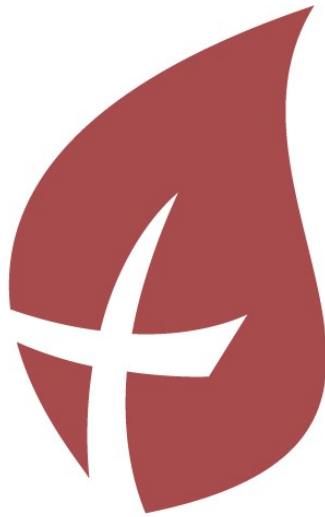


Sunday Morning Worship

September 20, 2026



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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 — Romans 6:1-4 (ESV)

¹ What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Jordan Kauflin | Keith Getty | Matt Boswell | Matt Papa | Matthew Merker

Verse 1:

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone!
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong.
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ in which we stand.

Chorus:

O sing, hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal
O sing, hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

Verse 2:

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good!
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ?

Verse 3:

Unto the grave what will we sing?
Christ He lives, Christ He lives!
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord.
Then sin and death will be destroyed.
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore.

The Solid Rock

Edward Mote | William Bradbury

Verse 1:

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus' name

Chorus:

On Christ the solid Rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand

Verse 2:

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil

Verse 3:

His oath His covenant His blood
Support me in the whelming flood
When all around my soul gives way
He then is all my hope and stay

Verse 4:

When He shall come with trumpet sound
O may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless to stand before the throne

Scripture Reading — Isaiah 55:6-11 (ESV)

⁶ “Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;
⁷ let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the LORD, that he may have
compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, declares
the LORD.
⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

¹⁰ “For as the rain and the snow come down from
heaven
and do not return there but water the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,
¹¹ so shall my word be that goes out from my
mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

Speak, O Lord

Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

Verse 1:

Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Verse 2:

Teach us Lord full obedience
Holy reverence, true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Verse 3:

Speak O Lord and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

Message :: “Seeing and Believing” :: Luke 11:29-36

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# Every Promise of Your Word

Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

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## **Verse 1:**

From the breaking of the dawn  
To the setting of the sun  
I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your word  
Words of power strong to save  
That will never pass away  
I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your word  
For Your covenant is sure  
And on this I am secure  
I can stand on ev'ry promise from Your word

## **Verse 2:**

When I stumble and I sin  
Condemnation pressing in  
I will stand on ev'ry promise of Your word  
You are faithful to forgive  
That in freedom I might live  
So I stand on ev'ry promise of Your word  
Guilt to innocence restored  
You remember sins no more  
So I'll stand on ev'ry promise of Your word

## **Verse 3:**

When I'm faced with anguished choice  
I will listen for Your voice  
And I'll stand on ev'ry promise of Your word  
Through this dark and troubled land  
You will guide me with Your hand  
As I stand on ev'ry promise of Your word  
And You've promised to complete  
Ev'ry work begun in me  
So I'll stand on ev'ry promise of Your word

## **Verse 4:**

Hope that lifts me from despair  
Love that casts out ev'ry fear  
As I stand on ev'ry promise of Your word  
Not forsaken not alone  
For the Comforter has come  
And I stand on ev'ry promise of Your word  
Grace sufficient grace for me  
Grace for all who will believe  
We will stand on ev'ry promise of Your word

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

### **Sunday, September 20**

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

### **Monday, September 21**

### **Tuesday, September 22**

### **Wednesday, September 23**

5:45 PM King's Kids Choir  
6:30 PM AWANA  
Elder-led Bible Study: 1 Cor.  
Choir/Band Rehearsal

### **Thursday, September 24**

### **Friday, September 25**

### **Saturday, September 26**

### **Sunday, September 27**

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

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

### **Saturday, October 18 — Children's Harvest Party**

### **Sunday, November 8 — Starting Point Seminar following worship**

Starting Point is the first step for anyone interested in becoming a church member or simply finding out more about who we are and what we believe here at FBCUM

### **Friday, November 13 & Saturday, November 14 - Men's Retreat - Save the Date**

*Location Camp Wabanna*

# 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.*

## Prayer Ministry

**Bernice McGuire — Ministry Leader**

Serving in this ministry requires concentration, persistence and faithfulness, and the rewards are priceless. When you see prayers answered our faith is increased. We rejoice and praise Him for answering our prayers. Prayer is a command from the Lord and it is a great privilege to do so. According to Bernice, the Prayer Ministry is the most important ministry of our church. She has and continues to serve with dedication and devotion to the Prayer Ministry. It really is a precious gift from God.

When you join the Prayer Ministry one of the first things you will do as a member is to pray for the ministry and those that serve in the prayer ministry. Then you will commit to a specific time to serve each week, thus devoting one hour in the prayer room. Your name will be added to the schedule. Prayer requests are to be kept confidential unless noted otherwise on the prayer request card.

You may be wondering how do you know what you will pray and for whom you will pray. Believe it or not, new prayer requests come into the Prayer Room each week through various sources to include Prayer Request Cards, telephone calls, email requests, Church Bulletin, Church Directory, IMB (International Mission Board), and NAMB (North American Mission Board.)

Individuals contact the Prayer Room to make a request for a specific prayer need. These requests are recorded on a Prayer Card with the date of the request, the name, and details. Once you pray for the concern, you will place your initials on the Prayer Card indicating the date you prayed. Follow-up calls are made to learn if there has been a change in the request or if the prayer request has been answered. If the prayer has been answered the card is moved to the answered prayer box which demonstrates God’s faithfulness.



***The Prayer room is a place where you seek the Lord to answer specific prayer requests. If you are interested and willing to serve others through prayer, please contact Bernice McGuire and join the Prayer Ministry!***

# Praying with First Baptist Church

## A Prayer Guide for the week of September 20

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

One of the ways we learn to pray is by using the examples in Scripture as a springboard and inspiration for our own prayer life. This week, we encourage you to use the prayer of the Apostle Paul from the book of Ephesians 3:14-16:

*<sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,  
<sup>15</sup> from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named,  
<sup>16</sup> that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened  
with power through his Spirit in your inner being,*

We recognize our need for God's help in all the areas of our lives. The categories and requests listed below are intentional ways to pray for each other as a church family. For help in knowing how and what to pray for, look up the Scripture included with each item.

### **Ongoing prayer items in the life of our church:**

- Pray for opportunities and boldness to share the gospel with loved ones (Matt. 28:19)
- Pray for conversions (John 3:3, Acts 16:14)
- Pray for the children of our church to hear and understand the gospel and be saved. (Luke 8:8)
- Pray for the preaching of God's word – for faithfulness, fruitfulness, and God's glory (2 Tim. 4:2, 1 Cor. 2:4-5, Isa. 55:10-11)
- Pray for increased one to one discipleship relationships in our church family (Matt. 28:19-20)
- Pray for unity in our diversity both on Sunday and through the week (Rom. 15:13, Eph 4:2-3)
- Pray for continued growth and joy in the gospel (1 Cor. 15:1-5, 2 Pet. 1:12)
- Pray for growth in holiness, hatred of sin and growth in humility (Prov. 8:13, 1 Pet. 1:14-16)
- Pray for honest, loving relationships in our church (Col. 3:12-13, James 5:16)
- Pray for families: marriages to thrive, parents to teach/love/discipline carefully, and children to obey (Eph. 5:22-6:4)
- Pray that giving would be faithful, joyful, consistent, and sacrificial (2 Cor. 8:9)

### **Prayer items outside our church:**

- Pray 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 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 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 the persecuted church around the world; bombings of Christian churches in Sri Lanka, the ongoing killing of Christians by Islamic terrorists in Nigeria. Pray that God would bring peace and comfort to those grieving. Pray that these local churches would continue to flourish in their faith even in the midst of persecution. (1 Peter 1:3-7; 1 Thes 4:13; Ps. 2)
- Pray for those effected by recent natural disasters (flash floods at Nepal-China border, wildfires in western USA, and others). Seeing the fragility of this life, pray that many would look to God for eternal hope. Pray for safety and diligence of emergency response personnel as they work to preserve life. Pray for leaders to make wise decisions. Pray for comfort for those who have lost loved ones. (Ps 46:1-2; John 14:27; Is 43:2)
- 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:**

- Praise God for the new members recently brought into our church family: David and Sue Houchins, Ellie Janes, Nate Joy, Nas Joy, Rodney and Mickey Michael, Ajeya Perrin, John and Kathy Ricchiuto, Alexia Ricchiuto, and Janice Workman, . 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 teachers and students in our church family who have recently started back to school. Pray they would depend on God and trust Him as they start a new school year. Pray that learning and teaching would be done with excellence to the glory of God (Prov. 3:5-6; 1 Cor. 10:31). See a list of out-of-town college students toward the back of your church directory.
- Pray we would care more about God's opinion of us than the praise of man. (Pr 29:25; 14:26)
- Pray that our church family would not grow weary of doing good. Pray that we would live and interact with one another in a way that reveals God's steadfast love and mercy to the world. (Gal 6:9)
- Pray that we know a profound contentment no matter what circumstances we find ourselves in – a contentment from knowing God is our help. (Heb. 13:5-6)
- Pray God would guard our church from fear, anxiety, and disunity. Pray that we would trust that God is good and be assured that He is in control. (John 13:34-35)
- Pray that God would help us comprehend his good design for the church and center our lives around it for the sake of his glory being made known. (Eph 3:10; 3:21)
- The following individuals have expressed particular prayer concerns:

**Joyce Amaker, Marjorie Griffin, Jackie Jones, Eileen Kessler**

**[Consult the church directory for a list of homebound members who are 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.)

# Announcements

**1. Men's Retreat :: November 13-14 at Camp Wabanna :: Registration is Open.** This year's FBCUM men's retreat is a chance to step away from the noise, stand shoulder to shoulder with other brothers in Christ, and honestly pursue the purity God intends for us. Join us as we pursue the freedom, accountability, and godly manhood that flow from surrendering every part of our lives to Christ. Scan the QR code for more info and to register.



**2. Operation Christmas Child.** If you are interested in participating in Operation Christmas Child, mark your calendars, boxes will be available for pick up beginning October 4, 2026 in room 115. The box will contain a list of suggested items for recipients, boys and girls ages 2-14. You may select the gender and age of your recipient. Please keep in mind that all boxes must be returned no later than Nov. 8, 2026. If you have any questions please contact Tanya Joy or members of the King's Daughters DiscipleLIFE class. Thank you!

**3. Save the Date :: Children's Harvest Party :: Sunday afternoon, October 18.** More info to come.

**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.



## **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 Gospel of Luke: Confidence about Jesus

[Luke 11:29-36](#)

“Seeing and Believing” – September 20, 2026



## Introduction

When you think about God, do you consider Him to be dangerous? Have you ever struggled to trust God because you feared that He would take away something that you love? It could be something simple like praying for patience thinking God will give you frustrating opportunities to practice it. Or it could be serious like trusting God with your reputation, bank account, or health? Are you willing to open your hands and trust God with your marriage and kids?

God cannot be domesticated. He isn't "safe," but He is good. When you think of opening your life to Him, how can you overcome the fear of surrendering?

## Sermon Outline

1. Skip ahead to the end of the story. Vs. 29-32
2. Let the light of Christ into every room of your life. Vs. 33-36

## Read & Discuss

### 1. Read Vs. 29 - 32

If you look back to the [previous verses in chapter 11](#), you will see that the people wanted a "sign" – evidence that Jesus is trustworthy. That seems reasonable, but Jesus refused to give them a sign because He is not driven by the crowd's desires. The problem was not in the sign – they had seen many. The problem was their heart. They wanted to entrap Him. This is why Jesus called them an evil generation. ([Vs. 29](#)) They were trying to rationalize their unbelief. The miracle that Jesus did in [vs. 14](#) was an adequate display of His authority. They were afraid that Jesus would take away the things they relied on for happiness and security. They loved and trusted in the best seat in the synagogue and the praise of man. Idolatry ends up blinding the idolator, so they cannot see the beauty and power of Jesus. Jesus didn't give them a sign they demanded because it wouldn't have been good for them.

He gave them the "sign of Jonah." Jesus was saying to them that **He** would be a sign like Jonah. Jonah was sent to a town with cruel and wicked people. Jonah was called to bring the message of mercy to the Ninevites. He was scared to go, so he ran away. After being thrown overboard from a ship headed to Tarshish and three days in the belly of a big fish, Jonah went to Ninevah. He preached; they repented, and Jonah was miserable. ([The book of Jonah](#)) Just as Jonah was buried for three days and three nights in the belly of a fish, Jesus would die and be buried, in a tomb for three days. The sign of the trustworthiness of Jesus is the resurrection. It is the greatest sign and evidence that Jesus is who He says He is.

Here, Jesus was giving them a merciful mourning. The mob that was rejecting Him would lead Him to His death on the cross. Some of the people who rejected Jesus here would be rescued by the suffering of the One who they were rejecting. Jesus "skipped to the end of the story" in the next verses. He referred to two Old Testament passages to make an explanation. Solomon was one of Israel's kings. He was probably the wisest among all the kings. His wisdom began with the fear of the Lord – a right relationship with God. The queen of Sheba eagerly wanted to know the truth. She traveled 1,700 miles on a camel to hear the truth. ([1 Kings 10](#))

This generation rejecting Jesus was given the end of the story – the final judgement. Even the queen of Sheba would condemn them because of their unbelief as will the men of Ninevah who repented. Something greater than Solomon and Jonah was there. Jesus had come. Jesus is greater than Jonah. He is the living Word of God. Yet they smugly wanted more evidence.

When someone asks you about your week, how do you usually respond? "Busy" right? Everything can feel urgent and important. Jesus comes and asks you to evaluate what is important today in relation to the "end." What will the queen of Sheba say about you? What will the men of Ninevah say about you? We have the Bible, sit in comfortable chairs with air conditioning, and hear the word preached regularly. Do you take the time to study God's word for yourself? Do you love God's word? You have a greater sign than the Ninevites. Do you trust God? Have you overcome the fear of surrendering? You can be certain about Jesus. It's so easy to lose sight of the big picture and eternity and live for the present. Is that the most important thing to you? When that happens, you take God's good gifts and cling to them with your might. You may consider God as dangerous instead of good.

Is this a hurdle that you need to get over? Are you far too easily pleased and settle for the lesser things? God's way is often different than what you might envision. This is not because He is cruel. He does things for your good. He is the author of joy that He wants you to experience. Have you tasted and seen the goodness of God? You may be all in, but in the day-to-day, you may be tempted to take things back. It's okay to pray, "I believe; help my unbelief."

Rejection will end in judgment. You will be held to the standard of the perfect holiness of God. We have all fallen short of God's perfection. Jesus died, taking the sin of the world on the cross to pay the price. He rose again and offers salvation to anyone who will turn from their sin and self-reliance and trust Him. He will not turn you away. Jesus' resurrection is the greatest evidence that God is trustworthy and good.

## 2. Read Vs. 33 – 36

In [John 8:12](#), Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world." As He preached, He was shining the light of God's word to them. Would you put a big trash can over a brand-new lamp after turning it on? No. That isn't point of a lamp. You buy a lamp to light up the room. As Jesus shined brightly, the crowd tried to hide the light by their rejections. Jesus warned them (and us).

Your eye acts as a lamp for the rest of the body. Light goes through your eye to the retina, and your optic nerve sends a signal to your brain to process what you are seeing. If your eyes are healthy, you can see clearly. However, if your eye is not working, you will not see anything clearly. Jesus used the physical eye to point to a spiritual reality. The Light of the world had come. If your spiritual eye is healthy, you will let the light of Christ into your life. A healthy eye trusts Jesus. Are you listening? Have you made up your mind? Are you just looking for approval for what you want? If your eye is healthy, you will follow the truth to wherever it leads. You know God is good. If you are double minded, you will only follow Jesus if you get what you want and love. Are you keeping Jesus at arm's length? In the quiet – all alone, you can know if pride, lust, anger, greed, fear or other desires are leading to rejection.

Think of your life as a house. In that house are various rooms. There are rooms for everything – fears, desires, ambition as well as things you are trying to hide. Jesus comes to your house. Are their rooms you'd want to lock to keep Jesus out? Jesus wants your whole self. He is not content to stay as a guest demands the whole thing. Look at [verse 28](#) – blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it. Surrendering to Jesus brings blessing. Satan wants you to think that you'll be miserable. Jesus is saying that God's word is good and if you obey, you'll be blessed. He wants to maximize your joy!

Are your eyes healthy? Do you see reality with Jesus' perspective? The light of Christ gives a new perspective. Do you want others to have the same healthy eye and the same blessing and perspective? You don't know what tomorrow holds. Your idea of what would be best or good may not be good for you. Your perspective on earth is limited. God, Who is good, has an omniscient perspective. He knows what is good for you. ([Proverbs. 4:18](#)) Walk in the light step-by-step. The path will get brighter.

So how do you have healthy eyes? How do you make sure your heart is open? You do this by the ordinary means of grace – read your Bible carefully every day, pray about everything, gather with others in worship, and enjoy every gift that God has given. Enjoy them to the full! However, hold every gift with an open hand, trusting the God who gave it. Worship the God who gives the gifts.

## 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 [www.fbcum.org](http://www.fbcum.org).

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| <b>Next week's sermon text:</b> <a href="#">1 Peter 5:1-11</a> "What Should Pastors Do?" |
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## Family Guide for week of September 20<sup>th</sup>, 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](#).

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

Day 1 – Romans 9:19-29

Day 2 – Romans 9:30-10:4

Day 3 – Romans 10:5-13

Day 4 – Romans 10:14-17

Day 5 – Romans 10:18-21

\*Read 1 Peter 5:1-11 in preparation for church on Sunday, September 27, 2026

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

Pray about one thing you read in Scripture together.

Pray for a few church members on pg. 37 (Updated directory has page numbers.) of our church directory. Pray for any specific needs of you and your family.

Ask God to calm the fears that trouble your heart. Pray for His peace to comfort you and remind you of His presence in times when you're afraid.

## **Sing together**

"Every Promise of Your Word" – Use the bulletin from Sunday.

## **Memory verses for the month**

**Isaiah 40:8** *"The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever."*

**Psalms 145:16** *"You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing."*

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

**Question 10: What does God require in the fourth and fifth commandments?**

**Answer:** Fourth, that on the Sabbath day we spend time in worship of God. Fifth, that we love and honor our father.

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