

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*The Worship of God begins with the Opening Voluntary.  
As you enter, pause for a moment to become aware of God's presence.*

September 29, 2019

Eleven o'clock in the morning

### MEDITATION

“We have to reckon seriously with the possibility that the Lazaruses of our day are the very ones in whom Jesus, the crucified Lord, is present. In a very real sense, they become our prophets and apostles, because they teach us that the life that is truly worth living always has been and always will be characterized by compassion and generosity.”

—A. Brehm

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES Marty Halloran and Maggie Beth Miller

VOLUNTARIES *Toccata and Fugue No. 6 in F major* Joseph Seger  
*Blessed Jesus, at Your Word, BWV 634* J. S. Bach

INTROIT Harold W. Friedell

I have but myself to give;  
Let me to thy glory live.  
Let me follow day by day  
Where thou showest me the way.

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 421 *The Church of Christ in Every Age* WAREHAM

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Daniel Ingram

Let us who live with faith in God proclaim,

**“Lord, You are my refuge and my fortress,  
my God, in whom I will trust forever.”**

May we who trust in the Lord know that holy love surrounds us.

**God's protection will follow us throughout our days.**

When we call out to the Lord,

**we know that we are heard.**

God is with us in every trial and temptation,

**therefore, we will rejoice in the salvation of the Almighty!**

—from Psalm 91

\*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.**

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Dr. Bob Gallagher

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Timothy 6:6-11, 17-19 (pp. 965-966) Ken Lantz

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 16:19-31 (pp. 851-852)

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

ANTHEM *My Lord, What a Mourning* William L. Dawson

My Lord, what a mourning, You'll hear the trumpet sound,  
My Lord, what a mourning, To wake the nations underground,  
Oh my Lord, what a mourning, Lookin' to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall. when the stars begin to fall.

My Lord, what a mourning,  
My Lord, what a mourning,  
My Lord, what a mourning,  
when the stars begin to fall.

—from Matthew 24:29-31

CALL TO PRAYER Rev. Dr. David Breckenridge

God's loving presence never abandons us,

**not even when we abandon God.**

God delivers those who seek and love the Lord.

**All we have to do is call, and God answers us.**

God answers us with rescue and honor,  
forgiveness and mercy, life and salvation.

**We call out to God in faith and hope.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

\*HYMN OF DEVOTION 306 *Fairest Lord Jesus* CRUSADERS' HYMN

\*OFFERTORY SENTENCES Sandy Rooney

**We thank you, God, for this opportunity to express our love to you  
through the gifts we bring to support and encourage your work in near  
and distant places. Make our hearts glad that we can share in extending  
the gospel and helping to heal humanity's pain, for we bring them to  
you with grateful hearts. Amen.**

ANTHEM AT OFFERTORY *Treasures in Heaven* 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 heav'n,  
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.

—Matthew 6:12-21; 7:7,8

\*PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

Doxology, HYMN 592

**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 *Economics in the Kingdom of God* Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE

*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 307 *Fight the Good Fight* DUKE STREET

\*BENEDICTION

EXTINGUISHING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

VOLUNTARY *Fugue in C major, BuxWV 174* Dietrich Buxtehude



**JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND CELEBRATING  
THE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHURCH SANCTUARY**

**Saturday, October 12 at 7:30 p.m.**  
Chanticleer in Concert

*Chanticleer performs TRADE WINDS:  
Songs from exotic climes and the music of seagoing peoples.*  
Tickets are \$35/person  
Available at [rrcb.org/chanticleer](http://rrcb.org/chanticleer)

**Sunday, October 13 at 11:00 a.m.**  
Anniversary Worship Service

Featuring the Chancel Choir, Organ, and Brass  
Sermon celebrating the Sanctuary Consecration by  
the Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze, Sixth Pastor of River Road Church

*\*Please stand if you are able*

WELCOME TO RIVER ROAD CHURCH! Our congregation is an open fellowship gladly receiving those who wish to share in its life and community by request for baptism, statement, or transfer from another church. If you desire to become a member, you are invited to come forward during the *Time of Reflection and Response*, or speak with a minister at anytime.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS! We hope you feel especially welcome among us. During the *Ritual of Friendship* portion of our service, you will hear about upcoming opportunities and ministries as well as expressions of concern. In these moments, please locate and sign the friendship register in the maroon guestbook, passing it along your row. You are asked to offer some contact information so that we might further welcome you. Take notice of those who sign in around you, that you might greet one another following the service.

THIS IS THE SEASON AFTER PENTECOST in the Christian year. Having celebrated the birthday of the church through the giving of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, we enter the Season after Pentecost for 24 weeks, to celebrate the existence of the church and recall her mission in the world. The liturgical color for the season is green, symbolic of the church's growth and mission.

TO ENHANCE WORSHIP FOR CHILDREN, age-appropriate children's bulletins and pencil pouches are in the narthex (foyer at the back of the Sanctuary).

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in memory of Grandmommie, Louise Perrin Gray, by her great-grandson William Gray.

THE RECEPTION AFTER WORSHIP is held in the Fellowship Hall. It is hosted by deacons Carol Alford, Lee Bradley, Charlie Early, and Neil Groseclose. Everyone is invited to attend, especially our guests in worship today.

***Together as One (1 Cor. 12:25-27)***  
**Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Baptist Missions**  
**River Road Church Goal: \$3,000**

Baptists on both sides of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel have joined together with the Cape Charles Baptist Church to renew and vitalize ministry in Northhampton County on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. Their vision is to create community and opportunities for children, young people, and adults to grow in Jesus' love. Pray for those who minister in the Cape Charles Community as they seek to meet the needs of the people and give to the Alma Hunt Offering. Specially marked envelopes are in the pew racks.

***E. Carl Freeman Concert Series at River Road Church***  
**Organ Recital – Robert Gallagher**  
**Sunday, October 6 at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

*Opening event of the 47th Annual Convention of the American Institute of Organbuilders*

Works by Bach, Schumann, Langlais, Mary Beth Bennett, and Sowerby  
 FREE tickets are available at [rrcb.org/eventbrite](http://rrcb.org/eventbrite).

**Adult Bible Study with Anna Perry Miller**  
**“Soul Feast” by Marjorie Thompson**  
**Sundays, October 6-December 8, 2019**  
**6:00-7:30 p.m. in Upper Commons #228 (outside of the Fellowship Hall)**

Our study for this fall is written by Presbyterian pastor, Marjorie Thompson, who is “less interested in giving you information about the spiritual life than she is in giving you the tools to engage the spiritual life—both for your health and the health of the world.” —Barbara Brown Taylor

Come think on and process ways you can grow in focus and intentionality as you pursue God. Childcare is available for children elementary-age and younger by reservation. Youth programs for 6th-12th graders offered weekly. Let us know if you will be joining us by signing up online at [rrcb.org/soulfeast](http://rrcb.org/soulfeast) or by contacting the church office. \$15 will be collected to cover the cost of the book.

- Sun, September 29 **Reception**, 12:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
**Safety Committee**, 12:15 p.m., LC 104  
**River Road Camerata**, 4:15 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room  
**Chancel Bell Choir**, 5:00 p.m., Bell Room  
**Youth Choir**, 5:00 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room  
**Youth Snack Supper**, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
**Parent Seminar: Mindful Screen Time**, 6:00 p.m., Assembly Room  
**Youth Program**, 6:15 p.m., Youth Area
- Mon, September 30 **Women's Bible Study: Joyful Hearts**, 9:30 a.m., LC 102  
**Yoga**, 5:45 p.m., Assembly Room
- Tues, October 1 **Men's Fellowship Breakfast**, 7:00 a.m., Reception Room  
**Evening Bridge**, 7:30 p.m., LC 102
- Wed, October 2 **Men's Group: The Huddle**, 8:00 a.m., Reception Room  
**River Road Camerata**, 4:30 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room  
**Stephen Ministry**, 4:30 p.m., Parlor  
**Wednesday Night Dinner**, 5:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
**TFC-Kids: Pre-K to 5th Grades**, 5:45 p.m., Chapel Hall  
**TFC-Youth**, 6:00 p.m., Youth Area  
**Cherub Choir**, 6:15 p.m., UC 232  
**Carol Choir**, 6:15 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room  
**Crusader Choir**, 6:15 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room  
**TFC-Adults**, 6:15 p.m., Assembly Room
- Thurs, October 3 **FIXERS**, 8:00 a.m., Reception Room  
**Chancel Choir Rehearsal**, 7:30 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room

**Parent Seminar: Mindful Screen Time for Healthy Families**  
**Today, 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room**

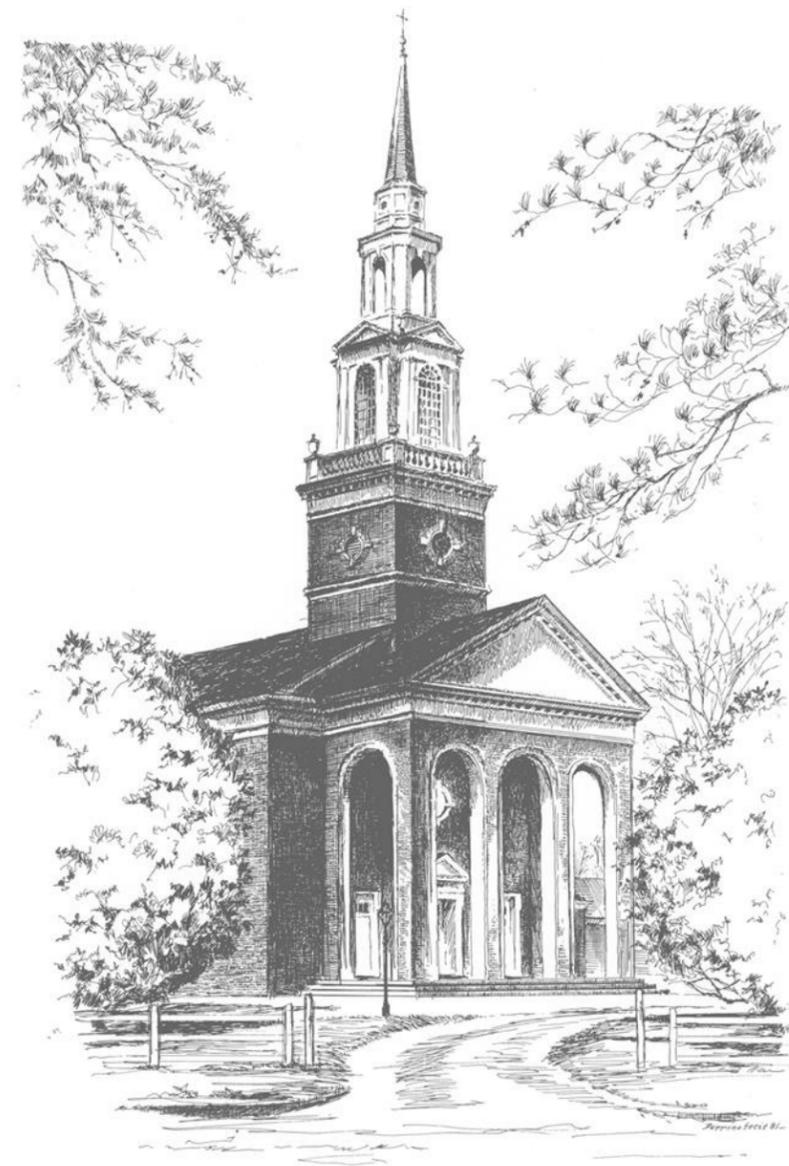
With the increasing prevalence and usage of smart devices in our culture, the introduction of these technologies in our children's lives can feel inevitable and overwhelming. Through discussion of emerging research as well as her experience on the front lines counseling college students at VCU, Nina Schroder, MSW, LCSW, will provide parents with helpful insight into the potential cognitive, social, and mental health effects of high screen use, and share practical strategies for parents to confidently promote a healthy and mindful approach to screen use and well-being for the entire family. Please extend this invitation to a friend, family member, or neighbor for whom you believe this may be a helpful resource. There is no charge for this event but we do need to have a participant count and plan for childcare. FREE tickets are available on Eventbrite at [rrcb.org/parentseminar](http://rrcb.org/parentseminar).

**Thoughtful Faith Community — Wednesday, October 2, 4:30-7:00 p.m.**

**Dinner**, 5:15-6:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
**Menu:** Dr. Pepper Braised Beef OR Smoky Veggie Sausage & Peppers, Root Vegetable Gratin, Garlicky Quinoa & Kale, Snickerdoodle Apple Cobbler  
**Kids Entrée:** Beef & Cheddar Sliders

**River Road Camerata**, 4:30-5:15 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room  
**TFC-Kids**, 5:45-6:15 p.m., Chapel Hall: Games & Snacks  
**TFC-Youth**, 6:00-7:00 p.m., Youth Area: Games & Dessert  
**Cherub Choir**, 6:15-6:45 p.m., UC 232: preschool and kindergarten  
**Carol Choir**, 6:15-7:00 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room: 1st and 2nd grades  
**Crusader Choir**, 6:15-7:00 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room: 3rd-5th grades  
**TFC-Adults**, 6:15-7:00 p.m., Assembly Room:

Introduction to “Soul Feast” with Anna Miller  
 Maybe you have thought about pursuing a study that might take you deeper in your walk with God. Maybe you have been part of deep Bible study courses or seminars before and you'd like to consider doing this again. This will allow you to hear about the themes that will be discussed in greater depth, learn how the class will function, and decide for yourself if you want to pursue this opportunity. The Wednesday night session will be designed to be thoughtful even if you choose that further sessions are not for you. Anna Miller will lead on this evening.



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- Marnie L. Fisher-Ingram, M.Div., *Associate Pastor for Youth and Their Families*
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- Anna Perry Miller, M.A.C.E., *Associate Pastor for Adult Discipleship*
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- James H. Slatton, Th.D., *Pastor Emeritus*
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