

FAITH CHURCH

NOVEMBER 30TH, 2025

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTOR MICHAEL BROWN

CALL TO WORSHIP

MICAH 5:2, 4-5

THE BOHLANDER FAMILY

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days... And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. And he shall be their peace...

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

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Verse 1

Come Thou long expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free
From our fears and sins release us
Let us find our rest in Thee
Israel's strength and consolation
Hope of all the earth Thou art
Dear desire of every nation
Joy of every longing heart

INVOCATION

DANIEL KREIDER

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)

Gabriel

Verse 1

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

Chorus

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

Verse 2

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

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

CONFESSION OF SIN

LUKE 5:8

But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord."

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

DANIEL KREIDER

Almighty God, we are sinners. Your Word and our hearts confirm that to us. We have done things You have forbidden and left undone things You have commanded. We have not loved You with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. As judge of the whole earth, You would be just to condemn us. Yet in Your love, You sent Christ to bear the guilt of our sin and suffer our punishment. To Him now we flee; forgive us for His sake, and by Your Spirit help us to live in the light of His sacrifice, lives worthy of Your name. Judge us not according to our work but according to Your mercy in Jesus Christ. For in Him we hope, and in Him we come before You this day. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACTS 13:38-39

Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you, and by him everyone who believes is freed from everything from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses.

SONGS OF PRAISE

All Creatures of Our God and King

Baird | Baird | Erfreuen | St. Francis of Assisi | Draper

Verse 1

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him alleluia
Thou burning sun with golden beam
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
O praise Him O praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Verse 2

Thou rushing wind that art so strong
Ye clouds that sail in Heav'n along
O praise Him alleluia
Thou rising moon in praise rejoice
Ye lights of evening find a voice
O praise Him O praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Verse 3

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him alleluia
Praise praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit three in One
O praise Him O praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Ending

Praise praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit three in One
O praise Him O praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

O Come All Ye Faithful

Oakeley | Wade

Verse 1

O come, all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him
Born the King of angels

Verse 2

Sing, choirs of angels
Sing in exultation
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

Chorus

O come, let us adore him
O come, let us adore him
O come, let us adore him
Christ the Lord!

Verse 3

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n
Word of the Father, late in flesh appearing

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

2 CHRONICLES 31:4-5

And he commanded the people who lived in Jerusalem to give the portion due to the priests and the Levites, that they might give themselves to the Law of the Lord. As soon as the command was spread abroad, the people of Israel gave in abundance the firstfruits of grain, wine, oil, honey, and of all the produce of the field. And they brought in abundantly the tithe of everything.

If the Lord leads you to give, there are two black boxes in the foyer immediately as you exit the sanctuary, or you can give online at www.faithrpc.org/connect/give.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

BOB RUSH

*Children may go to children's church if desired. First-time visitors,
please escort your children out of the sanctuary for check-in.*

SERMON

LUKE 18:15-27

“Childlike Faith”

Pastor Michael Brown

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Behold Our God

Baird | Baird | Baird | Altrogge

Verse 1

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

Verse 2

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Chorus

Behold our God seated on His throne
Come let us adore Him
Behold our King nothing can compare
Come let us adore Him

Verse 3

Who has felt the nails upon His hands?
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign

Bridge

You will reign forever
(Let Your glory fill the earth)
(REPEAT 3X)
You will reign forever
(Let Your glory fill)

BENEDICTION

SERMON TEXT & NOTES

Luke 18:15-17. ¹⁵ Now they were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them. And when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. ¹⁶ But Jesus called them to him, saying, “Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁷ Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.”

I. Let the Children Come

II. To Be Like a Child

- So what is Jesus saying? “You don’t enter My kingdom by who you are and what you do. You enter My kingdom by who I am and what I do. And only those who enter that way ever enter My kingdom at all.” That’s why He’s depicting the children as a model for the way that you enter into the kingdom because they had no status and they could perform none of the deeds that the two men perform on either side of this story. And thus it beautifully illustrates that the way you enter into the kingdom is by who He is and what He has done, not by who you are and what you have done. *Ligon Duncan*

III. Receiving Like a Child

SERMON TEXT & NOTES

Luke 18:18-27. ¹⁸ And a ruler asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁹ And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ²⁰ You know the commandments: ‘Do not commit adultery, Do not murder, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.’ ” ²¹ And he said, “All these I have kept from my youth.” ²² When Jesus heard this, he said to him, “One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” ²³ But when he heard these things, he became very sad, for he was extremely rich. ²⁴ Jesus, seeing that he had become sad, said, “How difficult it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God.” ²⁶ Those who heard it said, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷ But he said, “What is impossible with man is possible with God.”

IV. Ruler’s Self-Evaluation

V. For the Love of Money, He Walked Away from the Kingdom of God

VI. Salvation is Impossible with Man, but Possible with God