

# RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

February 13, 2022

*As we gather together for worship, please pause for a moment to become aware of God's presence.  
Quiet your mind, listen to the music, and prepare to worship God.*

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Lighting of the Altar Candles

Parker Bradley and Zachary Stevens, Acolytes

Voluntary

*If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee*

Settings by J. S. Bach  
(BWV 642 and 690) and Max Reger

Dr. Robert Gallagher, organ

\*Hymn 479

*Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven*

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| <p>1. Praise, my soul, the God of heaven,<br/>Glad of heart your carols raise;<br/>Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,<br/>Who, like me, should sing God's praise?<br/>Alleluia! Alleluia!<br/>Praise the Maker all your days!</p> <p>3. Like a loving parent caring,<br/>God knows well our feeble frame;<br/>Gladly all our burdens bearing,<br/>Still to countless years the same.<br/>Alleluia! Alleluia!<br/>All within me, praise God's name!</p> | <p>2. Praise God for the grace and favor<br/>Shown our forebears in distress;<br/>God is still the same forever,<br/>Slow to chide, and swift to bless.<br/>Alleluia! Alleluia!<br/>Sing our Maker's faithfulness!</p> <p>4. Angels, teach us adoration,<br/>You behold God face to face;<br/>Sun and moon and all creation,<br/>Dwellers all in time and space:<br/>Alleluia! Alleluia!<br/>Praise with us the God of grace!</p> |
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\*Call to Worship

Rev. Anna Perry Miller

May the God who blesses and provides be with you!

**And with you!**

Let us lift our hearts to the One who plants us by living water.

**We open our hearts, to be filled with God's grace.**

Let us sing glad songs to God, who takes delight in us.

**We will sing of our blessings to the One we trust in all things.**

—T. Shuman, adapted

Welcome, Invocation, and Our Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Emily Sumner

Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The

\* Please stand, if you are able.

heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

\*Gloria Patri

Hymn 579

**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.**

New Testament Lesson

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

*Prayer of Julian of Norwich*

Carson Cooman

God, of your goodness, give yourself to me.  
For you are enough for me: Only in you do I have everything. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Anna Perry Miller

\*Hymn of Devotion 282

*If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee*

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1. If thou but trust in God to guide thee,  
With hopeful heart through all thy ways,  
God will give strength, whate'er betide thee,  
To bear thee through the evil days.  
Who trusts in God's unchanging love  
Builds on the rock that nought can move.
2. Only be still, and wait God's leisure  
In cheerful hope, with heart content  
To take whate'er thy Keeper's pleasure  
And all-discerning love hath sent.  
No doubt our inmost wants are clear  
To One who holds us always dear.
3. Sing, pray, and swerve not from God's ways,  
But do thine own part faithfully;  
Trust the rich promises of grace,  
So shall they be fulfilled in thee.  
God never yet forsook at need  
The soul secured by trust indeed.

\*Offertory Sentences

Rev. Anna Perry Miller

Anthem at Offertory

*The Beatitudes*

Text: Matthew 5: 3-12  
Music: Robert W. Lehman

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.  
Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.  
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.  
Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.  
Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.  
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.  
Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you  
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.  
Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven,  
for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

**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.**

*Children in grades 1-3 may meet Mrs. Sandy Rooney  
at the front of the Sanctuary, on the pulpit side, to continue worship in the Chapel.*

Sermon

*Christ's Resurrection ... and Our Own*

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Time of Reflection and Response

*Take a moment to consider how the Spirit is leading you to respond to worship and the Word proclaimed this day.  
If you desire to follow Christ as a disciple, or if you desire to become a member of River Road Church,  
you are invited to come forward to the chancel steps at this time, and our pastor will meet you.*

\*Hymn

*Listen, Sisters! Listen, Brothers!*

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| <p>1. Listen, sisters! Listen, brothers<br/>To the news that we proclaim;<br/>Spread the word and tell your neighbors:<br/>We have life in Jesus' name.<br/>All because God loves us dearly,<br/>Jesus died for all our sin.<br/>On the third day, God showed clearly:<br/>Love has conquered, death can't win.</p> | <p>2. What could be our proclamation<br/>If our Lord had not been raised,<br/>For without his resurrection,<br/>What could give hope to our days?<br/>But in fact, our Christ is living —<br/>First to live, of those who've died;<br/>For as all are lost through Adam,<br/>So in Christ, we're made alive.</p> |
| <p>3. What is sown will surely perish;<br/>What is raised will still endure.<br/>What is sown, is sown in weakness;<br/>What is raised will die no more.<br/>Flesh and blood cannot inherit<br/>That great kingdom God will bring.<br/>God will change us — never fear it!<br/>Death, defeated, has no sting.</p>   |  |

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\*Benediction

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Voluntary

*Allegro (Liturgical Prelude No. 17)*

Gaston Litaize

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Jane, Jason, Colton and Jackson Hiser, and Chelsea, Jay and Kollyns Wilson, by Ann and Jim Wilson.

We extend Christian sympathy to Bob Oakes upon the death of his step sister, Marylou Massie Cumby, on January 29, 2022 in Richmond, VA.

A memorial service for Noralee Stephenson will be held today, February 13, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

We are grateful for your continued generosity to God through our church ministry. You may give securely online at [rrcb.org/give-online](http://rrcb.org/give-online) or by mailing a check. Thank you for your faithfulness.

**The 2021 Annual Report is now available.** The church and Endowment Fund annual reports are available at [rrcb.org/publications](http://rrcb.org/publications) (scroll down the page). The Endowment Fund annual report was mailed last week, and hard copies of the church report are available by request.

**Last Chance—Register for Weekend of Wonder by February 18!** Weekend of Wonder (February 25-27) is a retreat for children, youth, and adults, held here in our church building. The retreat will help us reconnect, or maybe connect for the first time, with the astonishment and awe that comes with following our marvelous God. The featured speaker for the weekend is illusionist Nate Staniforth; Saturday breakout sessions led by Warren Johnson, Briar Chatterjea, Samuel Adams, Ben Brown, and more; Saturday closing worship led by Craig Martin; and the retreat culminates in worship with a sermon by Anna Perry Miller. **Registration is required—[rrcb.org/wowreg](http://rrcb.org/wowreg)** (registration fees: Individual - \$60, Couples -\$90, Household of 3-4 \$115, and Household of 5+). **For more information** about the retreat and speakers **at [rrcb.org/wow](http://rrcb.org/wow)** or contact Anna Perry Miller.

At the present time, masks are required while in the church building. We thank you for your understanding.

- Sun, Feb 13      **Worship**, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary and [rrcb.org/live](http://rrcb.org/live)  
**Memorial Service for Noralee Stephenson**, 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary  
**Board of Christian Education and Spiritual Formation**, 3:00 p.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)  
**Chancel Bell Choir Rehearsal**, 5:00 p.m., Sanctuary
- Mon, Feb 14      **Yoga**, 5:00 p.m., Assembly Room  
**Finance Committee**, 7:00 p.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)
- Tue, Feb 15      **WMU Connectors**, 10:00 a.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)  
**Young Adult Gathering**, 7:00 p.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)
- Wed, Feb 16      **Men's Group: The Huddle**, 8:00 a.m., Reception Room  
**Building and Property Council**, 4:30 p.m., Assembly Room (Zoom option available)  
**Chancel Choir Rehearsal**, 7:15 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room
- Thu, Feb 17      **Member Engagement Committee**, 5:45 p.m., Zoom Meeting (Online)  
**River Road Basketball**, 8:25 p.m., Quioccasin Middle School
- Sat, Feb 19      **Toddler/Preschool Fun Morning**, 10:00 a.m., Assembly Room
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