

Sunday Morning 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 36:5-9 (ESV)

⁵Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

⁶Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;
your judgments are like the great deep;
man and beast you save, O LORD.

⁷How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

⁸They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

⁹For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light do we see light.

How Great Is Your Faithfulness

Jonas Myrin | Matt Redman

Verse 1:

Now unto the King who reigns over all
And never changes or turns
Unfailing justice unfading grace
Whose promises remain
Yes Your promises remain

Chorus:

The heavens ring
The saints all sing
Great is Your faithfulness
From age to age we will proclaim
Great is Your faithfulness
How great is Your faithfulness

Verse 2:

Ev'rything changes but You stay the same
Your Word and kingdom endure
We lean on the promise of all that You are
And trust forevermore
We will trust forevermore

Bridge:

From generation to generation
You never failed us O God
Yesterday and today and tomorrow
Until the day You return

The Gospel

The Gospel is the good news that God is redeeming the world through Christ and that He calls everyone everywhere to repent from sin and trust Jesus Christ for salvation.

Each of us has sinned against God, breaking His law and rebelling against His rule,
and the penalty for our sin is death and hell.

But because of His love, God sent His Son, Jesus to live for His people's sake the perfect, obedient life
God requires and to die on the cross in our place for our sin.

On the third day, Christ arose bodily from the grave and now reigns in heaven, offering forgiveness,
righteousness, resurrection, and eternal blessedness in God's presence to everyone who repents of sin
and trusts solely in Him for salvation.

His Glory and My Good

Ben Fielding | Jonny Robinson | Rich Thomson

Verse 1:

I have seen my Father's glory
Revealed in Jesus Christ
And the more that I behold Him
The more He satisfies
When I gaze upon His beauty
When I see Him as I should
Then my eyes are lifted upward
For His glory and my good

Verse 2:

There is hope in every trial
For I can trust the Lord
He will turn my heart towards Him
And help me bear the thorn
So in faith, I follow Jesus
On the road not understood
For I know that He is working
For His glory and my good

Chorus:

To our God be the glory, to our God be praise
He alone, the name above all names
I will boast ever only in the Lord, my God
For I know His glory is my good

Verse 3:

See the open arms of Jesus
Upon the cross that day
What they understood as weakness
Deserves my every praise
For the charge that was against me
It was nailed into the wood
Yes, I know that He has saved me
For His glory and my good

Verse 4:

Would I gladly be made nothing
That Christ would be made more?
Would I seek the only kingdom
That far outweighs them all?
I will stand before my Father
Where the faithful saints have stood
And with joy, my heart shall praise Him
For His glory and my good

Scripture Reading — Ephesians 2:8-22 (ESV)

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

¹¹ Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— ¹² remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵ by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷ And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹ in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²² In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Christ Is All in All

Kristyn Getty | Dwan Hill | Ben Shive

Verse 1:

Sons and daughters of the King, rise up and sing
that Christ is all in all.

Sing the glories of His name, together proclaim
that Christ is all in all.

Verse 2:

Brothers, sisters, build upon this cornerstone for
Christ is all in all.

Worship Him with lives renewed, in Spirit and
Truth for Christ is all in all.

Chorus:

See how He loves us; children of God!

Now let us love each other.

If He has called us children of God,

That's who we are, His chosen and beloved.

Verse 3:

Bound together by His blood, rooted in love
where Christ is all in all.

Standing in one faith, one Lord, one holy accord
where Christ is all in all.

Bridge:

Look at what the Lord has done;

Made us one by the blood of Jesus!

Look at what the Lord has done;

Now we love with the love of Jesus!

Message :: Deuteronomy 8:1-20

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 agree that should we leave 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.

Happy in Jesus

Eric McAllister

Verses 1 & 2:

Are you happy in Jesus?
Does the news leave you thrilled —
That He carried the burden of sin
That we rightly deserved to feel?
Would you rather have Jesus
Than the praises of kings —
for you rest in the sweet commendation
of knowing you've been redeemed?

Chorus:

Happy in Jesus! Forgiven and free —
He means more than this whole wide world to me;
Wonderful Jesus, the One that I call
My life, my peace, my joy, my all in all!

Verses 3 & 4:

When temptation is calling
Do you flee to His side —
As the pleasure of sin is eclipsed
By the beauty of Jesus Christ?
Have you made Him your treasure?
Have you counted the cost —
And consider the life that He offers
Is worth any early loss?

Bridge:

Grace to cover all my sin
My life made new in Him
I'm happy in the Lord
Peace to ease my anxious mind
Upheld by love divine
I'm happy in the Lord
Hope invincible and sure
Is mine forevermore
I'm happy in the Lord
God and heaven are my own
My Father and my home
I'm happy in the Lord

Verse 5:

Do you long for His presence
Just to be where He dwells
For a day with the Savior is better
Than thousands anywhere else

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, June 7

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes
10:00 AM Sunday Worship
5:00 PM Church Picnic "Celebrating the Faithfulness of God"

Monday, June 8

Tuesday, June 9

6:30 PM Elders Meeting

Wednesday, June 10

6:30 PM Band Rehearsal

Thursday, June 11

Friday, June 12

Saturday, June 13

Sunday, June 14

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

Upcoming Events at First Baptist Church

TODAY, June 7

9am — Children's DiscipleLIFE Promotion Sunday
5pm — Church Picnic "Celebrating the Faithfulness of God"

Wednesday, June 17

7pm — Summer Seminar #1: "Marijuana and the Christian"

June 22—26

9am—12:15pm — Vacation Bible School: "Illumination Station" (K-6)
1pm—3pm — "Acts of Faith" (grades 2-6)

Sunday, July 12 — Graduate Recognition Sunday

Sunday, July 12 — Starting Point Seminar following worship

(Seminar for those interested in church membership. Contact the church office to register.)

Wednesday, July 22

7pm — Summer Seminar #2: "Deacons, Part 1: Deacons and the Bible"

Praying with First Baptist Church

A Prayer Guide for the week of June 7

Prayer of the week:

One of the ways we learn to pray is by using the Scripture as a springboard and inspiration for our own prayer life. This week, consider using these words from Hebrews 12:1. If you're praying through the church directory, consider asking God to work in these ways in those you're praying for each day:

*...let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely,
and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us...*

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 (Bangkok City Baptist Church, Thailand), and Tommie van der Walt (Imprint, South Africa). Pray the gospel would flourish and churches would be planted and strengthened through their work. Pray 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:

- Pray for the Messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention which meets June 7-10 in Orlando. Pray for wisdom and clarity as they vote on important matters that relate to the cooperative kingdom work of Southern Baptist churches around the world. (James 1:5)
- Pray that our Summer Seminar series led by the elders would be helpful, informative, and productive as we consider the following topics; Marijuana and the Christian (June 17), Deacons and the Bible (July 22), and Deacons in church History and Our History (August 12).
- Pray for teachers and students in our church family who are completing their final weeks of classes for the school year. Pray that God would help them to finish well and give them physical and spiritual strength to endure. See a list of our out-of-town college students toward the back of the church directory.
- Pray God brings good spiritual fruit in the lives of our children and students this summer through Vacation Bible School (June 22-26) and Youth Summer Camp (July 13-18). (Gal 5:22-23)
- Pray that God would help our church family use the summer season for unique opportunities of evangelism, to build each other up, and to love one another well (Rom. 12:9-21)
- 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:

Connie Crawford, Mykal Haynes (death of mother), Jackie Jones, Eileen Kessler, Peter Pierce, Ashley Meekins-Smith (death of grandfather)

Consult the church directory for a list of those who are homebound and unable to attend.

(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

“Ministry Spotlight” highlights church ministries and programs at FBC Upper Marlboro. We hope you’ll consider how you can pray for and support these ministry efforts. Pick up a copy of “Places to Serve” in the magazine racks near the exits for information on all the church ministries.

Counting Ministry

Tanya Joy :: Ministry Leader

Each Sunday Tithes and Offerings are giving to the church. Some of the gifts are presented online and also in person. Giving is a part of our worship experience that acknowledges our faith in the Lord for all He has given in the lives of believers.

The process of counting is simplistic in nature but it does require a keen eye for details. Counters show up at the church on a designated date and time and receive all of the physical offers given during the week (by mail) and in person on Sunday mornings. They meet in a room that is secured and parties are not to be left alone with the funds for security reasons.



Counters are particularly careful to sort funds, ensure that the amount on the envelope matches its contents, that names are clear and legible for recording. This process permits a donor’s account to be properly credited for tax purposes. All donations are totaled and recorded to its fund designation and is submitted to the financial secretary and treasurer.

This process is complete when both sides of the summary of receipts (ledger) balance and is initialed by counters and funds are deposited at the bank.

All members of the counting team are trained and must be available to serve during the work days. The commitment is one day a month for approximately 2 hours max. **If you are interested, please contact Tanya Joy in the church office for more details.**

Ministry Spotlight

Deacon Benevolence

Michael Whittaker :: Deacon of Benevolence

Deacons have a crucial role in the life and the health of the local church. The biblical role of deacons is to take care of the physical and logistical needs of the church so that the elders can concentrate on their primary calling.



The deacons' role is more service-oriented; they are to care for the physical or temporal concerns of the church. By handling such matters, deacons free up the elders to focus on shepherding the spiritual needs of the congregation. One of these many areas is Benevolence. Benevolence is the act of caring for the widows, orphans, and the needy.

Benevolence: The Deacons at FBCUM take this role seriously and make decisions based on the leading of the Holy Spirit and utilizing carefully all of the opportunities available to determine the best manner to proceed. Care for those seeking assistance involves mentoring and praying but also research. Discretion is extremely important for this ministry work to be performed.

The Deacon of Benevolence may on occasion require assistance from discreet members of the body to research contacts and confirm information . **If you would like to learn more please contact our Deacon of Benevolence, Mike Whittaker.**

Please note that anyone serving on the Counting Ministry or with Deacon Benevolence, are to be completely discreet in all matters, nothing is to be discussed outside of your service.

Announcements

1. **Church Picnic — “Celebrating the Faithfulness of God” — TODAY at 5pm.** Join us promptly at 5pm for a special presentation meant to reflect on God’s faithfulness in the past and share vision for the future ministry of FBCUM. Then, enjoy a catered meal and fellowship on the front lawn. As always, bring along your picnic items (lawn chairs, blankets, games, etc.) Donations will be taken to help offset the cost of food. Any excess funds will go to help our students fund their summer trip. We’re looking forward to a joyful afternoon of fellowship as a church family.

2. **VBS 2026 “Illumination Station” :: June 22-26 :: 9a-12:15p :: K-6th.** Registration open! Space is limited. First-come, first-served. Open to community starting June 8th. Placement based on age of child as of Sept 1. Grades 3-6 can also register for the new afternoon track, “Acts of Faith”, emphasizing music, acting, and dance. Scan QR code or visit church website.



3. **VBS Volunteer Meeting :: TODAY.** Mandatory 20-minute meeting TODAY immediately following the worship service in room 117/118. Volunteers will be provided with info about this year's program, VBS T-shirt, schedule, and materials. (Teen helpers do NOT need to attend).

4. **Young Adult Gathering :: June 14 at 4pm :: Home of Mike and Marsha Davenport.** Young Adults are invited to a time of fellowship and refreshments. Contact Tre Fields for more info.

5. **Summer Seminar #1 :: “Marijuana and the Christian” — June 17, 7-8pm.** Join us for the first Summer Seminar as we consider how to think biblically about marijuana. Q&A will follow. Mark your calendar for seminar #2 (7/22) and #3 (8/12) on the topic of Deacons.

6. **Glover Scholarship.** Members who are 2026 high school graduates attending college in the fall are eligible to apply for the Glover Scholarship. Contact Mike Rogers for application. Submissions due June 21.

7. **Graduate Recognition Sunday — July 12.** We plan to recognize and give thanks to God for our 2026 graduates on July 12. If you would like to announce your child’s or your own graduation information, provide the following details and a graduation photo to Mike Rogers (mrogers@fbcum.org) by July 1 (mrogers@fbcum.org): Name, Name of High School or College (degree), Future Plans.

8. **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.



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.



Looking to God Our Provider

[Deuteronomy 8:1-20](#)

“Looking Back with Thanks; Looking Forward with Hope”– June 7, 2026



Introduction

Imagine yourself in the driver's seat during a massive snowstorm? How would you feel? You would probably have adrenaline racing through your body as you white knuckle the steering wheel. You are praying every mile that you drive. Now imagine that you've made it home, and you are safe, warm, and calm. Where are your prayers now?

It is human nature to be earnest in prayer when there is danger and sadly, to have spiritual forgetfulness when life is going well with no danger. This is where the children of Israel were. They were on the brink of entering the Promised Land after wandering in the wilderness for forty years. Moses was reminding them how the Lord had taken care of them. He was challenging them to trust the Lord as they entered the land that God was giving them. How could they avoid drifting from God? How can we?

Sermon Outline

1. Look back - Remember the lessons of the wilderness. vs. 1-5
2. Look forward - Give thanks for God's faithful provision. Vs. 6-10
3. Look In - Beware the pitfall of pride. Vs. 11-20

Read & Discuss

1. Read Vs. 1 – 5

“Remembering” is the main idea of this text. God led them all the way from Egypt, through the wilderness and now to the brink of the Promised Land. Moses pictured the wilderness as a school. The lesson here is obedience. Not all of our wilderness experiences are a result of sin, but God uses them to develop humility. Testing reveals what is in your heart.

Stress exposes weakness. It reveals things that you didn't realize were there. It exposes the truth. What is exposed when you are under the pressure of a trial? Sinful anger? Impatience? A lack of trust? God will use the wilderness trial to purify our faith. It is painful, but it is a severe mercy, proving your faith genuine.

Wilderness trials humble you so that you trust in God. When the Israelites were traveling in the wilderness, God allowed them to be hungry and to be thirsty. God used that to remind them that He would provide for them. He provided manna daily. God was and is now teaching His people to depend on Him for everything. The manna was there every morning. God's mercies are new every morning.

In the New Testament, we see Jesus experiencing hunger and thirst for 40 days in the wilderness. When Satan came to tempt Him, he questioned God's care for Jesus who was hungry. This is the same old lie that Satan has been giving people since Genesis. He wants you to believe that God is not good. The Israelites believed the lie and thought that God hated them for allowing them to wander for forty years. When Satan tries to convince you that God is not good, do you want to “go back to Egypt” like the Israelites? Jesus responded to Satan that God is good, and His word is true. You can respond the same way.

Collectively, we can remember the lessons of the wilderness. Think back six years to 2020. There was a host of trials - covid 19, economic downturns, racial unrest, and political division. Look around. In spite of our differences on secondary or tertiary issues, by God's grace, we have worked through them. Our church is diverse - to the glory of God. He brought us through those hard times that could have destroyed us. We walked through the challenges together. It was a wilderness trial, and it exposed our hearts. What holds this church together? Is it agreeing on everything? Or is it Jesus, the authority of His word, and His rule on our life? God is faithful. He brought us through the last six years. What did those trials reveal in your life? We may still disagree about some things, but we have the unique, special bond as family because it is the Gospel that binds us together. Praise God for His faithfulness.

2. Read Vs. 6-10

Israel was in the wilderness for forty years because they failed and refused to trust God. By God's grace, they learned the lesson of the wilderness. Moses challenged them to obey the commandments of God. Some people hear that and their eyes glaze over because of how they view God. What is your view of God? What do you think about being asked to follow God's commands? Obedience is a response to God's goodness. God was

leading them to a good land flowing with milk and honey. They would lack nothing. How has God been good to you? Do you understand that God's commands are for your good?

In [vs. 10](#), to "bless" the Lord means to give thanks. Did they deserve the Promised Land? No. God gave it to them as a gift. The proper response when receiving a gift is gratitude. They weren't in the land yet, but God had already given it to them. His promises are sure, and He is so faithful.

When we look to the future, we need to remember that God is good; He wants our good, and He will get us to the Promised Land. We know the end of the story. One day, there will be no sickness, pain, grief, and sorrow. Do you know what tomorrow holds? There will be times of trial, but you can give thanks in hope because He is good and wants your good. He will get you all the way home.

As a church, we have a lot to be thankful for. Over the years, the people before us have left a legacy of faith. We have to be intentional in giving thanks. What are some things for which you are thankful?

3. Read Vs. 11-20

Sometimes, we tell stories over and over. Have you noticed that sometimes, those stories, as they are repeated, are embellished? Moses warned them in [vs. 12](#). When they were prospering, he wanted them to remember how they got there - it was not by their hand. It was the Lord.

This was not like forgetting an idea. It was forgetting a person. Don't forget the Lord. Don't reject Him. Take God's word and His presence seriously. Is God "weighty" in your life? What do you value? Do you elevate other things - success, the praise of man, bank accounts? Trials test the heart, but so will prosperity. Will pride creep up? Does it tempt you to "re-write" history? God has led you all the way! That is the true story. When we forget God, we take credit for what He has done. The human heart is desperate to perform because we want to impress.

Humility is not thinking poorly of yourself. That is a false humility. Humility is seeing yourself rightly in light of who God is. It is remembering that everything has been given to you as a gift. Then give thanks. Our church is not any one persons' church. It is Jesus' church. It is He who bought it with His blood. Christ builds His church. We confess. We pray. We bear witness. Jesus builds! Do what is given to you. Do it well by the grace and for the glory of God.

How do you avoid pride? By obeying God's commands. You have been delivered from sin. When you reflect at the end of the day, you will realize that there is a long way to go. Confess. Obey His command. Trust in Him. Your boast is NEVER in yourself. It is in what the Lord has done.

God created you and me. As our Creator, He sets the purpose for your life. It is glorious and dignified. However, if you treat God with indifference, you will shrivel and perish. Claiming to be wise apart from God, leaves you as a fool. It leads to chaos, confusion and sin in this world. If you remember God, obey His commands, and thank Him, You will flourish.

Has anyone perfectly and completely obeyed the voice of the Lord? Only Jesus has. We all deserve death and Hell. We avoid that by coming to Christ in repentance and faith. Jesus is the Bread of life Who feeds your hungry soul. He is the Living water, quenching thirst. He died in your place. He rose, victorious over sin, Satan, and death to show that all He did was complete. Turn from your sin and self-reliance. Come to Him in repentance and faith.

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.

Next week's sermon text: [Luke 8:40-56](#) "Do Not Fear; Only Believe"

Family Guide for week of June 7th, 2026

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](#).

Family Guide for week of June 7th, 2026

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.



Bible Intake: (Listening to God)

Day 1 – 1 Samuel 7:1-17

Day 2 – 1 Samuel 8:1-9

Day 3 – 1 Samuel 8:10-22

Day 4 – 1 Samuel 9:1-14

Day 5 – 1 Samuel 9:15-27

*Read Luke 8:40-56 in preparation for church on Sunday, June 14, 2026

Prayer: (Talking to God)

Pray about one thing you read in Scripture together.

Pray for a few church members on pg. 22 of our church directory. Pray for any specific needs of you and your family.

Take a moment to thank God for caring about you today. Tell God any worries on your heart and ask Him to give you peace as you rest, knowing His words are true and powerful.

Sing together

“Great is Your Faithfulness” – Use the bulletin from Sunday.

Memory verses for the month

Daniel 4:3 *“How great are his signs, how mighty his wonders! His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his dominion endures from generation to generation.”*

Matthew 6:33 *“But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.”*

Catechism question for the week¹

Question 47: Does the Lord's Supper add anything to Christ's atoning work?

Answer: No, Christ died once for all.

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