RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

July 31, 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

Amanda Rooney and Matthew Cipolletti, Acolytes

Voluntaries

Prelude on "Crimond" The Peace May Be Exchanged Eric Thiman Dan Locklair

Greg Vick, organist

*Processional Hymn 439

In Christ There Is No East or West

ST. PETER

- In Christ there is no east or west,
 In him no south or north,
 But one great fellowship of love
 Throughout the whole wide earth.
- Join hands, disciples of the faith, Whate'er your race may be. All children of the living God Are surely kin to me.
- In Christ shall true hearts everywhere Their high communion find; His service is the golden cord Close-binding humankind.
- In Christ now meet both east and west;
 In him meet south and north.
 All Christly souls are one in him
 Throughout the whole wide earth.

*Call to Worship Sandy Rooney

In worship we set our attention on the things of God.

So much in the world tries to steal our attention, but we long to keep a strong resolve.

God grants us the freedom to choose our own way, to select what we, with our limitations, think is best.

And some days we wander and try to fill ourselves with things that do not satisfy.

It does not take long to realize that our seeking, apart from God, is in vain.

For all that we can gather, gain, and hold onto—these leave us wanting and eventually fade away.

Therefore, let us run toward our God, who remains faithful, who satisfies us, who shows us the right paths.

Receive us as we come to you, Lord God. Accept the worship of your ever-returning children. Amen.

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 Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23 (pp. 536-537)

Elizabeth Holland

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

Luke 12:13-21 (p. 847)

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

Anthem Treasures in Heaven Text: Matthew 6:12-21, 7:7-8 Music: Joseph W. Clokey

Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt and where thieves break through and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you, for every one that asketh receiveth and he that seeketh findeth and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Jaylin Brown, soloist

Pastoral Prayer Sandy Rooney

*Hymn of Devotion 241

Behold the goodness of our Lord, How blest it is to be

A company of God's beloved, In holy unity.

Behold the Goodness of Our Lord

Like precious oil upon the head, A healing for our strife, It flows throughout our common bond, Refreshing all of life.

CRIMOND As dew on Zion's mountaintop Brings freshness to its door,

Our Lord commands this in our midst And brings life evermore.

*Offertory Sentences

Anthem at Offertory

Jesu, Lover of My Soul

Sandy Rooney

Aberystwyth Arr. by Henry Coleman

Jesu, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly, While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high: Hide me, O my Saviour hide, 'til the storm of life is past; Safe into the haven guide; O receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none; hangs my helpless soul on Thee; Leave, ah' leave me not alone, still support and comfort me. All my trust on Thee is stayed, all my help from Thee I bring; Cover, my defenseless head with the shadow of Thy wing.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin; Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within. Thou of life the fountain art; freely let me take of Thee; Spring Thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity.

*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 How Foolish! 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.

*Recessional Hymn 281

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but thou art mighty. Hold me with thy powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more;

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through. Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, Be thou still my strength and shield; Be thou still my strength and shield.

CWM RHONDDA

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside. Death of death, and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee; I will ever give to thee.

*Benediction Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Voluntary Intrada Grayston Ives

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Dick Morris, by Judy Morris and family.

We welcome guest organist/choir director Greg Vick. Mr. Vick is a graduate of Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey. He is Director of Upper School Glee Club & Saint Singers and Accompanist at St. Christopher's School.

At the beginning of August we have two mission opportunities that directly support underserved communities in the Richmond area. Please note, Virginia's tax free weekend is August 5-7.

First Sunday Food Share, August 7—We are collecting food for the Church Hill Wellness Center and South Richmond Baptist Center. Food assistance is still greatly needed at these community centers. You can drop off food donations in the green grocery cart located in the Lower Commons. A suggested shopping list of items can be found at *rrcb.org/foodshare*. If you are unable to drop off at the church, or need other assistance, please contact Carol Cruickshanks.

Back to School Collections, August 7-14—We are collecting backpacks filled with school supplies, underwear and socks, and filled toiletry bags for the Church Hill Wellness Center. We hope your class or small group will consider packing a backpack or two. There will be designated bins in the Lower Commons for you to bring your supplies. You can pick up a shopping list in the Lower Commons under the bulletin board, or download and print a list at *rrcb.org/backtoschool*. The deadline to drop off supplies is August 14. If you have any further questions, please contact John Zukowsky.

You can drop off for both of these collections in the Lower Commons during church office hours, Monday-Friday, 9AM-5PM, by ringing the bell/buzzer at the Lower Commons entrance. More information about these mission projects, and more, can be found at *rrcb.org/connect*.

Taizé Summer Vesper Services Led by Dr. C. Michael Hawn & Rev. Dr. Ken Wilson

This form of worship is a meditative, prayerful time with simple songs, scripture reading, silence. If this is new to you, you are not alone. Come spend some time in reflection in the company of friends. There is one more opportunity for this special worship time, which is August 10. We will meet in the sanctuary choir loft and chancel area and begin at 7:00 p.m., under the fine leadership of Dr. C. Michael Hawn and Rev. Dr. Ken Wilson.

Sounds Like Summer—Live Music & Gelato on the Plaza, Friday, August 19, 5:30-7:30 p.m.—The Whiskey Rebellion will play live music, a mix of traditional bluegrass and great covers, and the DeLuca Gelato cart will be here, too. Bring your lawn chairs and a picnic supper to enjoy! Reserve your free tickets online at rrcb.org/eventbrite.

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 to the 11:00 a.m. service? You can watch the livestream replays at *youtube.com/riverroadchurch* or search River Road Church on the YouTube app.

Sun, July 31	Worship, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary and <i>rrcb.org/live</i> K-5 th Grade Bowling, 2:00 p.m., Offsite Summer Youth, 6:30 p.m., Offsite
Mon, Aug 1	Yoga, 5:00 p.m., Assembly Room
Tues, Aug 2	Preschool 50 th Anniversary Committee, 2:00 p.m., LC 102 (Zoom option available)
Wed, Aug 3	Men's Group: The Huddle, 8:00 a.m., Reception Room
Thu, Aug 4	Youth to Oregon Hill, 8:00 a.m., Offsite
Sun, Aug 7	First Sunday Food Share, 9:00 a.m1:00 p.m., Lower Commons Back to School Collections, 9:00 a.m1:00 p.m., Lower Commons Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Various Rooms Worship, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary and <i>rrcb.org/live</i> Youth Pool Party, 2:00 p.m., Offsite

Thank you for worshiping with us!

At River Road Church, we are...

A community of believers coming from many faith traditions to worship and grow together in Christian fellowship, focusing on those aspects of faith on which we can agree rather than disagree as we journey together.

Baptist in heritage, espousing core Baptist truths as foundational to our faith journey: the centrality of Christ, the priesthood of all believers, the commitment to theological education, and the autonomy of the local church.

Encouraging of intellectual freedom—in pursuit of a thoughtful faith, seeking always to learn about God's nature and ways in the world, supporting a free pulpit and welcoming intellectually challenging sermons and educational programs.

Worshiping in reverence and beauty a transcendent God, following the liturgical style and magnified in our hearing traditional sacred music.

Serving God in our church, our community and the world by investing our energy and resources in ways that reflect the character and likeness of Christ and follow his teachings.

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