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

[1]Jonathan 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
Joy To The World
Pastoral Prayer (Jeff Whelchel)
Behold The Lamb
Build My Life
Sermon: Acts 16:11-15
Holy, Holy, Holy (Hymn 4)
Doxology (Hymn 384)

Call to Worship
Recieve the Word of the Lord from Psalm 75:1:

We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is near. We recount your wondrous deeds.

Confession of Sin
Let us confess our sin to God:

O Lord, you have mercy upon all. Take away from us our sins, and mercifully kindle in us the fire of your Holy Spirit. Take away from us the heart of stone, and give us a heart of flesh, a heart to love and adore you, a heart to delight in you, to follow and to enjoy you, for Christ's sake. Amen. - Ambrose

Assurance of Pardon
Receive these words of comfort from John 3:16:

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Joy To The World
Bebo Norman

Verse 1
Joy to the world
the Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Joy to the world
the Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Let ev'ry heart
prepare Him room
And heav'n and nature sing
And heav'n and nature sing

Verse 2
Joy to the earth
the Savior reigns
Let men their songs employ
Joy to the earth
the Savior reigns
Let men their songs employ
While fields and floods
Rocks hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy
Repeat the sounding joy

Chorus
Hallelujah
For the Lord is come
Hallelujah
Hallelujah the Lord is come

Verse 3
No more let sins
and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground
No more let sins
and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground
He comes to make
His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found
Far as the curse is found

Verse 4
He rules the world
with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
He rules the world
with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love
And wonders of His love

Behold The Lamb
Passion

Verse 1
See Him there the Great I Am
A crown of thorns
upon His head
The Father's heart
displayed for us
O God we thank You
for the cross

Verse 2
Lifted up on Calv'ry's hill
We cursed Your name
and even still
You bore our shame
and paid the cost
O God we thank You
for the cross

Chorus 1
Behold the Lamb
the story of redemption
written on His hands
Jesus You will reign forevermore
the victory is Yours
We sing Your praise
Endless hallelujahs
to Your holy name
Jesus You will reign forevermore
the victory is Yours

Verse 3
Offer up this sacrifice
For ev'ry sin our Savior died
The Lord of Life
can't be contained
Our God has
risen from the grave
Oh our God has risen
from the grave

Verse 4
When the age of death is done
We'll see Your face
bright as the sun
We'll bow before
the King of kings
O God forever we will sing

Ending
You reign forevermore
the victory is Yours
King Jesus reigns forevermore
the victory is Yours

Build My Life
Passion

Verse 1
Worthy of ev'ry song
we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise
we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath
we could ever breathe
We live for You

Verse 2
Jesus the name
above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one
who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry
breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

Chorus
Holy there is
no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my
eyes in wonder
and show me
who You are
And fill me
with Your heart
And lead me in Your
love to those around me

Verse 2
Chorus
Bridge
I will build my life
upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust
in You alone
And I will
not be shaken
Chorus

Holy, Holy, Holy
(Hymn 4)
John Bacchus Dykes

Verse 1
Holy Holy Holy
Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning our
song shall rise to Thee
Holy Holy Holy
merciful and mighty
God in three Persons
blessed Trinity

Verse 2
Holy Holy Holy
all the saints adore Thee
casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea
cherubim and seraphim
falling down before Thee
Who wert and art and
evermore shall be

Verse 3
Holy Holy Holy
though the darkness hide Thee
though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy
there is none beside Thee
Perfect in power in
love and purity

Verse 4
Holy Holy Holy
Lord God Almighty
all Thy works shall
praise Thy name
in earth and sky and sea
Holy Holy Holy
merciful and mighty
God in three Persons
blessed Trinity

Ending
God in three Persons
blessed Trinity





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:** Fear of Man **Classroom A:** Systematic Theology II **Classroom B:** Membership Matters
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. ***On Sunday evenings at 5pm, Life Groups meet in various locations. For more details and meeting locations contact one the Elders.*** ***Come get plugged in!***
Midweek Bible Study	Discussion around the Word, learn to read the Bible, consider context of Biblical texts, application to daily life: ***Adult Bible Study, FBC Students, FBC Kids (AWANA)*** We are in a verse-by-verse walk through the epistle to the church at Rome! We start at 6pm in the worship center. If you are out of the habit of attending our Midweek Bible Study, now would be a great time to dive back in. It's a rich time to read, grow, ask questions, and wrestle through Scripture together.
FBC Students	As part of our annual "***Friendsgiving***" trip, we will be heading to ***Xtreme Air*** in ***Warner Robins*** on ***November 23***. More details soon! This ***Wednesday*** the students will continue their study through the ***Gospel of John***. John's gospel shows us that Jesus really is the Son of God and the Savior of the world.
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. On Wednesdays our kids participate in ***AWANA @ 6PM***.





QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

Read Acts 16:11-15
Talk about it...

What is your biggest takeaway from Acts 16:11-15?

In what ways do you see God's providence in this text?

What can we learn from Paul's example so far in this chapter?

What sorts of risks do we take in our ordinary lives?
Why do you think we are more willing to risk for our own benefit but seem risk-averse when it comes to the kingdom and evangelism?

React to this from Charles Spurgeon: *"It is the whole business of the whole church to preach the whole gospel to the whole world."*

Paul and company were very intentional in going to Macedonia, to Philippi, and to seek out people they could minister to. What are some ways you can be intentional this week to do the same?
Brainstorm together practical ways you can leverage your life and relationships for the gospel.

In this text we see an example of personal evangelism. Why is personal evangelism so important? How can you intentionally grow in your courage and confidence to share the gospel with people you know?

What part does God play in Lydia's conversion?
Does this give you confidence in your evangelism?

Why is every conversion to Christ a miracle?
How does this text show us that everyone needs Christ to be saved?

So far in Acts we've witnessed many supernatural events.
What supernatural activity do you see in these verses?

What actions does Lydia take in response ot the gospel?
What are tangible ways we ought to respond to the gospel?

Did God bless you with what you have to use for your benefit alone?
Explain.

Take some time to think about the way God has sovereignly orchestrated your life as it is right now. What are some ways you can use what God has given you (possessions, relationships, hobbies, skills, work, kids' extracurricular activities, interests, etc.) for kingdom purposes?

Take time to think through what some of your fellow church members are going through right now. Pray for both those burdens you are aware of and those unknown to you, but known to God.

Pray for the Lord to show you how best to support your church in evangelism and church planting.

Take a moment to pray for the persecuted church around the world.
Take some time to confess and pray together using this text as a guide.

THIS WEEK @ FBC CORDELE

SUNDAY

8:30AM: LADIES PRAYER TIME **9AM:** SUNDAY SCHOOL **10AM:** WORSHIP GATHERING
5PM: LIFE GROUPS

WEDNESDAY

6PM: MIDWEEK ACTIVITIES

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