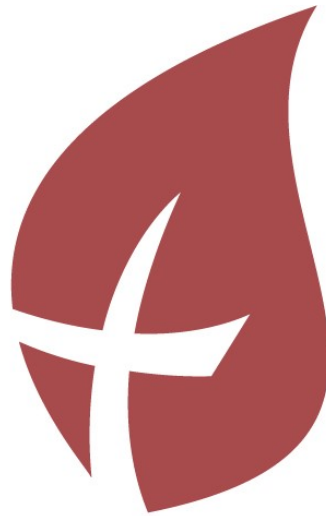


# ***Sunday Morning Worship***

***September 22, 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 — Colossians 2:13-15 (ESV)

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<sup>13</sup> And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, <sup>14</sup> by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup> He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

### 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

#### **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

#### **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

#### **Bridge:**

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

## The Nicene Creed \*

We believe in one God, the Father, Ruler of All,  
Maker of all things visible and invisible;  
And we believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God,  
Begotten of the Father as only begotten,  
That is, from the essence of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
Begotten, not created, of the same essence as the Father,  
Through whom all things came into being, both in heaven and in earth;  
Who for us and for our salvation came down,  
And was incarnate, being made a man.  
He suffered and the third day he rose.  
And he ascended into the heavens.  
And he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
And we believe in the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### \*History of the Nicene Creed

*Knowing the historical context of the Nicene Creed of 325 A.D. can help us appreciate the truths it declares. In the early fourth century, a preacher named Arius began to teach false doctrine such as: 1) God the Father alone is God; 2) Jesus Christ is a created being; and 3) there was a time when Christ did not exist. About 220 elders gathered in the town of Nicaea (in modern-day Turkey) to address Arius' false teaching. They wrote a brief statement in biblical language to clarify that Christians believe Jesus Christ is fully God, and that those who believe and teach anything less lack biblical faith. We have omitted one paragraph that condemns a particular false teaching of the time.*

*At First Baptist Church, we believe Scripture teaches that at the center of our faith is Christ, Himself. Therefore, we rejoice in joining with saints through the centuries who have confessed the same biblical truth.*

## Jesus, Messiah

Ed Cash | Chris Tomlin

### Verse 1:

He became sin who knew no sin  
That we might become His righteousness  
He humbled Himself  
and carried the cross  
Love so amazing, love so amazing

### Chorus:

Jesus, Messiah, Name above all names  
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel  
The Rescue for sinners  
The Ransom from heaven  
Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all

### Verse 2:

His body the bread, His blood the wine  
Broken and poured out all for love  
The whole earth trembled  
and the veil was torn  
Love so amazing, love so amazing

### Bridge:

All our hope is in You  
All our hope is in You  
All the glory to You God  
The Light of the world

## Scripture Reading — Daniel 7:9-14 (ESV)

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<sup>9</sup> “As I looked,

thrones were placed,  
and the Ancient of Days took his seat;  
his clothing was white as snow,  
and the hair of his head like pure wool;  
his throne was fiery flames;  
its wheels were burning fire.

<sup>10</sup> A stream of fire issued  
and came out from before him;  
a thousand thousands served him,  
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;  
the court sat in judgment,  
and the books were opened.

<sup>11</sup> “I looked then because of the sound of the great words that the horn was speaking. And as I looked, the beast was killed, and its body destroyed and given over to be burned with fire. <sup>12</sup> As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but their lives were prolonged for a season and a time.

<sup>13</sup> “I saw in the night visions,

and behold, with the clouds of heaven  
there came one like a son of man,  
and he came to the Ancient of Days  
and was presented before him.

<sup>14</sup> And to him was given dominion  
and glory and a kingdom,  
that all peoples, nations, and languages  
should serve him;  
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,  
which shall not pass away,  
and his kingdom one  
that shall not be destroyed.

# Ancient of Days

Gary Sadler | Jamie Harvill

## **Verse:**

Blessing and honor,  
Glory and power,  
Be unto the Ancient of Days!  
From every nation,  
All of creation,  
Bow before the Ancient of Days!

## **Bridge:**

Your kingdom shall reign over all the earth,  
Sing unto the Ancient of Days!  
For none can compare to Your matchless worth,  
Sing unto the Ancient of Days!

## **Chorus:**

Every tongue in Heaven and earth  
Shall declare Your glory!  
Every knee shall bow at Your throne  
In worship!  
You will be exalted, O God!  
And Your Kingdom shall not pass away,  
O Ancient of Days!

## Sermon Notes

### **“Reigning With King Jesus” :: Revelation 20:1-10**

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# Name Above All Names

Pat Sczebel | Joel Sczebel

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## **Verse 1:**

From the brightness of His glory  
Jesus, the Son of God descends  
Takes on the nature of a servant  
Jesus, obedient to death  
The Father willed to crush Him  
As a sacrifice for sin  
He satisfied God's justice  
And in vict'ry rose again

## **Chorus:**

You are highly exalted  
Name above all names  
Worthy of all praise  
You are reigning in glory  
Jesus You're the King  
Over everything  
Exalted to the highest place  
Given the name above all other names

## **Verse 2:**

The tomb is empty Christ has risen  
Jesus the Lamb once crucified  
The angels never cease to worship  
Jesus in heaven glorified  
To Him belongs the power  
The wisdom might and strength  
All glory and dominion  
To the Lord of every age

## **Bridge:**

Our knees will bow  
Our tongues proclaim  
That You are Lord of all



## This Week at First Baptist Church

### **Sunday, September 22 (First Day of Autumn)**

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

### **Monday, September 23**

### **Tuesday, September 24**

10:30 AM Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study  
6:30 PM Elders' Meeting

### **Wednesday, September 25**

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

### **Thursday, September 26**

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study — Ephesians

### **Friday, September 27**

### **Saturday, September 28**

### **Sunday, September 29**

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

### **Saturday, October 19**

12-2pm — Children's Division Harvest Party (*K-6th grade*)

### **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 22

### **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:

*<sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,  
<sup>15</sup> from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named,  
<sup>16</sup> 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 that good spiritual fruit would come from discipleship efforts in small groups, one to one meetings, and as people show hospitality to others in our church. (1 Pt 4:9; Gal 6:2)
- 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 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:

**Margaret Austin, Alice Copeland, Mary Dina, 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. Nursery Volunteers Needed.** 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. Prayer Ministry Volunteers Needed.** 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. Audio/Visual Team Volunteers Needed.** 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. Church Potluck after worship October 13.** 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. Church Constitution Review.** 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. 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



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 20:1-10](#)

"Reigning with Jesus"—September 22, 2024



## Introduction

Do you believe that God is sovereign? Do you believe that it is worth it to live for Jesus? On the Christian journey, there are times of discouragement, confusion, sadness, hurt, along with feelings of inadequacy. In those times, knowing that God is sovereign and that living for Jesus is worth it will help you make it on your pilgrimage to heaven. Obeying Jesus comes at a cost.

The early church was well acquainted with suffering and persecution. Many Christians suffer persecution today. In counting the cost, how can we know that following Jesus is worth it?

## Sermon Outline

1. See God's sovereignty over all things. Vs. 1-3
2. Know those who trust God to the end are blessed. Vs. 4-6
3. Take comfort in the enemy's defeat. Vs. 7-10

## Read & Discuss

### 1. Read vs. 1 – 3

Remember the main point of Revelation - Jesus is coming back, and He is and will be victorious. We can have different views about the order of things, but we must remember and agree that Jesus returns; He is victorious, and He will judge the living and the dead. We must approach this passage with humility, asking God to illuminate our hearts with truth.

The battle that is mentioned here is mentioned three times in Revelation. It is the same event told from different perspectives – the prostitute, the dragon and the beast. ([16:14-16](#); [19:17-21](#); [20:7-10](#)) In Chapter 19 verse 18, all of those who are defeated are named. At the end of the battle in chapter 19, the enemy is completely defeated.

Prior to the battle, Satan is bound, but when? ([Matthew 12:29](#); [Luke 10:18](#)) A certain binding of Satan - a restriction of his power - occurred during Jesus' ministry. God in His sovereignty restricted what Satan could do. It happened during the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

The numbers used in the book of Revelation are symbolic. A thousand is indicative of completeness. The thousand years is symbolic of the Church Age. Why, then, is Satan wreaking havoc now? ([1 Peter 5:8](#); [2 Corinthians 4:4](#); [Ephesians 6:16](#)) God is restricting him. There is a "leash" on Satan.

The book of Acts marks the spread of the Gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth. People all over the world began coming to Jesus. Churches were and are being established. How? Satan is bound so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, and the gospel moves beyond the Jewish people to the Gentiles. God is in control over ALL things. We have churches all over the world by God's amazing grace. ([John 12:31-32](#))

Are you ever discouraged in your evangelism? Those in Corinth rejected Paul. Though discouraged. God told him to keep preaching. There are people who will come to Christ. God will build His church, and the gates of Hell will not prevail against it! ([Matthew 16:18](#)) The gospel will advance. People will trust Christ. The church will move forward. This is God's promise, and it is our hope! We need to keep sharing the Good News.

## Additional Reading: Acts 18

### 2. Read vs. 4 – 6

Here, John saw thrones. Where are the thrones? They are heavenly thrones. Who is seated on the throne? The souls of the martyrs and those who were trusting God at the end.

How do you think the first century Christians felt knowing that some in their midst would face martyrdom? How do we feel when we see our Christian brothers and sisters die? It looks like the world is winning when a believer dies as a martyr or in the prime of their ministry. What you see with your eyes is not the whole picture. It is impossible to

defeat Christians! The loss of their physical life puts them on the throne with Jesus! Death is not the end!! They are wearing a crown. They are priests of God who will reign with Jesus until He returns.

Jesus not only saves His people, but He also shares His rule with them until He returns! The second death has no power of these saints. This is why they are blessed. God's blessing captures all that our hearts long for.

Are you tempted to go after the trappings of the world? This is exhausting. For the Christian, death is the doorway to reigning with Christ. We do not need to fear death. We can give generously, love sacrificially, and serve selflessly. There is something worse than death and better than life on earth. We will all die. That is the first death. The death mentioned here is the second death - God's final judgment.

How do you view sin? It is much worse than a simple mistake - it is rebellion. The standard to which we are held is not the person sitting next to you. It is the standard of God's perfection and holiness. Left to ourselves - we are in trouble. This is why Jesus came. He lived a perfect life and took the death we deserved so that those who trust in Him could be forgiven and reconciled to God. Turn from your sin and come to Jesus. Trust Him completely.

**Additional Reading:** Daniel 7; Revelation 4 & 5; Matthew 5

### **3. Read vs. 7 – 10**

Before the return of Christ, there will be a surge in satanic activity. As the battle lines are drawn here, it seems like the enemy has an advantage. They gather myriads of troops to surround the saints. Yet as soon as the battle starts - it is over. The enemy is defeated. Jesus speaks, and it is over!

You cannot rebel against the Creator God and win. Have you ever looked back on any of your sins thinking it was worth it? Do you see the seriousness of sin? Sin promises a lot but does not deliver. Ditch the liar and run to Jesus. May these verses be a warning to those who haven't trusted Jesus and an encouragement to those who have. It is worth following Jesus to the very end.

**Additional Reading:** Ezekiel 38 & 39

### **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)

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| <b>Next week's sermon text:</b> we turn to <a href="#">Philippians 4:10-20</a> "Trusting the God Who Provides" |
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## Family Guide for week of September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 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 [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](#).

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## **Bible Intake** (*Listening to God*)

Day 1 – Psalm 127  
Day 2 – Psalm 128  
Day 3 – Psalm 129  
Day 4 – Psalm 130  
Day 5 – Psalm 131

*\*Read Philippians 4:1-10 in preparation for church on Sunday, Sept. 29, 2024*

## **Prayer** (*Talking to God*)

Pray about one thing you read in Scripture together.  
Pray for a few church members on pg. 18 of our church directory.  
Pray for any specific needs of you and your family.

## **Sing together**

"Jesus Messiah" – 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<sup>1</sup>**

Question 11: What does God require in the sixth, seventh, and eighth commandments?

Answer: Sixth, that we do not hurt or hate our neighbor. Seventh, that we live purely and faithfully. Eighth, that we do not take without permission that which belongs to someone else.

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