



CHRISTIAN LIVING • ORTHODOXY • REACH • EXPOSITION

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Wednesday Evening Prayer

Psalms 27:8 presents an invitation by God: "You have said, 'Seek my face.' My heart says to you, 'Your face, Lord, do I seek.'" The Lord and Creator of all things has invited his people to seek his face in prayer and worship. This evening prayer service will give each of us an opportunity to **seek God's face through worship, meditation, and prayer**. We will participate together in common elements of worship with an emphasis on **prayer for our families, our church, our city, and our world**.

FORMAT: Teaching with facilitated discussion.

LEADERS: Pastor Brett Eubank & David Harker

CLASSROOM: Chapel

Raising Teens in a Contrary Culture

Calling All Parents of Teens (and Tweens!):

Pastor Ron and Elke Cox will be leading a course called "**Raising Teens in a Contrary Culture**"~ this is for parents and other caregivers who want to engage in a video and discussion-based group. Our foundation each week will be the Gospel and Scripture. This curriculum was **developed by Mark Gregston**, the founder and executive director of Heartlight Ministries, a residential counseling facility for adolescents in crisis. He has a radio ministry and a history of leadership in Young Life.

FORMAT: Teaching with facilitated discussion.

LEADERS: Pastor Ron Cox and Elke Cox

CLASSROOM: Discipleship Wing 201

The Meaning of Marriage

Today, since **long term commitment** is seen as restrictive, old fashioned, and out of touch, it is no wonder that marriages face challenges. Now more than ever we in the church need to stop and consider **what marriage means from God's perspective**. We will study the book "**The Meaning of Marriage**" by Tim Keller. In this book Keller shows everyone—Christians, skeptics, singles, longtime married couples, and those about to be engaged—the **vision of what marriage should be according to the Bible**. Join us as we work together to make our **marriages a relationship that glorifies God and testifies to His gospel** in a broken and hurting world.

FORMAT: Teaching with facilitated discussion.

LEADERS: Bert Murphy and Sam Mizener

CLASSROOM: Discipleship Wing 202

EXPOSITION

Sermon on the Mount

How do we live a **life of flourishing in God's world**? In the Sermon on the Mount Jesus says that he did not come to abolish the law and the prophets, but to **fulfill them**. He does this first to save us, but also calls us to **follow His life giving way** and shine as **His light in the world**. This Sermon addresses a variety of topics from loving enemies, to Kingdom prayer, to money and more. Join us as we learn how to **pursue Christ in Word and prayer** and become **like Christ in character and life**.

FORMAT: Teaching with facilitated discussion.

LEADERS: Pastor Mike Palombo, Jim Meador, and Beth Doan

CLASSROOM: Discipleship Wing 203

LIFE STAGE GROUPS

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

"A proverb is **wisdom in a poetic nutshell**: it is small, like a nut, and gives more and more flavorful meaning as we keep pondering it. In the **book of Proverbs** we find divinely inspired observations concerning **how to live rightly as the people of God**. Proverbs' wisdom is far from theoretical; **wisdom given by our Creator relates to every part of his creation**—from our words, to our friendships, to our money, to our marriages and children—and on and on. Kathleen Nielson guides us in how to digest the poetry of Proverbs and relish this part of God's revelation with thankful delight. She encourages us to **hear and respond to wisdom's call and let the light of Christ illuminate our lives**."

FORMAT: Facilitated discussion of "**Proverbs The Way of Wisdom**" by Kathleen Neilson

LEADERS: Heather Hall, Christy Murphy, Eleanor Webb

CLASSROOM: Country Gardens (House behind the church)

Rivermont Fellowship Night (RFN) is our mid-week gathering where we enjoy fellowship and experience growth in Christ.

WEEKLY RFN SCHEDULE

3:45 - 4:25.....Rivermont Ringers (Room 206)	5:45 - 6:25Dinner
4:30 - 5:10.....Rivermont Chimes (John Knox Room)	6:30 - 7:30.....Children’s Bible Clubs
Praise Ringers Handbells (Room 206)	Youth/Adult Bible Studies & Small Groups
5:15 - 5:45.....Cherub Choir (Room 308)	6:30 - 8:00.....Sanctuary Choir (The Choir Room)
Chapel Choir (The Choir Room)	
New Song Choir (Room 301)	
5:15 - 6:00.....Carillon Adult Handbell Choir (Room 206)	

DINNER RESERVATIONS

RFN dinner reservations are **mandatory** if you plan on eating the prepared meal.

To make a reservation, you can:

- (1) Fill out a “Reservations” card found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate
- (2) Call the church office (846-3441)
- (3) E-mail church receptionist (Ciera@rivermont.org)
- (4) Fill out a form from our website, (www.rivermont.org/rfn).

Reservations are finalized at 12:00 noon the preceding Monday of each week. Reservations may be either **“Standing”** or on a **“Week-to-week”** basis.

- A **“Standing”** reservation means you will attend each Wednesday evening unless you cancel or modify your reservation by noon on Monday.
- A **“Week-to-week”** reservation indicates you will not eat the prepared meal for RFN unless you make a reservation by noon on Monday.

Should you fail to make a reservation, we cannot guarantee food will be available. Payment is expected for reservations made if the reservation has not been canceled by 12pm Monday, even if you fail to attend.

DINNER COST

Adults	\$5	Children (8 years old and below).....	\$3
Children (9 years old and up).....	\$5	Maximum Family Cost.....	\$22

WEEKLY DINNER MENU

January 9th	Spaghetti	February 20th	Pork BBQ
January 16th	Tacos	February 27th	Fried Chicken
January 23rd	Teriyaki Chicken	March 6th (Ash Wed)	Tacos
January 30th	Sloppy Joe’s	March 13th	Teriyaki Chicken
February 6th	Chicken Alfredo	March 20th	Baked Ziti
February 13th	Potato Bar w/ Chili	March 27th	Fried Chicken

CHILDREN’S BIBLE CLUBS

Babies - 1 Year Olds (Room 102) LEADERS: Nursery Staff

2-3 Year Olds (Room 105) LEADERS: Nursery Staff

Pre-K & K (Room 115) LEADERS: Nursery Staff

1st-4th Grade Bible Club for Boys (Room 301) LEADERS: John Nagy and Brian Nash

1st-4th Grade Bible Club for Girls (Room 302) LEADERS: Paige Darden & Rhonda McCombs

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

Club 56 (Discipleship Wing 207)

TOPIC: The Chronicles of Narnia

LEADERS: Josh Dempsey and Team

“The Chronicles of Narnia” is known and beloved worldwide for its enchanting, engaging stories written for children and accessible to all. But did you know that it’s author, C.S. Lewis, was a devout Christian who wove **symbolic pictures from Scripture** into the magic of his fantasy world? In RFN this spring, Club 56 will **discover the themes of creation, fall, and redemption** as well as **practical insights into the Christian life** in the story and characters of the Narnia series. We’ll discover what the Lord can teach us through Lewis’ unmatched creativity.

Middle & High School (The Quinlan- The Q)

TOPIC: The Psalms

LEADERS: Shane Whelan and Team

The Psalms are undeniably beautiful. They are also difficult, and readers often come away convinced that tremendous riches remain just beyond their grasp. The timeless elegance of the Psalms, **their depth of expression, and testimony to the greatness of God** have enchanted and edified God’s people for centuries, so come as we **journey towards a greater understanding and love for these sacred verses.**