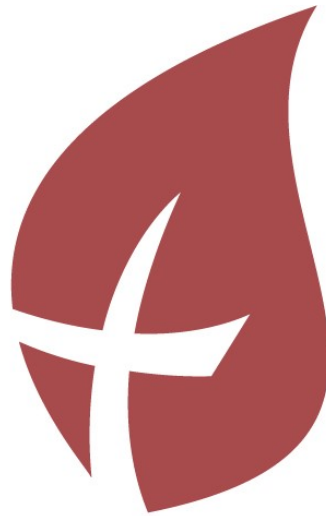


# ***Sunday Morning Worship***

***September 11, 2022***



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# ***Order of Worship***

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**Welcome and Announcements**

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**Song — *Oh Give Thanks***

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**Song — *The Storm Is Passing Over***

**Pastoral Prayer**

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“The More Excellent Way”  
1 Corinthians 13:1-8a**

**Song — *Only a Holy God***

**Introduction of New Members**

**Benediction**

**Comfort Rooms:** A live video feed of the worship service is *available* in several classrooms around the building to help accommodate families with small children or those with various medical conditions. Stop by the Welcome Desk for information and classroom locations.

## Call to Worship — Psalm 136:1-3 (ESV)

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- <sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
for his steadfast love endures forever.  
<sup>2</sup> Give thanks to the God of gods,  
for his steadfast love endures forever.  
<sup>3</sup> Give thanks to the Lord of lords,  
for his steadfast love endures forever;

## Oh Give Thanks

Judith McAllister

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Oh give thanks unto the Lord  
For He is good!  
Yes, He is good!

For He is worthy, worthy!  
For He is good!  
Yes, He is good!

## How Great Is Your Faithfulness

Jonas Myrin | Matt Redman

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### Verse 1:

Now unto the King who reigns over all  
And never changes or turns  
Unfailing justice unfading grace  
Whose promises remain  
Yes Your promises remain

### Chorus:

The heavens ring  
The saints all sing  
Great is Your faithfulness  
From age to age we will proclaim  
Great is Your faithfulness  
How great is Your faithfulness

### Verse 2:

Everything changes but You stay the same  
Your Word and kingdom endure  
We lean on the promise of all that You are  
And trust forevermore  
We will trust forevermore

### Bridge:

From generation to generation  
You never failed us O God  
Yesterday and today and tomorrow  
Until the day You return

## Scripture Reading — Jeremiah 31:1-14 (ESV)

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“At that time, declares the Lord, I will be the God of all the clans of Israel, and they shall be my people.”

<sup>2</sup> Thus says the LORD:

“The people who survived the sword  
found grace in the wilderness;

when Israel sought for rest,

<sup>3</sup> the LORD appeared to him from far away.

I have loved you with an everlasting love;

therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

<sup>4</sup> Again I will build you, and you shall be built,  
O virgin Israel!

Again you shall adorn yourself with tambourines  
and shall go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.

<sup>5</sup> Again you shall plant vineyards  
on the mountains of Samaria;

the planters shall plant  
and shall enjoy the fruit.

<sup>6</sup> For there shall be a day when watchmen will call  
in the hill country of Ephraim:

‘Arise, and let us go up to Zion,  
to the LORD our God.’”

<sup>7</sup> For thus says the LORD:

“Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob,  
and raise shouts for the chief of the nations;

proclaim, give praise, and say,

‘O LORD, save your people,  
the remnant of Israel.’

<sup>8</sup> Behold, I will bring them from the north country  
and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth,  
among them the blind and the lame,  
the pregnant woman and she who is in labor, together;  
a great company, they shall return here.

<sup>9</sup> With weeping they shall come,  
and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back,  
I will make them walk by brooks of water,  
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble,

## Scripture Reading — (continued)

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for I am a father to Israel,  
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

<sup>10</sup> “Hear the word of the LORD, O nations,  
and declare it in the coastlands far away;  
say, ‘He who scattered Israel will gather him,  
and will keep him as a shepherd keeps his flock.’

<sup>11</sup> For the LORD has ransomed Jacob  
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

<sup>12</sup> They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,  
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD,  
over the grain, the wine, and the oil,  
and over the young of the flock and the herd;  
their life shall be like a watered garden,  
and they shall languish no more.

<sup>13</sup> Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,  
and the young men and the old shall be merry.

I will turn their mourning into joy;  
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.

<sup>14</sup> I will feast the soul of the priests with abundance,  
and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness,  
declares the LORD.”

# The Storm Is Passing Over

Charles A Tindley | Donald Vails

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## **Verse 1:**

Take courage my soul and let us journey on  
Tho' the night is dark and I am far from home  
Thanks be to God the morning light appears

## **Chorus:**

The storm is passing over  
The storm is passing over  
The storm is passing over, Hallelu

## **Verse 2:**

The billows roll  
and thunder shakes the ground  
Tho' the lightnings flash  
and tempest all around  
Jesus walks the sea  
and calms the angry waves

## **Bridge:**

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
The storm is passing over  
The storm is passing over  
The storm is passing over, Hallelu

## **Verse 3:**

The stars are gone and distant lights are dim  
I am so afraid the seas are breaking in  
I hear God say, "Be ye, not afraid"

## **Verse 4:**

Now soon we shall reach  
the distant shining shore  
Free from all  
the storms we'll rest forevermore  
Safe within the veil  
we'll furl the riven sail

## Sermon Notes

### **“The More Excellent Way” :: 1 Corinthians 13:1-8a**

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Our guest preacher this morning is Bobby Scott. He is the Pastor of Discipleship at Community of Faith Bible Church near Los Angeles. You'll find his articles on the Desiring God and 9Marks sites. He is married to Naomi, and together, they love their six kids.

# Only a Holy God

Michael Farren | Jonny Robinson | Dustin Smith | Rich Thompson

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## **Verse 1:**

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven  
Who else could make every king bow down  
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles  
Only a Holy God

## **Verse 2:**

What other beauty demands such praises  
What other splendor outshines the sun  
What other majesty rules with justice  
Only a Holy God

## **Chorus:**

Come and behold Him  
The One and the Only  
Cry out, sing holy  
Forever a Holy God  
Come and worship the Holy God

## **Verse 3:**

What other glory consumes like fire  
What other power can raise the dead  
What other name remains undefeated  
Only a Holy God

## **Verse 4:**

Who else could rescue me from my failing  
Who else would offer His only Son  
Who else invites me to call Him Father  
Only a Holy God  
Only my Holy God!



# Praying with First Baptist Church

## A Prayer Guide for the week of September 11

### **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 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 that God would bring a swift end to the war in Ukraine and establish peace. Pray for protection and care for the many refugees fleeing to safety. Pray the people would trust in God in the midst of suffering. (Ps. 139:23-24)
- 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 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 are directly involved with: Jeremy McClain (Mercy of Christ Fellowship Church, DC), Joel Kurz (The Garden Church, Baltimore), Joe and Andi Carroll (Central Asia), Daniel and Brandi Spandler-Davison, and Susanna Schriever (Thailand). Pray the gospel would flourish and churches would be planted and strengthened through their work. Pray that 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; Stephanie Aquino, Derrick Dimitris, Sarah Dimitris, Charles Kirkland Jr., Monique Kirkland, Charles Kirkland III, Samuel Kirkland, Alyssa Kirkland, Vaughn Lawson, Leah Lawson, Rob Messing, Erin Messing, Rodney Michael, Mickey Michael, Eliza Tindell. Pray God would unify us in Jesus Christ and that opportunities for fellowship would abound. (Rom. 15:5-6, Acts 2:42)
- Pray for the students and their parents, teachers, and administrators in our church that are back in school. Pray for safety, good health, growth in teaching and learning, and godly friendships. (Prov. 1:7; Col. 1:10)
- Pray we would care more about God's opinion of us than the praise of man. (Pr 29:25; 14:26)
- 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 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 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)
- The following individuals have expressed particular prayer concerns:

**Bob and Alice Copeland, Connie Crawford, Karin Simmons, Joshua and KayMarie Thomas, Marty and Bonnie Trott, Ron Whitely**

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

## This Week at First Baptist Church

### **Sunday, September 11**

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

### **Monday, September 12**

### **Tuesday, September 13**

### **Wednesday, September 14**

6:30 PM AWANA

Elder-led Bible Study

Choir/ Band Rehearsal

### **Thursday, September 15**

6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery

### **Friday, September 16**

### **Saturday, September 17**

### **Sunday, September 18**

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes

10:00 AM Sunday Worship

## Upcoming Events

### **Wednesday, September 14**

6:30 pm - Regular Wednesday Evening Schedule Begins for Semester  
(AWANA, Elder-led Bible Study, Band/Choir Rehearsal)

### **Saturday, October 1**

8:00am - Men's Breakfast

### **Saturday, October 29**

Women's Conference (stay tuned for details)

### **Sunday, October 30**

12:00pm - Starting Point Seminar (contact church office to register)

# Announcements

1. **Wednesday Evening Schedule Begins THIS Week, Sept 14.** AWANA, Elder-led Bible Study, and Choir/Band Rehearsal begins this Wednesday at 6:30pm. If you have any questions regarding these activities, please contact the church office.

2. **New DiscipleLIFE Classes.** Every Sunday at 9am. Classes for adults this quarter include:

- ***Explore the Bible*** – Amos, Jonah, Hosea, Micah (Co-ed) - Room 117/118  
Teachers: Bill Lowry, Vince Butler, Jay Strickland, Dimitri Louis
- ***Explore the Bible*** - Amos, Jonah, Hosea, Micah (Women) - Room 113  
Teacher: Tanya Joy
- ***Resolving Everyday Conflict*** - Room 112  
Teachers: Tony Edwards and Jay Crandell
- ***Suffering: Trusting God in Difficult Times*** - Room 114  
Teachers: Andrew Sherwood and Isaac Neal

Children/Youth continue chronological journey through the Bible with The Gospel Project.

3. **Backpack Drive with DayBreak Ministries & Mercy of Christ Fellowship Church.**

DayBreak is a Christian non-profit dedicated to strengthening low-income children of Washington, DC, with love, mercy, and the message of Jesus Christ. Their aim is to serve the physical and spiritual needs of the children and families of the Lincoln Heights community. On September 17, 2022, DayBreak will host a back-to-school celebration. You can help by purchasing school supply kits through their website or volunteering at the event. Scan the QR code or go to [fbcum.org](http://fbcum.org) to the [August 31 Pastor's Blog](#) for all the details.



4. **Men's Breakfast — October 1, 8am.** Guys... save the date. Stay tuned for more details.

5. **Interested in Joining the Music Ministry?** Choir and band rehearsal begin this Wednesday, Sept 14, at 6:30pm. All members are welcome to attend and see how rehearsal runs and if you'd like to participate in the future. Contact Jason Brown for info at [jasonbrownmusic@msn.com](mailto:jasonbrownmusic@msn.com)

6. **Youth/Parent Meeting TONIGHT at 6pm.** Very important meeting for all youth and their parents at 6pm tonight at the church.

7. **Giving.** We continue to encourage your faithful giving as the means to sustain the gospel ministry here at FBCUM and as a means for us to care for those in need as a church family. You can **give online** by following the link. You can also mail your offering to the church office, or give in-person by dropping your offering in the designated basket at the Welcome Desk.

