

Welcome to the Worship Gathering at FBC Cordele

Worship is the right, fitting, and delightful response of moral beings — angelic and human— to God the Creator, Redeemer, and Consummator, for who he is as one eternal God in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—and for what he has done in creation and redemption, and for what he will do in the coming consummation, to whom be all praise and glory, now and forever, world without end. Amen.

And so, as we gather each Lord's Day, between the now and not yet of God's kingdom, let us worship God for who he is, as one eternal God in three persons – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – and for what he has done in creation and redemption, and for what he will do in the coming consummation. Let us worship God on earth as he is worshipped in heaven.¹

In our worship service we aim to be Christ-centered, Holy Spirit-led, and glorify God in all things. The Scriptures guide all that we do as we sing the Word (Eph 5:19; Heb 13:15) in congregational singing, read the Word (1 Tim 4:13; Col 4:15-16), pray the Word (Col 4:2-4; 1 Tim 2:1), preach the Word (Acts 4:24; 1 Tim 4:13), and see the Word (Matt 28:19; 1 Cor 11:24-25) through the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper. We pray that through all of this that you will be edified (1 Cor 14:26) as we focus wholly on our Triune God and His inspired Word.

We believe that every part of the service should be participatory. By this we mean, we encourage you to sing every song, open your Bibles, read along, and take notes during the sermon, engage in responsive reading, and pray with us. We hope that through this you will grow in the Word and will behold the glory of Christ.

Soli Deo Gloria
To God Alone be the Glory

¹Jonathan Gibson, "Worship On Earth as It Is in Heaven," in Reformation Worship: Liturgies from the Past for the Present, ed. Jonathan Gibson and Mark Earngey (Greensboro, NC: New Growth Press, 2018), 2, 21.

Worship Liturgy

Call to Worship
Confession of Sin
Assurance of Pardon
Where Shall I Be
Pastoral Prayer
Jesus Is Better
Not To Us (One Name Forever Shall Be Praised)
Sermon: 1 Samuel 17:31-58
The Lord's Supper
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
Doxology

Call to Worship

Hear God call you to worship through His Word:

My heart is steadfast, O God! I will sing and make melody with all my being! Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn! I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing praises to you among the nations. For your steadfast love is great above the heavens; your faithfulness reaches the clouds. - Psalm 108:1-4

Confession of Sin

Confess your sins to God:

Heavenly Father, your Word tells us clearly that we are to "put to death the deeds of the body." We are to say "No" to sin in its first inklings in our minds. We are to do this every day, and the cost will involve pain and anguish. But too often, we grant the sin time to breath and grow. Too often, we allow it time to manifest itself in words and deeds that offend you. Too often, we convince ourselves that this is only a small sin, and indulgence for a moment will not harm us or others. Help us be prepared to pluck out our eyes and sever hands and feet as Jesus commanded. And today, help us to identify and destroy our besetting sins. In the name of Jesus. Amen.
- (based on Matthew 5:29; Romans 8:13; and Hebrews 12:1)

Assurance of Pardon

Receive these words of comfort from God:

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. - Micah 7:18-19

Where Shall I Be

Charles P. Jones

Verse 1

When judgment 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

Chorus

Oh, where shall I be when the first
trumpet sounds
Oh, where shall I be
when it sounds so loud
When it sounds so loud
as to wake up the dead
Oh, where shall I be when it sounds

Verse 2

When wicked souls 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 men decay
Where shall I be

Verse 3

When Heav'n and Earth
as some great scroll
Where shall I be
Shall from God's angry presence roll
Where shall I be
When all the saints
redeemed shall stand
Where shall I be
For - ever blest at God's right hand
Where shall I be

Verse 4

All trouble done, all conflict past
Where shall I be
Our enemy overcome at last
Where shall I be
When Christ shall reign
from shore to shore
Where shall I be



Jesus Is Better

Austin Stone Worship

Verse 1

There is no other
so sure and steady
My hope is held in Your hand
When castles crumble
and breath is fleeting
Upon this rock I will stand
Upon this rock I will stand

Chorus 1

Glory glory we have
no other King
but Jesus Lord of all
We raise the anthem
our loudest praises ring
We crown Him Lord of all

Verse 2

Your kindly rule has
shattered and broken
The curse of sin's tyranny
My life is hidden
'neath Heaven's shadow
Your crimson flood covers me
Your crimson flood covers me

Bridge

In all my sorrows
Jesus is better
Make my heart believe
In ev'ry vict'ry Jesus is better
Make my heart believe
Than any comfort Jesus is better
Make my heart believe
More than all riches Jesus is better
Make my heart believe
And our souls declaring
Jesus is better
Make my heart believe
And our song eternal Jesus is better
Make my heart believe

Not To Us (One Name Forever Shall Be Praised)

Matt Bowell, Matt Papa,
Matt Redman

Verse 1

Not to us oh Lord
not to us oh Lord
But unto Your name be the glory
From the dawn of time
to its setting sun
The name of the Lord
shall be praised

Chorus 1

One song
will ring through the ages
One throne will ever remain
This world will pass
and its glories fade
One name forever shall be praised

Verse 2

While the nations rage
trusting idols vain
Our God stands alone
in the heavens
Robed in majesty
hail the highest King
The name of the Lord
shall be praised

(Chorus)

Verse 3

May Your face be set
may Your blessing rest
Upon us Your people beloved
Mark us by Your grace
that the world would say
The name of the Lord
shall be praised

(Chorus)

Tag

One name forever
shall be praised
One name forever
shall be praised

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Norton Hall Band

Verse 1

A mighty fortress is our God
a bulwark never failing
our helper he, amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe
does seek to work us woe
his craft and power are great
and armed with cruel hate
on earth is not his equal

Verse 2

Did we in our
own strength confide
our striving would be losing
were not the right
Man on our side
the Man of God's own choosing
You ask who that may be
Christ Jesus, it is he
Lord Sabaoth his name
from age to age the same
and he must win the battle

Verse 3

And though this world
with devils filled
should threaten to undo us
we will not fear
for God has willed
his truth to triumph through us
The prince of darkness grim
we tremble not for him
his rage we can endure
for lo! his doom is sure
one little word shall fell him

Verse 4

That Word above
all earthly powers
no thanks to them abideth
the Spirit and the gifts are ours
through him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go
this mortal life also
the body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
his kingdom is forever

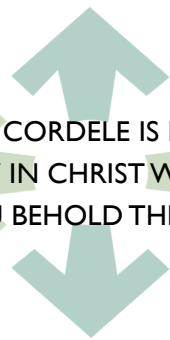
THIS WEEK @ FBC CORDELE

SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
9AM: SUNDAY SCHOOL 10AM: WORSHIP GATHERING	6PM: MIDWEEK ACTIVITIES

WAYS TO SERVE/WHO TO CONTACT:

PASTOR VON	• HOSPITALITY
PASTOR JACK	• DISCIPLESHIP • STUDENT MINISTRY
PASTOR DANIEL	• AUDIO/VIDEO • INSTRUMENTALISTS/VOCALISTS
PASTOR CHUCK	• HOSTING A LIFE GROUP
CHRISTY SAYLOR	• AWANA • KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL

ALL THAT WE DO AT FBC CORDELE IS INTENTIONALLY DESIGNED TO HELP YOU GROW IN CHRIST WITH FELLOW BELIEVERS AND TO HELP YOU BEHOLD THE GLORY OF CHRIST!



Sunday School	We desire to help you grow in knowledge of the Word of God by applying it to daily life. Quad: New Testament Classroom A: Church History
Worship Gathering	We desire to fellowship, learn through corporate singing, learn through exposition of the Word (conviction, edification, beholding Christ's glory, call to respond), encourage, and console.
Life Groups	Community, fellowship, life-on-life, accountability, service opportunities. <i>If you would like more information about how to join a Lifegroup and where they are located, contact Pastor Chuck.</i>
Midweek Bible Study	Discussion around the Word, learn to read the Bible, consider context of Biblical texts, application to daily life <i>Adult Bible Study, FBC Students, AWANA</i>
FBC Students	FBC Students are taking a break over the summer from their regular series. In Sunday School we will do a series called <i>Church 101</i> that helps us see the importance of being a part of God's people. On Wednesday nights, starting May 21st, we will begin a series called <i>Superheroes Can't Save You</i> where we will examine 7 different heresies about Christ and what the Bible truly says about Jesus.
FBC Kids	Each Sunday School class is led by wonderful teachers who love the Lord. Nursery and childcare is available for kids birth-Pre-K during the 10am Worship Gathering. <i>AWANA</i> is every Wednesday at 6pm.

SERMON NOTES
Read 1 Samuel 17:31-58
Talk about it...

What is your biggest takeaway from 1 Samuel 17:31-58?

Prior to our study of 1 Samuel 17, what have you understood or been taught what the lesson of this story is? What new insights have you seen from our time studying this famous story? How can you apply those insights to your life?

How can remembering God's faithfulness in the past strengthen you in the present? Are you quick to forget God's faithfulness when suffering comes? Why or why not? How can God's Word remind us of His faithfulness? How can the church?

David is motivated by a desire to see God glorified. Is this your motivation and desire? Explain. How should a desire to see God glorified affect your everyday life at work, school, kid's activities, etc.? How should this desire affect what we do as a church?

Martyn Lloyd Jones said that "the ultimate aim and object of our salvation is that we may glorify God." Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Explain. Is this how the purpose of salvation is often taught? Why do you think that is? Why is it good news that the primary purpose of salvation is that God would be glorified?

In what ways is God's honor "defied" today by the world? How have you seen God's honor defied in the lives of those around you? How should we fight for God's glory in our lives? In our church?

How does David cutting Goliath's head off with his own sword point us to the work of Jesus? What specific work of Christ is hinted at when David brings Goliath's head to Jerusalem? How does this encourage you?



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Come Behold the Glory of Christ



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