

RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

First Sunday in Lent

March 6, 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.*

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Elizabeth Wilkinson and Alexander Macturk, Acolytes

Voluntary

*Four Kyrie Versets
Grand Plein Jeu - Fugue - Cromhorne en Taille - Trio à deux dessus*

Gaspard Corrette

Dr. Robert Gallagher, organ

*Hymn 371

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

Refrain:

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.

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| 1. Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,
The Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God. (Refrain) | 2. Each newborn servants of the Crucified
Bears on the brow the seal of Christ who died. (Refrain) |
| 3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
Your death has brought us life eternally. (Refrain) | 4. So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory. (Refrain) |

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*Call to Worship

Rev. Marnie Fisher-Ingram

Jesus began his ministry to the world by being led led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

As we begin our Lenten journey, let us be led by the Spirit, even into the uncomfortable places.

In those forty days, and in that deserted place, Jesus was faced with hunger, doubt, and temptation.

As we seek to follow Jesus, we will be led, even while facing uncomfortable choices.

Jesus left the wilderness, faithful and obedient to God, rejoicing in the One in whom he trusted.

As we continue on our path to faithfulness, we will be led by Christ, rejoicing in the Lord our God.

—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

Deuteronomy 26:6-11

Judy Morris

When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

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

** Please stand, if you are able.*

Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.
 Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.

After the choir has sung this simple prayer through once, the congregation is invited to sing two more repetitions.

***Gospel Lesson**

Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

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

The Stories That Shape Us

Rev. Dr. Ken Wilson

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Marnie Fisher-Ingram

Hymn of Devotion 81Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days*

ST. FLAVIAN

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| <p>1. Lord, who throughout these forty days
 For us didst fast and pray,
 Teach us with Thee to mourn our sins,
 And close by Thee to stay.</p> <p>3. And through these days of penitence,
 And through Thy Passiontide,
 Yea, evermore, in life and death,
 O Lord, with us abide.</p> | <p>2. As Thou with Satan didst contend,
 And didst the victory win,
 O give us strength in Thee to fight,
 In Thee to conquer sin.</p> <p>4. Abide with us, that so, this life
 Of suffering shall be past,
 An Easter of unending joy
 We may attain at last!</p> |
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***Offertory Sentences**

Rev. Marnie Fisher-Ingram

Anthem at Offertory

Kyrie (from Requiem)

John Rutter

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine:
 et lux perpetua luceat eis.
 Te decet hymnus Deus in Sion:
 et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem.
 Exaudi orationem meam, ad te omnis caro veniet.
 Kyrie eleison.
 Christe eleison.
 Kyrie eleison.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord,
 and let perpetual light shine upon them.
 A hymn befits you, O God in Zion:
 and to you a vow shall be fulfilled in Jerusalem.
 Hear my prayer, for unto you all flesh shall come.
 Lord, have mercy.
 Christ, have mercy.
 Lord, have mercy.

***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.**

*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

Back to the Wilderness?

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Anthem

View Me, Lord

Text: Thomas Campion

Music: Richard Lloyd

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| <p>1. View me, Lord, a work of thine!
Shall I then lie downed in night?
Might thy grace in me but shine,
I should seem made all of light.</p> <p>3. Worldly joys like shadows fade
When the heavenly light appears;
But the covenants Thou hast made,
Endless, know not days nor years.</p> | <p>2. Cleanse me, Lord, that I may kneel
At thine altar pure and white;
They at once thy mercies feel,
Gaze no more on earth's delight.</p> <p>4. In thy word, Lord, is my trust,
To thy mercies fast I fly;
Though I am but clay and dust,
Yet thy grace can lift me high.</p> |
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Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving (*in unison*)

We praise you, O Christ, for in this meal you show us the power of your love for us.

Following your call, as we love one another, may we glorify you with all that we are.

Sanctus

Vincent Persichetti

The Blessing and Giving of the Bread and Cup

*Hymn

Within Your Shelter, Loving God

ST. ANNE

*Benediction and Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Voluntary

Kyrie (Fifth verset)

Gaspard Corrette

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the WMU Connectors members for all their loving support of our church members and community, by their co-leaders.

We welcome new member Will McClain who joined our church family on February 27, 2022. Will sings in the Chancel Choir, and we look forward to ministering alongside him!

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

Virtual Easter Lily to Support the Fellowship Fund—We’d love it if you would give a gift in honor or memory of a loved one, and like always, we will list that gift in the bulletin on Easter Sunday. To be sure, we will still have lilies in the sanctuary, but we are confident that our generous congregation will give more than we need! Your gift of a “virtual lily” (the amount is up to you) will support our Fellowship Fund, helping those in financial crisis in the Richmond metro area. Easter Lily envelopes are available in the pew racks. You may send a check with “Easter gift” in the memo line, or you may give online (rrcb.org/give-online) and select “Easter gift” as the fund. Please include a note with your check or send an email to info@rrcb.org with your wording to be included in the bulletin. The deadline for virtual Easter lilies and to be listed in the bulletin is Wednesday, April 6. Thank you for your generosity.

Wednesday Night Supper & Fellowship—*Wednesday, March 9, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall*

Reservations are required by 11AM on Mondays. *Extra meals will not be available.* Make your reservation online at rrcb.org/supper or call the church office. Meals are provided by Adam Schumm, the Director of Food Services at Second Baptist Church. Please note that the menu options are set and meals are served as delivered by the caterer. If you have dietary restrictions, you may choose not to be plated with certain items as food is served. You are always welcome to bring your own meal and enjoy table fellowship with us.

Menu: Potato, Bacon & Apple Soup, Garden Salad, Herb Roasted Chicken, Yellow Rice Pilaf, Garlic French Beans, Yeast Roll, Chocolate Marble Brownie | **Kids Meal:** Sliders, Fries, Yogurt

Costs: \$9 per person; Kids Meal \$5 per person; Household Max is \$25; *Meal prices are not age-based*

Bible Study: “Words of Life: Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments Today” by Adam Hamilton—This is a six-week study, and a team of Sunday School teachers will lead each discussion. Scott Leake, the Life Class, will guide the first session.

- Sun, Mar 6 **Worship**, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary and rrcb.org/live
First Sunday Food Share, 12:00 p.m., Lower Commons
Children’s Choir: Pre-K-1st Grade, 3:45 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room
Children’s Choir: 2nd-5th Grade, 3:45 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room
Children’s Activity, 4:15 p.m., UC 232
River Road Camerata, 4:30 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room
Chancel Bell Choir Rehearsal, 5:00 p.m., Sanctuary
Youth Choir, 5:15 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room
Youth Snack Supper, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Youth Group, 6:15 p.m., Youth Area
Board of Missions, 7:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall (Zoom option available)
- Mon, Mar 7 **Women’s Bible Study: Joyful Hearts**, 9:30 a.m., LC 102 (Zoom option available)
Yoga, 5:00 p.m., Assembly Room
Board of Deacons, 7:00 p.m., Assembly Room (Zoom option available)
- Wed, Mar 9 **Men’s Group: The Huddle**, 8:00 a.m., Reception Room
Wednesday Night Supper, 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Children’s Games with Sandy, 6:45 p.m., UC 232
Wednesday Night Program, 6:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room
- Thu, Mar 10 **FIXERS**, 8:30 a.m., Reception Room
Churchwide Hike, 10:00 a.m., Offsite
River Road Basketball, 5:30 p.m., Quioccasin Middle School
- Fri, Mar 11 **Organ Recital: My Favorite Bach**—**Dr. Robert Gallagher**, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

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