Sunday Morning Worship

September 15, 2024



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Order of Worship

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Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship — Psalm 34:1-8

Song — Taste and See (Psalm 34) Song — All Glory Be to Christ

Responsive Scripture Reading — Psalm 2:1-12

Song — Rejoice, the Lord is King

Pastoral Prayer

Message — Zach Schlegel
"King of Kings and Lord of Lords"
Revelation 19:11-21

Song — Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

Introduction of New Members

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.

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

Call to Worship — Psalm 34:1-8 (ESV)

- ¹I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- ² My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
- ³Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!
- ⁴I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

- ⁵ Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed.
- ⁶ This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles.
- ⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.
- ⁸Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

Taste and See (Psalm 34)

Jimmy Needham | Shane Barnard | Joseph Rigney

Verse 1:

I sought the Lord

And He answered me
And delivered me
From every fear
Those who look on Him
Are radiant
They'll never be ashamed
They'll never be ashamed

Verse 2:

This poor man cried
And the Lord heard me
And saved me from
My enemies
The Son of God
Surrounds His saints
He will deliver them
He will deliver them

Chorus:

Magnify the Lord with me Come exalt His name together Glorify the Lord with me Come exalt His name forever

Verse 3:

Oh, taste and see
That the Lord is good
Oh, blessed is he
Who hides in Him
Oh, fear the Lord
Oh, all you saints
He'll give you everything
He'll give you everything

Bridge:

Let us bless the Lord, Every day and night Neverending praise, May our incense rise

All Glory Be to Christ

Dustin Kensrue

Verse 1:

Should nothing of our efforts stand
No legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house
in vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain
Tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn
all glory be to Christ

Chorus:

All glory be to Christ our king All glory be to Christ His rule and reign we'll ever sing All glory be to Christ

Verse 2:

His will be done, His kingdom come
On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy the thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
all glory be to Christ

Verse 3:

When on the day the great I Am
The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new
Behold our God shall live with us
And be our steadfast light
And we shall ere his people be
All glory be to Christ

Responsive Scripture Reading — Psalm 2:1-12 (ESV)

Service leader will read the regular font. Congregation read aloud the underlined font.

³ "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us."

⁴ He who sits in the heavens laughs;

the Lord holds them in derision.

⁵ Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying,

⁶ "As for me, I have set my King

on Zion, my holy hill."

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¹Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?

²The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying,

Responsive Scripture Reading (continued)

⁷I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.

- ¹⁰ Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
 - be warned, O rulers of the earth.
- and rejoice with trembling.
- ¹² Kiss the Son,
 - lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,
 - for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Rejoice, the Lord is King

Charles Wesley

Verse 1:

Rejoice, the Lord is King:
Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Verse 2:

Jesus, the Savior, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He has purged our stains,
He took his seat above;
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Verse 3:

His kingdom cannot fail,
He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus giv'n:
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Verse 4:

Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord and judge shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home:
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

⁸ Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

⁹ You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

Sermon Notes

"King of Kings and Lord of Lords" :: Revelation 19:11-21

Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

Johnny Robinson | Rich Thompson | Michael Farren

Verse 1:

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love
My deep and boundless peace
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine
I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Verse 2:

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Savior he will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won
And I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Verse 3:

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released
I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

Verse 4:

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete
Still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me

This Week at First Baptist Church

Sunday, September 15

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

6:00 PM Youth Night

Monday, September 16

Tuesday, September 17

10:30 AM Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study

Wednesday, September 18 5:45 PM King's Kids Choir

6:30 PM AWANA

Elder-led Bible Study Choir / Band Rehearsal **Thursday, September 19**

Friday, September 20

Saturday, September 21

Sunday, September 22 (First Day of Autumn)

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

Upcoming Events at First Baptist Church

Sunday, October 13

12noon — Church Potluck Lunch

Sunday, October 20

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 15

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:

- Praise God for the new members recently brought into our church family; Isaak and Melissa Brooks, Princess Garrett, Jeanine Roberts, Kate Sligh, Raymond and Yvonne Walford. Pray God would unify us in Christ and create many opportunities for fellowship and discipleship. (Rom. 15:5-6, Acts 2:42)
- Pray for Missions Teams that are going out from our church in the coming weeks. Pastors Zach Schlegel and Vince Butler (South Africa: Sept 23-30). Pastor Tyrone Moorehead, Sharon Moorehead, Sharon Foster, Jacob Foster, Suzanne McDonald (Bangkok City Baptist Church, Thailand: Oct 20-28). Pray that our teams would be helpful to the local churches and pastors they are serving and that the Gospel would flourish through their ministry.
- 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), Tanya Joy (death of mother), 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>Nursery Volunteers Needed.</u> In order to provide the proper care and protection of the children in our nursery during the worship service, we are looking for 2—4 additional volunteers to serve once every 5 weeks. No preparation or experience is needed. A basic background check is required. If you're willing to help serve our young families in this way, please see Pam Jensen today or contact her at the church office.
- **2.** <u>Prayer Ministry Volunteers Needed.</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.
- **3.** <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).
- **4.** <u>Church Potluck after worship October 13.</u> Join us for a church potluck on Sunday, October 13, following the worship service. Plan to bring a favorite dish to share and enjoy great food and fellowship. Stay tuned to the bulletin for more details in the coming weeks. If you have questions or are willing to help with this event, please contact Camille Hawit (sarahcamille22@yahoo.com).
- **5.** <u>Church Constitution Review.</u> Draft copies of the Church Constitution are available for church members to pick up in the office. Please take the opportunity to read through the draft and email any questions or other feedback to the elders [constitution@firstbaptistum.com] by Sunday, October 27. The elders will look over your emails and prepare responses for the Constitution Review Meeting on November 3 following the worship service.
- **6.** <u>Giving.</u> 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.



Revelation: Following Our Victorious King

Revelation 19:11 - 21

"King of kings and Lord of lords" – September 15, 2024



Introduction

Think back to a time when your heart was set on something that you really wanted to see happen, but in the end, it didn't happen. It could be small or something more substantial. In either case, when something that we set our hopes on doesn't happen, it could be discouraging. (Proverbs 13:12)

When Jesus walked the earth, the people who saw and heard Him wondered if He was the Messiah. Those people had expectations, but they were expecting the wrong thing. While He **is** the Son of God - the Messiah - many people missed who He really was. He wasn't a savior with military might. He was the Lamb to be slain for the sins of the world. His disciples were discouraged seeing Him put in a tomb. It wasn't until His resurrection that they began to understand.

Our real problem is sin and death. Jesus overcame them both by His death and resurrection. Yet with the world as it is today, even with the benefit of the truth of the scriptures, we can lose hope. Christians suffer. We wish that Jesus would be more than a sacrificial Lamb. We want Jesus to "fix" the things in our life in our way and in our time. How can our hope as suffering Christians survive and thrive? The vision of Jesus in Revelation reframes our perspective and gives us indestructible hope?

Sermon Outline

- 1. Behold the glory of Jesus as Lamb and as Lion. vs. 11-16
- 2. Understand God's salvation comes through judgment. Vs. 17-21

Read & Discuss

1. Read vs. 11 - 16

This is a forward-looking picture to when Jesus comes a second time. Our view of reality now is distorted or just plain wrong. Here, God gives us a heavenly picture of reality. We are commanded to "behold."

Jesus is seated on a white horse. He is a warrior going to battle, ready to conquer His enemies. It's hard to build our lives on leaders whose values change or shift. Jesus is called Faithful and True. He is the leader upon which you can build your life! He comes in righteousness! All that God does is right, good, just, and worthy of praise.

Jesus blazing eyes reminds us that He sees **all** things perfectly. His eyes burn through lies and confusion. He sees every human heart perfectly. Have you been wronged? Have you wronged someone? Jesus sees. He can and will make it right. (<u>Hebrews 4:13</u>)

What leaves you afraid, anxious, and keeps you up at night? Are you worried about the future? Are you concerned about your boss, health, conflicts local and abroad, the election, etc.? Jesus wears the crown of a sovereign ruler. He is King, and He is on the throne right now. Do you believe that? He is the Creator of the universe. He has limitless power and resources. How can we be anxious and afraid? Jesus is with us. He is our Shepherd!

Jesus has a name which reveals His character. Here we are told here that His name is Faithful and True, the Word and King of Kings and Lord of Lords. He is unique - set apart - holy. In eternity, you will not reach a point where you know everything there is to know about God. In Heaven, we will always be thrilled with new discoveries about an infinitely glorious God leading us to more worship, joy, and glory.

When Jesus comes again, He will judge evil once and for all. Jesus' word is His weapon, and He will put an end to the enemy with His word. This is the sword that destroys Satan. When you think of Jesus and Who He is, does that vision include the truth that this passage shows us about Jesus? Jesus is not just the Lamb who died, He is the Lion that roars! We are coming with Him and will be able to see Him fight for us and win. This should develop indestructible hope in us. See His glory again and again.

Additional Reading: Psalm 2; Isaiah 63

2. Read vs. 17 – 21

Keep this text in mind with the whole of chapter 19. At the beginning of chapter 19 we see those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb. It is a celebration. Here, we see a gruesome scene. When you go to war with Jesus, you will lose. This battle is over before it begins. When Jesus says, "You're done! You are done!" This is a terrifying scene. The idea of eternal judgment may sound absurd or barbaric to some readers. They don't understand Who God really is. To understand this better, here are three questions.

- How much injustice have you suffered? Justice looks different when you or someone you love is the object of injustice. If a human judge needs to punish sin to be just, how much truer is it for God to judge sin? If there is no final judgment, how will wrongs be made right?
- How well do you know yourself? Those who think this doctrine of judgment is absurd don't see how big of a sinner we are. When you come face-to-face with that reality, you will be undone. (<u>Is. 6:1 5</u>) We often compare ourselves to others and don't see ourselves "as bad." However, God holds us to the standard of His perfection and holiness. Sin involves taking our love, trust and affection to something other than God. This is idolatry or spiritual adultery. Do you see your sin as you making war against Jesus? (vs. 19)
- How well do you know God? Those who see God's judgment as absurd will consider that their god is not like that. How do they know? This is what they imagine God to be like or what they want God to be like. In contrast, the Christian knows what God is like because God reveals Himself to us in scripture. God is love, but He is also holy, just, and righteous.

God is holy, holy, holy. As we consider God's judgment, it **is** a difficult doctrine. However, God in His mercy and patience wants all to come to Him. (<u>Ezekiel 18:23</u>; <u>2 Peter 3:9</u>) We must not mistake God's patience with indifference to sin.

God forgives, but He will not overlook sin. This would compromise His holiness. God will judge evil because of His goodness. Left to ourselves, we are in trouble. The enemy must be defeated if we are to be delivered. Jesus did not sweep sin under that carpet. On the cross, He absorbed the righteous wrath of God for all who come to Him. Because of Jesus' death and resurrection, we can be forgiven and made right with God. The roar of the Lion will be your defense. If you refuse Jesus, the roar of the Lion will be against you at the day of Judgment.

You and I will be at one of the suppers we see in chapter 19. God warns us now so that we might come to Him NOW. Come to Jesus. Turn from your sin and trust Jesus. Find refuge in Him.

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

Next week's sermon text: we turn to Revelation 20:1-10 "Reigning with Jesus"

Family Guide for week of September 15th, 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 122

Day 2 – Psalm 123

Day 3 - Psalm 124

Day 4 - Psalm 125

Day 5 - Psalm 126

*Read Revelation 20:1-10 in preparation for church on Sunday, Sept. 22, 2024

Prayer (Talking to God)

Pray about one thing you read in Scripture together.

Pray for a few church members on pg. 17 of our church directory.

Pray for any specific needs of you and your family.

Sing together

"Yet not I but through Christ in me" – 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 week

Question 10: What does God require in the fourth and fifth commandments?

Answer: Fourth, that on the Sabbath day we spend time in worship of God. Fifth, that we love and honor our father and mother.

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