RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sixth Sunday After Easter

May 22, 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

Braden Lesher and Drew Gilliam, Acolytes

Voluntaries

Fantasia 18 Chant de mai Adriano Banchieri Joseph Jongen

Dr. Robert Gallagher, Organ

*Processional Hymn 376

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

- 1. Love divine, all loves excelling,
 Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
 fix in us thy humble dwelling;
 all thy faithful mercies crown.
 Jesus, thou art all compassion;
 pure, unbounded love thou art;
 visit us with thy salvation;
 enter every trembling heart.
- 3. Come, Almighty, to deliver; let us all thy life receive; suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.

 Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
- Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast; let us all in thee inherit; let us find the promised rest.
 Take away the love of sinning;
 Alpha and Omega be;
 end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.
- 4. Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee: changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

*Call to Worship Sandy Rooney

May God be gracious to us, and bless us, and cover us with the radiance of grace.

May God's way be known everywhere: in the hidden places of our hearts;

in the comfort of our homes;

in every corner of our world;

in the farthest reaches of creation.

May the Lord transform us and heal our lives;

May God renew the earth and every creature:

Let our praise rise high with songs of joy!

-UCC Worship Ways, J.A. Nelson, 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.

Mission Moment Bill Rusher

New Testament Lesson Acts 16:9-15 (p. 900) Sara Heisler

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.

*Gospel Lesson

John 14:23-29 (pp. 877-878)

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

Anthem If Ye Love Me Thomas Tallis

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may 'bide with you forever; E'en the spirit of truth.

Pastoral Prayer Sandy Rooney

*Hymn of Devotion 554

Let All Things Now Living

ASH GROVE

Let all things now living By law God enforces, a song of thanksgiving the stars in their courses,

to God our Creator triumphantly raise; the sun in its orbit obediently shine; who fashioned and made us, the hills and the mountains, protected and stayed us, the rivers and fountains,

by guiding us on to the end of our days. the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.

God's banners are o'er us; We too should be voicing pure light goes before us, our love and rejoicing;

a pillar of fire shining forth in the night: with glad adoration, a song let us raise,

till shadows have vanished, till all things now living all fearfulness banished, unite in thanksgiving:

as forward we travel from light into light. to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

*Offertory Sentences Sandy Rooney

Anthem at Offertory

Laß dich nur nichts nicht dauren

Johannes Brahms

Laß dich nur nichts nicht dauren mit Trauren, sei stille, wie Gott es fügt, so sei vergnügt mein Wille!

Do not be sorrowful or regretful; Be calm, as God has ordained, and thus my will shall be content.

Was willst du heute sorgen auf morgen? What do you want to worry about from day to day?

Der Eine steht allem für,
der gibt auch dir das Deine.
There is One who stands above all
who gives you, too, what is yours.
Sei nur in allem Handel ohn Wandel,
Only be steadfast in all you do,

Sei nur in allem Handel ohn Wandel,
steh feste, was Gott beschleußt,
das ist und heißt das Beste. Amen.

Only be steadfast in all you do,
stand firm; what God has decided,
that is and must be the best. Amen.

Conducted by Michelle Harman-Gulick

*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.

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.

*Recessional Hymn 343

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

BEECHER

- Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace, we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace. May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend, equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.
- 3. Thus new patterns for Christ's mission, in a small or global sense, help us bear each other's burdens, breaking down each wall or fence.

 Words of comfort, words of vision, words of challenge, said with care, bring new power and strength for action, make us colleagues, free and fair.
- Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth, let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth.
 Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old, blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.
- 4. So God grant us for tomorrow ways to order human life that surround each person's sorrow with a calm that conquers strife. Make us partners in our living, our compassion to increase, messengers of faith, thus giving hope and confidence and peace.

*Benediction Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Voluntary Sonata on the First Tone

José Lidon

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God by Tom and Wendy Graves in celebration of their 52nd wedding anniversary.

We extend Christian sympathy to the family and friends of Meryl Baskett upon her death on May 10, 2022. A funeral service was held on May 21, 2022 at Woody's Funeral Home (Parham).

We extend Christian sympathy to Bryan Bostic upon the death of his wife, Margaret "Marguerite" Bostic, on May 12, 2022, to Taylor Bostic and Zachary Bostic upon the death of their mother, to Rev. Chester and Margaret Phelps upon the death of their daughter, to Doug and Kristen Phelps upon the death of his sister, and to extended family and friends. A memorial service was held on May 18, 2022 in the Sanctuary. The livestream replay is available at *rrcb.org/marguerite*.

We extend Congratulations to Scott Leake upon being named River Road Church's 2022 Christian Educator of the Year on Wednesday, May 18, 2022.

We extend Congratulations to Michael Harwood and Isabelle Boothe who were united in holy matrimony on May 21, 2022. Michael's grandparents are Dick and Pat Harwood.

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.

Our River Road 2022 graduates will be recognized on Youth Sunday, June 12, 2022. Any River Road church member who is graduating from High School, College, Graduate School, or Technical School is welcome to share their graduate information with the congregation. Please fill out the form at *rrcb.org/graduates* by June 3, 2022.

Worship Livestream Available—Sunday worship at 11:00 a.m. is livestreamed each week on YouTube. You can tune in every Sunday at rrcb.org/live. Can't make it at 11AM? You can watch the livestream replays at *youtube.com/riverroadchurch* or search River Road Church on the YouTube app.

River City Faith Network Missions Offering: *Our Work is in Your Hands* May 22-June 19, 2022 | RRCB Goal: \$10,000

The Oregon Hill Baptist Center dreams of a new Hair Cutting Ministry. They want to find volunteers and businesses with those skills, people God might lead to begin and continue this ministry. If you feel better when you get a haircut, imagine the confidence a new haircut or shave might give one preparing for a job interview or applying for housing. Please pray for the Oregon Hill Center and the community it serves; for their volunteers and churches who help with their clothing closet, laundry ministry, and food ministry; and God will send the people needed so the haircutting ministry can help those we serve.

The 2022 Camp Alkulana & River City Faith Network Missions Offering has a tiered goal of \$120,000. The first \$70,000 will support Camp Alkulana, Alkulana RVA, and related ministries. The next \$50,000 will fund the Haircutting Ministry at Oregon Hill Baptist Center, the GED ministry at Church Hill Christian Wellness Center, and help renovate part of the South Richmond Baptist Center Satellite to start a furniture ministry, and more. You may give to the Offering by using one of the green envelopes in the pews and dropping it in the offering plate, mailing a check to the church office, or giving online at *rrcb.org/give-online*. Please make checks payable to RRCB with RCFN Missions Offering in the memo.

Sun, May 22	Worship, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary and <i>rrcb.org/live</i> Churchwide Hike, 12:00 p.m., Forest Hill Park and Trail 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 Dessert Auction, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall
Mon, May 23	Yoga, 5:00 p.m., Assembly Room
Tue, May 24	Coordinating Group for Vitality , 7:00 p.m., Assembly Room RRCB Softball Double-Header , 8:15 p.m., Pouncey Tract Park
Wed, May 25	Men's Group: The Huddle, 8:00 a.m., Reception Room Building and Property Council, 4:30 p.m., UC 230 Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room
Thu, May 26	Young Adult Sunago Series, 7:00 p.m., Offsite



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