

# RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 6, 2020

*Today we worship as one congregation in two locations: in-person and via the internet.  
Wherever your location, we encourage you to pause for a moment to become aware of God's presence.  
Quiet your mind, listen to the voluntary, and prepare to worship God.*

For those worshipping in the sanctuary, we deeply desire this time to be meaningful yet safe.  
Please, *silently* offer hymns, prayers, and responses as worshipful reflection.  
Allow these offerings to provide voice for your faith and echo your prayers.  
Thank you for your quiet participation, understanding, and cooperative efforts.  
For those worshipping elsewhere, sing and speak boldly. Give voice for all of us!

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Voluntary *Partita on "What God Ordains Is Well Done"* Johann Pachelbel

Welcome, Invocation, and Our Lord's Prayer Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

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.

Hymn *Now Praise the Hidden God of Love* WAREHAM  
*In silent reflection*

1. Now praise the hidden God of love,  
In whom we all must live and move,  
Who shepherds us at every stage,  
Through youth, maturity, and age:
2. Who bids us never lose our zest,  
Though age is urging us to rest,  
But proves to us that we have still  
A work to do, a place to fill.

\*Gospel Lesson Matthew 18:15-20 Rev. Marnie Fisher-Ingram

"If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

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

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

New Testament Lesson

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord;  
Thanks be to God.

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Marnie Fisher-Ingram

Solo

*O Come, Let Us Worship (from Psalm 95)*

Felix Mendelssohn

O come, let us worship and kneel down before the Lord, and bow down to God, the Lord our maker.  
For the Lord is our God, and we are the flock of God's pasture, and the people of God's hand.

Chris Ahart, tenor

\*Offertory Sentences

Rev. Marnie Fisher-Ingram

\*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

*In silent reflection*

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.

Solo

*I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness*

Antonin Dvorak

I will sing new songs of gladness, I will sing Jehovah's praises, upon a ten-stringed psaltery. Every day will I extol Thee, and will bless Thy holy name. Great is God and great His mercy; who shall tell of all His greatness? Who shall His power declare? My song shall be of praise and honor and of Thy glorious acts. Thy works are wonderful, past our knowing. Yea, all shall tell of Thy great kindness and of Thy wondrous might, and my voice shall proclaim aloud Thy glory.

Chris Ahart, tenor

Sermon

*Love Fulfills the Law*

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Hymn

*Though I May Speak*

O WALY WALY

*In silent reflection*

1. Though I may speak with bravest fire,  
and have the gift to all inspire,  
and have not love, my words are vain,  
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.
2. Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control;  
our spirits long to be made whole.  
Let inward love guide every deed;  
by this we worship, and are freed.

\*Benediction

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

Voluntary

*Toccata in E minor*

Johann Pachelbel

*Please remain seated through the Voluntary, then dismiss as guided by ushers from rear to front of sanctuary.*

*Chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Catherine Maxwell Oakes, my beloved wife, by Bob Oakes.*

*Congratulations to Jim and Ann Wilson upon the birth of their granddaughter, Kollyns Ann Wilson, on August 20, 2020 in Dallas, Texas to Jay and Chelsea Wilson. The proud aunt and uncle are Jane and Jason Hiser, and cousins are Colton Hiser and Jackson Hiser.*

*Christian sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Margaret Howell upon her death on September 1.*

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



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### **First Sunday Food Share for the Richmond Baptist Centers**

*Today, September 6, 12-2PM, North Parking Lot*

If you are able to safely come to the church, please drop off donations during the designated time. There will be two volunteers at the church to assist with directions and will maintain appropriate distancing. Please wait if there are others dropping off at the same time, do not gather and socialize, and remember to wash your hands with soap and water when you get home. A full shopping list can be found on our Facebook, Instagram, or [rrcb.org/connect](http://rrcb.org/connect) (click 'Missions').

### **Back to School Drive-Thru Event**

*Wednesday, September 9, 6-7PM, Lower Commons*

As we start a new school year, children and youth families are invited to drive by the Lower Commons and receive a bag full of items to help children and youth remember how loved and valued they are by RRCB, Sandy, Marnie, and God. First, third, and sixth graders will receive their new Bibles in these bags, while ninth graders will receive their devotional books. Sign up at [rrcb.org/backtoschool](http://rrcb.org/backtoschool) by September 8 at noon so that we can plan on you.

### **Alma Hunt Offering: Meeting Real Needs in Real Time**

*August 11-September 13, 2020*

The Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Missions will look different in the coming year, reflecting the changing world in which we live as we face the challenges of a global pandemic. This annual state missions offering is a joint venture of Woman's Missionary Union of Virginia (WMUV) and the Baptist General Association of Virginia (BGAV).

As always, this critical offering seeks to meet real needs of real people by funding ministries in a variety of specific areas. For the rest of 2020 and looking toward 2021, the allocations of this offering are being redirected in a way that will allow us to focus on human needs arising from the COVID-19 crisis.

Please pray for the Alma Hunt Offering and consider giving to the offering. If you would like to give to the Alma Hunt Offering, you can do so online at [rrcb.org/give-online](http://rrcb.org/give-online) or mail a check to the church office with "Alma Hunt Offering" in the memo.

### **In-Person Worship Reservations**

*Sunday, September 13, 11AM, Sanctuary*

Information about attending the worship service next Sunday in-person and making your reservation will be emailed tomorrow, September 7. If you do not receive church emails, please visit [rrcb.org/connect](http://rrcb.org/connect), scroll down to the blue box 'RRCB Email Communications,' and follow the instructions to sign up.