



## **THE LORD'S DAY**

OCTOBER 15, 2023  
10:45 A.M.

**TO GLORIFY GOD AND ENJOY HIM FOREVER**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Welcome to Riveroaks!

We are glad you are here. May the Lord richly bless you as you worship with us today.

† Stand as you are able.

Please silence your phone as you enter the sanctuary.

## Prelude

*We Are God's People*

*J. Brahms/Joo Soo Son*

## Welcome and Announcements

## Ministry Moment

**Elder Allen Arant**  
*TableTalk Magazine*

## Reflection

*We live for self-fulfillment rather than to please God. We like books on how to be good fathers, how to be successful lovers, or how to improve our diets rather than books that explain to us how we can be holy and Christlike. Sometimes, in Reformed circles, we can be so easily concerned about theological issues that we miss the point. The point of all theology is to drive us to Christlikeness, to holiness of life, and to worship.*

**Derek Thomas**

*My people's greatest need is my personal holiness.*

**Robert Murray McCheyne, a Scottish minister who died at the age of 29.**

# GOD CALLS

## † Call to Worship

**Psalm 96:7-10**

*Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength*

***Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!***

*Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before him, all the earth!*

***ALL: Say among the nations, 'The LORD reigns! Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.'***

## † Hymn, No. 38

*“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*

## † Prayer of Praise and Adoration

### Reading of the Word

Leviticus 11:44-45, 19:1-2, 20:22-26

For I am the LORD your God. Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am holy. You shall not defile yourselves with any swarming thing that crawls on the ground. For I am the LORD who brought you up out of the land of Egypt to be your God. You shall therefore be holy, for I am holy...And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, ‘You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.’... You shall therefore keep all my statutes and all my rules and do them, that the land where I am bringing you to live may not vomit you out. And you shall not walk in the customs of the nation that I am driving out before you, for they did all these things, and therefore I detested them. But I have said to you, ‘You shall inherit their land, and I will give it to you to possess, a land flowing with milk and honey.’ I am the LORD your God, who has separated you from the peoples. You shall therefore separate the clean beast from the unclean, and the unclean bird from the clean. You shall not make yourselves detestable by beast or by bird or by anything with which the ground crawls, which I have set apart for you to hold unclean. You shall be holy to me, for I the LORD am holy and have separated you from the people, that you should be mine.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

## GOD CLEANSSES

### Confession of Sin

O Father, we are gathered before you, the Maker of Heaven and Earth, whose chosen dwelling place is with the broken and contrite, to confess that we have sinned in thought and word and deed; we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, we have not loved you with all our mind and strength; we have not even loved our neighbor as ourselves. In your mercy, deepen our sorrow for the wrong we have done and for the good we have left undone, so that we may hate our sin with a holy hatred. But, please Father, do not leave us in sorrow. With you, O Lord, there is forgiveness. In your mercy, restore the joy of your salvation; so that we may love you with a holy love ...*Silent and Personalized Confession of Sin... Amen.*

### Assurance of Pardon

1 Peter 1:22-25

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for *“All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever.”*

## † Song of Response

“His Mercy is More”

What love could remember no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

*Chorus*

*Praise the Lord His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness new every morn  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What Father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more  
What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment His life was the cost  
We stood ‘neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

## Prayer of Thanksgiving and Supplication

Dennis Booker  
Pastoral Intern

## His Tithes and Our Offerings

## Offertory

Noelle and Susanna Brink

## GOD SPEAKS

## Sermon Text Preaching of God’s Word

1 John 1 & 2  
Pastor Drew Turberville

Seriously Holy, Part 2

## † Hymn of Response, No. 355

“We Are God’s People”

## GOD INVITES

## Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Intermezzo in A  
J Brahms

## We Confess Our Faith

## Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of his Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,

begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;

by whom all things were made;

who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried;

and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,

and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;

and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;

whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son;

who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;

who spoke by the prophets;

and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;

we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;

and we look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## GOD SENDS

## Benediction

## 1 Thessalonians 3:11-13

Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

**Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.**

## Postlude

*How Lovely Thy Dwelling Place (Psalm 84)*

*Johannes Brahms*

## SERMON NOTES

**Scripture:** 1 John 1 & 2 (page 1021)

**Sermon Title:** Seriously Holy, Part 2

**Pastor:** Drew Turberville

## 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*

**Evening Worship:** Join us this evening at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary as Pastor Kyle preaches from 1 Thessalonians 2.

**TableTalk Magazine:** Feed your Faith! Copies of Ligonier Ministry's *Tabletalk Magazine* are available in the Narthex. Pick one up each month for your reading edification!

**Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner** (5:30-6:30pm) - This week's meal: Salisbury steak or pot roast (Pizza for the kids!) \$5 per person (families of 4 or more pay only \$20) Pay by cash or check in person or pay online: <https://rrpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/category/70697>

**Stephen Ministry Training** begins this Wednesday, October 18 at 6:00pm in rooms 114-115. Materials are available in the church office for those already registered. The training course is led by Jim Gibson & Erin Turberville.

**Welcome Class!** For all who would like to find out more about Riveroaks and explore membership, this is a six-week class meeting on Wednesday nights (October 4, 18, 25; November 1, 8, 15) from 6:15 - 7:15pm, in the Parlor. Pastors Tommy and Kyle are leading. Please join us!

**ROCC Game Night:** College and Career folks, join us at the Stoners' home for a fun fall evening this Friday, October 20, 6:00-9:00pm. 2250 Canadaville Loop, Eads, TN.

**Fall Gathering:** Empty-nesters and retirees, join us this Saturday, October 21, 1:30-5:30pm at Jim and Jeanie Gibson's farm for our Fall Gathering! Bring finger foods - drinks will be provided. RSVP by October 14 to Jeanne Keaton 901-218-1092. 8880 HWY 64, Somerville, TN.

**Reformation Celebration:** Next Wednesday, October 25 will be a special Heart & Soul night! More details to come!

**Fall Fest!** Join us October 28, 10:00am-1:00pm for games, bouncy castles, petting zoo animals, and the Moe's food truck! We need volunteers to help with the games - watch for a sign-up this week.

**Combined Reformation Service:** On Sunday Evening, October 29, at 6:00pm Riveroaks will join Hickory Withe Presbyterian Church and other churches at Hickory Withe (2420 Donelson Drive in Eads, TN) for a Reformation Celebration Service. Please bring finger foods to share at the reception following the service.

**Men - Save the Date:** Our next Feed Your Faith breakfast will be Saturday morning, November 11 at 8:00am. Sandy Willson, former pastor of Second Presbyterian Church here in Memphis, and current Interim President of The Gospel Coalition will be our guest speaker. Register online: <https://rrpc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1972985>

**Candy Needed!** Please bring bags of individually-wrapped candy to the church office by noon, October 25 for Fall Fest and the Reformation Celebration.

*For a complete listing of our Bible Studies and for more announcements, please see The Riveroaks Weekly. The Riveroaks Weekly email is published each Thursday. To sign up, contact [office@riveroakspca.org](mailto:office@riveroakspca.org). Assistive listening devices are available for worship services. Please see a deacon or an usher for help with a device.*

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## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:30am
Morning Worship	10:45pm
Evening Worship	6:00pm <i>(1st &amp; 3rd Sundays)</i>
Community Groups	times vary <i>(2nd &amp; 4th Sunday evenings)</i>