

Loving God, Loving Others and

Leading People to Christ

**A Lord’s Day Worship Gathering**

**May 26, 2019**

**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** Psalm 37:1-5

*Do not fret because of evildoers, be not envious toward wrongdoers. For they will wither quickly like the grass and fade like the green herb. Trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and cultivate faithfulness. Delight yourself in the Lord; And He will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He will do it.*

**Invocational Prayer of Adoration**

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

**COME NOW ALMIGHTY KING** MADDAN/KAUFLIN/SPIRO

Come now almighty King
Help us Your name to sing
We will declare Your praise
Righteous in all Your ways
Father, all glorious
O’er all victorious
Come and reign over us
Ancient of Days

Come now incarnate Word
Take up Your mighty sword
Our humble prayers attend
Faithful unto the end
Come and Your people bless
And give Your Word success
Lord of all righteousness
On us descend

Come Holy Spirit come
Your perfect will be done
Brighten our darkened hearts
Your precious life impart
Guide us into Your truth
So we might bear more fruit
Fill us with more of You
Spirit of power

To the great one in three
Eternal praises be
Timeless, unchanging Lord
Now and forevermore
Your sovereign majesty
May we in glory see
And to eternity
Love and adore

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**LIFT HIGH THE NAME OF JESUS** CASH/DEBARRA/GETTY

Lift high the name of Jesus
Of Jesus our King
Make known the power of His grace
The beauty of His peace
Remember how His mercy reached
And we cried out to Him
He lifted us to solid ground
To freedom from our sin

*Oh sing my soul
And tell all He's done
Till the earth and heavens*

*Are filled with His glory*

Lift high the name of Jesus
Of Jesus our Lord
His power in us is greater than
Is greater than this world
To share the reason for our hope
To serve with love and grace
That all who see Him shine through us
Might bring the Father praise

*Oh sing my soul
And tell all He's done
Till the earth and heavens*

*Are filled with His glory*

Lift high the name of Jesus
Of Jesus our Light
No other name on earth can save
Can raise a soul to life

He opens up our eyes to see
The harvest He has grown
We labor in His fields of grace
As He leads sinners home

*Oh sing my soul
And tell all He's done
Till the earth and heavens*

*Are filled with His glory*

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**Prayer of Intercession**

**The Power of the Cross** Townend and Getty

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day

Christ on the road to Calvary

Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then

Nailed to a cross of wood

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face

Bearing the awesome weight of sin

Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed

Crowning Your bloodstained brow

*This, the pow'r of the cross*

*Christ became sin for us*

*Took the blame, bore the wrath*

*We stand forgiven at the cross*

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath

Quakes as its Maker bows His head

Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life

"Finished!" the vict'ry cry

*This, the pow'r of the cross*

*Christ became sin for us*

*Took the blame, bore the wrath*

*We stand forgiven at the cross*

Oh, to see my name, written in the wounds

For through Your suffering I am free

Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live

Won through Your selfless love

*This, the pow'r of the cross*

*Christ became sin for us*

*Took the blame, bore the wrath*

*We stand forgiven at the cross*

*This, the pow'r of the cross*

*Son of God, slain for us*

*What a love, what a cost*

*We stand forgiven at the cross*

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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** Micah 6:7-8

**Does the Lord take delight in thousands of rams, in ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I present my firstborn for my rebellious acts, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?**

**PASSING the PEACE and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Morning Message**

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

 “LIVING IN LIGHT OF ETERNITY”

MATTHEW 25:31-46

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**

**praise god** KEN/WATTS/KAUFLIN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

In heaven above and earth below

Praise God the Father and the Son

Praise God the Spirit, three-in-one.

From all that dwell beneath the skies

Let the Creator’s praise arise

Let our Redeemer’s name be sung

Through every land, by every tongue.

Eternal are Your mercies Lord

Eternal truth is Your Word

Your praise will sound from shore to shore

Till suns shall rise and set no more.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

In heaven above and earth below

Praise God the Father and the Son

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**Benediction** 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

*Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.**Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass. Amen.*

**SERMON APPLICATION QUESTIONS**

1. Jesus makes it clear that His sovereign word will declare all people in judgment either sheep or goats. Our generation prides itself on its right to determine its own identity and destiny. How does this passage confront the worldview of our day?

2. How does this passage help you understand that your present activities have an impact on your future destiny. In other words, what is the relationship between salvation by faith alone and the importance of our work of righteousness?

3. Jesus makes an astonishing statement in our passage about His sheep, saying that He is so deeply identified with them that to do something to the least of them is to do it to Him. How is this meant to comfort and encourage you if you are a follower of Christ?

4. What are some tangible ways that you as a believer can faithfully show care and love to your Christian brothers and sisters in this local church? How can you show love and care for brothers and sister around the world?

4. Verse 46 is a frightening statement for some as Jesus teaches us that hell is a place of eternal punishment. How should we respond to such a teaching?

**SERMON NOTES**

“Living in Light of Eternity”

Matthew 25:31-46

Pastor Rick Crews

**OPPORTUNITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Church-Wide Picnic** – This afternoon, from 3:30pm-8:00pm, we will fellowship together and with our guest student delegates from Campus Outreach Ministries. This event will be held at Little Island Park (South Sandbridge), Shelters 3 and 4 (closest to the restrooms), so bring your beach gear.

**Calling all Graduates** – If you are graduating from high school, college, or graduate school, please let Robin Cook know (robinkcook@verizon.net). We need the school from which you are graduating and the degree you are earning. Please have this information to Robin by end of service today.

**Vacation Bible School** – This year, Vacation Bible School will be held on June 17-21 from 6:00pm – 8:30pm for ages 4-12. On June 15th @ 9:30am, we will be decorating for VBS. If you would like to help, please join us.

If your child(ren) will be attending VBS, there is a registration table in the foyer with forms to complete.

**Panama Missions Team** – The next trip to Panama will be August 2-9. The following people are a part of the team: Janet Culbreath, Mark Hall, Maureen Kimbrough, Carol Raymond, Darcie Roth, Jessica Roth, Joshua Roth, Zach Wiland, Bekah Crews, Josh Crews, Caleb Crews, and Pastor Rick. Please be in prayer for them as they prepare for the upcoming trip in a new location of Panama.

**Bible Fellowship Classes** – Below is a list of Bible Fellowship Classes that are being offered through mid-June.

* **Titus -** Led by Brian Baugus (Fellowship Hall)
* **Cornerstone Class** - Led by Keith Lowe (Multi-Purpose Room 1)
* **The One True God: Reflecting on the Attributes of God** - Led by Steve Watkins (Room Adjacent to the Sanctuary Platform)
* **Expositional Preaching: A Foundational Mark of a Healthy Church** - Led by Pastor Rick (Multi-Purpose Room 2)

**Attention Parents** - If you have children in the nursery or in Children's Church during the morning service, please keep your phones on vibrate. If your child’s teacher needs to get a hold of you, a text will be sent to your phone. Thank you.

**Children’s Bible Fellowship Classes and Children’s Church** - Beginning June 23rd, 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 23 through September 1st. 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, who faithfully teach each week, to be refreshed over the summer.

**Children’s Ministry News** - On Sunday, June 16th, our children will close out the Bible Fellowship year by reciting catechisms in the morning service.

**Adult Bible Fellowship Classes** – Beginning June 23rd, there will be two Bible Fellowship classes offered for adults. They are:

* Cornerstone Class (led by Keith Lowe in Multi-Purpose Room 1)
* A Visual History of the Life of Christ (led by Brian Baugus in the Fellowship Hall)

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Monday Evenings**

6:00pm – 7:30pm Ministry to Twin Canal

**Wednesday Evenings**

**7:00pm** Music Rehearsal

**May 26** Church-Wide Picnic (3:30pm – 8:00pm)

**June 2** Men’s Connection (5:00pm)

**June 9** Student Ministry Connection (6:00pm- 8:00pm)

**June 15** Decorate for VBS (9:30am)

**June 17-21** Vacation Bible School (6:00pm-8:30pm)

**June 23** Adjusted Summer Schedule for Adult and Children’s Bible Fellowship Classes begins

**June 23** Adjusted Summer Schedule for Children’s Church begins

**July 7-10** Student Ministry Retreat

**\*\*\*Deacon of the Month is Ken Bradby\*\*\***

**CHILDREN’S CHURCH SCHEDULE**

**May 26** Nursery Lu Sawyer & Tracey Boyd

 2-3 Year Olds Sierra Roth & Miriam Jones

 4-8 Year Olds Jill Lane & Robin Cook

**June 2** Nursery Elaine Smith & Amanda Harper

 2-3 Year Olds Lynette Harper & Jeania Doddy

 4-8 Year Olds Hannah Strickland & Dylaney Dalton

**Community Groups**

**Daniel and Teva Beasley**

Meets at their home every other Friday @ 6:30pm. For more information please contact them at tevabeasley@gmail.com. The next gathering will be on May 31st.

**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. This group is taking a break for the summer and will resume in the fall.

**Keith Lowe**

Meets at the home of Thomas and Becky Jones every Monday @ 7:00pm. For more information contact them at keithelowe@verizon.net.

**Amos & Keke McCleese**

Meets at their home every other Saturday @ 5:00pm. For more information email Amos at amosmccleese8@gmail.com. This group is taking a break for the summer and will resume in the fall.

**Fred and Mary Preston**

Meets at their home on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month @ 1:00pm. For more information, email Fred at fredpreston1120@gmail.com. The last gathering before the summer break will be this afternoon.

**David Roth**

Meets at the home of David and Darcie Roth every other Thursday @ 6:30pm. For more information contact them at david@greenrunbaptist.com. The next gathering is on May 30th.

**Steve and Kelly Watkins**

Meets at their home every other Monday @ 6:00pm. For more information, email Steve at stephen.watkins@cox.net. The next gathering is on May 27th.

**Bible Fellowships**

The classes are as follows:

**(9:00am Classes)**

**Nursery**

Jeania Doddy & Lynette Harper

**Ages 2-3**

Roberta Hall & Lexi Holley

**Pre-K - K**

Robin Cook & Kelly Watkins

**1st and 2nd Grade**

Keekee McCleese & Pamela Smith

**3rd through 5th Grade**

Patrick & Rachel Nickerson

**6th through 12th Grade**

Amos McCleese

**Adults**

Keith Lowe- Cornerstone Class (Multi-Purpose Room 1)

Brian Baugus – Titus

(Fellowship Hall)

Steve Watkins – The One True God: Reflecting on the Attributes of God (Room adjacent to the sanctuary platform)

**GRBC ELDERS**

Rick Crews, Lead Pastor

David Roth, Teaching Pastor

David Applegate, Sr.

Moses Culbreath

Keith Lowe

Steve Watkins

**GRBC DEACONS**

 Andrew Baskerville David Larkin

 Rob Beasley Amos McCleese (Elder in Training)

 Ken Bradby Tommie McElhaney

 Maureen Kimbrough Fred Preston

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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