

RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 14, 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 David Cipolletti, Acolytes

Voluntaries

*Arietta
Slow March*

Allen Viner
Richard Shephard

Dr. Robert Gallagher, organist

*Processional Hymn 307

Fight the Good Fight

DUKE STREET

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| 1. Fight the good fight with all thy might.
Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right.
Lay hold on life, and it shall be
Thy joy and crown eternally. | 2. Run the straight race through God's good grace;
Lift up thine eyes, and seek Christ's face.
Life with its way before us lies;
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize. |
| 3. Cast care aside; lean on thy guide.
God's boundless mercy will provide.
Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love. | 4. Faint not nor fear: God's arms are near.
God changeth not, and thou art dear.
Only believe, and thou shalt see
That Christ is all in all to thee. |

*Call to Worship

Rev. Anna Perry Miller

Many faithful followers of Jesus Christ have gone before us.

Abraham, Rahab, David, Mary, Peter, Phoebe, and so many others from scripture, inspire us in their faithfulness.

From our distant ancestors down through our parents, we have been nurtured and brought to this place and time.

Nursery workers, teachers, preachers, song leaders, and mission leaders have instilled God's story and love within us.

This is our time, to journey as companions of God, in the ways of Christ, by the strength of the blessed Spirit.

May those who come after us find us faithful and gain strength for their own pilgrimage through the stories told about our faith and action.

As God shines through us and Christ's love pours from us,

Let us be faithful witnesses of God's salvation and to our God be glory.

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.**

New Testament Lesson

Hebrews 11:29-12:2 (p. 978)

Scott Leake

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

** Please stand, if you are able.*

**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 14:8-14 (p. 877)

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

Anthem

Day by Day

Text: Richard of Chichester
Music: Martin How

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray: To see thee more clearly, love thee more dearly,
follow thee more nearly, day by day.

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Anna Perry Miller

*Hymn of Devotion 191

God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength

WINCHESTER OLD

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| <p>1. God is our refuge and our strength,
Our ever-present aid,
And therefore, though the earth be moved,
We will not be afraid;</p> <p>3. Where God abides a river flows;
That city will rejoice.
But nations fear and kingdoms shake
Before God's thundering voice.</p> | <p>2. Though hills amid the seas be cast,
Though foaming waters roar,
Yea, though the mighty billows shake
The mountains on the shore.</p> <p>4. Since God is in the midst of it,
The city walls shall stand,
Secure and safe with God's sure help,
When trouble is at hand.</p> |
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*Offertory Sentences

Rev. Anna Perry Miller

Anthem at Offertory

When I'm Afflicted, Poor, and Low

Text: Isaac Watts
Music: William Bradley Roberts

When I'm afflicted, poor, and low, and light and peace depart,
my God beholds my heavy woe, and bears me on his heart.
I waited patient for the Lord, he bowed to hear my cry;
He saw me resting on his word, and brought salvation nigh.

He raised me from a horrid pit, where mourning long I lay,
and from my bonds released my feet, deep bonds of miry clay.
Firm on a rock he made me stand, and taught my cheerful tongue
to praise the wonders of his hand, in a new thankful song.

How many are thy thoughts of love! Thy mercies, Lord, how great!
We have not words nor hours enough, their numbers to repeat.
When I'm afflicted, poor, and low, and light and peace depart,
my God beholds my heavy woe, and bears me on his heart.

*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. Deb Gray
at the front of the Sanctuary, on the pulpit side, to continue worship in the Chapel.*

Sermon

Greater Things

Rev. Dr. David Breckenridge

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

Take Up Your Cross

GERMANY

1. Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said,
 2. Take up your cross, let not its weight
 3. Take up your cross, nor heed the shame,
 4. Take up your cross, then, in Christ's strength,
 5. Take up thy cross and fol - low Christ

If you would my dis - ci - ple be; Take
 Fill your weak spi - rit with a - larm; Christ's
 And let your fool - ish pride be - still The
 And calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave, 'Twill
 Nor think till death to lay it down; For

up strength your shall cross with will - ing heart, And
 Lord shall bear your spi - rit up, And
 guide for you ac - cept - ed - death Up -
 on - ly those who bear the cross home, It
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hum - bly fol - low af - - ter me.
 brace your heart and nerve your arm.
 on a cross on Cal - - vary's hill.
 leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.
 hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

*Benediction

Rev. Dr. David Breckenridge

Extinguishing of the Altar Candles

Voluntary

Grandioso

Stanley Vann

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Tom Starke, by Mary Lee and his family.

We welcome Rev. Dr. David Breckenridge, Minister of Pastoral Care, to the pulpit this morning.

We extend Christian sympathy to Tara and Kent Savedge upon the death of her father, and to Riley Savedge and Jackson Savedge upon the death of their grandfather, Wallace McNeal, on August 9, 2022.

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.

Celebration Sunday—September 11, 2022

Celebration Sunday is our official kick off of our fall ministry season. We have a full day of worship and fellowship planned for you. For more information about Celebration Sunday, to sign up for the picnic (reservations required), and to sign up to volunteer, please visit rrcb.org/celebration.

In the morning, we will welcome Rev. Dr. Paul Baxley, the Executive Coordinator of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship (CBF), our national denominational relationship. First he will lead a combined adult Sunday School hour at 9:45 a.m., followed by preaching in our worship service at 11:00 a.m.

Our annual churchwide picnic will be held from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on the plaza. Dinner will consist of hamburgers, veggie burgers, hotdogs, baked beans, chips, and pasta salad — \$5 per person (family max \$20), and the Mr. Softee ice cream truck will provide dessert (additional cost). At the picnic, we will also have fun and games for the whole family, including a bounce house and volleyball net.

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, Aug 14	Back to School Collections , 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Lower Commons Worship , 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary and rrcb.org/live
Mon, Aug 15	Yoga , 5:00 p.m., Assembly Room
Wed, Aug 17	Men's Group: The Huddle , 8:00 a.m., Reception Room
Thu, Aug 18	Young Adult Sunago Sunset Series , 7:00 p.m., Offsite
Fri, Aug 19	Sounds Like Summer: Live Music & Gelato , 5:30 p.m., Plaza

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