

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
How Firm A Foundation (Hymn 294)
Pastoral Prayer (Chuck Hollingsworth)
The Matchless Name Of Jesus
Praise The Lord Forever
Sermon: Habakkuk 1:5-11
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Call to Worship

Recieve the Word of the Lord from Psalm 103:15–22:

As for man, his days are like grass; he flourishes like a flower of the field; for the wind passes over it, and it is gone, and its place knows it no more. But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children’s children, to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments. The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all. Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word! Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will! Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sin to God:

We acknowledge, Lord, and thank you, that you have created us in your image so that we may remember you, think of you, and love you.Yet this image is eroded with vices, clouded by the smoke of sin, that it cannot do what it was created to do unless you renew it.We cannot scale your heights, O Lord; our understanding is in no way equal to that. But we do long to understand your truth which our hearts believe and love.
We believe, help our unbelief. - Anselm

Assurance of Pardon

Receive these words of comfort from Galatians 2:19–20:

For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God.I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

How Firm A Foundation (Hymn 294)

Norton Hall Band

Verse 1

How firm a foundation
ye saints of the Lord
Is laid for your faith
in His excellent Word
What more can He say
than to you He has said
To you who for refuge
to Jesus have fled

Verse 2

Fear not I am with you
O be not dismayed
For I am your God
and will still give you aid
I'll strengthen you help you
and cause you to stand
Upheld by My righteous
omnipotent hand

Verse 3

When through the deep waters
I call you to go
The rivers of sorrow
Shall not overflow
For I will be with you
your troubles to bless
And sanctify to you
Your deepest distress

Verse 4

When through fiery trials
your pathway shall lie
My grace all-sufficient
Shall be your supply
The flame shall not hurt you
I only design
your dross to consume
and your gold to refine

Verse 5

The soul that on Jesus
Has leaned for repose
I will not I will not
Desert to his foes
That soul though all hell
Should endeavor to shake
I'll never no never
No never forsake

The Matchless Name Of Jesus

Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

Verse 1

Praise to the
matchless name of Jesus
Sing of His grace forevermore
Raise now an endless hallelujah
To the matchless name of Jesus
Christ the Lord

Chorus

We sing the name
the matchless name of Jesus
We hymn the name
the angels long adore
From age to age
one chorus rings forevermore
To the matchless name of Jesus
Christ the Lord

Verse 2

Come to the
fountain of forgiveness
Run to the light of His great love
Join in the joy of this salvation
Now that echoes through the
endless realms above

Chorus

We sing the name
the matchless name of Jesus
We hymn the name
the angels long adore
From age to age
one chorus rings forevermore
To the matchless name of Jesus
Christ the Lord

Verse 3

Go to the corners of creation
Christ be the
name that we proclaim
Go 'til His glory fills the nations
And the heavens with
His everlasting praise

Chorus

All blessing and honor
And praise be to the Lamb
All glory forever more
Amen amen amen

Chorus

Praise The Lord Forever

Pat Barrett

Verse 1

Oh let all that is within me
Bless His holy name
For His love endures forever
And His mercies new today
We will enter with thanksgiving
And fill His courts with praise
Come on church
Lift your voice and sing

Chorus

Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord forever
Bless His name
Let all within me sing
Praise the Lord forever

Verse 2

If your life's been resurrected
By the war that Jesus won
If you wait in expectation
For a kingdom yet to come
All you citizens of heaven
Sons and daughters of the King
Come on church
Lift your voice and sing

Chorus

Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord forever
Bless His name
Let all within me sing
Praise the Lord forever

Verse 3

For the one who's brokenhearted
And it's hard to sing this song
You've been walking through the valley
And your faith is feeling small
I pray peace and love surround you
From the God who understands
As the family all around you
Lifts your arms up when you can't
Join the choir of creation
With the song of the redeemed
Come on church
Lift your voice and sing

Chorus

O Lord My Rock And My Redeemer (Hymn 174)

CityAlight

Verse 1

O Lord my Rock
and my Redeemer
Greatest treasure
of my longing soul
My God like You there is no other
True delight is found in You alone
Your grace a well
too deep to fathom
Your love exceeds
the heavens' reach
Your truth a fount
of perfect wisdom
My highest good
and my unending need

Verse 2

O Lord my Rock
and my Redeemer
Strong defender of my weary heart
My sword to
fight the cruel deceiver
And my shield
against his hateful darts
My song when
enemies surround me
My hope when tides of sorrow rise
My joy when trials are abounding
Your faithfulness
my refuge in the night

Verse 3

O Lord my Rock
and my Redeemer
Gracious Savior of my ruined life
My guilt and cross
laid on Your shoulders
In my place You
suffered bled and died
You rose the grave
and death are conquered
You broke my bonds
of sin and shame
O Lord my Rock
and my Redeemer
May all my days
bring glory to Your Name

Chorus

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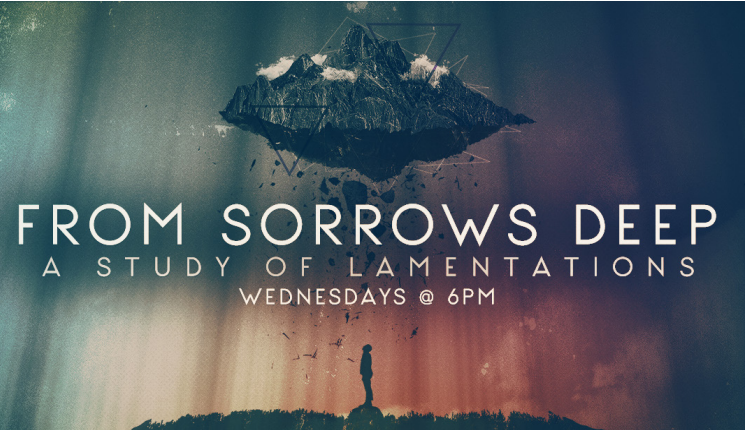
LIFEGROUPS

WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER

ON SUNDAY EVENINGS AT 5PM,
LIFE GROUPS MEET IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS.
FOR MORE DETAILS AND MEETING LOCATIONS
CONTACT PASTOR CHUCK HOLLINGSWORTH.
COME GET PLUGGED IN!

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: Neighboring Classroom A: Systematic Theology
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>On Sunday evenings at 5pm, Life Groups meet in various locations. For more details and meeting locations contact Pastor Chuck Hollingsworth. Come get plugged in!</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, FBC Kids (AWANA)</i>
FBC Students	Students are in their new Sunday School series, The Lord's Prayer . Through this series, we hope to guide our students through the Lord's Prayer that they may learn how to live in daily fellowship with their Heavenly Father. Our students will continue their study of Joseph in their Wednesday night study, Prisoner to Prince at 6PM.
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 Habakkuk 1:5-11
Talk about it...

What is your biggest takeaway from Habakkuk 1:5-11?

Summarize God's surprising response to Habakkuk.
What made God's response so surprising?
How do you think Habakkuk expected God to respond?

God doesn't rebuke Habakkuk for the questions he asked.
How is this instructive to us?

Do you see any similarities between what Habakkuk's community suffered (injustice, violence, corruption, etc.) in our own world?
If so, how? What do those things make you feel?

What advice would you give to someone struggling like Habakkuk was?

How do we know that God is at work even when we don't see it?
Why is this a helpful reminder when God seems silent?

React to this from Kenneth Turner: "God diverges from any expected response, going out of his way to not explain or justify himself. God has his reasons, but he chooses, for his own purposes, to resist and delay."

Why might it be a good thing that God doesn't always reveal to us why bad things happen?

Why is faithful endurance better than quick fixes and temporary relief in times of suffering and confusing circumstances?

What does God reveal to Habakkuk (and us) about Himself in this text?

Why are the doctrines of sovereignty and providence so important to know?

How do they give some rest in trials and struggles?

What is the difference between doubting God and waiting to understand God's purposes? Can you give an example of each from the Bible?

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.



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September 13, 2026

Come
Behold
the
Glory
of Christ

THIS WEEK
@ FBC CORDELE
SUNDAY

9AM: SUNDAY SCHOOL 10AM: WORSHIP GATHERING
5PM: LIFE GROUPS
WEDNESDAY
6PM: MIDWEEK ACTIVITIES

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