

Sunday Morning Worship

March 30, 2025



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Order of Worship

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

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

Call to Worship — Psalm 86:3-7 (ESV)

³ Be gracious to me, O Lord,
for to you do I cry all the day.

⁴ Gladden the soul of your servant,
for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

⁵ For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
abounding in steadfast love to all who call
upon you.

⁶ Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;
listen to my plea for grace.

⁷ In the day of my trouble I call upon you,
for you answer me.

Steadfast Love (Psalm 86)

Eric Dewar | Glory & Gladness Music

Verse 1:

Lord, we come to you poor and needy.
Lord, we come to you poor and needy!
O incline your ear as we pray,
Showing steadfast love all our days.

Verse 2:

Hear our cry, O Lord, for forgiveness.
Hear our cry, O Lord, for forgiveness!
All our sins and failures erase,
Showing steadfast love all our days.

Chorus:

You are rich in mercy,
Full of lavish grace,
Always slow to anger,
Showing steadfast love
All our days.

Verse 3:

Give us joy and strength as your servants.
Give us joy and strength as your servants!
Turn our hearts and teach us your ways,
Showing steadfast love all our days.

Verse 4:

There is none like you in creation.
There is none like you in creation!
Let the nations join us in praise
Of your steadfast love all our days.

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Martin Luther | Matt Boswell | Frederick Hedge

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## **Verse 1:**

A mighty fortress is our God  
A bulwark never failing  
Our Helper He amid the flood  
Of mortal ills prevailing  
For still our ancient foe  
Doth seek to work us woe  
His craft and pow'r are great  
And armed with cruel hate  
On earth is not His equal

## **Verse 2:**

Did we in our own strength confide  
Our striving would be losing  
Were not the right man on our side  
The man of God's own choosing  
Dost ask who that may be  
Christ Jesus it is He  
The Lord of Hosts, His name  
From age to age the same  
And He must win the battle

## **Chorus:**

A mighty fortress! A rock unfailing  
The King of Glory forever! Amen!  
For endless ages enthroned in praises  
The King of Glory forever! Amen!

## **Verse 3:**

And tho' this world with devils filled  
Should threaten to undo us  
We will not fear for God hath willed  
His truth to triumph through us  
The prince of darkness grim  
We tremble not for him  
His rage we can endure  
For lo his doom is sure  
One little word shall fell him

## **Verse 4:**

That word above all earthly pow'rs  
No thanks to them abideth  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
Thro' Him who with us sideth  
Let goods and kindred go  
This mortal life also  
The body they may kill  
God's truth abideth still  
His kingdom is forever

## Scripture Reading — Acts 6:1-7 (ESV)

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<sup>1</sup> Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. <sup>2</sup> And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. <sup>3</sup> Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. <sup>4</sup> But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." <sup>5</sup> And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. <sup>6</sup> These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.

<sup>7</sup> And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

## O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer

Nathan Stiff | Jason Brown

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### Verse 1:

O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer  
Greatest treasure of my longing soul  
My God like You there is no other  
True delight is found in You alone

Your grace a well too deep to fathom  
Your love exceeds the heavens' reach  
Your truth a fount of perfect wisdom  
My highest good and my unending need

### Verse 2:

O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer  
Strong defender of my weary heart  
My sword to fight the cruel deceiver  
And my shield against his hateful darts

My song when enemies surround me  
My hope when tides of sorrow rise  
My joy when trials are abounding  
Your faithfulness my refuge in the night

### Verse 3:

O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer  
Gracious Savior of my ruined life  
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders  
In my place You suffered bled and died

You rose the grave and death are conquered  
You broke my bonds of sin and shame  
O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer  
May all my days bring glory to Your Name

## **Sermon Notes**

### **“Qualifications of a Deacon” :: 1 Timothy 3:8-11**

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O Church Arise

Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

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## **Verse 1:**

O church arise and put your armor on  
Hear the call of Christ our Captain  
For now the weak can say that they are strong  
In the strength that God has given  
With shield of faith and belt of truth  
We'll stand against the devil's lies  
An army bold whose battle cry is Love  
Reaching out to those in darkness

## **Verse 2:**

Our call to war to love the captive soul  
But to rage against the captor  
And with the sword  
that makes the wounded whole  
We will fight with faith and valor  
When faced with trials on every side  
We know the outcome is secure  
And Christ will have  
The prize for which He died  
An inheritance of nations

## **Verse 3:**

Come see the cross  
Where love and mercy meet  
As the Son of God is stricken  
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet  
For the Conqueror has risen  
And as the stone is rolled away  
And Christ emerges from the grave  
This victory march continues till the day  
Every eye and heart shall see Him

## **Verse 4:**

So Spirit come put strength in every stride  
Give grace for every hurdle  
That we may run with faith to win the prize  
Of a servant good and faithful  
As saints of old still line the way  
Retelling triumphs of His grace  
We hear their calls and hunger for the day  
When with Christ we stand in glory

## This Week at First Baptist Church

### **Sunday, March 30**

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

### **Monday, March 31**

### **Tuesday, April 1**

10:30 AM Tuesday Ladies Bible Study

### **Wednesday, April 2**

6:30 PM Church Prayer Meeting

### **Thursday, April 3**

### **Friday, April 4**

11:00 AM Mary Dina Funeral Service

### **Saturday, April 5**

### **Sunday, April 6**

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes  
10:00 AM Sunday Worship w/ Lord's Supper

## Upcoming Events at First Baptist Church

### **TODAY, 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

### **Sunday, April 27**

Church Potluck Lunch following worship service (details to come)

### **Sunday, May 4**

Constitution Review Meeting — meet for one hour following worship service

# Praying with First Baptist Church

## A Prayer Guide for the week of March 30

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

One of the ways we learn to pray is by using examples in Scripture to inspire our own prayer life. This week, we encourage you to use the prayer of the Apostle Paul from 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 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 God would use the teachings from “The Disciple-Making Parent” Conference this weekend to strengthen and encourage all those who have spiritual influence on the children and students of our church family. (Psalm 78:4; 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 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 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 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, Family of Mary Dina (died March 16), Lucie Lowe, Pointer/Love Families (death of Amy’s son, Joshua James “JJ” Love), Bonnie Trott, 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).*



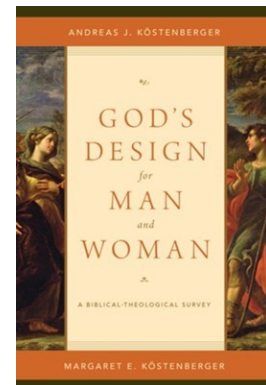
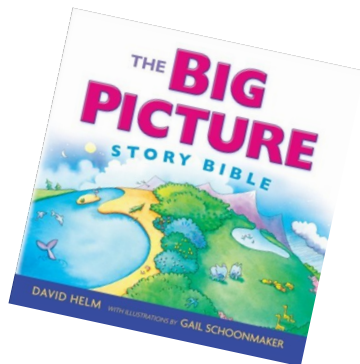
**Isaac Neal**

**Deacon of the Book Stall**

## 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!



We have a great assortment of books for all ages and levels of spiritual maturity. There are books to support and assist you with biblical topics regarding the culture during the OT and NT. You could seek books that open up what God's word says about dealing with various topics along your spiritual walk. There may also be the answer to a friend's question about salvation. These are a few of the potential supports available at the Book Stall.

But, how exactly does this ministry team work? Well, it takes having a plan, procedures, and dedicated team members in place to meet the needs of our congregation. Members of our current team are Cathy Baskins, May Heyd, Taryn Jones and Isaac Neal. Yes, there are two slots available to join this team.

# Ministry Spotlight: Book Stall

## Book Stall Duties and Responsibilities

We have a team filled with members of our church that possess wisdom and delight in the Lord. Their service to the Book Stall speaks to their desire to enhance their knowledge of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and to share that with others through the Book Stall. There are several duties and responsibilities for members of this team.

On Sundays, we have two-week rotations with one person to run the Book Stall and second person on standby to ensure coverage and to help out as needed. We have a vast number of books available on the Book Stall and it is important to provide assistance in locating requested books.

Each month, we perform a complete inventory and update our inventory list. Based on the results of our inventory, we will replenish our inventory and order books to replace those that are out of stock.

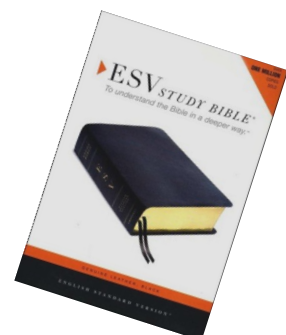
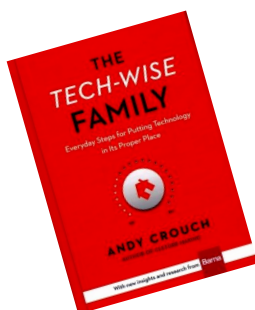
Of course, there will be times when the Pastors may recommend that we add a new book to our inventory, that means we will update our online catalog to include the new book with a detailed description. As shipments are received, we will need assistance with applying price stickers and restocking shelves.



Team members will be trained on processing digital purchases using Square and how to send the weekly deposit to the FBCUM Treasurer.

For this reason, staffing is critical to our success, we would like to maintain six (6) team members allowing for two-week rotations.

Anyone interested in learning more about the Book Stall is encouraged to contact **Isaac Neal, Deacon of the Book Stall**.



# Announcements

## **1. Interested in Church Membership? Attend Starting Point :: TODAY 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 in the Youth Rooms (rooms 120-125) A light lunch will be served.

**2. Church Prayer Meeting on Wed., April 2nd at 6:30 PM.** We look forward to praying together, as well as hearing testimony and biblical encouragement as a church family.

**3. Lord's Supper Celebration NEXT Sunday, April 6.** We encourage you to prayerfully prepare your heart to receive the Lord's Supper together as we remember the work of Christ on our behalf. Part of our celebration is reaffirming our unity as the body of Christ. Therefore, if you know of any reconciliation that needs to happen between you and another brother or sister in Christ in the church, we hope you'll take the time to prayerfully do that this week.

**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.



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

[1 Timothy 3:8-13](#)

“Qualifications of a Deacon” – March 30, 2025



## Introduction

If you are in a situation where you need lifesaving surgery, how important are the doctor's credentials? Qualifications matter, not just for those who care for your physical body, but also for those caring for your soul.

Deacons serve by meeting practical needs and by supporting the role of the elders. In [Acts 6](#), we see people coming to Christ, but we also see a problem. The Hellenistic Jewish widows were being neglected. The Apostles brought the disciples together to select men who would come up with a solution to meet the need.

Elders and deacons have different roles, but they come together for a common goal - for the word of God to increase. How we structure ourselves as a church matters because the church is to be the pillar and buttress of truth. It is God's heart for all people to be saved, so coming together in a unified purpose is essential.

## Sermon Outline

1. General Qualifications – vs. 8-10
2. Specific Qualifications for women – vs. 11
3. Specific Qualifications for Men – vs. 12
4. A Promise for Faithful Deacons – vs. 13

## Discussion

### 1. Read Vs. 8-10

Deacons must live a life worthy of respect. They must not be double tongued. A double tongued person is like a snake, speaking from both sides of the mouth. This is gossip. You can gossip with your mouth AND your ears. If you refuse to speak it or listen to it, it dies out. ([Proverbs 26:20](#)) “Gossip is bearing bad news behind someone's back out of a bad heart.” Gossip can be temptingly delicious. ([Proverbs 26:22](#)) Gossip tastes good in the moment, but it is poison that divides friends and destroys communities and churches ([Proverbs 16:28](#)) A deacon must promote unity, not destroy it with their words.

Deacons must be self-controlled. We must be careful about how we treat wine or wealth so that it doesn't become an idol. Deacons must know and hold fast to the gospel of Jesus that reconciles sinners to God and people to each other. Paul made the gospel clear in [1 Timothy 1:15](#). Jesus came to save sinners who need to be rescued. All have sinned and can't get to God on our own merit or good works. Sin separates us from God and each other and is so destructive that it leaves us spiritual dead. ([Ephesians 2:1](#)) When we come in repentance and faith in Christ, we are reconciled to God and each other. If a deacon is to come into a contentious situation to bring peace, they MUST know the gospel! They must be able to absorb complaints. It is only by holding on to the gospel that a deacon can have the strength and wisdom to keep going. This is applying the gospel with a clear conscience. How well do you know the gospel and how do you apply it to situations of life?

How do we know if they are qualified? Rushing a person into a position of leadership is a dangerous thing to do. There isn't a timeline or step-by-step process, and it will look different from church to church. A church must have a way of examining a person.

### 2. Read Vs. 11

There are two main interpretations of [verse 11](#), with disagreement of the word “wives.” It could be “wives of deacons” (ESV) or it could be “women deacons.” (NASB) There is a biblical case for both.

In the church, we operate by practical theology. We can't just theorize. We need to decide but not divide. On essential and clear biblical teachings, we must protect truth. This is not one of those issues. There is a case for women deacons. Some will be persuaded and other will not, and that's ok. Culture and tradition are hidden

influences in how we think. Changing and rethinking this idea may be unsettling. We must all work to submit our cultural thinking, our thinking on tradition, and our fear to the word of God. This is true for ALL of life as we think about difficult decisions. You don't need to hide from difficult questions and decisions. Come to them with an open Bible which is the ultimate authority. The case for women deacons only works if deacons in a church operate like deacons and not elders, because the role of pastor is limited to qualified men. Are there cultural or traditional influences that have effected your thinking about this topic? Is there something unsettling to you about having women deacons?

Seven reasons that [verse 11](#) refers to women deacons:

1. "Gune" (Greek) in [vs. 11](#) can mean "wives or "women" depending on the context. It is translated "women" in 1 Timothy. ([1 Timothy 2:9](#))
2. The absence of the pronoun "their" in the Greek
3. "Likewise" in [vs. 11](#) introduces a new section parallel to deacons in [vs. 8](#).
4. The placement of "husband of one wife" (Literally "one woman man" in [vs. 12](#)) It is at the beginning of this next section which is parallel to the qualifications for elders. ([vs. 2](#))
5. It is unlikely to have more stringent qualifications for deacons than elders. (There are no qualifications for an elder's wife.)
6. The example of Phoebe in [Romans 16:1](#), a servant, "daikonos," of the church of Cenchreae
7. The deacon's role (rightly defined) does not violate the prohibition in [1 Timothy 2:12](#). The authority in that verse refers to broad authority over the whole church. The deacon's authority is a narrow administrative authority under the oversight of the elders. Teaching is not a requirement for deacons.

Will you take the time to think all of this through, pray about it and/or talk to the elders about this issue? We will take the time to teach on this more.

### 3. Read Vs. 12

Here, Paul gave two specific qualification for men. We know that he was speaking of men because they must be the husband of one wife. While being married is not a requirement, if he is, then a male deacon must be devoted to his wife. He must also lead and love his family well, but it doesn't mean that he must have children.

### 4. Read Vs. 13

Being a deacon is hard work. It is demanding work. Deacons are called to step into difficult, sometimes tumultuous situations, receive complaints, and absorb the shock to promote unity and further the ministry.

The work of a deacon is often behind the scenes. It is often thankless. Those who serve well, earn the respect of the community and the church. They also gain great confidence in the faith. The deacon relies on God and His grace, and God assures them.

True greatness is being a servant. ([Mark 10:35-45](#)) When we call someone to serve as a deacon, we, as a congregation, vow to pray for, support, encourage and cooperate with them in their work. This will strengthen our church to be a pillar and buttress of truth so that many come to Christ as we go according to God's command. ([Matthew 28:18-20](#))

### 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="#">Psalm 16</a> "Joy in God's Presence" |
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## Family Guide for week of March 30<sup>th</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 16:19-31

Day 2 – Luke 17:1-6

Day 3 – Luke 17:7-10

Day 4 – Luke 17:11-19

Day 5 – Luke 17:20-37

\*Read **Psalm 16** preparation for church on Sunday, April 6, 2025

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

Pray about one thing you read in Scripture together.

Pray for a few church members on pg. 2 of our church directory. Pray for any specific needs of you and your family.

*Thank God for the gifts and talents He has given you. Ask God to help you use the gifts and talents He gave you to tell others about Jesus and bring glory to Himself.*

## **Sing together**

"Steadfast Love" – 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 37:** How does the Holy Spirit help us?

**Answer:** The Holy Spirit convicts us of our sin, he enables us to pray and to understand God's Word.

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