

Sunday Morning Worship

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Order of Worship

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Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship — Psalm 145:17-18

Song — Praise the Lord (Psalm 150)

Apostles' Creed

Song — Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

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Song — Where Shall I Be?

Pastoral Prayer

**Message — Zach Schlegel
“Will God Do What Is Just?”
Genesis 18:16-33**

Song — God Moves

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 145:17-18 (ESV)

¹⁷ The LORD is righteous in all his ways
and kind in all his works.

¹⁸ The LORD is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.

Praise the Lord (Psalm 150)

Matt Boswell | Matt Papa

Verse 1:

You made the starry hosts
You traced the mountain peaks
You paint the evening skies with wonders
The earth it is Your throne
From desert to the sea
All nature testifies Your splendor

Chorus:

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord
Sing His greatness - All creation
Praise the Lord, Raise your voice
You heights and all you depths
From furthest east to west
Let everything that has breath
Praise the Lord

Verse 2:

You reached into the dust
In love Your Spirit breathed
You formed us in Your very likeness
To know Your wondrous works
To tell Your mighty deeds
To join the everlasting chorus

Verse 3:

Let symphonies resound
Let drums and choirs ring out
All heaven hear the sound of worship
Let every nation bring
Its honors to the King
A roar of harmonies eternal

Ending:

You distant burning stars
All creatures near and far
From sky to sea to shore
Sing out forevermore
Let everything that has breath
Praise the Lord

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead and buried.
On the third day, He rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven,
And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
The holy universal church
The communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting.
Amen.

An Explanation of the Apostles' Creed:

From as early as the 2nd century, Christians used statements of faith, like the Apostles' Creed, to confess publicly their faith in Christ. Usually they made these statements prior to their public declaration of the faith at baptism. The Apostles' Creed has become a useful tool to teach believers throughout the world and throughout the centuries.

At First Baptist Church, we use this brief statement in our public services to declare before God, before each other, and before the world that these are truths Scripture has revealed. In other words, we are united by our faith in God, the Father Almighty; Jesus, his only Son; and the Holy Spirit.

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Jordan Kauflin | Keith Getty | Matt Boswell | Matt Papa | Matthew Merker

Verse 1:

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone!
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong.
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ in which we stand.

Chorus:

O sing, hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal
O sing, hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

Verse 2:

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good!
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ?

Verse 3:

Unto the grave what will we sing?
Christ He lives, Christ He lives!
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord.
Then sin and death will be destroyed.
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore.

Scripture Reading — 2 Thessalonians 1:5-12 (ESV)

⁵ This is evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be considered worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are also suffering— ⁶ since indeed God considers it just to repay with affliction those who afflict you, ⁷ and to grant relief to you who are afflicted as well as to us, when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels ⁸ in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. ⁹ They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might, ¹⁰ when he comes on that day to be glorified in his saints, and to be marveled at among all who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed. ¹¹ To this end we always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling and may fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by his power, ¹² so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Where Shall I Be?

Charles Jones

Chorus:

O where shall I be
When the first trumpet sounds,
O where shall I be
When it sounds so loud?
When it sounds so loud
As to wake up the dead,
O where shall I be
When it sounds?

Verse 1:

When judgement day is drawing nigh,
Where shall I be?
When God the works of men shall try,
Where shall I be?
When east and west the fire shall roll,
Where shall I be?
How will it be with my poor soul;
Where shall i be?

Verse 2:

When wicked men His wrath shall see,
Where shall I be?
And to the rocks and mountains flee,
Where shall I be?
When hills and mountains flee away,
Where shall I be?
When all the works of man decay,
Where shall I be?

Verse 3:

When heaven and earth
As some great scroll,
Where shall I be?
Shall from God's holy presence roll,
Where shall I be?
When all the saints
Redeemed shall stand,
Where shall I be?
Forever blest at God's right hand
Where shall I be?

Verse 4:

All trouble done, all conflict past,
Where shall I be?
Our enemy o'ercome at last,
Where shall I be?
When Christ shall reign
From shore to shore,
Where shall I be?
And peace abide forever more,
Where shall I be?

Sermon Notes

“Will God Do What Is Just?” :: Genesis 18:16-33

God Moves

William Cowper | Bob Kauflin

Verse 1:

God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform
He plants His footsteps in the sea
And rides upon the storm
Deep in His dark and hidden mines
With never failing skill
He fashions all His bright designs
And works His sovereign will

Chorus:

So God we trust in You
O God we trust in You
So God we trust in You
O God we trust in You
When tears are great
And comforts few
We hope in mercies ever new
We trust in You

Verse 2:

Oh fearful saints new courage take
The clouds that you now dread
Are big with mercy and will break
In blessings on your head
Judge not the Lord by feeble sense
But trust Him for His grace
Behind a frowning providence
He hides a smiling face

Verse 3:

God's purposes will ripen fast
Unfolding every hour
The bud may have a bitter taste
But sweet will be the flower
Blind unbelief is sure to err
And scan His work in vain
God is His own interpreter
And He will make it plain

Praying with First Baptist Church

A Prayer Guide for the week of January 29

Prayer of the week:

Consider using the Apostle Paul's prayer from the book of Hebrews 13:20-21 as a springboard for your own prayer time this week. If you're a church member praying through the church directory, this is a great prayer to use as you pray for your church family this week.

²⁰ Now may the God of peace... ²¹ equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in [you] 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 that our elected officials would fear God, seek His wisdom, have integrity, humility, and work together for the good of society and not self. (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 Brandy Spandler-Davison, and Susanna Schriever (Bangkok City Baptist Church, 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; Chris Guerra, Heather Guerra, Zeke Lyons, Abby Lyons, Bertrand Njoya, Rahila Salik, Chris Macola, Shaista Salik, Titus Till, Jade Till, Zane Tindell. Pray that God would unify us in Jesus Christ and that opportunities for fellowship would abound (Rom. 15:5-6, Acts 2:42)
- Praise God for the recent baptisms of our brother, Chris Guerra, and our sister, Rahila Salik. May God continue his work of sanctification in their lives and help us as a church family to walk along with them. (Rom 6:4)
- Pray that we would honor God in how we use technology (smartphone, computers, etc): to have self-control, to use it to grow in Christ and not sin, and prioritize its use according to godly wisdom for our relationships. (Prov. 25:28; Rom 13:14)
- Pray for those in our church family who are going through a significant time of suffering in their body or soul. Pray for peace. Pray for a keen awareness of God's presence and a desire to draw near to him. Pray for experiences of joy in Christ and in fellowship with church family. (Is. 26:3-4, Ps. 34:18, Ps. 30:1-5)
- 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. 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. (Gal. 6:9; John 13:34-35)
- The following individuals have expressed particular prayer concerns:

Darryl Arrington (death of mother), Bob and Alice Copeland, Connie Gordon, Peter and Pansy Pierce (death of son), Joshua and KayMarie Thomas, Bonnie Trott, Glenn Walker, Family of Ron Whitely (died Jan 20)

(To submit a prayer request, please use the Prayer Request Card available in the sanctuary and drop them in the offering basket or contact the Prayer Room at 301-952-8877.)

This Week at First Baptist Church

Sunday, January 29

9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes
9:00 AM Starting Point Seminar (room 112)
10:00 AM Sunday Worship
6:00 PM Youth Group

Monday, January 30

Tuesday, January 31

Wednesday, February 1

6:30 PM Church Prayer Meeting

Thursday, February 2

6:30 PM "The Men We Need" Group (room 117)

Friday, February 3

Youth Winter Retreat

Saturday, February 4

Youth Winter Retreat

Sunday, February 5

Youth Winter Retreat
9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes
9:00 AM Starting Point Seminar (room 112)
10:00 AM Sunday Worship

Upcoming Events at First Baptist Church

Sundays, January 22, 29 & Feb 5

9:00am - Starting Point Seminar

Wednesday, February 1

6:30pm - Church Prayer Meeting

February 3 - 5

Youth Group — Winter Retreat

Sunday, February 19

6:00pm - Men's Chili Cook-Off

Wednesday, March 1

6:30pm - Church Prayer Meeting

Sunday, March 12

12:00pm - Church Members Meeting

March 24 - 25

Women's Retreat (details are forthcoming)

Announcements

- 1. Church Prayer Meeting on Wed., Feb. 1st at 6:30 PM.** Lord willing, we plan to meet at the church on Wednesday evening as a church family for a prayer meeting. We hope you'll make plans to join us.
- 2. Lord's Supper Celebration Next Sunday.** We plan to celebrate the Lord's Supper together when we gather for worship next Sunday, Feb. 5. We encourage you to prayerfully prepare your heart to receive the supper together as we remember the work of Christ on our behalf. Part of our celebration is reaffirming our unity as the body of Christ. Therefore, if you know of any reconciliation that needs to happen between you and another brother or sister in Christ, please take the time to prayerfully do that before we gather next Sunday.
- 3. Men's Chili Cook-off — Sunday, Feb 19 at 6pm.** Men... mark your calendars, get your best chili recipe together, and stay tuned for more details. All the guys are welcome to submit your chili for competition or simply enjoy the fellowship.
- 4. Meals for Members in Need.** The church would like to put together a database of those folks willing to provide a meal on occasion for a church member or family that may have a need (i.e. new baby, death in the family, recent surgery, natural disaster, etc.). If you're willing to serve in this way, please fill out the [digital form](#) by clicking the link or contact the church office.
- 5. Garden Church Baltimore — Ministry Project.** Our ministry partners at the Garden Church in Baltimore have recently been blessed to acquire a church property they can call their own. However, it will need significant repair and renovation before they can occupy the space. They've asked if FBC Upper Marlboro could help supply skilled workers and volunteers who can specifically help with plumbing, HVAC (industrial), and woodworking projects. If you have skills in these areas and are willing to offer some time for this kingdom work, please contact Pastor Tyrone.
- 6. 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 in-person, [give online](#) or mail in your offering to the church office.

