

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

RIVEROAKS COLLEGE & CAREER CLASS: Pastor Kyle Dillon and Elder Daniel Gillespie will conclude the study of Romans (chapters 12-16), and then begin a study of Edmund Clowney's book *The Church*, in which we will address such questions as the church's mission, leadership, gifts, and more. Come join us!

THROUGH THE BIBLE CLASS: "In the divine Scriptures, there are shallows and there are deeps; shallows where the lamb may wade, and deeps where the elephant may swim" (John Owen). A rotation of five teachers lead stimulating discussions while our journey continues, as Israel returns to Jerusalem after the exile.

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH CLASS: This confession faithfully summarizes the major doctrines and principles of Scripture, and does so in a concise manner utilizing an amazing economy of language. A rotation of four teachers take us through the Scriptures as we seek good gospel and doctrinal maturity.

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Daniel Gillespie	Lee Robinson
Pete Hansen	Brent Sheppard
Brad Harris	Tod Stoner
John Linn	Paul Vander Zwaag
Morgan Murphy	

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WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday School - 9:30am
Morning Worship - 10:45pm
Evening Worship (1st and 3rd Sundays) - 6:00pm
Community Groups (2nd & 4th Sunday evenings) - times vary



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THE LORD'S DAY

FEBRUARY 5, 2023

10:45AM

TO GLORIFY GOD AND ENJOY HIM FOREVER

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus!
Thank you for joining us today; may the Lord richly bless you.

† Stand as you are able.

PRELUDE

“Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”

arr. Hustad

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

REFLECTION

*It is the teaching of Scripture that God as the absolutely righteous and holy one
hates sin with divine hatred...*

Sin cannot exist without eliciting God's hatred and punishment.

Herman Bavinck

*But when we say that grace was imparted to us by the merit of Christ, we mean this:
by his blood we were cleansed and his death was an expiation for our sins.*

John Calvin

THE LORD CALLS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

† CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 107

Let us thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the
children of man!

Let us offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his deeds in songs of joy!

† HYMN OF PRAISE, No. 38

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

† PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome to Riveroaks! We are delighted you have joined us for worship this morning. We would love to get to know you and serve you anyway we can. Please consider filling out a visitor's card and putting it in the offering plate or scanning the QR code to access our online visitor form. *“For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake”* (2 Corinthians 4:5).

The Riveroaks Weekly email is published each Thursday. To sign up, contact office@riveroakspca.org.

The Parables of Jesus: The Sower In this parable, Jesus describes the different characteristics of those who hear his preaching. Join us this evening as we learn to be more intentional listeners to God's Word.

Wednesday Night Ministries and Meal: 5:30-7:15pm, the meal this Wednesday will be tacos. Ministries starting at 6:15pm include Heart & Soul (Choir and Catechism Ministry for ages 3 years-6th grade) and RSM. An Adult Bible Study begins at 6:25pm and Adult Choir begins at 6:50pm.

Valentines Kids' Night: Riveroaks Kids (ages 5 years-6th grade) are having a Valentines Kids' Night this Friday, February 10th, 6-8pm at the church. Join us for a night of games, crafts, snacks & fun. Please register at this site: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C4CACAE23A0FD0-valentines>

Welcome Class: The next Welcome To Riveroaks class for newcomers who want to find out more about Riveroaks or anyone who wants to consider membership will begin next Sunday night, February 12, at the Lee home (1822 Stillwind Lane, Collierville), at 5:00pm, with a potluck dinner. Please RSVP to office@riveroakspca.org. After that, six Wednesday night classes will follow. Come join us! See Tommy with any questions.

Ladies' Winter Retreat: February 24-25, “Seasons Along Our Journey” featuring guest speaker, Bev Warren, MTW Missionary at The Country Place in Moscow, TN. Register online by February 9 at (<https://rrpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1580888>) or contact Lisa in the church office.

Men! Save the date! We're going to have a Riveroaks men's ministry event on Saturday, March 25. More information is coming soon!

For more announcements, please see The Riveroaks Weekly.

SERMON NOTES

Acts 20:28-31 (page 930)
The Lord Christ Gives Gifts To Men
Pastor Tommy Lee

Who Makes These Men Overseers?

What Does It Mean To Be An Overseer?

What Is It Exactly That The Overseers Oversee?

The Double Charge

THE LORD CLEANSSES US IN CHRIST

READING OF THE WORD

Ezekiel 33:1-9

The word of the Lord came to me: “Son of man, speak to your people and say to them, I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from among them, and make him their watchman, and if he sees the sword coming upon the land and blows the trumpet and warns the people, then if anyone who hears the sound of the trumpet does not take warning, and the sword comes and takes him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. He heard the sound of the trumpet and did not take warning; his blood shall be upon himself. But if he had taken warning, he would have saved his life. But if the watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet, so that the people are not warned, and the sword comes and takes any one of them, that person is taken away in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at the watchman's hand. So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel. Whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, O wicked one, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked person shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, that person shall die in his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION OF SIN

from Psalm 130

Out of the depths of sin we cry to you. Hear our voices! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of our pleas for mercy! If you, O Lord, held our iniquities against us, we could not stand before you. But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. With you there is steadfast love. With you there is plentiful redemption. Redeem us from all our sins, we pray*Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin....*Amen!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 55:6-9

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

† **HYMN OF FAITH**

“Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”
(Getty/see insert)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND SUPPLICATION

Pastoral Intern Dennis Booker

HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

ANTHEM

“Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven”
(arr. Funderburk/the Adult Choir)

THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

SERMON TEXT

Acts 20:28-31

PREACHING OF GOD’S WORD

Pastor Tommy Lee

THE LORD CHRIST GIVES GIFTS TO MEN

† **HYMN, No. 347** (Verses 1-3)

“The Church’s One Foundation”

VOWS FOR THE OFFICES OF ELDER AND DEACON

PCA Book of Church Order, 24-6

Ordination and Installation to the Office of Elder: Allen Arant
Re-Installation to the Session of RRPC: Elders Josh Brink & John Linn
Re-Installation to the Diaconate of RRPC: Deacons Paul Gentry, Mike Gard, Skip Hannah,
Aubrey Jackson, & Peter White

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your own initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?
3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?
4. Do you accept the office of ruling elder (or deacon, as the case may be) in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the Church of which God has made you an officer?

5. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?

6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity and edification of the church?

CONGREGATIONAL VOW

Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as ruling elders or deacons, and do you promise to yield them all that honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord to which their offices, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this Church, entitles them?

We do.

THE LAYING ON OF HANDS & THE ORDINATION PRAYER

THE RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

THE DECLARATION

I now pronounce and declare that Allen Arant, Josh Brink, John Linn, Paul Gentry, Mike Gard, Skip Hannah, Aubrey Jackson, and Peter White have been regularly elected, ordained and installed as ruling elders or deacons in this church, agreeable to the Word of God, and according to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in America; and that as such they are entitled to all encouragement, honor and obedience in the Lord: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

“Behold the Lamb”

Getty/Ginger and Victor Smith, duet

† **HYMN, No. 347** (Verses 4-6)

“The Church’s One Foundation”

† **BENEDICTION**

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

**O worship the King all-glorious above,
O gratefully sing his power and his love:
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.**

POSTLUDE

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

arr. Callahan