

Order of Worship

8:00 AM:

Song Leader: Charles Hamilton

74 Praise the Lord

Call to Worship: Vaughn Harvey

501 Though Your Sins be as Scarlet

508 A Wonderful Savior

113 His Grace Reaches Me

Bread: Byron Vaughan
Fruit of the Vine: Chris Forand
Giving: Palmer Young

— **Ancient Words**

Scripture Reading: James 1:1-8
Steve Jones

948 I am Resolved

Sermon: Ricky Cook

903 There is Power in the Blood

Prayer Requests/Announcements

792 My Eyes are Dry

Closing Prayer: Palmer Young

Usher 1: LeRoy Bell
Usher 2: Bob Ozomah
Projectionist: Mike Wilson

Our songs today are from Songs of Faith and Praise and the Supplement.

10:30 AM:

Song Leader: Carl Wamble

528 I Know that My Redeemer Lives

S-88 Gives Thanks to the Lord

Call to Worship: Michael Wilkins

905 Yield Not to Temptation

985 When Morning Comes

315 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Bread: Emagii Graves
Fruit of the Vine: Neal Wilkins
Giving: Rodney Philyaw

450 Give Me the Bible

Scripture Reading: James 1:1-8
Demetrius Morris

749 The Battle Belongs to the Lord

Sermon: Ricky Cook

948 I am Resolved

Prayer Requests/Announcements

587 Sing and Be Happy

Closing Prayer: Rodney Philyaw

Usher 1: Joe Ford
Usher 2: Michael Ozomah
Projectionist: Chuck Morris

Our songs today are from Songs of Faith and Praise and the Supplement.

Sunday Evening Worship

Song Leader: Antoine Johnson

Call to Worship: Vaughn Harvey

Scripture Reader: Del Meadows

Lord's Supper: Carl Wamble

Closing Prayer: Vaughn Harvey

Projectionist: Kevin Caldwell

We would like the men scheduled to serve in the worship service meet in the copier room at 7:45 and 10:15 to prepare for the service.

Wednesday, March 18th

Song Leader Carl Wamble

Devotional Leader Jesse Frerot

Closing Prayer Mike Wilson

Projectionist Allen Pratt



Guest Guide:

- Nursery and Training room are upstairs.
- Children's classes are downstairs.
- Looking for a church home? We'd love to tell you about this congregation.
- Please fill out a guest card and give it to one of the ushers.
- Communion cups are available in the foyer. The cups will be picked up by the ushers after communion.

Serving Next Week: March 22nd

8:00 Service

Brother of the Month	John Jones
Song Leader	Mike Wilson
Call To Worship	Shaun Holt
Bread	John Jones
Fruit of the Vine	Zane Huckabey
Giving	Charles Hamilton
Scripture Reader	Eric Gilbey
Closing Prayer	Charles Hamilton
Usher 1	Alan Sandlin
Usher 2	Kevin Hogg
Projectionist	Carl Wamble

10:30 Service

Brother of the Month	Bruce Robins
Song Leader	Kevin Nash
Call to Worship	Vaughn Harvey
Bread	Del Meadows
Fruit of the Vine	Steve Koziol
Giving	Gwan Price
Scripture Reader	Henry Jenkins
Closing Prayer	Gwan Price
Usher 1	Ethan Graves
Usher 2	Cornelius Morris
Projectionist	Bruce Robins



March 15, 2026

Sunday:

Worship: 8:00 am, 10:30 am,
Spanish service 12:15 pm
Bible Classes: 9:30 am
Spanish Bible Classes: 11:00

Wednesday:

Bible Classes: 7 pm

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Who Are You, Lord?

“And he said, “Who are You, Lord?” Then the Lord said, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads.” *Acts 9:5*

The question cited above, or some variation of it, appears throughout the Bible record. Pharaoh, in blasphemous stubbornness, raged – *Exodus 5:2* “And Pharaoh said, “Who is the LORD, that I should obey His voice to let Israel go? I do not know the LORD, nor will I let Israel go.” Ten plagues later and in a great demonstration of God’s power in dividing the sea, Pharaoh had the answer to his arrogance.

In a completely different manner, this question was asked by Saul of Tarsus. Whereas Pharaoh asked the question with insolence and arrogance, Saul asked of astonishment and wonder. Imagine the range of emotions that Saul must have experienced at this answer (i.e. – dread, remorse, shame, confusion, et al.). Jesus’ disciples had declared the He was not dead but alive—and they were right. They claimed He was divine—and He is. They insisted He is the Christ—and He must be. They were right and he was wrong—dead wrong. Instead of fighting for the God he loved, he had been fighting against Him.

However, Saul would come to know that the Lord is plenteous in mercy and abundant in grace. Saul had arrested, tortured and murdered Christians (*Acts 26:9-11*). These offenses were not just against Christians, they were against the Lord Himself – *Matthew 25:40* “And the King will answer and say to them, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did *it* to one of the least of these My brethren, you did *it* to Me.’” Yet, for all these things, the Lord was willing to forgive him – *1 Timothy 1:12-15*.

Concerning His grace and mercy, the Lord declared through the prophet Isaiah, *Isaiah 55:7* “Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the LORD, And He will have mercy on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon.” This is the Lord, the God whom we serve. To God be the glory! Amen!

Because He lives,
Ricky Cook