

Welcome to the Worship Gathering at FBC Cordele

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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!

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 (I Tim 4:13; Col 4:15-16), pray the Word (Col 4:2-4; I Tim 2:1), preach the Word (Acts 4:24; I Tim 4:13), and see the Word (Matt 28:19; I 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 (I 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

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Worship Liturgy

Call to Worship
Confession of Sin
Assurance of Pardon
I Will Follow
Pastoral Prayer
Spring Of Life
Hallelujah What A Savior
Sermon: Acts 5:27-33
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
Doxology

Call to Worship

Receive the Word of the Lord from Matthew 11:28-30:

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sin to God:

O Father, have mercy upon us. O Christ, have mercy upon us.

O Spirit, have mercy upon us.

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, who redeems and comforts us, hear us and be gracious to us. Deliver us from our sin, from our errors, and from all evil. Lord have mercy upon us. Amen.

- Gregory the Great

Assurance of Pardon

Receive these words of comfort from Joel 2:12-13:

"Yet even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

I Will Follow

The Worship Initiative

Intro

Where You go I'll go
Where You stay I'll stay
When You move I'll move
I will follow You
Who You love I'll love
How You serve I'll serve
If this life I lose
I will follow You

Verse 1

All Your ways are good
All Your ways are sure
I will trust in You alone
Higher than my sight
High above my life
I will trust in You alone

Chorus

Where You go I'll go
Where You stay I'll stay
When You move I'll move
I will follow You
Who You love I'll love
How You serve I'll serve
If this life I lose
I will follow You

Verse 2

Light unto the world
Light unto my life
I will live for You alone
You're the One I seek
Knowing I will find
All I need in You alone
In You alone

Bridge

In You there's life everlasting
In You there's freedom for my soul
In You there's joy unending joy
And I will follow
Ending
I will follow You

SING THE WORD

Spring Of Life

Kristian Stanfill

Verse 1

In this life we will find
We will be yearning
In this life we will find
The world won't satisfy
In this life we will find
That we will be empty

Without you

Jesus you're the well
That won't run dry
Jesus you're the drink that satisfies
Living water spring of life
Jesus you're the well
That won't run dry

Verse 2

In this life we will find
We will be searching
In this life we will find
The world won't satisfy
In this life we will find
That we will be hopeless

Without you

Jesus you're the well
That won't run dry
Jesus you're the drink that satisfies
Living water spring of life
Jesus you're the well
That won't run dry

Bridge

We will thirst no more
When we drink from you
We will search no more
When we drink from you

Hallelujah What A Savior

Philip Paul Bliss

Verse 1

Man of sorrows what a name
For the Son of God who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim
Hallelujah what a Savior

Verse 2

Bearing shame
and scoffing rude
In my place
condemned He stood
Sealed my pardon
with His blood
Hallelujah what a Savior

Chorus

Hallelujah what a Savior
Hallelujah what a Savior

Verse 3

Guilty vile and helpless we
Spotless Lamb of God was He
Full atonement can it be
Hallelujah what a Savior

Verse 4

Lifted up was He to die
It is finished was His cry
Now in heaven exalted high
Hallelujah what a Savior

Chorus

Hallelujah what a Savior
Hallelujah what a Savior

Verse 5

When He comes
our glorious King
All His ransomed
home to bring
Then anew this song we'll sing
Hallelujah what a Savior

Chorus (2X)

Hallelujah what a Savior
Hallelujah what a Savior

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Liturgy of St. James, 5th Century

Verse 1

Let all mortal flesh keep silence
And with fear and trembling stand
Ponder nothing earthly minded
For with blessing in His hand
Christ our God

to earth descendeth

Our full homage to demand

Verse 2

King of kings yet born of Mary
As of old on earth He stood
Lord of lords in human vesture
In the body and the blood
He will give to all the faithful

Verse 3

Rank on rank the host of heaven
Spreads its vanguard on the way
As the Light of light descendeth
From the realms of endless day
That the pow'r of hell may vanish

As the darkness clears away

Verse 4

At His feet the six winged seraph
Cherubim with sleepless eye
Veil their faces to the Presence
As with ceaseless voice they cry

Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Lord Most High



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	• LIFE GROUPS
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!



QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

Read Acts 5:27-33

Talk about it...

What is your biggest takeaway from Acts 5:27-33?

Why did the religious leaders rise up and seize the apostles?
What was it about the early church that evoked such an angry
response from the religious leaders?

What are the contents of Peter's speech in this passage? Discuss each
aspect of the gospel that he mentions. How can this be instructive to
what we ought to highlight when giving the gospel to others?

What makes the gospel a 'scandal'? What is scandalous about the
forgiveness that God offers through Christ? What does the scandalous
nature of the gospel teach us about our own helplessness and
inability? What does it teach us about the unfathomable love
that God has to rebels?

Do you think American Christianity tends to 'domesticate' the gospel?
Explain.

If we truly understood the scandalous nature of the gospel
- in all of its facets - how different would our lives look?

In light of the true gospel that the apostles proclaim, what would you
say Christ could ask of you that would be 'too much'?
Would you say your life is currently being lived as someone who
understands the gravity of the scandalous gospel? Explain.

The religious leaders who opposed Jesus
- and now oppose the apostles - are the most pious people in the
nation. Yet they reject God's Christ and stand against what God is
doing in the world. What lessons can we pull from the idea that one can
be devoted and appear very pious while being far from God in heart?
How do we prevent ourselves from slipping into a posture of heartless
religious ritual? Why should we?

Pride is at the heart of the religious leaders' jealousy, as it is for every
sin. Talk a bit about pride and how destructive it is and how we can
overcome it. Augustine famously said that we were made for God and
our hearts are restless until they rest in Him. What do you make of this
statement? Do you think it accurately explains the basic human need
and problem? Explain.

Why might the command from the angel be dangerous?
If you were in the apostles' shoes, would you want to go back to the
very place that you were arrested? Explain.

Do you find that a fear of people keeps you from being obedient (or
more obedient) to Christ? Discuss ways that fear of man keeps us from
being more devoted to the Lord.

Why is proclamation so important?
The apostles were freed unto a mission. In our salvation, how are we
saved unto a mission as well? If our salvation is a sort of
'freeing from captivity,' how are we supposed to respond to having
received the Word of this Life?

Why should we expect opposition when we do faithful gospel ministry?
What does this text teach about being ready to present the gospel at
all times? What does this passage teach about God's sovereignty over
persecution? What does this passage teach us about the difference
between those who fear man and those who fear God?

Why is the obedience of the apostles 'scandalous'?
Would you say your obedience is like theirs? Explain.



Lord's Day Gathering February 15, 2026

Come
Behold
the
Glory
of Christ



FBC STUDENTS BACON & BIBLE

FEBRUARY 22, 2026 @ 9AM

