night at Chipotle, Fresh Market Shopping Center, Old Forest Road, Tuesday, April 10, 2:00 pm until 9:00 pm. To ensure that 50 percent of your purchase is donated to the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in the restaurant. Let's Guac and Roll!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Like our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/REP-C2018VBS/. We'll keep you posted on preparations and plans. Volunteers are encouraged to sign up at the registration table in the Cheatham.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT SEMINAR: Matt and Julia Bradner are hosting their marriage enrichment seminar, "Nourish & Cherish" at REPC on Friday, April 13 from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm and Saturday, April 14 from 9:00 am until noon. It will provide practical and inspirational content that will shape the relational culture of your marriage. For more information, email matt.bradner@gmail.com or search "Nourish & Cherish Marriage Retreat" on Facebook.

EASTER LILIES AND EASTER MISSION OFFERING

Easter floral decorations in our Sanctuary are made possible through the contributions of members, in memory or in honor of loved ones. Contributions may also be made to Easter Missions, which will go toward Sports Outreach El Salvador in support of our relationship with the Thomas Rodriguez community. If you would like to contribute to either fund, please clip and complete this form. For all contributions received by March 26, the names of donors and those honored or memorialized will be listed in the Easter morning bulletin on April 1.

Donor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Floral Fund \$: \_\_\_\_\_ Missions Project \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to REPC with notation: "Floral Fund" or "Easter Mission Project"

**\*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE: #246**

**"Man of Sorrows! What a Name"**

HALLELUJAH! WHAT A SAVIOR!

**(11:00) THE RECEPTION OF CONFIRMATION**

**Pastor Whelan**

Eden Alley	Reese Cooper	Samuel Hartless
Nehemiah Jantomaso	Konner Johnson	Thomas Kistler
Noah Kuhn	Grayson Laughon	Garrett Mann
Christopher Matney	Reagan Melancon	Elizabeth Olmsted
Russell Roberts	Will Schepens	Ann Claire Terrell
Kenny Tolley		

**(11:00) THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Reese Cooper  
Reagan Melancon  
Kenny Tolley

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

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

**(8:30) 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: Luke 19:28-40 (Page 878-879)**

**THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**THE SERMON: "Why the Stones Cry Out" Dr. 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"  
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!**

GREATOREX

**THE PASTORAL PRAYER, concluding with Pastor Cox**

**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:**

**"Hosanna to the King of Kings!"**

**Sanctuary Choir**

arr. Lloyd Larson

Hosanna to the King of kings! Lift your voice in praise and sing:  
He comes this day, O glorious day! Let your loud hosannas ring!  
Let the people shout, let the rocks cry out! He comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna to the King of kings! Sing hosanna to the King!  
Lift up your heads, O mighty gates; open wide, you ancient doors,  
Open wide, that the King of glory may come in! Let us worship and adore.  
Who is this King of glory Who comes in the name of the Lord?  
He is the Lord Almighty! Sing hosanna to the King!  
Hosanna, hosanna! Sing praise to Christ, the King!  
We sing hosanna, hosanna!  
Blessed is the One Who comes today in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna to the King of kings! Wave your palms and joyfully sing!  
See the King Who comes on a donkey's colt. Let your loud hosannas ring!  
Rejoice, O people of Zion! He comes to set you free.  
Hosanna to the King of kings! Hosanna to the King!

**\*THE DOXOLOGY:**

OLD HUNDREDETH

**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)**

**God, You are the fountain of all good: we bring to You our gifts, according to the blessing You have given. Enable us, with our earthly things, to give You the love of our hearts and the service of our lives. Let Your favor, which if life, and Your loving kindness, which is better than life, be upon us now and always; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #441**

**"Jesus Shall Reign"**

DUKE STREET

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

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

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

**\*POSTLUDE:**

**"March Romaine"**

Charles Gounod

\*The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so.  
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**SERMON NOTES**

**1. The stones worship Him as Creator.**

**2. The stones worship Him as Redeemer.**

**3. We must worship Him as Creator and Redeemer.**

**SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP FOR HOLY WEEK**

**March 25 - Palm Sunday:** 8:30 am & 11:00 am - Worship with Dr. David Weber

**March 29 - Maundy Thursday:** 7:00 pm - Communion Service with Pastor Cox  
Scripture: John 13:31-35 Sermon: "Christ's Glory in Redeemed Relationships"

**March 30 - Good Friday:** 12:05 to 12:55 pm - with Pastor Eubank.  
A special service of meditation on the sacrifice of Christ for us  
Scripture: John 10:11-18 Sermon: "A Good Shepherd for Good Friday"

**April 1 - Easter Sunday:**  
7:30 am - Garden Service on the steps in front of the Sanctuary  
(meet in the John Knox Room in case of inclement weather)  
8:30 am - Worship, including Sacrament of the Lord's Supper  
9:45 am - Continental Breakfast, Cheatham Center & Locke Commons  
11:00 am - Worship, including Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

**PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: LYNCHBURG DAILY BREAD**

Seven days a week, 365 days a year, a hot nutritious lunch is served to the homeless and hungry of Lynchburg at Daily Bread located on Clay Street in downtown Lynchburg. More than 45,000 meals are served at Daily Bread each year. Volunteers from the community come in every day to prepare, cook and serve the meals. For more information and/or to volunteer your time at Daily Bread, go to their website, which is [www.lynchburgdailybread.com](http://www.lynchburgdailybread.com).

**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.