

Riverlawn Presbyterian Church
Expressing Our Love to God in Worship
March 9, 2025 — 10:30 am Service
1st Sunday in Lent
Character Counts Sunday

Chris Kilbert, Pastor
Pam Johnson, Choir Director/Organist
Sherry Marcum, Guest Preacher and Celebrant
Jamie Albert, Liturgist

Joining in Worship

Prelude *His Eye is on the Sparrow* arr. Lockaby
Soloist: Molly Page

Singing Praise *I Worship You, Almighty God* #146
How Great Thou Art (Vs. 1 & 3) #147

*Confessing Our Sins

*Receiving Forgiveness

God's Gift of Song *Almighty, Unchangeable God* Berry

Bitty Basketball Snapshots of the Season

Hearing God's Word Joshua 1:7-8; 1 Timothy 4:7-8
Christ's Character Comes Through Spiritual Discipline
#1 Meditation

Giving Back to God Cents-Ability
Offertory *The Old Rugged Cross* arr. Olstad
*Doxology

Expressing Our Hearts in Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

*Singing Praise *Open My Eyes That I May See* #563

*Receiving God's Blessing

Postlude *My Jesus I Love Thee* arr. Campbell

(We ask that you **please remain in your pews** until our acolytes have extinguished the candles and the Postlude has ended. Thank you.)

*Congregation please stand if able.

We ask that you please turn off your cell phones/mobile devices for the duration of the worship service. This will greatly reduce the likelihood of losing the broadcast for those worshiping with us virtually. Thank you for your part in helping us provide every opportunity for our church family and beyond to worship the Lord together.

GUESTS

We are glad that you could worship with us today! We hope you will join us again! Your children are important to us. Childcare (infants through kindergarten) is provided during the service.

*Cents-ability Sunday. The loose change collected, along with any designated gifts, will go to the monthly Cents-ability offering to support hunger action ministries.

*Bitty Basketball— Welcome to the families and friends of our basketball players. We hope you enjoy the slide show of this season's fun. This is a wonderful ministry and we thank all of you who were able to help in any way. Thank you again to Jim and Barb who always put so much of their time, energy and love into this ministry.

FELLOWSHIP

*Please join us in the gym for refreshments and fellowship after the worship service. Thank you to Butch and Sharon Herndon for Providing

*Sunday School for children (ages Pre-K—5th grade), youth (6th grade—12th grade) and adults' begins at 9:30 a.m.

*Deacon's Meeting today after the worship service. Called **Session meeting** after that.

*Bible Study "How to Hear God" led by Brenda Petry, today at 4:00pm in the Cottage.

*Join us this Wednesday for Family Night beginning with dinner at 5:30. After dinner at 6:15, there will be activities for children and youth.

*Small Group Bible Study on Romans this week on Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. in the Cottage.

*Choir Rehearsal—Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

*Riverlawn will be hosting the Lenten Service and Luncheon on Wednesday, March 26. Volunteers are needed to help with the Luncheon. Please contact Pam Johnson if you can help.

Riverlawn Presbyterian Church strives to:

Purge ourselves of pride by focusing on glorifying God
Teach the truth through fellowship & discipleship
Demonstrate a life of love through service to others
Share the gospel of Jesus Christ with those in need

Purge Pride, Teach Truth, Live Love

Nurturing Faith

March 9: First Sunday in Lent Read Luke 4:1-12 The Gospel reading for the First Sunday in Lent always tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the wilderness. We, too, are tempted like Jesus was, and we have to choose what we are going to do, whether we are going to follow God or follow another. With others around your table or email, share a decision you have made that you think pleased God.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Susan Bryan

TODDLER NURSERY

Sharon Herndon

BUILDING SECURITY

Week of March 9—Dennis Emmett

Week of March 16—Larry Hyatt

AFTER-CHURCH LOCK-UP

March—Linda Monday

VISITATION TEAMS

Week of March 9—Mimi Albert (304-546-6547)/Jamie Albert (681-340-1128)

Week of March 16—Linda Wilson (304-741-3113)/Steve Wilson (304-741-7890)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Abby Michaels (Susan Bryan); Kay Craigo/Tony Craigo/Niki Michels (Susan Bryan); Phyllis Kellam/Betty Steen (Doris Kellam); Melissa Caldwell (Pastor Chris); Willow Morris (Wanda Smith); Carroll Miller; Jason Haught (Sharon Farley); Kay Craigo (Susan Bryan); Joanna Keller; Jill Snyder; Mark Brogan (Wanda Smith); Tom Eckenrode (Wanda Smith); Christine Bearia; Dale Dodrill (Randy Dodrill); Darrell Williams (Mary Kathren Watson); Vickki Williams/Herk & Dot McGraw (Wanda Smith); Joe Lothes; David Poe (Wanda Smith); Robin Burnam; Eddie Mcfall (Linda Ross' son); Mike VonDuben (Gayle Michael); Greg Cook (Dawnetta Cook); Collin Recknagel (Adam & Sandra Recknagel); Lois Jackson (Todd Barrie); Emma Rose Cavender; Kathy Barnes; Elbert Taylor; Caroline Dodrill; Jane Lothes; Arlis Miller (Joe Lothes); Sarah Wandling; Gretna Michels (Susan Bryan); Angel Grover (Brenda Petry); Linda Monday; Ernie Powell; Travis Keller (Ray Keller); Pam Mullins; Lori Goodwin (Brenda Petry); Betty McAdam; Sherry Ellis; Elizabeth Thompson (Bill Bryan); Missy Sneed; Abby Goff/Anthony Smith/Renee Bird (Wanda Smith); Jenna Meadows; Dave Ryan; JB Recknagel; Janet Young; Mick Hughes (Caroline Dodrill); and for the Global Church that we may embody the gospel to all.

Prayer list for churches of WV Presbytery and our Nyeri partnership church of the week of **March 9:** Church: Katwathi; Parish: Giakanja; Anderson Memorial Presbyterian Church, Welch; Beulah Humble Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth; Salem Presbyterian Church, Ronceverte.

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