Sunday Morning Worship

September 8, 2024



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Order of Worship

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Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship — 1 Timothy 1:15-17

The Word Made Flesh

Song — Glorious Christ Song — Crown Him With Many Crowns

Scripture Reading — Isaiah 25:1-12

Pastoral Prayer

Song — Jesus, I Come To Thee

Message — Zach Schlegel "Invitation to a Feast" Revelation 19:1-10

Song — Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Benediction

<u>Comfort Rooms</u>: 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.

<u>Visitors & Guests:</u> Stop by the Welcome Desk for church information and to receive a welcome packet.

Call to Worship — 1 Timothy 1:15-17 (ESV)

¹⁵ The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. ¹⁶ But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ¹⁷ To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Word Made Flesh *

We confess the mystery and wonder of God made flesh and rejoice in our great salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

With the Father and the Holy Spirit, the Son created all things, sustains all things, and makes all things new.
Truly God,
He became truly man, two natures in one person.

He was born of the Virgin Mary and lived among us.
Crucified, dead, and buried,
He rose on the third day,
ascended to heaven,
and will come again
in glory and judgment.

For us,

He kept the Law, atoned for sin, and satisfied God's wrath. He took our filthy rags and gave us His righteous robe.

He is our Prophet, Priest, and King, building His church, interceding for us, and reigning over all things.

Jesus Christ is Lord; we praise His holy Name forever.

Amen.

^{*} The Ligonier Statement on Christology ("The Word Made Flesh") — is a summary of biblical truth intended to serve the church by encapsulating the historic, orthodox, biblical Christology of the Christian church in a form that is simple to confess. More info at: christologystatement.com

Glorious Christ

Bob Kauflin

Verse 1:

The radiance of the Father
Before the dawn of time
You spoke and all creation came to be
The molecules and planets
Reveal Your great design
And every one was made
So we could see, So we could see!

Chorus:

You are the glorious Christ
The greatest of all delights
Your power is unequaled
Your love beyond all heights
No greater sacrifice
Than when You laid down Your life
We join the song of angels
Who praise You day and night
Glorious Christ!

Verse 2:

You left the air of heaven
To breathe the dust of earth
And dwell among the outcast and the poor
You came to be forsaken
And died to take our curse
So You could be our joy Forevermore,
Forevermore!

Verse 3:

You're seated now in heaven
Enthroned at God's right hand
You've shattered death
and freed us from our fears
And though we cannot see You
You're coming back again
And all will be made right when You appear,
when You appear!

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Matthew Bridges | Godfrey Thring | George J. Elvey

Verse 1:

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Verse 2:

Crown him the Son of God,
Before the worlds began,
And you who tread where He hath trod,
Crown Him the Son of Man;
who ev'ry grief hath known
that wrings the human breast,
and takes and bears them for His own,
that all in Him may rest.

Verse 3:

Crown Him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side, those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified; no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends their wond'ring eye at mysteries so bright.

Verse 4:

Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave, and rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save; His glories now we sing who died, and rose on high, who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Verse 5:

Crown Him the Lord of lords,
Who over all doth reign,
Who once on earth, the incarnate word,
For ransomed sinners slain,
Now lives in realms of light,
Where saints and angels sing
Their songs before Him day and night,
Their God, Redeemer, King.

Scripture Reading — Isaiah 25:1-12 (ESV)

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<sup>1</sup>O LORD, you are my God;
  I will exalt you; I will praise your name,
for you have done wonderful things,
  plans formed of old, faithful and sure.
<sup>2</sup> For you have made the city a heap,
  the fortified city a ruin;
the foreigners' palace is a city no more;
  it will never be rebuilt.
<sup>3</sup>Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
  cities of ruthless nations will fear you.
<sup>4</sup> For you have been a stronghold to the poor,
  a stronghold to the needy in his distress,
  a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat;
for the breath of the ruthless is like a storm against a wall.
   like heat in a dry place.
You subdue the noise of the foreigners:
  as heat by the shade of a cloud,
  so the song of the ruthless is put down.
<sup>6</sup> On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
  a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,
  of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.
<sup>7</sup> And he will swallow up on this mountain
  the covering that is cast over all peoples,
  the veil that is spread over all nations.
   He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
  and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,
  for the LORD has spoken.
<sup>9</sup> It will be said on that day,
  "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.
  This is the LORD; we have waited for him;
  let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."
<sup>10</sup> For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain,
  and Moab shall be trampled down in his place,
  as straw is trampled down in a dunghill.
<sup>11</sup> And he will spread out his hands in the midst of it
  as a swimmer spreads his hands out to swim,
  but the LORD will lay low his pompous pride together with the skill of his hands.
<sup>12</sup> And the high fortifications of his walls he will bring down,
  lay low, and cast to the ground, to the dust.
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Sermon Notes

"Invitation to a Feast" :: Revelation 19:1-10

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Keith Getty | Jordan Kauflin | Matt Merker | Matt Boswell | Matt Papa

Verse 1:

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone!
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong.
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ in which we stand.

Chorus:

O sing, hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal
O sing, hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

Verse 2:

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good!
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ?

Verse 3:

Unto the grave what will we sing?
Christ He lives, Christ He lives!
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord.
Then sin and death will be destroyed.
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore.

This Week at First Baptist Church

Sunday, September 8

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

12:00 PM Church Members' Meeting

Monday, September 9

Tuesday, September 10

10:30 AM Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study

Wednesday, September 11

5:45 PM King's Kids Choir

6:30 PM AWANA

Elder-led Bible Study Choir / Band Rehearsal Thursday, September 12

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study—Ephesians

Friday, September 13

Saturday, September 14

Sunday, September 15

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes 10:00 AM Sunday Worship 6:00 PM Youth Night

Upcoming Events at First Baptist Church

Sunday, September 8

12noon — Church Members' Meeting

Sundays, Oct. 20, 27, and Nov. 3

Starting Point Seminar

(Three session seminar for those interested in church membership.

Contact the church office to register
or use the Digital Communication Card on the back of this bulletin.)

Praying with First Baptist Church

A Prayer Guide for the week of September 8

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 prayer of the Apostle Paul from the book of Ephesians 3:14-16:

¹⁴ For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,
 ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named,
 ¹⁶ that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being,

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 for our Members Meeting today after worship. Pray that God would continually help us to grow in unity and service to one another as fellow believers here at FBCUM and help us work together for kingdom purposes. (Eph 4:2-3)
- Pray for teachers and students in our church family who are back in school. Pray that they will depend on God and trust Him as they start a new school year. Pray that learning and teaching would be done with excellence to the glory of God (Prov. 3:5-6; 1 Cor. 10:31). See a list of our out-of-town college students toward the back of your church directory.
- Pray we would care more about God's opinion of us than the praise of man. (Pr 29:25; 14:26)
- 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 God would guard our church from fear, anxiety, and disunity. Pray that we would trust that God is good and be assured that He is in control. (John 13:34-35)
- 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:

Darryl Arrington (death of father), Margaret Austin, Alice Copeland, Mary Dina, Lisa Dorn (death of grandmother), Chris Guerra (military deployment), Lucie Lowe, Rob Messing (military deployment), Dez Ouzts (death of mother), 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. <u>Church Members' Meeting TODAY.</u> Lord willing, we will have our regularly scheduled Members' Meeting immediately following the worship service today. We will vote on memberships, pray for the ministry of the church, and hear ministry and budget reports. Minutes from our previous Members' Meeting will are available in the church office.
- 2. <u>Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study Begins Sept 10 at 10:30am.</u> The Holy Spirit is the third person of the trinity who helps guide the thoughts and actions of believers toward the holiness of God. In this study by Dr. Tony Evans, "The Promise: Experiencing God's Greatest Gift—The Holy Spirit," participants will learn about the work of the Holy Spirit and seek to understand the critical role He plays in our lives. Materials needed: Bible, notepad, and pen. Contact Nikki Crawford (301-213-9499) with questions and to register.
- 3. <u>Regular Wednesday Evening Schedule Resumes Sept 11.</u> Regular Wednesday evening activities (Choirs, AWANA, Elder-led Bible Study) will resume on September 11.
- **4.** <u>Prayer Ministry Need.</u> Are you looking for a place where you can serve the Lord? Would you consider spending one hour a week in the Prayer Room praying for those who have requested prayer? If you are interested, you will receive training and can choose a time convenient for you on the prayer schedule. To get started, call Bernice McGuire at 301-855-5529.
- **5.** <u>Audio/Visual Team Volunteers Needed.</u> The Audio/Visual Team has the critical task of making sure we can hear the Gospel being proclaimed every week here at FBCUM. If you have any interest in serving with our Audio/Visual Team or have questions, please contact our Deacon of Audio/Visual, Mosi Winder (mosi.winder@gmail.com).
- **6. 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,
 - <u>in-person</u>: 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

Are you interested in receiving more information about the church, meeting with a pastor, or sharing a prayer need? Scan the QR code to fill in our digital communication card and someone will follow up with you. You're always welcome to contact the church office: 301-952-0117.



Family Guide for week of September 8th, 2024

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 <u>The Big Picture Story</u> <u>Bible</u>.]
- 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): <u>Family Worship: In the Bible, In History,</u> and In Your Home.

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Bible Intake (Listening to God)

Day 1 – Psalm 119:153-160

Day 2 – Psalm 119:161-168

Day 3 - Psalm 119:169-176

Day 4 - Psalm 120

Day 5 - Psalm 121

*Read Revelation 19:11-21 in preparation for church on Sunday, Sept. 15, 2024

Prayer (Talking to God)

Pray about one thing you read in Scripture together.

Pray for a few church members on pg. 16 of our church directory.

Pray for any specific needs of you and your family.

Sing together

"Crown Him with many Crowns" – use the bulletin from Sunday

Memory verses for the month

Psalm 1:1 "Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers"

Psalm 1:2 "but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night."

Catechism question for the week¹

Question 9: What does God require in the first, second, and third commandments?

Answer: First, that we know God as the only true God. Second, that we avoid all idolatry. Third, that we treat God's name with fear and reverence.

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