# **Announcements**

TWENTY-SOMETHINGS (for ages 22 to 30, single or married with no children) will meet tonight at 7:00 in Country Gardens (house behind church). Bring a friend and come on out!

HIGH SCHOOL 636: All high school boys are invited for a time of early morning fellowship this Tuesday! Students will join Shane at the Old Forest Road Biscuitville at 6:36 am.

CIRCLE 1 will meet this Tuesday in the Library from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Our study will be "A Prayer of Jesus" taken from Matthew 26:36-46. Ladies, anyone is welcome to join us, even if you are unable to attend regularly!

SIXTY PLUS OR MINUS: Join us next Wednesday, February 20, at noon in the Fellowship Hall as Pastor David teaches during our monthly luncheon! Make your reservation by noon on Monday, February 18 on the sign-up sheet by the Library or by calling the church office.

RIVERMONT FELLOWSHIP NIGHT, which is our midweek gathering for fellowship and growth in Christ, continues this Wednesday. For dinner, the cost is \$5 per adult (9 and older), \$3 per child (8 and under), with a maximum cost to a family of \$22. College students may eat for free if they show their college ID. All those wishing to attend dinner this week must make a reservation by noon tomorrow, February 11. To make your reservation, visit our website, email or call the church office, or fill out a reservation card for the offering plate. The entrée this week will be a Potato Bar with Chili.

RIVERMONT PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION for new students ages 1 to Pre-K for the 2019 to 2020 school year begins this Friday, February 15. Please see Ann Knight with questions about our Preschool.

CLUB 56 FNL: On Friday, February 22, all 5th and 6th grade students are invited to join Josh in the Youth Center for games and fellowship from 6:00 to 7:30 pm.

FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE is Friday, February 22 in the Cheatham Center at 7:00 pm. Glenn Shelton will once again provide the musical entertainment. Please bring a snack (sweet or salty) to share and \$5 per person. If you'd like to help with setup, contact Denise Eubank at denise.eubank@sbcglobal.net. Sign-up sheets are on the table next to the Library.

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL this year will be from June 24 to 28, with Commencement on that Friday. Themed "Summer Seaquest: Come Aboard with Jonah," the lessons take our children deep into the adventure-filled book of Jonah to meet the Sovereign God Who saves! Volunteer signups begin February 24 at the VBS table in the Cheatham Center. Student registration will begin April 24.

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#### **SAVE THE DATES FOR TWO MUSICAL PRESENTATIONS IN MARCH:**

Sunday, March 10 at 4:00 pm: Blue Ridge Baroque, a chamber string ensemble, will present a concert in our Sanctuary. Our lovely harpsichord will accompany the ensemble.

Sunday, March 31 at 6:30 pm: The Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra will present selections from Parts II and III of Handel's Messiah.

See the bulletin board in the hallway near the Locke Commons for more information.

# Concerns of the Church

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Dan and Cindy Sweeney in the marriage of their son and daughter-in-law, Bradley and Lauren Sweeney, on Saturday, January 19 at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Norfolk, Virginia. They are now living in Virginia Beach.

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO Barb Schwan and family in the death of her son, Alex Schwan, who died Tuesday, February 5. He was from Arcadia, Florida.

# Calendar

Sunday, February 10

YOUTH WINTER RETREAT (Eagle Eyrie) 8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)

8:30 am Worship Service

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am Getting to Know Rivermont (203) 9:45 am College Hour (Rivermont A)

11:00 am Worship Service

11:00 am Westminster Canterbury Worship Service 7:00 pm 20-Somethings (Country Gardens)

Monday, February 11 9:00 am Preschool

10:00 am Prayer Group (Family Room)

4:30 pm Preschool Council Meeting (204) 5:30 pm Personnel Committee Meeting

Tuesday, February 12

6:30 am Dawn Patrol

6:36 am Boys' 636 (Biscuitville)

9:00 am Preschool

10:00 am Circle 1 (Library)

5:30 pm MSC

6:30 pm Trail Life (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, February 13

9:00 am Preschool

Wednesday, February 13 (continued)

12:00 pm Elder Pool Lunch (Country Gardens) 4:30 pm Praise Ringers (206)

5:15 pm Carillon (206)

5:15 pm Cherub Choir (308)

5:15 pm Chapel Choir (Choir Room)

5:45 pm RFN Dinner (Fellowship Hall)

6:30 pm RFN Classes, Prayer Service

6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, February 14

9:30 am CBS (Fellowship Hall)

9:30 am OASIS (Quinlan Room)

5:30 pm Administrative Committee Meeting

Sunday, February 17

8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)

8:30 am Worship Service

9:45 am Sunday School

9:45 am Getting to Know Rivermont (203)

9:45 am College Hour (Rivermont A)

11:00 am Worship Service

3:30 pm CWMC (Library)

4:45 pm RIMC (Library)

6:00 pm 6th-8th Grade SNL (Youth Center)

6:00 pm Mission First Service (Chapel)



- OUR MISSION -

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

February 10, 2019

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

# Order of Worship

The prelude is a time for the body of Christ to prepare spiritually 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:

**Praise Ringers** arr. Douglas E. Wagner

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Come, Christians, join to sing – Alleluia! Amen! Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;

Praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

#### THE SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

Lord, as we prepare to worship You this morning, we would meditate and dwell on Your wonderful faithfulness. Great indeed is Your faithfulness. There is no shadow of turning with You. We pray that You would open our eyes this morning so that we might see You more clearly, and our ears that we may hear Your voice more clearly. Open also our hearts that we may eagerly respond to do what You call us to do. We ask these things in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Mike Palombo

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 62:1-2,7-8 (responsively)

For God alone my soul waits in silence; from Him comes my salvation.

He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.

On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God. Trust in Him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before Him. God is a refuge for us.

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE: #30

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

\*THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 5:1-2

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

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### \*THE ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE:

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (vs. 1) SOLID ROCK

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand!

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

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

#### THE SPECIAL TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES:

(11:00) Cherub Choir

"He Is Good/God Is So Good" Hernandez and Nelson
Amy Hall - Director; Charis Jantomaso - Accompanist

## THE INTERLUDE:

Children pre-K through first grade may be dismissed for Children's Church to the orange room, #115.

THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: 1 Peter 1:10-12 (page 1014)

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE SERMON: "Gospel Confidence" Dr. David Weber

THE PRAYER FOR A RIGHT RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

#### \*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM, #1 (responsively):

What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

My only comfort is that I belong, body and soul, in life and in death, not to myself, but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. At the cost of His own precious blood, He has fully paid for all my sins, and has set me free from the dominion of the devil. He also watches over me so well that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven. Indeed, all things must work together to fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly ready and willing from now on to live for Him. Amen!

MOMENT FOR MISSION: David Harker, Gideons International

Checks should be made to Gideons International.

\*THE GLORIA: "Glorify Your Name" (vs. 1-3)

FATHER, we love You, we praise You, we adore You: Glorify Your name in all the earth! Glorify Your name, glorify Your name, glorify Your name in all the earth! (Repeat using: JESUS and SPIRIT)

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:

Sanctuary Choir

arr. Mark Shepperd

"I Need Thee Every Hour"
I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord;

No tender voice like Thine can peace afford.

I need Thee, O I need Thee; every hour I need Thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

I need Thee every hour, stay Thou nearby;

 $Temptations\ lose\ their\ pow'r\ when\ Thou\ art\ nigh.$ 

I need Thee every hour, most Holy One; O make me Thine indeed, Thou blessed Son.

#### \*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 most merciful Father, we give You praise and thanks for all Your mercies: for Your goodness that created us; for Your bounty that sustains us; for Your discipline that corrects us; for Your patience that bears with us; and for Your love that has redeemed us. Grant us also, we pray, a heart to love You; and, by Your Spirit's power, enable us to show our thankfulness in lives of joyful service. Bless this offering for the sake of Your kingdom, for we offer these gifts in the name of Him Who loved us and gave Himself for us: Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

\*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #347 "The Church's One Foundation" AURELIA

\*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

\*POSTLUDE: "Fugue in C Major" J. S. Bach

#### **SERMON NOTES**

- 1. The gospel is inspired by the Holy Spirit.
- 2. The gospel is illuminated by the Holy Spirit.
- 3. The gospel is empowered by the Holy Spirit.

THE OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE is seeking input from the congregation regarding potential candidates to be considered for the office of Elder and Deacon. Members of the congregation can utilize the boxes in the Cheatham Center and Locke Commons to provide names to the committee. You may also provide names directly to the members of the committee (Norman Darden, Jacob Caldwell, Lori Flowers, Becky Griffith, Ben Moomaw, Blair Nelligan, and Treasa Plude).

#### **IN APPRECIATION:**

- Dear Rivermont EPC, thank you for your support and for your generous giving to our members in need this Christmas season. The Angel Tree program blessed so many with tangible gifts that otherwise would have only been a dream. We are very grateful for your continued partnership with us.
   Sincerely, Pastor Nigel of All Nations Community Church
- We give thanks to the Lord for a wonderful weekend of study and fellowship. Thank you to
  all of our volunteers who served meals, arranged flowers, led breakout groups, and lent a
  hand whenever one was needed. Many thanks also to our teachers, Jan Suddith and April
  Weber. Our offering collected for Miriam's House totaled \$1,265! The entire event was a
  display of God's work: Fruitful! Sincerely, The Women's Ministry Steering Committee

**ATTENDANCE:** Morning Worship: 8:30 service: 331; 11:00 service: 356; Total: 687. Sunday School: 430.

USHERS SERVING NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17: Head Deacon: Evan Harris

**Assistant Deacon:** Russ Matney **Morning Only:** Eddie Ivins **8:30:** Ron Adams, Chris Matney, Brandon Miller, Lisa Sosin **11:00:** Isaiah Bradner, Matt Bradner, Danny Boyers, Steve Cooper

# PRAYING FOR OUR MISSIONARIES: Gideons International

Thanking God for the lives that have been touched and changed in 200 countries through the ministry of Gideons International, we pray that God would add to that number daily those who are being saved through the reading of a Gideons Bible or New Testament. Pray that the Life Book, which contains a short recap of the Old Testament, the entire Gospel of John, and Scriptural answers to issues teens face, will be used to bring many young people to trust in Christ as their Lord and Savior. We are glad to welcome REPC member, David Harker, who will share more about the work of Gideons International in our morning worship services.

### **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.

<sup>\*</sup>The congregation standing. Please feel free to be seated if you need to do so. Lyrics and music reproduced under CCLI#64526.