

Loving God, Loving Others and

Leading People to Christ

**A Lord’s Day Worship Gathering**

**May 20, 2018**

**Preparing for Worship**

The Lord’s Day is the first and best day of the week for the people of God. We gather together as the church to corporately worship Jesus Christ and be nourished by His Word.

It is our desire to promote a deep love for Jesus Christ in all things, among all people, for their joy and His glory. We encourage you to take time before the service to prayerfully prepare your heart and mind to worship the Lord and celebrate His presence.

**Call to Worship** 1 Corinthians 15:1-4

***God is the first word and because of this we believe true worship happens when God initiates it, by calling sinners through repentance to come and worship Him. Therefore, we begin worship with His Word--His invitation to us to worship in His Name.***

*Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand,**by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.*

**Invocational Prayer of Adoration**

***This is a prayer asking God to be with us as we worship.***

**COME, PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING**  GETTYS /TOWNEND

Come people of the risen King

Who delight to bring Him praise

Come all and turn your hearts to sing

To the Morning Star of grace

From the shifting shadows of the earth

We will lift our eyes to Him

Where steady arms of mercy reach

To gather children in

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice*

*One heart, one voice*

*O Church of Christ rejoice*

Come those whose joy is morning sun

And those weeping through the night

Come those who tell of battles won

And those struggling in the fight

For His perfect love will never change

And His mercies never cease

But follow us through all our days

With the certain hope of peace

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice*

*One heart, one voice*

*O Church of Christ rejoice*

Come young and old from every land

Men and women of the faith

Come those with full or empty hands

Find the riches of His grace

Over all the world His people sing

Shore to shore we hear them call

The Truth that cries through every age

Our God is all in all

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**o great god** bob kauflin

O great God of highest heaven

Occupy my lowly heart

Own it all and reign supreme

Conquer every rebel power

Let no vice or sin remain

That resists Your holy war

You have loved and purchased me

Make me Yours forevermore

I was blinded by my sin

Had no ears to hear Your voice

Did not know Your love within

Had no taste for heaven’s joys

Then Your Spirit gave me life

Opened up Your Word to me

Through the gospel of Your Son

Gave me endless hope and peace

Help me now to live a life

That’s dependent on Your grace

Keep my heart and guard my soul

From the evils that I face

You are worthy to be praised

With my every thought and deed

O great God of highest heaven

Glorify Your Name through me

You are worthy to be praised

With my every thought and deed

O great God of highest heaven

Glorify Your Name through me

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**Prayer of Thanksgiving** Psalm 118:19-29

*Open to me the gates of righteousness; I shall enter through them, I shall give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous will enter through it. I shall give thanks to You, for You have answered me, and You have become my salvation. The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief corner* stone*. This is the Lord’s doing; It is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day which the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it. O Lord, do save, we beseech You; O Lord, we beseech You, do send prosperity! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord; we have blessed you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God, and He has given us light; Bind the festival sacrifice with cords to the horns of the altar. You are my God, and I give thanks to You;* You are *my God, I extol You. Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; For His lovingkindness is everlasting.*

**OH THE DEEP, DEEP LOVE** FRANCIS/KAUFLIN

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus

Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free

Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.

Underneath me, all around me

Is the current of Your love

Leading onward, leading homeward

To Your glorious rest above

*Oh the deep, deep love, all I need and trust
Is the deep, deep love of Jesus*

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus

Spread His praise from shore to shore

How He came to pay our ransom

Through the saving cross He bore

How He watches o’er His loved ones

Those He died to make His own

How for them He’s interceding

Pleading now before the throne

*Oh the deep, deep love, all I need and trust
Is the deep, deep love of Jesus*

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus

Far surpassing all the rest

It’s an ocean full of blessing

In the midst of every test

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus

Mighty Savior, precious Friend.

You will bring us home to glory

Where Your love will never end

*Oh the deep, deep love, all I need and trust
Is the deep, deep love of Jesus*

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**YOU ARE GOOD** ISRAEL HOUGHTON

Lord, You are good

And Your mercy endureth forever

Lord, You are good

And Your mercy endureth forever

People from every nation and tongue

From generation to generation

*We worship You, hallelujah, hallelujah*

*We worship You for who You are*

*We worship You, hallelujah, hallelujah*

*We worship You for who You are*

*And You are good*

You are good all the time

And all the time You are good

You are good all the time

And all the time You are good

Lord, You are good

And Your mercy endureth forever

Lord, You are good

And Your mercy endureth forever

People from every nation and tongue

From generation to generation

*We worship You, hallelujah, hallelujah*

*We worship You for who You are*

*We worship You, hallelujah, hallelujah*

*We worship You for who You are*

*And You are good*

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**Affirmation of Faith** Lamentations 3:22-25

**Congregation: The Lord’s lovingkindnesses indeed never cease, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness. “The Lord is my portion,” says my soul, “Therefore I have hope in Him.” The Lord is good to those who wait for Him, to the person who seeks Him.**

**Passing the Peace & Announcements**

**Morning Message**

***The Lord teaches us through the reading and preaching of His Word.***

**Lessons on Faith from the Life of Abraham**

 Sermon 5: “Rescuing the Wayward and the Reward of the Faithful”

Genesis 14:1-16

Text to be Read: Genesis 14:13-16

Pastor Rick Crews

**Celebration of the Lord’s Supper**

***The Lord invites us to His table to receive strength and joy in Christ.***

**Introduction to the Lord’s Table**

The Lord Jesus instituted this covenant meal to be observed in His churches until He returns. We gather around the table each Lord’s Day to remember the life, death and resurrection of Christ in place of sinners, to express our unity, and anticipate His return. All baptized believers, both covenant members and guests, are invited to eat the bread and drink the cup in obedience to Jesus’ command. We ask that the head of each household would govern and guard the celebration of the Lord’s table by their family, especially in the instruction and participation of children.

**Closing Hymn**

**victory in jesus** eugene bartlett

I heard an old, old story how a Savior came from glory

How He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me

I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood atoning

Then I repented of my sins and gained the victory

*O victory in Jesus, my Savior forever*

*He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood*

*He loved me ere I knew Him and all my love is due Him*

*He plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood*

I heard about His healing of His cleansing power revealing

How He made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see

And then I cried, “Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit”

And somehow Jesus came and brought to me the victory

I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory

And I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea

About the angels singing and the old redemption story

And some sweet day I’ll sing up there the song of victory

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**Benediction** Ephesians 6:24

*Grace be with all who love our Lord, Jesus Christ with love incorruptible. Amen.*

**SERMON NOTES**

“Rescuing the Wayward and the Reward of the Faithful”

Genesis 14:1-16

Pastor Rick Crews

**OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Special-Called Members’ Meeting** – Tonight @ 6:00pm, there will be a Special-Called Members’ Meeting to vote on candidates for membership and to discuss repairs for the roof over the sanctuary.

**Ladies Connection** – Tonight, the Ladies will gather together at 5:00pm for the monthly Connection. Come and join us for a great time of fellowship and prep for VBS. Dinner will be served. If you can come at 4:45pm and get started early, you are more than welcome to do so. Please bring a pair of good scissors with you.

**Vacation Bible School Supplies** – At the Welcome Center, you will find a list of supplies needed for VBS. Any donations that you are able to sign up to provide would be greatly appreciated. We are still in need of clean soup cans (the 10 ¾ oz size) and empty plastic Lays Stax chip containers. Please leave those donations in the kitchen marked for VBS or you can give them to Sabrina Nemier.

**Vacation Bible School** – This year, Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be held on June 18-22 from 6:00pm – 8:30pm. The theme is Time Lab. The kids will discover Jesus from Eternity Past to Eternity Future. VBS is for children ages 4 through 12. Pre-registration forms are available at the table in the foyer. See Sabrina Nemier with any questions.

**VBS Planning Meeting** – The next VBS planning meeting will take place in the sanctuary today, following the morning service.

**Wednesday Night Prayer Gathering** will meet @ 6:00pm in the Cornerstone Room.

**Calling all Graduates** – If you are graduating from high school, college, or graduate school, please let either Robin Cook or Alyson Crews know. We need the school from which you are graduating and the degree you are earning. At the fellowship meal on June 10, we will honor the graduates, so please have your information to us by May 27th.

**Visitor Meet and Greet** – On Sunday, June 3rd, visitors will have a chance to gather with the elders following the service. This is a great opportunity for our visitors to meet the elders and ask any questions they may have about the Christian faith or the church. If you know of recent visitors to GRBC, please encourage them to attend this time together.

**Fellowship Meal** – On Sunday, June 10th, following the morning service, there will be a fellowship meal to honor graduates. We hope you will make plans to attend this special occasion and bring a dish to share.

**Children’s Bible Fellowship Classes and Children’s Church** - Beginning June 24th, our adjusted Summer Schedule will begin for Bible Fellowship Classes and Children's Church. Mark Hall and Robin Cook will be leading a combined Sunday school class for ages 2-11. The dates for that are June 24 through September 2nd. Also, during this time frame there will be no Children's Church for 4-8 year olds. Mark will lead Children’s Church for the 2-3 year olds. This is an excellent opportunity for all of our teachers to get a break.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Wednesday Evenings**

6:00pm Prayer Gathering

7:00pm Music Rehearsal

**May 20** VBS Planning Meeting (following the service)

**May 20** Ladies’ Connection (5:00pm)

**May 20** Special-Called Members’ Meeting (6:00pm)

**June 3** Men’s Connection (6:00pm)

**June 10** Fellowship Meal to Honor Graduates

**June 10** Student Ministry Connection (6:00pm - 8:00pm)

**June 18-22** Vacation Bible School (6:00pm – 8:30pm)

**July 12-15** Student Ministry Retreat

**\*\*Deacon of the Month is Maureen Kimbrough\*\***

**CHILDREN’S CHURCH SCHEDULE**

**May 20 Nursery** Lea Baskerville & Edith Miller

 **2-3 Year Olds** Daniel & Teva Beasley

 **4-8 Year Olds** Jared & Deb Martin

**May 27 Nursery** Carol Raymond & Janis Blimling

 **2-3 Year Olds** Janet Culbreath & Bekah Crews

 **4-8 Year Olds** Mark & Roberta Hall

**Community Groups**

Below is a list of the Community Groups to help you get connected at GRBC:

**Ken and Nancy Butler**

Meets at their home on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month @7:00pm. For more information, email Ken at kennethbutler@cox.net.

**Mark Hall**

This group is for young adults. The group meets on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month from 12:00pm-2:00pm. For more information and meeting locations, email Mark at mark@greenrunbaptist.com.

**Amos & Keke McCleese**

Meets at their home every other Saturday @ 5:00pm. For more information email Amos at amosmccleese8@gmail.com

**Fred and Mary Preston**

Meets at their home on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month following the morning service. For more information, email Fred at fredpreston1120@gmail.com.

**Steve and Kelly Watkins**

Meets at their home every other Monday @ 6:30pm. For more information, email Steve at stephen.watkins@cox.net.

**Daniel and Teva Beasley**

Meets at their home every other Saturday @5:00pm. For more information please contact them at tevabeasley@gmail.com.

**Bible Fellowships**

The classes are as follows:

**(9:00am Classes)**

**Nursery**

Jeania Doddy & Lynette Harper

**Ages 2-3**

Roberta Hall

**Pre-K - K**

Robin Cook & Kelly Watkins

**1st and 2nd Grade**

Deric Trimmer & Lexi Holley

**3rd through 5th Grade**

Tiffany Rogers

**6th through 8th Grade**

Shante Newsome

**9th through 12th Grade**

Steve Watkins

**Adults**

Ken Bradby (Cornerstone Class)

Brian Baugus – Exploring 1 Timothy (Fellowship Hall)

**GRBC ELDERS**

Rick Crews, Teaching Pastor

David Applegate, Sr.

Ken Butler

Moses Culbreath

**GRBC DEACONS**

 Andrew Baskerville Amos McCleese

 Rob Beasley Tommie McElhaney

 Ken Bradby Fred Preston

 Maureen Kimbrough Steve Watkins (Elder in Training)

At GRBC, we believe that the Word of God is central to all that we do. In His Word, we discover that worship is to be our priority as redeemed human beings. Therefore, we strive to maintain a joyful yet reverent atmosphere. This means the Bible alone regulates our worship of God. The basic assumption, derived from Scripture, is that God alone determines how He ought to be worshiped. We seek to do in worship only that which is warranted in God's Word. As a result, we believe in the beauty and simplicity of New Covenant worship ([John 4:21 -24](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/John%204.21%20-24); [Phil. 3:3](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Phil.%203.3)). Our worship services are comprised of the reading of God's Word ([1 Tim. 4:13](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Tim.%204.13) ), the singing of God's praises ([Eph. 5:19](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Eph.%205.19) ; [Col. 3:16](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Col.%203.16)), the offering of our prayers and supplications ([1 Tim. 2:8](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Tim.%202.8)) and the preaching of God's Word ([2 Tim. 4:1-4](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/2%20Tim.%204.1-4)). We also observe the Lord's Supper and water baptism, as ordinances which have been given to the church. ([Matt. 28:18-20](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Matt.%2028.18-20); [1 Cor. 11:23 -32](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Cor.%2011.23%20-32)).

***This church exists as a biblical community,***

***united together in hope and truth,***

***making known the glory of God to the world.***

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