Sunday Morning Worship

March 21, 2021



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Scripture Readings

Psalm 67:4-5

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. Selah
 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Joel 2:21-29

- 21 "Fear not, O land;
 be glad and rejoice,
 for the LORD has done great things!
 22 Fear not, you beasts of the field,
 for the pastures of the wilderness are green;
 the tree bears its fruit;
 the fig tree and vine give their full yield.
- ²³ "Be glad, O children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God, for he has given the early rain for your vindication; he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the latter rain, as before.
- ²⁴ "The threshing floors shall be full of grain; the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.
- ²⁵ I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent among you.

26 "You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you.
 And my people shall never again be put to shame.
 27 You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the LORD your God and there is none else.

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- 28 "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.
- ²⁹ Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

Sermon Notes: "Power for a New Mission":: Acts 1



Our guest preacher is Joel Kurz—pastor of <u>The Garden Church</u> in Baltimore, MD. He and his wife, Jess, moved to Baltimore in 2008 and began work toward planting a new church. The Garden Church was constituted in 2012. Joel and Jess have four children; Jadyn, Eden, Haddon, and Chapman. They live in west Baltimore.

Song Lyrics

Hear the Call of the Kingdom

Keith Getty | Stuart Townend | Kristyn Getty

Verse 1:

Hear the call of the Kingdom
Lift your eyes to the King
Let His song rise within you
As a fragrant offering
Of how God rich in mercy
Came in Christ to redeem
All who trust in His unfailing grace

Chorus:

King of Heaven we will answer the call We will follow bringing hope to the world Filled with passion filled with power to proclaim Salvation in Jesus' name

Verse 2:

Hear the call of the Kingdom
To be children of light
With the mercy of heaven
The humility of Christ
Walking justly before Him
Loving all that is right
That the life of Christ may shine through us

Verse 3:

Hear the call of the Kingdom
To reach out to the lost
With the Father's compassion
In the wonder of the cross
Bringing peace and forgiveness
And a hope yet to come
Let the nations put their trust in Him

Be Still My Soul

J Borthwick | J Ingram | J Sibelius | K Jobe | K von Schlegel

Verse 1:

Be still my soul the Lord is on thy side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain
Leave to thy God to order and provide
In ev'ry change He faithful will remain
Be still my soul thy best thy heav'nly friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end

Verse 2:

Be still my soul thy God doth undertake
To guide the future as He has the past
Thy hope thy confidence let nothing shake
All now mysterious shall be bright at last
Be still my soul the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below

Chorus:

In You I rest in You I find my hope
In You I trust
You never let me go
I place my life within Your hands alone
Be still my soul

Verse 3:

Be still my soul the hour is hastening on When we shall be forever with the Lord When disappointment grief and fear are gone Sorrow forgot Love's purest joys restored Be still my soul when change and tears are past All safe and blessed we shall meet at last

Song Lyrics

Hark! I Hear the Harps Eternal

F.R. Warren | Jason Brown

Verse 1:

Hark! I hear - the harps eternal Ringing on the - farther shore, As I near those - swollen waters, With their deep and - solemn roar.

Chorus:

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah praise the Lamb Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Glory to the Great I Am.

Verse 2:

And my soul though stained with sorrow, Fading as the - light of day, Passes swiftly - o'er those waters, To the city - far away.

Verse 3:

Souls have crossed - before us safely To that land of - perfect rest; Can you hear them - singing faintly In the mansions - of the blest.

Verse 4:

Mighty Jesus - bear us over There to kneel be-fore Your throne May we join the - saints forever Praising You and - You alone

Praying with First Baptist Church

A Prayer Guide for the week of March 21

Prayer of the week:

It's often helpful to pray the Scripture as a springboard and inspiration for our own prayer life. As you pray for yourself and others this week, we encourage you to consider the brief prayer of the Psalmist in Psalm 90:14:

¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

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 friends, family, co-workers (Matt. 28:19)
- Pray for conversions (John 3:3, Acts 16:14)
- 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 the children of our church to hear and understand the gospel and be saved (Luke 8:8)
- 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 wisdom for local, state, and federal political leaders (1 Tim. 2:1-2, Rom. 13:1-7)
- Pray that God would help government leaders locally and nationally to make wise decisions going forward that will help protect all people from evil and unjust suffering. (1 Tim. 2:1-2, Rom. 13:1-7)
- Pray for the safety and good health of medical personnel, first responders, and those working on the front lines of contact with those who are suffering with coronavirus.

- Pray that God would provide relief for those suffering from the effects of the virus throughout the world, and that He would draw people to His Word and to salvation. (Ps. 139:23-24)
- Pray for fruitful ministry in other gospel-proclaiming churches in our area even as many are still unable to gather together for public worship. (Rom. 15:20, 1 Cor. 16:1-3, Matt. 28:19-20)
- Pray for our missionary partners around the world and especially those we are directly involved with: Mack and LeAnn Stiles (Central Asia), Daniel and Brandi Spandler-Davison (East Asia), and Dave and JoAnn Brown (Guatemala). Pray that the gospel would flourish and churches would be planted and strengthened through their work. Pray God would strengthen their faith and 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 that were brought into our church family at the recent Members Meeting: Ellie Bain, Corey and Sharon Foster, and Josh Matherlee. Pray that God would unify us in Jesus Christ and that opportunities for fellowship would abound (Rom. 15:5-6, Acts 2:42)
- Pray that God would deepen our desire for prayer as a church family. May we not grow weary or apathetic in bringing our cares and concerns to Him. May God help us to sense His presence and power as we pray. (Rom. 12:12, Col. 4:2)
- Pray that God would renew our strength when we're weary and use our weakness to display His power. (2 Cor. 12:9)
- 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 that 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. (Mt. 14:22-36)
- Pray that God would stir our hearts to hope in His glorious return and our place with Him in the New Heaven and New Earth where sickness shall be no more. (Rev. 21:1-4)
- The following individuals have expressed particular prayer concerns:

Ralph and Margaret Austin, Mary Auth, John Barbour, Bob and Alice Copeland, Walt De Marr, George Griffin, Susanna Schriever (military deployment), Karin Simmons, Sandy Sweetman (death of brother), Marty and Bonnie Trott, Rachel Tyler (death of stepmother), Glenn Walker, Ron Whitely

(Click the link to submit a prayer request via our Digital Communication Card)

Announcements

- **1.** <u>Good Friday Worship, April 2 @ 7 PM.</u> We hope you'll mark your calendar and join us Good Friday worship as we remember Christ's death and prepare our hearts to celebrate His resurrection that Sunday.
- **2.** <u>Mid-week "Pastor's Post".</u> Check your email each Wednesday afternoon for a midweek update from Pastor Zach. Expect to see several different things; important announcements about things going on in the life of the church, a link to a devotional from one of our pastors, and even some song recordings and music videos from our music ministry. <u>Click here</u> for the latest installment of "Pastor's Post".
- **3.** <u>New Seating Arrangement.</u> There are various groupings of chairs in socially-distanced sections throughout the sanctuary. Chairs will be cleaned/disinfected each week. Families can still bring in blankets, extra chairs, or play items for children if they need them. We'll gladly accommodate any chair changes you need if you'll let us know by contacting the church office.
- **4. <u>Sermon Card.</u>** Click the link to access the new <u>sermon card</u> for February—April. It's a great practice to read the text that is being preached on the coming Sunday to help you prepare your heart and mind to be an active listener like the Bereans (Acts 17:11) and as a reminder to pray that God would bear fruit in our lives as we sit under His word.
- **5. Giving.** We encourage you to continue to faithfully give as a way to sustain the gospel ministry at FBCUM and as a means for us to care for those in need as a church family. You can **give** <u>online</u> or mail in your offering to the church office. To guide and help us consider the New Testament's teaching on giving, we've included a quick **read** <u>here</u>. Church members who have a benevolence request, please contact the church office at fbcum@firstbaptistum.com.

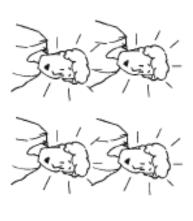
If you have any questions,

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or fill out our new Digital Communication Card

They were looking up into the sky as He was going, when suddenly 2 men dressed in white stood beside them.

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They said, "Why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus ... will come back in the same way you have seen Him go into heaven."

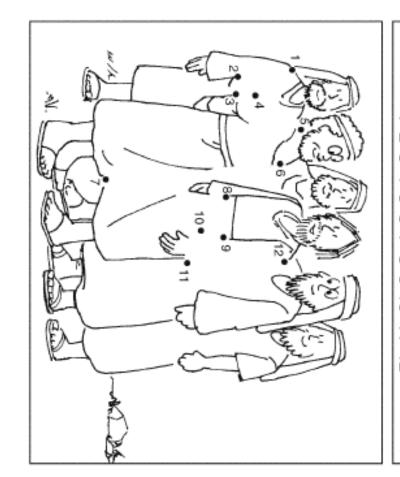
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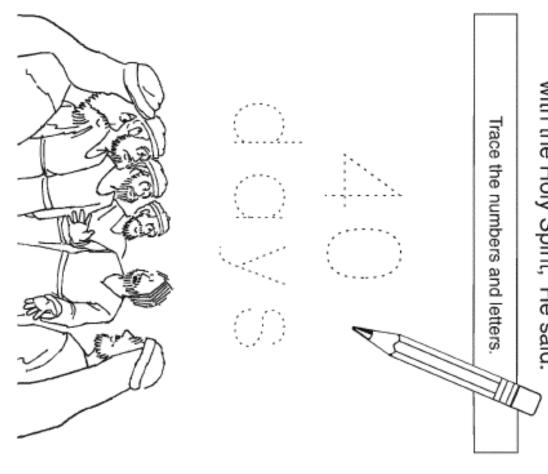
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Jesus Ascends Into Heaven

After Jesus rose from the dead, He began to teach His apostles again.



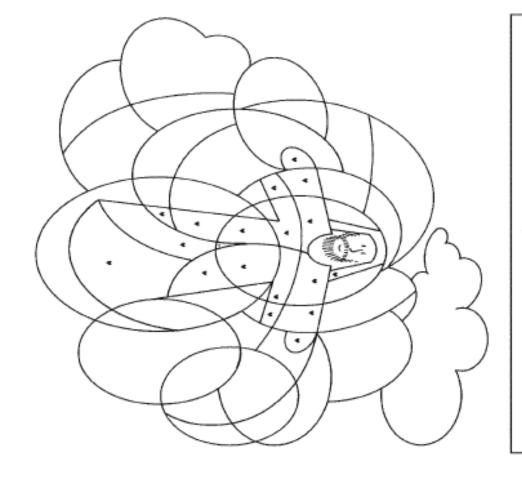
Jesus appeared to them over a period of 40 days. He spoke about the kingdom of God. "In a few days, you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit," He said.



Then they gathered around Him and asked Him, "Lord, now are You going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

He said to them: "This is not for you to know." But Jesus told them they would be His witnesses to the ends of the earth.

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After He said this, He was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid Him from their sight.



They were looking intently up into the sky as He was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them.

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Jesus Ascends Into Heaven

After the resurrection, Jesus began to teach again, giving instructions ... to the apostles He had chosen.

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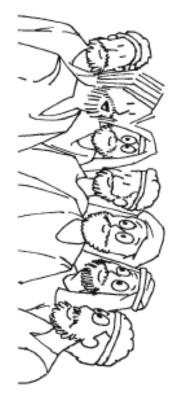








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He appeared to them over a period of 40 days and spoke about the kingdom of God. On one occasion while He was eating with them, He gave them this command:

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He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set. ... But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Connect the dots from 1 to 31.



After He said this, He was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid Him from their sight.