

RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 2020

*Today we worship via the internet. As you gather around your phone, computer, or tablet,
we encourage you to pause for a moment to become aware of God's presence.
Quiet your mind, listen to the voluntary, and prepare to worship God.*

Voluntary

ii. Adagio (from Organ Sonata No. 1)

Felix Mendelssohn

Welcome, Invocation, and Our Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

**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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*Hymn

When Morning Gilds the Skies

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| 1. When morning gilds the skies,
my heart awaking cries:
may Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer
to Jesus I repair:
may Jesus Christ be praised! | 2. Does sadness fill my mind?
A solace here I find:
may Jesus Christ be praised!
Or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this:
may Jesus Christ be praised! |
| 3. Be this, while life is mine,
my canticle divine:
may Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this the eternal song
through all the ages long:
may Jesus Christ be praised! | |

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 105:1-11, 45b

John Whitty

O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually. Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he has uttered, O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones. He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth. He is mindful of his covenant forever, of the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations, the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac, which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant, saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan as your portion for an inheritance."

Praise the Lord!

The Word of the Lord;
Thanks be to God.

** please stand as you are able*

*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

The Gospel of our Lord;
Praise be to you, O Christ.

Pastoral Prayer

Megan Parrish
Summer Ministry Intern

Solo

For Know Ye Not? (from St. Paul)

Felix Mendelssohn

For know ye not that ye are his temple, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth within you? For know ye not that ye are his temple, and whosoever God's temple defileth, God shall sure destroy him? For the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are. But God abideth in heaven His will directeth all the world.

Zachary Short, bass

Offertory Sentences

Megan Parrish

*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Solo

Lord God of Abraham (from Elijah)

Felix Mendelssohn

Draw near, all ye people, come to me! Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, this day let it be known that Thou art God, and that I am Thy servant! Lord God of Abraham! Oh shew to all his people that I have done these things according to Thy word. Oh hear me, Lord, and answer me! Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, oh hear me and answer me, and shew this people that Thou art Lord God. And let their hearts again be turned!

Zachary Short, bass

Sermon

Mustard Seed Musings

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

*Hymn

For the Fruit of All Creation

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1. For the fruit of all creation,
thanks be to God.
For the gifts to every nation,
thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.
2. In the just reward of labor,
God's will be done.
In the help we give our neighbor,
God's will be done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will be done.
3. For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

*Benediction

Megan Parrish

Voluntary

iv. Allegro assai vivace (from Organ Sonata No. 1)

Felix Mendelssohn

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CONGRATULATIONS to Sallie Sparks upon the birth of her granddaughter, Marlowe Sparks Villalon, on July 18, 2020.

CONGRATULATIONS to Dick and Judy Morris upon the birth of their great-granddaughter, to Sarah and Brian Bain upon the birth of their granddaughter, to Paige Newcomb and Camden Bain upon the birth of their niece, and to Robbie Newcomb and Mimi Swanson upon the birth of their daughter Eloise "Ellie" Rose Marie Newcomb on July 22, 2020.

CrossOver & Tuckahoe YMCA Back-to-School Collections

Donation Drop Off: Today, July 26, 1-3PM, Portico/Preschool Entrance

This year, CrossOver Ministry has partnered with Tuckahoe YMCA Bright Beginnings Program which provides a filled backpack, winter clothing, and hygiene kit to children in need. Through this partnership, the Tuckahoe Y is opening up the program to CrossOver pediatric patients. We are seeking **donations of three types: backpacks with school supplies, winter clothing kits, and hygiene kits**. A printable shopping list available at rrcb.org/backtoschool or under Missions on the rrcb.org/connect page. If you have any questions or need to drop off at another time, please contact Andrea Glaze (804-519-0524).

Moon Pies with Ministers

Tuesday, July 28, 8PM on Zoom

Your pastoral staff want to visit with you! Grab your favorite guilty pleasure (or not-so-guilty) treat and get ready to have an evening chat with a minister and some of your fellow church members. This week we'll be joined by Daniel Glaze. Sign up at rrcb.org/moonpies for the Zoom link.

First Sunday Food Share for the Richmond Baptist Centers

Sunday, August 2, 1-3PM, North Parking Lot

If you are able to safely come to the church, please drop off donations during the designated time. There will be two volunteers at the church to assist with directions and will maintain appropriate distancing. Please wait if there are others dropping off at the same time, do not gather and socialize, and remember to wash your hands with soap and water when you get home. A full shopping list can be found on our Facebook, Instagram, or rrcb.org/connect (click 'Missions').

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday, August 12, 2020, 10AM-3:00PM, Fellowship Hall

During this uncertain time, the Red Cross is encouraging individuals to keep scheduled blood donation appointments and to make new appointments for the weeks ahead to ensure a stable supply throughout this pandemic. There is no known end date in this fight against coronavirus, and the Red Cross needs the help of blood and platelet donors and blood drive hosts to maintain a sufficient blood supply for weeks to come. It's important to remember that blood is perishable and cannot be stockpiled. Please consider donating blood with River Road Church on Wednesday, August 12. The blood drive will take place in the Fellowship Hall. Donations are by appointment only; no walk-ins. **For more information on safety procedures and to register, please visit rrcb.org/blooddrive.**

Church Hill Wellness Center Toiletry Bags

Donation Drop Off: Sunday, August 16, 1-3PM, Portico/Preschool Entrance

The Church Hill Wellness Center is requesting toiletry backs and undergarments for their back-to-school event. Please fill gallon-size Ziploc bags with shampoo, comb or brush, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, mouthwash, floss, soap, wash cloth, and lotion. They are also collecting socks and underwear for boys (boxers) and girls (bikini cut) ages kindergarten through high school. If you have any questions or need to drop off at another time, please contact Andrea Glaze (804-519-0524).