Sunday Morning Worship

September 4, 2022



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Order of Worship

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Pastoral Prayer

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Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Song — Nothing but the Blood Song — Doxology

Benediction

<u>Comfort Rooms:</u> 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 — Isaiah 40:27-31 (ESV)

²⁷ Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel,

"My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"?

²⁸ Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

²⁹ He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. ³⁰ Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted;

³¹ but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;

they shall mount up with wings like eagles;

they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Everlasting God

Brenton Brown | Ken Riley | Brenton Gifford Brown

Verse:

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord (repeat verse)

Chorus:

Our God, You reign forever
Our hope, our strong Deliverer
You are the everlasting God
The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on the wings like eagles

O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer

Nathan Stiff | Jason Brown

Verse 1:

O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer Greatest treasure of my longing soul My God like You there is no other True delight is found in You alone Your grace a well too deep to fathom Your love exceeds the heavens' reach Your truth a fount of perfect wisdom My highest good and my unending need

Verse 2:

O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer Strong defender of my weary heart My sword to fight the cruel deceiver And my shield against his hateful darts My song when enemies surround me My hope when tides of sorrow rise My joy when trials are abounding Your faithfulness my refuge in the night

Verse 3:

O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer
Gracious Savior of my ruined life
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders
In my place You suffered bled and died
You rose the grave and death are conquered
You broke my bonds of sin and shame
O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer
May all my days bring glory to Your Name

Scripture Reading — Psalm 121 (ESV)

- ¹I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?
- ² My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.
- ³ He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.
- ⁴ Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

- ⁵ The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand.
- ⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.
- ⁷ The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
- ⁸ The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

All My Help Comes From the Lord

Cleophus Robinson

Chorus:

All my help, (all my help) comes from the Lord.
All my help, (all my help) comes from the Lord, (the Lord).
All my needs that I'm possessing.
All my help, all my help, all my help comes from the Lord, (the Lord).

Verse1:

Father I stretch, (I stretch)
my hands to Thee.
I know that You, (only you,)
remember me.
When others forget, when others forget
and leave me alone,
I know that Jesus, Jesus, Jesus
will hear my groan.

Verse 2:

When I am weak, (when I'm weak)
He gives me strength.
When I am lonely, He comforts me.
When I am tired of the load
that I am bearing,
He gives me courage, courage
to bear my share.

Sermon Notes

"The Head of the Church" :: Ephesians 1:15-23

Church Covenant

Having, as we trust, been brought by divine grace to repent and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and to give up ourselves to Him, and having been baptized upon our profession of faith, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, relying on His gracious aid, solemnly and joyfully renew our covenant with each other.

We will engage in assembling ourselves together while praying for one another. We will strive for and promote the spiritual growth and advancement of the church by; sustaining worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; contributing cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

As a body of believers, we agree to maintain family and personal devotions, to educate our children in the Christian faith, and to seek the salvation of our family and acquaintances. We will seek to avoid all practices or speech which bring unwarranted harm to the body or jeopardize our own or another's faith.

We will walk together in Christian love by faithfully caring for, watching over, and admonishing one another as occasions may require. In conflict, we will seek to follow Christ's example of reconciliation without delay. We will always strive to be humble and courteous in our speech and slow to take offense. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with a like-minded church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

Nothing but the Blood

Robert Lowry

Verse 1:

What can wash away my sin Nothing but the blood of Jesus What can make me whole again Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Chorus:

O precious is the flow That makes me white as snow No other fount I know Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Verse 2:

For my pardon this I see Nothing but the blood of Jesus For my cleansing this my plea Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Verse 3:

Nothing can for sin atone Nothing but the blood of Jesus Naught of good that I have done Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Verse 4:

This is all my hope and peace Nothing but the blood of Jesus This is all my righteousness Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen!

Praying with First Baptist Church

A Prayer Guide for the week of September 4

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 that concludes the book of Hebrews in 13:20-21:

"²⁰ May the God of peace... ²¹ equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Amen. "

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 that good spiritual fruit would come from discipleship efforts in small groups, one to one meetings, and as people show hospitality to others in our church. (1 Pt 4:9; Gal 6:2)
- 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 4

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes

10:00 AM Sunday Worship w/ Lord's Supper

Thursday, September 8

Friday, September 9

6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery

Monday, September 5 (Labor Day)

(church office closed)

Saturday, September 10

8:30 AM Marriage Conference (see bulletin insert)

Tuesday, September 6

7:00 PM Elder Meeting

Sunday, September 11

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes 10:00 AM Sunday Worship

Wednesday, September 7

6:30 PM Prayer Meeting

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, September 7

6:30 pm - Prayer Meeting

Saturday, September 10

8:30am—12noon :: Marriage Conference w/ Pastor Bobby Scott "Building Your Marriage According to God's Design"

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

Sunday, October 30

12:00pm - Starting Point Seminar

Announcements

- **1.** <u>Church-wide Prayer Meeting this Wed., September 7, at 6:30 PM.</u> We hope you'll make plans to join the church family THIS Wednesday evening for our monthly prayer meeting.
- 2. <u>Marriage Conference Saturday, September 10, 8:30am—12noon</u>. All are invited to join us for a half-day Marriage Conference aimed at encouraging and equipping believers in "Building Your Marriage According to God's Design". Our guest speaker is pastor, Bobby Scott, and his wife, Naomi, from Community of Faith Bible Church. There is no fee to attend but registration is required. Scan QR code or go to fbcum.org for more info and to register.
- 3. 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

Blog for all the details.

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.

4. 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 to the August 31 Pastor's

5. Giving. We continue to encourage your faithful giving as the means to sustain the gospel ministry here at FBCUM. You can give online, mail your offering to the church office, or place your offering in the designated basket at the Welcome Desk.

