

Sunday Morning Worship

February 25, 2024



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UPPERMARLBORO**

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Order of Worship

February 25, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship — 1 John 1:5-7

Song — Only a Holy God

Scripture Reading — Isaiah 52:1-12

Pastoral Prayer

Song — What a Savior

Song — Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Prayer of Thanks

Message — Zach Schlegel

“A Letter From Jesus on Dead Faith”

Revelation 3:1-6

Song — Jesus, I Come (Out of My Bondage)

Benediction

Comfort Rooms: To help accommodate families with small children and individuals with special needs or medical conditions, a live video feed of the worship service is available in rooms 116, 117/118, 119, 120-125.

Visitors & Guests: Stop by the Welcome Desk for church information and to receive a welcome packet.

Call to Worship — 1 John 1:5-7 (ESV)

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<sup>5</sup> This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. <sup>6</sup> If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. <sup>7</sup> But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

## 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 splendour 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!

Scripture Reading — Isaiah 52:1-12 (ESV)

¹ Awake, awake,

put on your strength, O Zion;
put on your beautiful garments,

O Jerusalem, the holy city;
for there shall no more come into you
the uncircumcised and the unclean.

² Shake yourself from the dust and arise;

be seated, O Jerusalem;
loose the bonds from your neck,
O captive daughter of Zion.

³ For thus says the LORD: “You were sold for nothing, and you shall be redeemed without money.”

⁴ For thus says the Lord GOD: “My people went down at the first into Egypt to sojourn there, and the Assyrian oppressed them for nothing. ⁵ Now therefore what have I here,” declares the LORD, “seeing that my people are taken away for nothing? Their rulers wail,” declares the LORD, “and continually all the day my name is despised.

⁶ Therefore my people shall know my name. Therefore in that day they shall know that it is I who speak; here I am.”

⁷ How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of him who brings good news,
who publishes peace, who brings good news of
happiness,

who publishes salvation,
who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.”

⁸ The voice of your watchmen—they lift up
their voice;

together they sing for joy;
for eye to eye they see
the return of the LORD to Zion.

⁹ Break forth together into singing,
you waste places of Jerusalem,
for the LORD has comforted his people;
he has redeemed Jerusalem.

¹⁰ The LORD has bared his holy arm
before the eyes of all the nations,
and all the ends of the earth shall see
the salvation of our God.

¹¹ Depart, depart, go out from there;
touch no unclean thing;
go out from the midst of her; purify yourselves,

you who bear the vessels of the LORD.

¹² For you shall not go out in haste,
and you shall not go in flight,
for the LORD will go before you,
and the God of Israel will be your rear guard.

What a Savior

Philip Bliss | Devon Kauflin

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### Verse 1:

Man of Sorrows what a name  
For the Son of God who came  
Ruined sinners to reclaim, Hallelujah!  
Bearing shame and scoffing rude  
In my place condemned He stood  
Sealed my pardon with His blood  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

### Chorus:

Savior, You showed Your love  
Defeated our sin  
Poured out Your blood  
So we praise You  
Lamb that was slain  
We offer our lives to proclaim  
"What a Savior"

### Verse 2:

Guilty vile and helpless we  
Spotless Lamb of God was He  
Full atonement can it be, Hallelujah!  
Lifted up was He to die  
"It is finished" was His cry  
Now in heav'n exalted high  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

### Verse 3:

When He comes our glorious King  
All His ransomed home to bring  
Then anew this song we'll sing  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

## Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Augustus Toplady

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Verse 1:

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood,
from thy wounded side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure;
save from wrath and make me pure.

Verse 2:

Not the labors of my hands
can fulfill thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know,
could my tears forever flow,
all could never sin atone;
thou must save, and thou alone.

Verse 3:

Nothing in my hand I bring,
simply to thy cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress;
helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the fountain fly;
wash me, Savior, or I die.

Verse 4:

While I draw this fleeting breath,
when mine eyes shall close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown,
see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee.

Sermon Notes

“A Letter From Jesus on Dead Faith” :: Revelation 3:1-6

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# Jesus, I Come (Out of My Bondage)

William Sleeper | Jason Brown | Mike Rogers

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Verse 1

Out of my bondage sorrow and night
Jesus I come
Into Thy freedom gladness and light
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of my sickness and into Thy health
Out of my want and into Thy wealth
Out of my sin and into thyself
Jesus I come to Thee
Jesus I come to Thee

Verse 2:

Out of my shameful failure and loss
Jesus I come
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm
Out of distress to jubilant psalm
Jesus I come to Thee
Jesus I come to Thee

Verse 3:

Out of unrest and arrogant pride
Jesus I come
Into Thy blessed will to abide
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love
Out of despair to glories above
Upward for e're on wings like a dove
Jesus I come to Thee
Jesus I come to Thee

Verse 4:

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb
Jesus I come
Into the joy and light of Thy home
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of the depths of ruin untold
Into Your peace, Your sheltering hold
Ever Thy glorious face to behold
Jesus I come to Thee
Jesus I come to Thee

This Week at First Baptist Church

Sunday, February 25

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

Monday, February 26

Tuesday, February 27

Wednesday, February 28

5:45 PM King's Kids Choir
6:30 PM AWANA
Adult Bible Study
Choir & Band Rehearsal

Thursday, February 29

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study—Ephesians

Friday, March 1

Youth Retreat — Camp Wabana

Saturday, March 2

Youth Retreat — Camp Wabana

Sunday, March 3

Youth Retreat — Camp Wabana
9:00 AM DiscipleLIFE classes
10:00 AM Sunday Worship w/ Lord's Supper

Upcoming Events at First Baptist Church

March 1-3

Youth Retreat—Camp Wabana, Edgewater, MD

Wednesday, March 6

6:30pm - Church Prayer Meeting

Sunday, March 10

12noon - Church Members' Meeting

March 22-23

Spring Women's Retreat — Hyatt Regency, Cambridge, MD
(see p.11 for details)

Friday, March 29

7:00pm - Good Friday Worship Service

March 31 — Resurrection Sunday

Praying with First Baptist Church

A Prayer Guide for the week of February 25

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 Romans 12:12:

Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

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 for fruitful ministry in other gospel-proclaiming churches in our area. (Rom. 15:20, 1 Cor. 16:1-3, Matt. 28:19-20)
- Pray that God would bring a swift end to wars going on throughout the world and establish peace. Pray for protection and care for the many refugees fleeing to safety. Pray that those impacted would trust in God in the midst of their suffering. (Ps. 139:23-24)

- 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), 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:

- Pray for good spiritual fruit to come from the Youth Winter Retreat coming up in early March. Continually pray that the students of our church would hear and understand the gospel and be saved. Pray especially for their families and other faithful Christian adults in the church to faithfully teach and show them how to live out God's commands. (Luke 8:8)
- Pray for those in our church family facing a season of fear and anxiety. Pray that they would be reminded of the Holy Spirit's continued presence with them. Pray for a heart of peace and a mind that will trust Christ in the midst of suffering. (2 Cor 1:5, Prov. 29:25; Ps 94:19)
- 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 renew our strength when we're weary and use our weakness to display His power. (2 Cor. 12:9)
- Pray that a culture of discipleship, joyful hospitality, and care grows in us as a church family (1 Pt 4:9; Col. 3:16)
- Pray for those in our church family who are going through a significant time of suffering—physically or mentally. 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 God would help us comprehend his good design for the church and center our lives around it for the sake of his glory being made known. (Eph 3:10; 3:21)
- The following individuals have expressed particular prayer concerns:

Joyce Amaker, Bob and Alice Copeland, Mary Dina (death of mother), Family of Mary Lou Flynn (died Feb. 9), Chris Guerra (military deployment), Jackie Jones, Lucie Lowe, Family of Joseph Thomas (died Feb. 14), Bonnie Trott, Glenn Walker

(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.)

Announcements

1. Nursery Volunteers Needed. In the last few weeks, it has been such a blessing to greet new families with young children, giving us many more children in our nursery. However, we must maintain our child-to-volunteer ration to help ensure the proper care and protection of the children in our care, which is our top priority. To avoid turning people away, we are asking for additional volunteers to serve our 2—4 year olds once every 5 weeks. No preparation or experienced needed. A basic background check is required. If you wish to be considered for this important position, please see Pam Jensen today or contact her at the church office.

2. New DiscipleLIFE (Sunday School) Classes for Adults. Beginning next Sunday, March 3, there are new DiscipleLIFE classes available for adults. See bulletin insert for more info. DiscipleLIFE classes are available for all ages, every Sunday morning, beginning at 9am.

3. Lord's Supper Celebration NEXT Sunday, March 3. We encourage you to prayerfully prepare your heart to receive the Lord's 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 in the church, we hope you'll take the time to prayerfully do that this week.

4. Church Prayer Meeting on Wed., March 6th at 6:30 PM. We look forward to praying together, as well as hearing testimony and biblical encouragement as a church family.

5. Young Adult (18-30) Event - Dave & Busters - Mar 9. Young adults, join us at 6pm on March 9. Friends are welcome, but please register. Scan the QR code for all the details and registration information. Questions? Contact Josh Strickland (joshstrick@icloud.com)



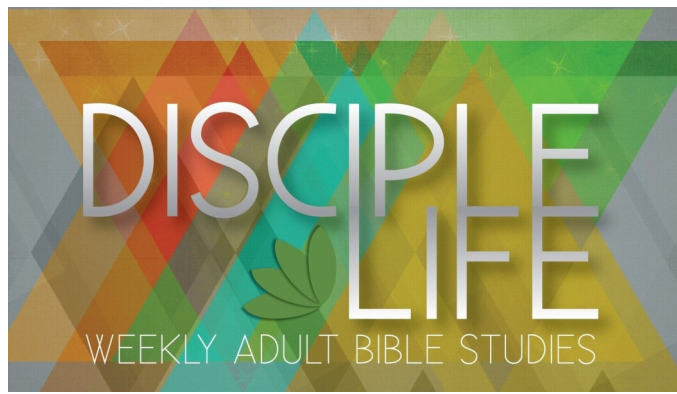
6. Members Meeting — Sunday, March 10. If you're a member at FBCUM, please make plans to attend the Members Meeting following the worship service on Sunday, March 10. We'll be voting on memberships, praying together, and hearing ministry updates. Minutes for our last meeting will be available in the church office on March 3.

7. Giving. We thank God for the faithful giving of our church family that sustains the gospel ministry here at FBC Upper Marlboro. As a reminder, there are three ways you can give:

- online: click the link or scan the QR code,
- in-person: place your offering in the designated boxes in the church foyer
- by mail: send to the church office.

Church members with a benevolence request, please contact the church office.





Spring 2024 (March - May) DiscipleLIFE Classes for adults:

SPRING SESSION BEGINS SUNDAY, MARCH 3

Explore the Bible – Genesis 20-50

This spring, we'll continue our study of Genesis. In Genesis 20–50, readers get a deep dive into the stories of the descendants of Abraham. Through these patriarchs, God built the nation of Israel and established a line to the Savior. Their examples of faith continue to resonate with Christ followers today. And these studies bring their stories to life. (Books are available in the classroom starting 2/25).

- **Explore the Bible (Coed) — Room 117/118 :: Teachers: Bill Lowry, Charles Kirkland Jr, Faris Hawit**
- **Explore the Bible (Women) — Room 113 :: Teacher: Tanya Joy**

How to Study the Bible

Understanding the Bible isn't just for the gifted or scholar. God made His word clear and accessible. As miners dig for gold, we by the Holy Spirit, can enjoy the riches of God's word (Proverbs 2:1-6). Join us as we learn to be workman of God's word to rightly grasp the meaning of God's word and fall in love with the divine Author."

- **Room 115 :: Teachers - Zach Schlegel and Darryl Arrington**

Forgiveness

Are you struggling to forgive someone—or multiple people—who have deeply hurt you? Do you frequently feel bitter or offended? When the sin of the people around us looms large in our minds, we need to look to God. His great love is not only an encouragement amidst our pain but also the foundation on which we build true forgiveness for others. In this class, we'll walk along with biblical counselor and author Hayley Satrom as she turns us to Scripture to see the grace and mercy that God daily pours out on us despite our sins against him—then shows us how to forgive others in practical terms. Pick up Satrom's devotional book titled, "Forgiveness: Reflecting God's Mercy" from the church bookstall or order online and join us this quarter.

- **Room 114 :: Teachers - Jay Crandell and Mike Rogers**

***** DiscipleLIFE classes for all ages meet every Sunday morning at 9am. *****

