

Sunday Morning Worship

April 6, 2025



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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 — Proverbs 3:5-8 (ESV)

- ⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.
- ⁶ In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.
- ⁷ Be not wise in your own eyes;
fear the LORD, and turn away from evil.
- ⁸ It will be healing to your flesh
and refreshment to your bones.

Glorious

Mark Altrogge

Verse 1:

How great You are
Your greatness none can fathom
Upholding all
by Your Almighty Word
The universe fulfills Your every purpose
And all You've made
Will bring You praise oh God

Chorus:

You are glorious, glorious
And we will lift our voices to worship You
You are glorious, glorious
And we will always be in awe of You

Verse 2:

You move the stars
The planets in their courses
The clouds and wind
and everything that moves
You hold my life
You take my joys and sorrows
And cause them all to bring glory to You

Verse 3:

Your ways are high
Too deep for man to fathom
But You are good
and this will be my theme
You sent Your Son
To live and die for sinners
So I will trust and hope in You my King

I Stand Amazed in the Presence

Charles Hutchison Gabriel

Verse 1:

I stand amazed in the presence
Of Jesus the Nazarene
And wonder how He could love me
A sinner condemned unclean
And wonder how He could love me
A sinner condemned unclean

Verse 2:

He took my sins and my sorrows
He made them His very own
He bore the burden to Calvary
And suffered and died alone
He bore the burden to Calvary
And suffered and died alone

Chorus:

How marvelous, how wonderful
And my song shall ever be
How marvelous, how wonderful
Is my Savior's love for me

Verse 3:

And with the ransomed in glory
His face I at last shall see
It will be my joy through the ages
To sing of His love for me
It will be my joy through the ages
To sing of His love for me

Scripture Reading — Acts 2:22-36 (ESV)

²² “Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— ²³ this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴ God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵ For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;
²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
my flesh also will dwell in hope.
²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.
²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

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Scripture Reading (continued)

²⁹ “Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne ³¹ he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³² This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³ Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴ For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

“The Lord said to my Lord,

“Sit at my right hand,

³⁵ until I make your enemies your footstool.”

³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

So I Will Trust You

Stephen Altrogge

Verse 1:

Almighty Maker, Universe Shaper
You put the stars into space
Yet You descended You have befriended
Those who have hated Your Name
Just like me

Chorus:

King of Glory I know You love me
So I will trust You
Yes I will trust You
God Almighty You have saved me
So I will trust You
Yes I will trust in You

Verse 2:

Lord over nations, King of Creation
Heaven and earth bow to You
I am Your child I've been reconciled
With tender affection You drew
Me to You

Bridge:

How could I not trust my King
The One Who has formed me and shaped me
I will rejoice and will sing
For the One Who has made me
has saved me

Sermon Notes

“Joy in God’s Presence” :: Psalm 16

Church Covenant

Having, as we trust, been brought by divine grace to repent and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and to give up ourselves to Him, and having been baptized upon our profession of faith, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, relying on His gracious aid, solemnly and joyfully renew our covenant with each other.

We will engage in assembling ourselves together while praying for one another. We will strive for and promote the spiritual growth and advancement of the church by; sustaining worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; contributing cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

As a body of believers, we agree to maintain family and personal devotions, to educate our children in the Christian faith, and to seek the salvation of our family and acquaintances. We will seek to avoid all practices or speech which bring unwarranted harm to the body or jeopardize our own or another's faith.

We will walk together in Christian love by faithfully caring for, watching over, and admonishing one another as occasions may require. In conflict, we will seek to follow Christ's example of reconciliation without delay. We will always strive to be humble and courteous in our speech and slow to take offense. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with a like-minded church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

I Will Glory in My Redeemer

Steve and Vikki Cook

Verse 1:

I will glory in my Redeemer
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails
And hung Him on
that judgment tree

I will glory in my Redeemer
His faithfulness, My standing place
Though foes are mighty
And rush up on me
My feet are firm held by His grace
My feet are firm held by His grace

I will glory in my Redeemer
Who crushed the power of sin and death
My only Savior before the holy Judge
The Lamb Who is my righteousness
The Lamb Who is my righteousness

Verse 3:

I will glory in my Redeemer
Who carries me on eagle's wings
He crowns my life with loving kindness
His triumph song I'll ever sing

Verse 2:

I will glory in my Redeemer
My life He bought, My love He owns
I have no longings for another
I'm satisfied in Him alone

I will glory in my Redeemer
Who waits for me at gates of gold
And when He calls me it will be paradise
His face forever to behold
His face forever to behold

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen!

This Week at First Baptist Church

Sunday, April 6

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes

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

Monday, April 7

Tuesday, April 8

10:30 AM Tuesday Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, April 9

5:45 PM King's Kids Choir

6:30 PM AWANA

Elder-led Bible Study

Choir/Band Rehearsal

Thursday, April 10

Friday, April 11

Saturday, April 12

6:30 AM Bible Boot Camp

8:00 AM Titus 2

Sunday, April 13 (Palm Sunday)

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes

10:00 AM Sunday Worship w/ Baptism

Upcoming Events at First Baptist Church

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

Sunday, May 18

Church Members' Meeting — following worship service

Sunday, July 13

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.)

Praying with First Baptist Church

A Prayer Guide for the week of April 6

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:

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 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 last 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 strengthen and encourage our Deacons and Ministry Team leaders as they work to meet the practical needs of our church family and those in our community (1 Samuel 12:24; Deut. 31:6). See “Ministry Spotlight” pages for highlights and prayer requests.
- 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).*

ChildLIFE Ministry



Each Sunday, something amazing happens in the Children's Ministry area. The ChildLIFE Ministry volunteers show up at 9:45am to meet and provide care for our children—babies through PreK—during the worship service.

When parents with preschool-aged children arrive at check-in, they provide information about allergies or any other details that may impact their child's attendance in ChildLIFE. These details help ChildLIFE workers care for our children during their visit—especially during snack time. Once the children are checked in, the parents receive a corresponding lanyard which must be matched with the child at pick-up time after the service.

As the children enter their classrooms they are greeted by volunteers with smiles in a beautifully decorated room with scripture verses that speak about the importance of being intentional about sharing the gospel. Children settle in and eventually move toward the toys that have been washed since their last visit for their safety. Every effort is made during the week to be sure the ChildLIFE space is pleasant and decorative, as well as clear of any potential hazards. Toys are carefully chosen to allow children to use them without fear of small parts or sharp edges. There are also a specific ratio of adult volunteers to children, to ensure that someone can keep an eye on all of the activities in the room. Children are always supervised by more than one adult.

Our goal in ChildLIFE is to partner with parents in discipling their children. As children play with one another they are developing social skills, learning how to problem solve, and being supportive to one another. Some children may also play games, make craft projects, listen to biblical stories, sing songs, or watch approved videos that promote Christian morals and values.



Ministry Spotlight: ChildLIFE

Having this safe and caring atmosphere, with volunteers who know the children and their parents, makes our families look forward to their time in ChildLIFE.

Our wonderful volunteers consist of parents of preschool children, other church members, and some youth volunteers that have a heart to serve our children and their families. ChildLIFE volunteers receive a schedule several weeks in advance to ensure that each person is available for their scheduled service time. This allows for adjustments to be made in advance to keep ChildLIFE fully functional. Following this plan, parents of preschool-aged children are able to serve about twice in three months and have the ability to attend worship service ten Sundays out of twelve without distractions. Cooperation is the key that makes this system work.



Did you know that some of our current parent and youth volunteers were once ChildLIFE attendees? It is wonderful to see how our church supports parents and children in such a loving way.

The ChildLIFE Ministry is great, and our team of volunteers are awesome. If you are a volunteer that serves in ChildLIFE, please know how much you are appreciated.

Next week we will learn more about the ChildLIFE Ministry team leader, Ashley Meekins-Smith. Stay tuned.



Announcements

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**1. Good Friday Worship — April 18 at 7:00pm.** Mark your calendar and join us for worship on the evening of Good Friday as we remember the atoning work of Christ on the cross for us. The service begins at 7pm on Friday, April 18. There is no childcare for the service, but we encourage our families to bring their little ones along to worship with us.

**2. Church Potluck after worship on April 27.** Join our church potluck on Sunday, April 27, following the worship service. Bring a favorite dish to share and enjoy great food and fellowship. Additional information will be available closer to the event.

**3. Constitution Review Meeting :: Sunday, May 4.** 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 on May 4.

**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.



# Finding Joy in a Discontented World

[Psalm 16](#)

"Joy in God's Presence" – April 6, 2025



## Introduction

We treasure photographs. They remind us of people and events that are dear to us. They are especially precious when they remind us of people who have gone before us. Photographs bring us joy.

Psalm 16 reminds us to discover layers of joy. In spite of the losses, trials and tragedies of life, we can find joy in God's presence. David, the psalmist, experienced the lowest of lows and the highest of highs. This psalm will help us to know how God comes alongside us and gives us joy in all circumstances.

It is so easy to delight ourselves in so many other things like people, sports, hobbies, or even religious practices. When the music stops and things get rough, how does God show us how to find satisfaction and comfort for our soul?

## Sermon Outline

1. Seek divine refuge. Vs. 1-4
2. Embrace God's provisions. Vs. 5-8
3. Have Confidence in God's eternal pleasures and joy vs. 9-11

## Read & Discuss

### 1. Read vs. 1-4

Ultimate security does not lie in your own strength, but in God alone. God is the Shepherd who will guard us and guide us. He is our refuge - a place of safety, security and reliability.

Jesus calls us to Himself for protection and rest. ([Matthew 11:28-30](#)) Do you find refuge and rest in Jesus? God is dependable - He is Jehovah. God is Master. He alone is the One to whom we should submit. All goodness comes from God. ([James 1:17](#)) No one is good except God alone. ([Mark 10:17-22](#))

Those in gospel community will find strength and refuge along with others in the church. Do you delight in the church family? We need each other. Is there a particular brother or sister who brings you delight and encouragement? Faith is what we have in common with the body.

In contrast to the delight David finds in God's family, he did not waste time in following the things of the world. The people who follow those things are intent on finding their treasure in other gods. Do you find yourself being tempted to be pulled into the things of the world? What helps keep you from falling into that temptation?

### 2. Read vs. 5-8

God had provided for the children of Israel. Land was provided for them except the Levites. ([Numbers 18:20](#)) God was their inheritance and portion. David wanted God as his chosen portion. We live in a culture that tells us we need more things. Yet true contentment is found not in **what** we have but in **Who** we have.

This truth is fulfilled in Jesus. ([Colossians 2:3](#)) He is our inheritance. This is guaranteed by the gift of the Holy Spirit. ([Ephesians 1:11-14](#)) Why would you follow other gods? Like David, you can have an intimate relationship with God. ([vs. 7](#)) Have you always set the Lord before you? Do you trust God with the "small things" as well as the big things that you are confronted with in life? Train your mind to know that God is always with you, caring and protecting.

### 3. Read vs. 9-11

David's joy was based on his relationship with God. His gladness was deep seated, stemming from the security that is found in God. David found rest and joy. This joy cannot be shaken by external circumstances. God is in control. All things work for good. We can praise Him in every storm and not just favorable circumstances.

God is the object and giver of joy. As the Holy Spirit indwells the believer, the fruit of joy is a result. How do you respond to the circumstances of life? Do you let God train your heart in those difficult circumstances as well as joyful ones?

Are you looking for satisfaction in worldly things? Do you allow the things of the world to control you? Do you forget that you are a new creation and seek joy in other things? Are you doing the things that God has called you to do?

Jesus came to pay the price and reconcile us to God. He was crucified, buried and rose again! He had victory over death and now sits at the right hand of God. This is where we find joy and true pleasure forevermore. This is also a message of hope for our eternal future. We can trust 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 [bcum.org](http://bcum.org)

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| <b>Next week's sermon text:</b> we turn to <a href="#">1 Timothy 3:14-16</a> <b>"Protect and Display the Gospel"</b> |
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## Family Guide for week of April 6<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 18:1-8

Day 2 – Luke 18:9-14

Day 3 – Luke 18:15-17

Day 4 – Luke 18:18-30

Day 5 – Luke 18:31-34

**\*Read 1 Timothy 3:14-16** in preparation for church on Sunday, April 13, 2025

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

Pray about one thing you read in Scripture together.

Pray for a few church members on pg. 3 of our church directory. Pray for any specific needs of you and your family.

*Praise God for the friends who love you, help you, and encourage you to follow God.*

*Thank God for your family. Thank Him for the ways they have protected and provided for you.*

### **Sing together**

"I Stand Amazed in the Presence" – Use the bulletin from Sunday

### **Memory verses for the month**

**Philippians 4:19** *"And my God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."*

**Matthew 28:6a** *"He is not here, for He has reason as he said."*

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

**Question 38:** What is prayer?

**Answer:** Prayer is pouring out our hearts to God.

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