

Sunday Morning Worship

March 23, 2025



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Order of Worship

March 23, 2025

Welcome & Announcements

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship — Psalm 27:1-4

Song — The Lord Is My Light (Psalm 27)

Song — O For A Thousand Tongues

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“Qualifications of an Elder”

1 Timothy 3:1-7

Song — Jesus, Messiah

Benediction

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 27:1-4 (ESV)

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<sup>1</sup> The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life;  
of whom shall I be afraid?

<sup>2</sup> When evildoers assail me  
to eat up my flesh,  
my adversaries and foes,  
it is they who stumble and fall.

<sup>3</sup> Though an army encamp against me,  
my heart shall not fear;

though war arise against me,  
yet I will be confident.

<sup>4</sup> One thing have I asked of the LORD,  
that will I seek after:  
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD  
all the days of my life,  
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD  
and to inquire in his temple.

## The Lord Is My Light (Psalm 27)

Lillian Bouknight

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Verse 1:

The Lord is my Light and my salvation,
The Lord is my Light and my salvation,
The Lord is my Light and my salvation,
Whom shall I fear?

Chorus:

Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life.
Whom shall I fear?

Verse 2:

In the time of trouble He shall hide me,
in the time of trouble He shall hide me,
in the time of trouble He shall hide me,
whom shall I fear?

Verse 3:

Wait on the Lord and be of good courage,
Wait on the Lord and be of good courage,
Wait on the Lord and be of good courage,
whom shall I fear?

O For A Thousand Tongues

Charles Wesley

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## Verse 1:

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
My great Redeemer's praise  
The glories of my God and King  
The triumphs of His grace

## Verse 2:

My gracious Master and my God  
Assist me to proclaim  
To spread through all the earth abroad  
The honors of Thy name

## Chorus:

Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
Hallelujah, all praise to our God  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
Hallelujah, all praise to our King

## Verse 3:

Jesus, the name that calms my fears  
That bids my sorrows cease  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears  
'Tis life and health and peace

## Verse 4:

He breaks the power of cancelled sin  
He sets the prisoner free  
His blood can make the foulest clean  
His blood availed for me

## Verse 5:

A thousand years will be as one  
When face to face I see  
The splendid beauty of the Son  
The One who died for me

# Scripture Reading — Psalm 23 (ESV)

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¹ The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

² He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.

³ He restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

⁴ Even though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death,

I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
forever.

The Lord Almighty Reigns

Keith Getty | Kristyn Getty | Matt Papa | Matt Boswell

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## **Verse 1:**

There's an endless song waiting to be sung  
With the voice of ev'ry tribe,  
the sound of ev'ry tongue.

## **Verse 2:**

When the bride of Christ on that day of days  
Brings with joy unto the Lamb  
a multitude of praise.  
Like the roar of mighty seas  
and rolls of thunder hear His people sing.

## **Chorus:**

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
for the Lord Almighty reigns.  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah,  
for the Lord, our God, the Almighty reigns.

## **Verse 3:**

We will join the feast, rest from battles won,  
Tell with great rejoicing all  
the wonders God has done  
Like the roar of mighty seas  
and rolls of thunder all the church will sing.

## **Verse 4:**

Certain of that day, Christ we will proclaim  
Oh, that more would share the prize,  
salvation in His name.  
Then greater will the anthem ring,  
The mighty chorus rising to the King.

## **Sermon Notes**

### **“Qualifications of an Elder” :: 1 Timothy 3:1-7**

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Jesus, Messiah

Chris Tomlin | Ed Cash

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## **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

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

### **Sunday, March 23**

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes  
10:00 AM Sunday Worship  
12:00 PM Constitution Review Meeting  
6:00 PM Youth Night

### **Monday, March 24**

### **Tuesday, March 25**

10:30 AM Tuesday Ladies Bible Study

### **Wednesday, March 26**

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

### **Thursday, March 27**

### **Friday, March 28**

### **Saturday, March 29**

9:00 AM Disciple-Making Parent Conference

### **Sunday, March 30**

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes  
10:00 AM Sunday Worship  
12:00 PM Starting Point

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

### **TODAY, March 23**

Constitution Review Meeting — meet for one hour following worship service

### **Saturday, March 29**

9am — Disciple-Making Parent Conference

### **Sunday, March 30**

Starting Point Seminar — immediately following worship service  
(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.)

### **Friday, April 18**

7pm — Good Friday Worship Service

### **Sunday, April 20**

Resurrection Sunday Worship

# Praying with First Baptist Church

## A Prayer Guide for the week of March 23

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

It's often helpful to pray the Scripture as a springboard and inspiration for our own prayer life. As you pray for yourself and others this week, we encourage you to consider the brief prayer of the Apostle Paul in 2 Thessalonians 3:5:

*"May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God  
and to the steadfastness of Christ."*

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 have direct partnerships 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: Jay and Kim Addison, Samson and Bukky Adeshiyan, Emma Dunn, Sheareen Dunn, Jaimee and Alicia Friend, Fraser and Betsy Henderson, Aminata Kamara, Travita King, Elliot McKay, and Teresa Orishagbemi. Pray that God would unify us in Jesus Christ and that opportunities for fellowship would abound (Rom. 15:5-6, Acts 2:42)
- Pray for federal workers who have lost their job or are living with that possibility. Pray that they would trust God to provide for their needs. Pray that God would help them to bear good spiritual fruit even in the midst of difficult circumstances. (John 16:33; Ps. 23:1)
- Pray for good spiritual fruit in the lives of our young adults from the recent event focusing on the Bible's teaching about singleness and marriage. Pray our young singles would be encouraged and strengthened in faith. Pray that godly friendships would flourish. (Heb. 10:23-24)
- Pray that God would help our church family to radically love others in the way the Bible teaches us to love. Pray that our love would reflect the sacrificial love that God has shown us through Jesus Christ. (Mt 5:43-48; John 13:35)
- Pray for those in our church family facing a season of fear and anxiety. 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 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)
- The following individuals have expressed particular prayer concerns:

**Margaret Austin, Shawn Colson (death of brother), Alice Copeland, Connie Crawford, Lucie Lowe, Rob Messing (death of mother), Pointer/Love Families (death of Amy's son, Joshua James "JJ" Love), Bonnie Trott, Janet Tull (death of sister), Amanda Tindell (death of father), 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.)

# Ministry Spotlight: Book Stall

## Ministry Spotlight

We would like to bring to your attention active church ministries and programs at First Baptist Church of Upper Marlboro. We hope that each month you will pray for all those serving and consider how you may support their efforts. *You may notify us if you would like to learn more about the ministries at FBCUM by using the new Digital Communication Card (see QR code on the back of this bulletin).*

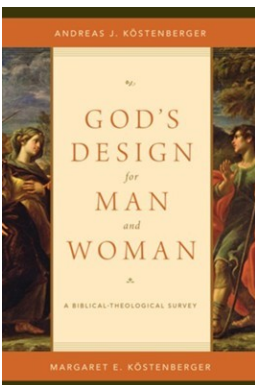
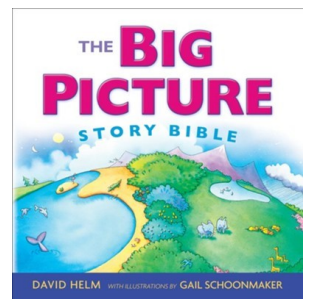
## Book Stall Ministry



The Book Stall Ministry purpose serves as a discipleship tool to support spiritual growth and biblical studies. All books are reviewed by the pastors before they are recommended, to ensure that the congregation has access to sound and doctrinally faithful resources.

We have books for everyone in all aspects of life. Let's take a look!

***The Big Picture Story Bible*** presents this remarkable true story. Simple words and striking illustrations unfold the story line of God's Word and His love for the world from Genesis to Revelation. All ages will enjoy this exciting discovery of a God who keeps his big promise! Especially recommended for ages 2-7.



### ***God's Design for Man and Woman***

#### ***Equipping a New Generation to Live Out God's Design***

This thorough study of the Bible's teaching on men and women aims to help a new generation of Christians live for Christ in today's world. Moving beyond other treatments that primarily focus on select passages, this winsome volume traces Scripture's overarching pattern related to male-female relationships in both the Old and New Testaments.

# Ministry Spotlight: Book Stall



There are **Christian Counseling and Educational Foundation (CCEF)** mini-books that brings clarity to a situation. The mini-books address various topics like, ***Eating Disorders***, being a ***Single Parent***, or ***How to Love Difficult People***, from a Christian perspective. Visit the Book Stall to check out the others.

**Isaac Neal** is our deacon of the **Book Stall** and we asked him to share his thoughts.

1. How long have you served in the Book Stall ministry?

**About nine years - shortly after Pastor Zach arrived.**

2. Why did you decide to serve in the Book Stall ministry? **Pastor Zach asked me if I'd like to serve and I was eager to learn more about our church and God.**



3. How has serving in the Book Stall impacted your walk with Christ?

**Serving has made me more aware of our need for discipleship to grow in knowledge of God.**

4. What changes have you seen among those that serve in your ministry that you would like to share?

**We recently inventoried our books and marveled at the variety of resources available to meet you where you are on your Christian journey. Everyone was excited to have the opportunity to grow spiritually. I need to work harder to get the rest of my FBCUM brothers and sisters as excited.**

5. One thing you want others to know about serving in your respective service areas. (A statement from your heart.)

**It is great to know that these resources are available for individual and group use to help lead others to Christ and to help Christians be more like Christ.**

## How can I find out what books are available at the Book Stall?

This is a great question! We have all of the books listed and available for you through review on the FBCUM.org website under the Resources tab. Books are listed in alphabetical order with a complete description about the book.

***Next week we will discover some of the duties and responsibilities for those serving in the Book Stall.***

# Announcements

**1. Constitution Review Meeting :: TODAY After Worship.** Church members interested in continuing to walk through the drafting process of the proposed revision to the Church Constitution and Bylaws are invited to join us for one hour after the worship service today.

**2. Register Now for “The Disciple-Making Parent Conference” :: March 29 :: 9am—2:30pm.** Author of “The Disciple-Making Parent”, Chap Bettis, will build on insights from his book to provide practical parenting strategies for Christian families and help foster community among like-minded parents. See the bulletin insert for more details and registration information.

**3. Interested in Church Membership? Attend Starting Point :: March 30 after worship.** Starting Point is a seminar-style meeting following the worship service open to anyone interested in joining our church family or simply learning more about who we are and what we believe. Approximately 12-2:30pm. A light lunch will be served. Register by contacting the church office or using the digital communication card below.

**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: designated boxes in the church foyer or during the worship service
- by mail: send to the church office.



If you're giving in person or by mail, please help us accurately identify your gift by legibly printing your first and last name on your giving envelope. 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.



# THE DISCIPLE-MAKING PARENT CONFERENCE

RAISING YOUR CHILDREN TO LOVE AND FOLLOW JESUS CHRIST



**JOIN CHAP BETTIS**

AUTHOR OF THE  
DISCIPLE-MAKING PARENT

## YOU WILL LEARN ABOUT:

- ✓ The North Star of Parenting
- ✓ 2nd Gen Christians
- ✓ Why Kids Walk Away
- ✓ Passing on the gospel
- ✓ Teen Temptations
- ✓ Practical advice

**WHEN:** March 29, 2025  
9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

**WHERE:** First Baptist Church  
Upper Marlboro  
7415 Crain Highway  
Upper Marlboro MD 20772

**REGISTER:** \$15 per person if registered by 3/21 | \$20 per person after 3/21  
(Scholarships available)

Breakfast – Lunch - Childcare Available (Limited Spots, First Come, First Served)



# 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy: Church as Pillar and Foundation of Truth

[1 Timothy 3:1-7](#)

“Qualifications of an Elders” – March 23, 2025



## Introduction

If a church were to put an ad in the paper for a person to apply for a leadership position, what would that ad say? Would it look like an ad for a business executive or CEO. In the mind of the world, the church is run like a business and should have people who have impressive credentials. Israel did this when looking for a king. They picked Saul who feared man rather than God and the nation began to crumble. Israel's next king was a man after God's own heart. David was probably unimpressive by the world's standards. Even the prophet Samuel overlooked him as a possibility. Yet David was called by God. (1 Samuel 8, 9, 15, and 16)

Leadership matters in a church. As the leadership goes, so goes the church. When we step back and look at these qualifications, this list is unremarkable. There is no requirement for intelligence, physical strength or great personality. These qualifications are things that we would expect of any Christian. The focus is on the character so that our faith rests on the power of God. Every Christian should know what the qualifications of elders and deacons are to be able to choose men to fill the positions. Qualified leaders in a church matter because God has designed the church to be a pillar and buttress of truth - to protect and display the gospel. This was Paul's concern in writing this letter.

Ungodly authority sacrifices others to serve self. Godly authority sacrifices self to serve others. You must ask, "Is the potential leader pursuing a Godly or ungodly authority?" Men aspiring to be elders must be honest, but also ruthless in putting the wrong motives to death to use authority in a Godly way.

Why does Paul assure the church that aspiring to be a leader is a noble task? The church had just fired two leaders for using their leadership in the wrong way, making it difficult to trust. ([1 Timothy 1:20](#)) If authority is misused anywhere, it creates real pain and suffering from real sin that demands real biblical justice. Not everyone in authority is bad. Some use it well. But we must remember that all authority comes from God for our good. Getting rid of authority was Satan's idea in the Garden of Eden. God redeems authority. What should the qualifications of an elder or pastor be?

## Sermon Outline

1. Personal Qualifications – vs.2-3
2. Family Qualifications – vs. 4-5
3. Public Qualifications – vs. 6-7

## Discussion

### 1. Read Vs. 2-3

To be above reproach does not mean sinless perfection. Paul meant that there should be no obvious inconsistency in the life of a potential elder. Their conduct should rise above accusations used to discredit them. Pastors are to be an example of how every Christian should behave. A potential elder must put to death every temptation, self-controlled, and open and accountable for their actions.

Passions are not good or bad but must be controlled. When passions take over, vision is clouded. Striving for the proper focus is essential. An overseer must have a sober mind, overreacting to everything coming their way causing danger for the church. Is there something that has clouded your vision of what is right and good from God's word?

Where does the stability of being sober minded or self-control come from? It comes from knowing God. ([Proverbs 14:26](#)) Knowing God's truth brings confidence. Do you know God in such a way that gives you confidence, self-control, and stability? How do we come to know the glory of God? First, we must understand our problem – sin which separates us from a holy God. Jesus came to shield us from God's wrath aimed at our rebellion. He died in our place for anyone who will trust in Him. He rose again on the third day. Anyone who comes to Christ can be reconciled to God because sin has been removed. Have you come to Christ in repentance and faith?

An overseer must be hospitable. God pours out his love into our hearts. That love begins to change us to make us more and more loving. ([Romans 5:5](#)) Do you open up your home and life to others?

The next qualification is "able to teach." It is one of the primary tasks of an elder - it's how he leads, encourages, corrects and helps the flock. The congregation should benefit from his teaching.

An elder must not be mastered by any outside substance. An elder should not be violent but gentle, not quarrelsome. Violence and quarreling reflect the opposite of being self-controlled. An elders must contend for the faith but not be contentious. ([2 Timothy 2:14-19](#)) An elder is one who stands up with confidence in the word of God.

A pastor must not be a lover of money. What do you love? What do you trust? Where do you find your identity? Where is your refuge? ([Colossians 3:5](#))

## **2. Read Vs. 4-5**

An elder must be able to lead others. We can see an example of that by looking at how he manages his home. Managing is synonymous with caring. ([Luke 10:25-37](#)) Is the man attentive to his home? Does he provide leadership there? What would his wife say about his leadership? Do his children submit to him as their father? This doesn't mean a perfect home. It means respect and regard for him. What is the man's attitude toward children? If you never become an elder in a church? If you are a dad or hope to be one in the future, you must shepherd your family. Know your family. Teach God's word. Lead them well. Protect them.

## **3. Read Vs. 6-7**

An elder must be a mature Christian. A new Christian is not ready to handle the challenges, or he may become proud. An elder should be known for consistent godliness so that even the world will recognize his integrity. They should be the same at church as they are at work. Would a neighbor or coworker be surprised that you were asked to be an elder at your church? Does your walk match your talk?

There are potential pitfalls for the potential elders. Every Christian is at risk by being tempted by Satan ([Ephesians 6:10-11](#)), but Satan has elders in his crosshairs. Will an elder get something wrong? Yes. No pastor has "arrived." There are times that pastors will make mistakes and areas where they need to improve. Remember, the shepherd is also a sheep. There is a temptation for a congregation to grumble about what they think elders should or should do.

If a pastor is in sin, they should be corrected. If their ministry can be improved, pray for them. ([Hebrews 13:17](#)) A pastor is accountable to God. ([James 3:1](#)) God is not indifferent to the misuse of authority. It is to your advantage to offer good suggestions, but to also pray for your leaders. If Satan can create division, he can derail the mission of the church to go and make disciples.

Being a pastor can be dangerous work, but it is a privilege. It is a noble task. When you choose future elders, choose them according to what Paul lays out here in 1 Timothy. Pray for your elders and for their families. Pray that they will exercise godly authority so that the church flourishes.

### **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="#">1 Timothy 3:8-13</a> " <b>Qualifications of a Deacon</b> " |
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## Family Guide for week of March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

*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 – Luke 15:1-7

Day 2 – Luke 15:8-10

Day 3 – Luke 15:11-32

Day 4 – Luke 16:1-13

Day 5 – Luke 16:14-18

\*Read 1 Timothy 3:8-11 preparation for church on Sunday, March 30, 2025

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

Pray about one thing you read in Scripture together.

Pray for a few church members on pg. 1 of our church directory. Pray for any specific needs of you and your family.

*Thank God for the people who help you and take care of you. Ask God to help you show appreciation for the ways they serve you today.*

## **Sing together**

"The Lord Is My Light" – Use the bulletin from Sunday

## **Memory verses for the month**

**Psalm 24:8** *"Who is this King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!"*

**Ephesians 6:10** *"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might."*

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

**Question 36:** *What do we believe about the Holy Spirit?*

**Answer:** *That he is God, coeternal with the Father and the Son.*

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