



PROVIDENCE Baptist Church

“In a fallen world, we must be willing to face the fact that however lovingly we preach the gospel, if a man rejects it he will be miserable. It is dark out there.”

— Francis A. Schaeffer, *The God Who Is There*

Order of Worship

Announcements & Call to Worship

Prelude

Hymn *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* (436)

Come, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest home!
All is safely gathered in
Ere the winter storms begin.
God, our Maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come,
Raise the song of harvest home.

We ourselves are God's own field,
Fruit unto His praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown,
Unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade, and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come,
And shall take His harvest home,
From His field shall purge away
All that does offend that day.
Give His angels charge at last
In the fire the tares to cast;
But the fruitful ears to store
In His store-house evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,
Bring Your final harvest home;
Gather Thou Your people in,
Free from sorrow, Free from sin.
There, forever purified,
In Your presence to abide;
Come, with all Thine angels, come.
Raise the glorious harvest home.

Advent Scripture Reading & Prayer Genesis 12:1-3
8:00 Service: The Carroll Family & 10:30 Service: The Crooks Family

12 Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ²And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

The Congregation will respond with: *"She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."*

Hymn My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness (374)

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to Him who bore my pain,
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
and gave me life again,
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness
and clothed me in His light,
And wrote His law of righteousness
with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to Him who walks beside,
Who floods my weaknesses and strengths
and causes fear to fly,
Whose ev'ry promise is enough
for ev'ry step I take,

Sustaining me with arms of love
and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
to Him who reigns above,
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace,
whose ev'ry thought is love
For ev'ry day I have on earth
is given by the King.
So I will give my life, my all
To love and follow Him.

Hymn We Gather Together (435)

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
He chastens and hastens His will to make known;
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing:
Sing praises to his name, He forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;
So from the beginning the fight we were winning:
Thou, Lord, was at our side- the glory be Thine!

We all do extol Thee, Thou leader in battle,
And pray that Thou still our defender wilt be.
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation:
Your name be ever praised; O Lord, make us free!

Scripture Reading Matthew 10:16- 11:1

¹⁶“Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. ¹⁷Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, ¹⁸and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. ¹⁹When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. ²⁰For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. ²¹Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²²and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴ “A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵ It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

²⁶ “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸ And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹ Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³¹ Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³² So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

³⁴ “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. ³⁶ And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. ³⁷ Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. ³⁸ And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹ Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

⁴⁰ “Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives him who sent me. ⁴¹ The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. ⁴² And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward.”

11 When Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and preach in their cities.

Sermon Dr. Blair Waddell

**‘A Little Encouragement Goes a Long Way’
Matthew 10:40-11:1**

Hymn When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (274)

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all!

Benediction

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

Announcements

K groups (our small group ministry) is taking a break for the holidays. They will resume on January 13. Please contact Jim Carter or Randy Cox if you would like to participate.

Join us on **Sunday, December, 6th from 6:00-7:00 PM for our annual night of Missions Celebration**. Come hear our special guest speaker Keith McKinley, an associate professor of Christian Missions at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and hear updates from our missionaries via video reports. Due to limited seating there is a signup sheet in the foyer. Childcare will be available by request on the signup sheet.

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® is an annual offering collected by believers around the world to support international missions. The offering was

officially named in 1918 by Woman's Missionary Union in honor of the missionary to China who urged churches to start it and give sacrificially.

This offering is unique from other mission offerings in that 100% of gifts provide for missionaries all over the world. It is a valuable part of Southern Baptists' 175-year history of reaching the nations with the gospel and vital to reaching the vision of a multitude from every language, people, tribe and nation knowing and worshiping our Lord Jesus Christ. **Our Church's goal is \$10,000.** Please pray as to whether you are called to contribute to this special offering.

Sermon Outline 11/29/2020

'A Little Encouragement Goes a Long way' Matthew 10:40-11:1

- I. Second Discourse: The Instructions to the Twelve
 - a. The Commission
 - b. Future Suffering: Sheep Among Wolves
 - c. Fear in Perspective
 - d. Characteristics of Discipleship
 - e. Concluding Encouragement
 - i. Ambassadors (Matthew 11:26-27, 16:17; Ephesians 6:21-22; 1 Corinthians 4:17; 2 Corinthians 5:20; 3 John 5-8)
 - ii. The Prophets Reward (1 Kings 17:8-16; Micah 7:6-7; Matthew 5:10-12)
 - iii. Faithfulness in the Job (See Matthew 25:21, 23; 1 Corinthians 3:6)
 - iv. The example of the Master (Matthew 9:37-38)