

October 17, 2021

Greetings, I trust you are well. Thank you to those who served last Sunday. You did a wonderful job, morning and evening! Thank you for your great flexibility and your great faithfulness.

Our home is just off 3<sup>rd</sup> Loop Road. It is 1.2 miles from the church. Unless delayed by an accident or a school bus, the trip usually takes about 5 minutes. A commute that brief is a blessing. For some time now, there has been a billboard on Irby Street with a great picture of happy looking young people dressed in academic caps and gowns. Sadly, the caption on the billboard is a lie. It reads, "Our degrees last forever."

While an academic degree may be a good thing representing achievement or may help qualify an individual for certain occupations or help prepare a person for further professional credentials, it doesn't last forever.

The other morning I was reading my Bible and came across several verses in Psalm 111 describing things that do—in fact—last forever. Those verses led me to search for the phrase endures (or endureth) forever. Here is what I found:

Ps. 111:10 His praise endures forever!

Ps. 111:3 His righteousness endures forever.

Ps. 117:2 ...the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

Ps. 135:13 Your name, O Lord, endures forever,

Ps 119:160 ...every one of thy righteous judgements endureth forever.

Eccl. 3:14 I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever,

And there are 42 verses stating that God's steadfast love endures forever!

May God grant us the discernment to distinguish between things that don't last forever and those that do last forever.

Choir, on **Sunday morning**, please plan for a 10:19 warm-up in the Choir Room.

The "Empty, please" papers will be gone on Sunday.

Choir will rehearse at **4:15** in the Choir Room. We plan to rehearse two Christmas songs with the Orchestra beginning at 5:22. Next Sunday, October 24, we will rehearse our songs with the children and Orchestra.

AM – Nobody (Chris)

PM – God So Loved

Choir song **demoes** are available on Page 298 of the [fbtmusic.org](http://fbtmusic.org) web site. The password for the page is *musictime2308*.

This week, several of our wonderful people celebrate a birthday. Send them a card, email, text, or give them a call and sing "Happy Birthday."

Rochelle Gifford (alto) – Mon, Oct 18

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Samuel Hanna (bass) – Wed, Oct 20

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Please continue praying for Tim & Wanda Wyllie, Leonard & Diane King, and Nickie & Norman Smith. Tim, Leonard, and Nickie are each facing serious health situations. Please continue praying for Leigh Ann Wilks. I know they will all appreciate your prayers.

On the journey of 2021, trust God, serve faithfully, live with joy, and grow together in grace!

I look forward to seeing you on the Lord's Day. It is a great joy serving as your minister of music.

blessings!

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021**

**4:15 Choir**

4:15	C-Joy (Octavo)
4:22	C-God With Us (Octavo)
4:30	C-Hallelujah Chorus (CLUAH p.100 or Octavo)
4:37	C-God So Loved (OWO p.3)
4:45	Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery (OWO p.17)
4:52	Jehovah Sabaoth (OWO p.66)
5:00	I Am Blessed (GTK p.23)
5:07	Midnight Cry (Octavo)
5:15	

**5:22 Together**

5:22	C-Hallelujah Chorus (CLUAH p.100 or Octavo)
5:30	Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery (OWO p.17)
5:35	Jehovah Sabaoth (OWO p.66)
5:42	C-God So Loved (OWO p.3)
5:50	Christ Returneth OR

**6:00 PM SERVICE**

God So Loved

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