

# ***Sunday Morning Worship***

***April 21, 2024***



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**Comfort Rooms:** To help accommodate families with small children and individuals with special needs or medical conditions, a live video feed of the worship service is available in rooms 116, 117/118, 119, 120-125.

**Visitors & Guests:** Stop by the Welcome Desk for church information and to receive a welcome packet.

## Call to Worship — Psalm 95:1-4 (ESV)

- <sup>1</sup> Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;  
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- <sup>2</sup> Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- <sup>3</sup> For the LORD is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.
- <sup>4</sup> In his hand are the depths of the earth;  
the heights of the mountains are his also.

## Come Praise and Glorify

Tim Chester | Bob Kauflin

### Verse 1:

Come praise and glorify our God  
The Father of our Lord  
In Christ He has in heav'nly realms  
His blessings on us poured  
For pure and blameless in His sight  
He destined us to be  
And now we've been adopted through His Son  
eternally

### Chorus:

To the praise of Your glory  
To the praise of Your mercy and grace  
To the praise of Your glory  
You are the God who saves

### Verse 2:

Come praise and glorify our God  
Who gives His grace in Christ  
In Him our sins are washed away  
Redeemed through sacrifice  
In Him God has made known to us  
The myst'ry of His will  
That Christ should be the  
head of all His purpose to fulfill

### Verse 3:

Come praise and glorify our God  
For we've believed the Word  
And through our faith we  
have a seal the Spirit of the Lord  
The Spirit guarantees our hope  
Until redemption's done  
Until we join in endless praise  
To God the Three in One

# I Will Sing Your Praise Alone

Hymn Sheet

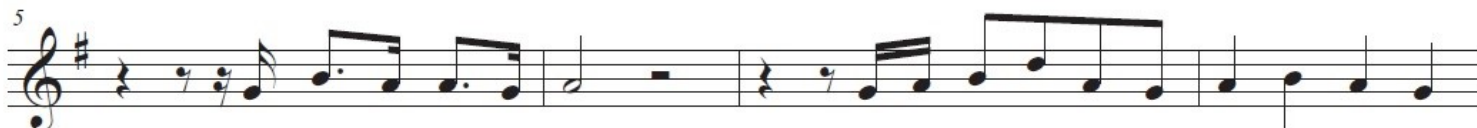
Jon Althoff,  
Sheri Jones-Moffett,  
Joseph Pace II

## VERSE



1. I am not a-shamed  
2. I have been re-deemed

of the gos - pel of Your grace that saved me.  
by the blood You shed to change my sto - ry.



You called me from the grave  
Your love has set me free

and the pow - er of Your Spi - rit raised me.  
so that I can live to bring You glo - ry.

## CHORUS



Lord, You gave \_\_\_\_ Your life \_\_\_\_ for mine. \_\_\_\_ I will sing Your



praise a - lone I will sing Your praise a - lone You're wor - thy of my high - est song,

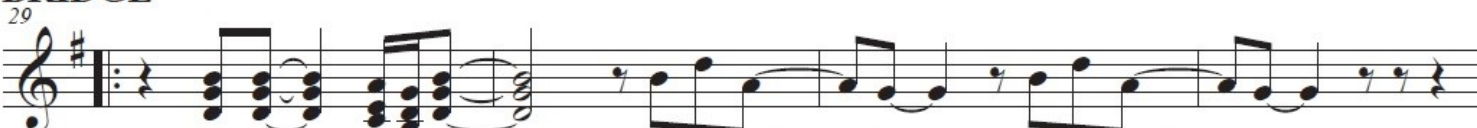


I will sing Your praise a - lone. I will sing Your praise a - lone I will sing Your praise a - lone



You're sea - ted on the high - est throne. I will sing Your praise a - lone.

## BRIDGE



Be glo - ri - fied. \_\_\_\_ I will praise \_\_\_\_ You, I will praise \_\_\_\_ You.



With all \_\_\_\_ my life, \_\_\_\_ I will praise \_\_\_\_ You, I will praise \_\_\_\_ You.

# I Will Sing Your Praise Alone

Jon Althoff | Sheri Jones-Moffett | Joseph Pace II

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## Verse 1:

I am not ashamed  
Of the gospel of Your grace that saved me  
You called me from the grave  
And the power of Your Spirit raised me  
Lord, You gave your life for mine

## Chorus:

I will sing Your praise alone  
I will sing Your praise alone  
You're worthy of my highest song  
I will sing Your praise alone

I will sing Your praise alone  
I will sing Your praise alone  
You're seated on the highest throne  
I will sing Your praise alone

## Verse 2:

I have been redeemed  
By the blood You shed to change my story  
Your love has set me free  
So that I can live to bring You glory  
Lord, You gave your life for mine

## Bridge:

Be glorified,  
I will praise You, I will praise You  
With all my life,  
I will praise You, I will praise You

## Scripture Reading — Proverbs 2:1-8 (ESV)

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- <sup>1</sup> My son, if you receive my words  
and treasure up my commandments with you,  
<sup>2</sup> making your ear attentive to wisdom  
and inclining your heart to understanding;  
<sup>3</sup> yes, if you call out for insight  
and raise your voice for understanding,  
<sup>4</sup> if you seek it like silver  
and search for it as for hidden treasures,  
<sup>5</sup> then you will understand the fear of the LORD  
and find the knowledge of God.  
<sup>6</sup> For the LORD gives wisdom;  
from his mouth come knowledge and understanding;  
<sup>7</sup> he stores up sound wisdom for the upright;  
he is a shield to those who walk in integrity,  
<sup>8</sup> guarding the paths of justice  
and watching over the way of his saints.

# What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Joseph Scriven | Charles Converse

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## **Verse 1:**

What a friend we have in Jesus  
All our sins and griefs to bear  
What a privilege to carry  
Everything to God in prayer  
O what peace we often forfeit  
O what needless pain we bear  
All because we do not carry  
Everything to God in prayer

## **Verse 2:**

Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged  
Take it to the Lord in prayer  
Can we find a friend so faithful?  
Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness  
Take it to the Lord in prayer

## **Verse 3:**

Are we weak and heavy laden  
Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior still our refuge  
Take it to the Lord in prayer  
Do thy friends despise forsake us?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer  
In His arms He'll take and shield us  
We will find a solace there

## **Sermon Notes**

### **“Praying for Discernment” :: Philippians 1:3-11**

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# Be Thou My Vision

Traditional | Mary E. Byrne

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## **Verse 1:**

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art -  
thou my best thought by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

## **Verse 2 :**

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my great Father, I thy true son;  
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

## **Verse 3 :**

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

## **Verse 4:**

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.



## **This Week at First Baptist Church**

### **Sunday, April 21**

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes  
10:00 AM Sunday Worship

### **Monday, April 22**

### **Tuesday, April 23**

10:30 AM Women's Study—"Watch Your Mouth"  
6:30 PM Elders' Meeting

### **Wednesday, April 24**

5:45 PM King's Kids Choir  
6:30 PM AWANA  
Elder-led Bible Study  
Band/Choir Rehearsal

### **Thursday, April 25**

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study — Ephesians

### **Friday, April 26**

### **Saturday, April 27**

### **Sunday, April 28**

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes  
10:00 AM Sunday Worship

## **Upcoming Events at First Baptist Church**

### **Wednesday, May 1**

6:30pm - Church Prayer Meeting

### **Sunday, May 19**

12noon - Church Members' Meeting

# Praying with First Baptist Church

## A Prayer Guide for the week of April 21

### **Prayer of the week:**

One of the ways we learn to pray is by using the examples in Scripture as a springboard and inspiration for our own prayer life. This week, we encourage you to use the praise of the Apostle Paul from 1 Thessalonians 2:13 as a specific way to give thanks to God:

*<sup>13</sup> And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.*

We recognize our need for God's help in all the areas of our lives. The categories and requests listed below are intentional ways to pray for each other as a church family. For help in knowing how and what to pray for, look up the Scripture included with each item.

### **Ongoing prayer items in the life of our church:**

- Pray for opportunities and boldness to share the gospel with loved ones (Matt. 28:19)
- Pray for conversions (John 3:3, Acts 16:14)
- Pray for the children of our church to hear and understand the gospel and be saved. (Luke 8:8)
- Pray for the preaching of God's word – for faithfulness, fruitfulness, and God's glory (2 Tim. 4:2, 1 Cor. 2:4-5, Isa. 55:10-11)
- Pray for increased one to one discipleship relationships in our church family (Matt. 28:19-20)
- Pray for unity in our diversity both on Sunday and through the week (Rom. 15:13, Eph 4:2-3)
- Pray for continued growth and joy in the gospel (1 Cor. 15:1-5, 2 Pet. 1:12)
- Pray for growth in holiness, hatred of sin and growth in humility (Prov. 8:13, 1 Pet. 1:14-16)
- Pray for honest, loving relationships in our church (Col. 3:12-13, James 5:16)
- Pray for families: marriages to thrive, parents to teach/love/discipline carefully, and children to obey (Eph. 5:22-6:4)
- Pray that giving would be faithful, joyful, consistent, and sacrificial (2 Cor. 8:9)

### **Prayer items outside our church:**

- Pray that our elected officials would fear God, seek His wisdom, have integrity, humility, and work together for the good of society and not self. (1 Tim. 2:1-2, Rom. 13:1-7)
- Pray for fruitful ministry in other gospel-proclaiming churches in our area. (Rom. 15:20, 1 Cor. 16:1-3, Matt. 28:19-20)

- Pray that God would bring a swift end to wars going on throughout the world and establish peace. Pray for protection and care for the many refugees fleeing to safety. Pray that those impacted would trust in God in the midst of their suffering. (Ps. 139:23-24)
- Pray for our ministry partners locally and around the world—Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware (BCM/D), North American Mission Board (NAMB) and International Mission Board (IMB). Pray especially for those we are directly involved with: Jeremy McClain (Mercy of Christ Fellowship Church, DC), Joel Kurz (The Garden Church, Baltimore), Daniel and Brandy Spandler-Davison and Susanna Schriever (Bangkok City Baptist Church, Thailand). Pray the gospel would flourish and churches would be planted and strengthened through their work. Pray that God would supply their needs. (Ps 93:4, Col. 1:5-6, 1 Pet. 4:12-17)

#### **Particular prayer items in the life of our church:**

- Pray that God would deepen our desire for prayer as a church family. May we not grow weary or apathetic in bringing our concerns to Him. May God help us to sense His presence and power as we pray. (Rom 12:12, Col 4:2)
- Pray that we know a profound contentment no matter what circumstances we find ourselves in – a contentment from knowing God is our help. (Heb. 13:5-6)
- Pray that God would renew our strength when we're weary and use our weakness to display His power. (2 Cor. 12:9)
- Pray that a culture of discipleship, joyful hospitality, and care grows in us as a church family (1 Pt 4:9; Col. 3:16)
- Pray for those in our church family who are going through a significant time of suffering—physically or mentally. Pray for peace. Pray for a keen awareness of God's presence and a desire to draw near to him. Pray for experiences of joy in Christ and in fellowship with church family. (Is. 26:3-4, Ps. 34:18, Ps. 30:1-5)
- Pray that God would help us comprehend his good design for the church and center our lives around it for the sake of his glory being made known. (Eph 3:10; 3:21)
- The following individuals have expressed particular prayer concerns:

**Margaret Austin, Bob and Alice Copeland, Chris Guerra (military deployment), Jackie Jones, Lucie Lowe, Bonnie Trott, Glenn Walker**

(To submit a prayer request, please use the Prayer Request Card available in the sanctuary and drop them in the offering basket or contact the Prayer Room at 301-952-8877.)

# Announcements

## 1. Mark Your Calendar:

- :: Wednesday, May 1 @ 6:30pm — Church Prayer Meeting
- :: Sunday, May 19 @ 12noon — Quarterly Church Members' Meeting
- :: Wednesday, May 22 — End of Regular Wednesday Night Activities for semester

## 2. Child Abuse Prevention Resources. The month of April is Child Abuse Prevention month.

Ministry Safe, the company used for training our children's volunteers, have made their Parent/Guardian Training resources available online for FREE. Scan the qr code to access those resources or visit: [ministrysafe.com/April](https://ministrysafe.com/April) .



3. Vacation Bible School — July 8-12. Vacation Bible School is right around the corner on July 8 - 12 from 9am-12:30pm. If you're a member of the church and are interested in volunteering to help, please contact Charles Kirkland.

4. Giving. We thank God for the faithful giving of our church family that sustains the gospel ministry here at FBC Upper Marlboro. As a reminder, there are three ways you can give:

- online: click the link or scan the QR code,
- in-person: place your offering in the designated boxes in the church foyer
- by mail: send to the church office.



Church members with a benevolence request, please contact the church office.



### Digital Communication Card

Interested in meeting with a pastor, more info about the church and membership, or have a prayer need? Scan the qr code, leave your contact info, and we will reach out.



## Family Guide for week of April 21<sup>st</sup>

*Deuteronomy 6:6–7 And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.*



### Suggestions on getting started:

- Decide on a time & place (breakfast, dinner, before bed, etc...)
- Start simple and short (ten minutes or less). Start with three things: 1) Read God's word, 2) Pray together and 3) Sing together. Scripture memory and catechism questions are *optional* if you have the time. Better to start small than bite off more than you can chew and give up.
- Be flexible. It doesn't need to look cookie-cutter similar for every family. Know yourself and know your kids: their personality, age, maturity, etc. [For younger kids consider starting with a good children's Bible like [The Big Picture Story Bible](#).]
- If you don't know the answer to a question someone has, don't act like you do! Say something like, "Great question, let me look into that." Study, ask a pastor or Christian friend and get back to them.
- Embrace the chaos. Kids are kids – don't expect it to be a perfect roundtable discussion with quiet, attentive children every time. Be patient and persistent. Patterns and habits help to set expectations over time.
- To learn more about family worship check out Donald Whitney's book (available at our church bookstall): [Family Worship: In the Bible, In History, and In Your Home](#).

# Praying with Paul

## [Philippians 1:3-11](#) "Praying for Discernment"

April 21, 2024



### Introduction

It is critical for each member of the body of Christ to work together for a common goal. To win the race, we must act as a single entity working together. Paul's letter to the Philippians is a call to partnership - a shared commitment to the gospel. It isn't just about being in the same boat but working together under the guidance and instruction of Christ.

If Paul is giving this encouragement to a church that he desires to see together, how are we as a church growing together in Christ? Are we in sync or are we each rowing at our own pace and in our own direction? How can we actively cultivate a true partnership in the gospel?

### Sermon Outline

1. We must encourage gospel commitment. Vs. 3-5
2. We are to develop partnerships of grace. Vs. 6-8
3. We are to be fruitful in the righteousness of Christ. Vs. 9-11

### Read & Discuss

#### 1. Read vs. 3-5

Paul wrote this letter from prison. He had been to Philippi where many were converted, and they had labored with him in the gospel. He wrote to them to help them understand his situation and to encourage them. He encouraged them to keep the gospel going.

Is there someone you can contact this week to encourage them in their faith? What evidences of grace can you point out in others? Paul found joy in thinking of them because of his partnership with them in the gospel. We are not alone in our service for the Lord. Our lives are intertwined with God, and we are partners in the gospel. How are you involved in the ministry of the church?

**Additional Reading:** Acts 16

#### 2. Read vs. 6-8

Grace helps us live in accordance with what God has called us to do. We must show grace to one another since we have received the grace of God through Jesus. We are vessels in ministry, but God works in and through us.

Paul commended them for their gifts to him, assisting him in his ministry. They gave freely. How are you being challenged in your stewardship of your time, talent and treasure? Our own church has many global partnerships. Your prayers and contributions further the gospel around the world. Are you nurturing others in the gospel?

#### 3. Read vs. 9-11

Paul prays that their love would abound more in knowledge and discernment. There were many things that Paul could have prayed for, but he focused on spiritual fruit. Love comes under the guidance and authority of the Holy Spirit. ([Galatians 5:22-23](#)) Paul wanted them to be aligned with what God said, not the world. He wanted the best for them as they were growing in their faith to the glory of God alone. What things are you doing that promote spiritual growth in your life?

### Prayer of Response

- 1) After hearing God's Word, what sin do I need to *confess*? From what do I need to *repent*?
- 2) How should my life be lived this week based on what I have heard? What should I *understand*, *believe*, *desire*, or *do*?

Spend time praying together in response to God's word asking for His help and greater faith to follow Him in the week to come. If you missed the sermon on Sunday or would like to listen again, visit our website at [fbcum.org](http://fbcum.org)

**Next week's sermon text:** we turn to [Revelation 6:1-17](#) "The Wrath of the Lamb"

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### Bible Intake (Listening to God)

Day 1 – Psalm 38  
Day 2 – Psalm 39  
Day 3 – Psalm 40  
Day 4 – Psalm 41  
Day 5 – Psalm 42

*\*Read Revelation 6 in preparation for church on Sunday, April 21, 2024*

### Prayer (Talking to God)

Pray about one thing you read in Scripture together.  
Pray for a few church members on pg. 39 of our church directory.  
Pray for any specific needs of you and your family.

### Sing together

"What a friend we have in Jesus" – use the bulletin from Sunday

### Memory verses for the month

**Exodus 20:2-3** "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. "You shall have no other gods before me."

**Exodus 20:4** "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth."

### Catechism question for the week<sup>1</sup>

Question 41

What is the Lord's Prayer?

Answer: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

<sup>1</sup> New City Catechism (<http://newcitycatechism.com/>)