



RIVEROAKS REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, June 19, 2022

10:45am

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE: "This Is My Father's World", arr. Hobby

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINISTRY MOMENT: The Women in Crisis Committee

REFLECTION

The vigorous, continual planting of new congregations is the single most crucial strategy for 1) the numerical growth of the body of Christ in any city, and 2) the continual corporate renewal and revival of the existing churches in a city. Nothing else—not crusades, outreach programs, para-church ministries, growing mega-churches, congregational consulting, nor church renewal processes—will have the consistent impact of dynamic, extensive church planting. This is an eyebrow raising statement. But to those who have done any study at all, it is not even controversial.

Tim Keller

THE LORD CALLS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP: Revelation 5:11-13

Minister: Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,

Congregation: “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!”

Minister: And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

Congregation: “To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”

HYMN OF PRAISE, No. 165: “Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim”

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad his wonderful name;
The name, all victorious, of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
And still he is nigh – his presence we have.
The great congregation his triumph shall sing.
Ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right,
All glory and pow’r, and wisdom and might.
All honor and blessing, with angels above,
And thanks never ceasing for infinite love.

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

THE LORD CLEANSSES US IN CHRIST

READING OF THE WORD: Psalm 30:1-12

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and have not let my foes rejoice over me. O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. O Lord, you have brought up my soul from Sheol; you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit. Sing praises to the Lord O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning. As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved." By your favor, O Lord, you made my mountain stand strong; you hid your face; I was dismayed. To you, O Lord, I cry, and to the Lord I plead for mercy: "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness? Hear, O Lord, and be merciful to me! O Lord, be my helper!" You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

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. Purge us from selfishness, the fear of man, and the love of praise. 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 our salvation; so that we may love you with a holy love ...*Silent and Personalized Confession of Sin...* Amen!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 2 Corinthians 5:17-19

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

HYMN OF FAITH, NO. 111: "This Is My Father's World"

This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought of
Rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world; he shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world; the battles is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heav'n be one.

HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

ANTHEM: "Rise Up, O Men of God", arr. Landgrave; The Adult Choir

Rise up, O men of God! Have done with lesser things;
give heart and mind and soul and strength to serve the King of kings.

Rise up, O men of God! His Kingdom tarries long:
bring in the day of brotherhood and end the night of wrong.

Rise up, O men of God! The Church for you doth wait,
her strength unequal to her task; rise up, and make her great!

Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where His feet have trod;
as brothers of the Son of man, rise up, O men of God! Amen!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND SUPPLICATION: elder Josh Brink

THE LORD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

SERMON TEXT: John 16:16-22

¹⁶ "A little while, and you will see me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see me." ¹⁷ So some of his disciples said to one another, "What is this that he says to us, 'A little while, and you will not see me, and again a little while, and you will see me'; and, 'because I am going to the Father'?" ¹⁸ So they were saying, "What does he mean by 'a little while'? We do not know what he is talking about." ¹⁹ Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'?" ²⁰ Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. ²¹ When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. ²² So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD: Pastor Kyle Dillon

Sermon Series: Take Heart; I Have Overcome The World
XVIII. "From Sorrow to Joy"

WE CONFESS OUR FAITH: Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and 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 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.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

"Behold the Lamb"

HYMN OF RESPONSE, No. 164: "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, he sets the pris'ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

He speaks and, list'ning to his voice, new life the dead receive;
The mournful broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ,
Ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

BENEDICTION: 2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**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.**

POSTLUDE: "Festive Trumpet Tune", German

SERMON NOTES

The Disciples' Confusion

Jesus' Consolation

Our Story's Conclusion

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).

Get More Connected: Sign up for the email list; contact Brenda at office@riveroakspca.org.

This morning we were pleased to welcome Kristen Thompson who updated us on her ministry during the Sunday School hour. Continue to pray for Kristen and her family as she serves the Lord on staff at RUF (Washington University in St. Louis).

Please join us for tonight's Evening Service when Pastor Kyle will discuss an important issue. Two years ago, the PCA appointed a committee to study how churches should respond to domestic abuse and sexual assault. This committee will present its report and recommendations for approval at our General Assembly next week. If you would like to see the report for yourself, follow this link:
<https://pcaga.org/aic-report-abuse/>

Pray for Pastors Tommy, Rob, and Kyle as well as elder Morgan Murphy who will attend the PCA General Assembly in Birmingham, AL (June 21-24).

Riveroaks Women: Please join us for Coffee & Conversation on Thursday, June 23, 7 :00pm at Lissa Brink's home (9531 Gwynnbrook Cv, G'town, 901-219-1106). Anna Murphy will be sharing.

Space Probe VBS Children's Sign-up has begun so remember to register your children! (<https://www.riveroakspca.org/vbs>) Invite your friends and neighbors to our exciting week of VBS (July 11-15; 9:00am-noon). If you have questions, contact Molly Pennington.

Riveroaks is taking a mission trip to Casa Aleluya Children's Home outside of Guatemala City (June 26-July 4). The trip participants ask for your prayers for their safety and effectiveness on this upcoming trip. If you're interested in donating toward this trip, make checks payable to Riveroaks and write Guatemala Mission Trip on the memo line. Contact: Kim Benson (901-337-7509).

Mark your calendars for Sunday evening, July 17! A Kevin Twit Concert is scheduled at 6:00pm.

Dear Riveroaks Family: Thank you for your calls, texts, cards, meals and words of encouragement with the passing of my mother. Your love and support have been greatly appreciated! Thank you! - *Amy Rainer and Family*

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES (9:30AM)

The Voice of the Heart:

Join us for our discussion of the books *The Voice of the Heart* and *The Needs of the Heart* by Christian counselor, Chip Dodd. Taught by Pastor Kyle Dillon and other elders at 9:30am (Fellowship Hall).

Through the Bible:

If you are looking for wonderful discussion as we ponder God's Word together, please join us we journey through the Bible books of Isaiah to Obadiah taught by teachers Paul Vander Zwaag and others (Rms. 116-117).

RiverOaks College & Career Class:

A Study of Galatians will be taught by a rotation of elders. If you have questions about this ministry, contact Luke Howard. (Parlor)