

# Sermon Notes

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**1. Their Witness (vv. 1-3)**

**2. His Word (vv. 4-7)**

**3. Our Response (vv. 8-12)**

## Prayer Opportunities

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**IN HOSPITAL:** None

**RECUPERATING:** Dwain Eckberg, Erle Thompson

**MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK: No Walls Ministry**

With thanksgiving, we praise God for the ministry of racial reconciliation and transformation that is happening through the partnership between REPC, Mosaic Church, and All Nations Community Church. Pray for the Second Saturday Picnics at the Hunton-Randolph Community Center that they might deepen our fellowship and widen our outreach. Pray for the Appliance Ministry that we can find more volunteers to help repair and clean appliances to give to needy families. Pray for our automotive repair ministry that we can find the right space to train young men and serve the Lynchburg community.

**Prayer Ushers**

Prayer Ministry teams are available after each morning service for those who would like someone to pray with them about a personal need, large or small. 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.

# Welcome to Rivermont!

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Whether you are new to Lynchburg or new to 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 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. You can also drop it off at the Welcome Table in the Narthex (lobby) and receive a special gift as our way of saying thanks for coming.



## Next Steps:

We invite you to take some additional steps to get more connected to this church body.

- Attend a Sunday School class at 9:45am between worship services.
- Join a Life Group, which meet throughout the week in member homes.
- Sign up for our next Getting To Know Rivermont class at [www.rivermont.org/gtkr](http://www.rivermont.org/gtkr).

## Coming Up This Week

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**Sunday, April 21 - Easter Sunday**

7:30 am Easter Garden Service (Sanctuary Front Steps)  
8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)  
8:30 am Easter Worship with the Lord's Supper  
9:45 am Continental Brunch (Cheatham and Locke)  
11:00 am Easter Worship with the Lord's Supper

**Monday, April 22**  
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

**Tuesday, April 23**  
6:30 am Dawn Patrol  
6:30 pm Trail Life (Fellowship Hall)

**Wednesday, April 24**  
3:45 pm Rivermont Ringers (206)  
4:30 pm Rivermont Chimes (John Knox)  
4:30 pm Praise Ringers (206)  
5:15 pm Carillon (206)  
5:15 pm Cherub Choir (308)  
5:15 pm Chapel Choir (Choir Room)  
5:15 pm New Song (301)

**Wednesday, April 24 (continued)**

5:30 pm Club 56 Game Night (Youth Center)  
6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir  
6:30 pm Prayer Service (Chapel)

**Thursday, April 25**  
9:30 am CBS (Fellowship Hall)

**Friday, April 26**  
Presbytery

**Saturday, April 27**  
Presbytery

**Sunday, April 28**  
8:00 am Prayer for the Services (Family Room)  
8:30 am Worship Service  
9:45 am Sunday School  
9:45 am College Hour (Rivermont A)  
11:00 am Worship Service  
12:30 pm 20-Somethings Lunch (Youth House)  
5:30 pm 7th-8th Grade Girls' SNE (Weber Home)

**OUR PASSION:** *the renewing of lives through God's compelling love in Lynchburg and the world.*

## Contact Us

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## ORDER of WORSHIP

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April 21, 2019

*Easter Sunday*

## Preparation *for* Worship

*Please prepare your heart for worship and 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:

**Carillon Handbell Choir**  
arr. Jason W. Krug  
**Brass Quintet and Organ**  
Richard Strauss, arr. Olsen

**"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"**

**"Solemn Entry"**

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

Pastor Brett Eubank

*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 is risen indeed!**

### \*THE PROCESSIONAL 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: Psalm 103:10-11

### \*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 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, to the glory of God."*

*(Romans 15:7)*

### THE SPECIAL TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

### THE INTERLUDE:

Children ages 4 to first grade are dismissed for Children's Church to Room #115.

### THE READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE: Luke 24:1-12 (pages 884-885)

### THE SERMON:

**"That You Might Be Certain"**

Dr. David Weber

### \*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"**

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! Amen, Amen!**

### THE RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

Pastor Ron Cox

### THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

**"Thine Be the Glory"**

Sanctuary Choir

Handel, arr. Cope

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;

Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won;

Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away.

Kept the folded graveclothes where Thy body lay.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;

Lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and gloom;

Let His church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing,

For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life;

Life is naught without Thee: aid us in our strife;

Make us more than conqu'rors, through Thy deathless love:

Bring us safe through Jordan to Thy home above.

### \*THE COMMUNION HYMN: (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](http://www.rivermont.org/communion).

### 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:

**"In Christ Alone"**  
Sanctuary Choir  
Getty, Townend, arr. Hayes

In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my light, my strength, my song.

This cornerstone, this solid ground,

Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace,

When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.

My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe!

This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.

'Til on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;

For ev'ry sin on Him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain.

Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!

And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me.

For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me.

From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.

No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand.

'Til He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I stand!

### The Concluding Communion Prayer

### \*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE: #267 **"The Day of Resurrection!"** LANCASHIRE

### \*THE BENEDICTION

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

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

### \*POSTLUDE: **"Tocatta 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: Michael Straw      Horn: Kelly Hartless

Mark Campbell      Tuba: Bill Folger

Trombone: Walker Pennock      Timpani: Gabe Slane