

**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
Joy To The World
Pastoral Prayer (Jeff Whelchel)
Praise The Lord Forever
He Is Our God
Sermon: Habakkuk 1:12-2:1
Lord From Sorrows Deep I Call (Hymn 540)
Doxology (Hymn 384)

Call to Worship
Recieve the Word of the Lord from 2 Corinthians 5:20–21:
Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Confession of Sin
Let us confess our sin to God:
We will confess our transgressions to you, O Lord. How small are the afflictions by which we are often cast down, and plunged into sorrow! We resolve to act with fortitude, but by the slightest evil we are confounded and distressed. From the most inconsiderable events the most grievous temptations rise against us; and while we think ourselves established in security and peace, the smallest blast, if it be sudden, has power to bear us down. Behold our sinful state and have mercy on us, that we will not sink into despair and be swallowed up forever! Amen. - Thomas a Kempis

Assurance of Pardon
Receive these words of comfort from Psalm 51:7–8:
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice.

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
Chorus 2x

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

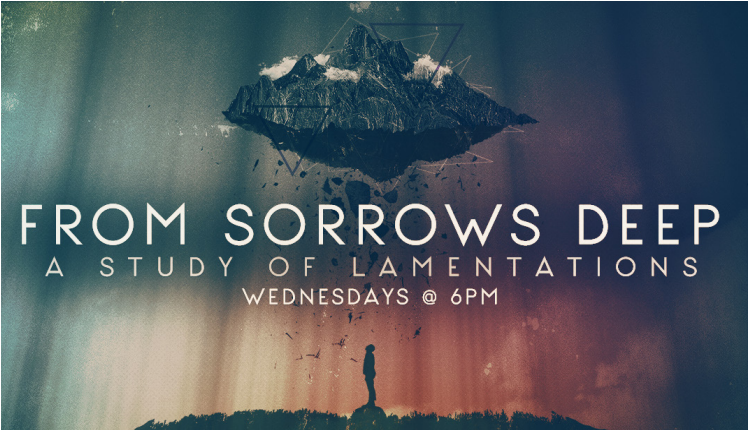
He Is Our God
Sovereign Grace
Verse 1
Who can light the fires
of a thousand burning suns
Blazing in the heavens
There is only One
He is our God
Verse 2
Who commands the nations
Building up and tearing down
Silencing His rivals
there is only One
He is our God
He is our God
Chorus 1
Holy
You alone are holy
Matchless
in Your glory
Holy God
Verse 3
Who would come to save us
When we turned away His love
Conquer us with kindness
there is only One
He is our God
He is our God
Chorus 2
Holy
You alone are holy
Matchless
in Your glory
no one is like You
Worthy Y
ou alone are worthy
We adore You only
Holy God
Bridge
Now to the King on the throne
Who was and is to come
And to the Lamb
Who was slain be glory
Chorus 2

**Lord From Sorrows
Deep I Call**
(Hymn 540)
Matt Boswell and Matt Papa
Verse 1
Lord, from sorrows deep I call,
when my hope is shaken
Torn and ruined from the fall,
hear my desperation
For so long I’ve pled and prayed,
God come to my rescue
Even so the thorn remains, still
my heart will praise You
Verse 2
Storms within my troubled soul,
questions without answers
On my faith these billows roll,
God, be now my shelter
Why are you cast down, my soul,
hope in Him who saves you
When the fires have all grown
cold, cause this heart
to praise You
Chorus
Oh my soul, put your hope in
God, my Help, my Rock,
I will praise Him
Sing, oh sing, through the raging
storm, You're still my God,
my salvation
Verse 3
Should my life be torn from me,
every worldly pleasure
When all I possess is grief, God
be then my treasure
Be my vision in the night, be my
hope and refuge
Til my faith is turned to sight,
Lord, my heart will praise You
Chorus
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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	In Sunday School, our students are studying 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. This Wednesday, our students will be competing in fun glow-in-the-dark games and fellowshiping together at 5:30PM .
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 1:12-2:1
Talk about it...

What is your biggest takeaway from Habakkuk 1:12-2:1?

Summarize Habakkuk's second complaint. What is he saying/asking?

What does Habakkuk's second complaint disclose about his knowledge of God's character (vv. 12–13)?

Why is Habakkuk troubled by the Lord's decision to use Babylon to bring judgment on Judah (vv. 15–17)?

Does Habakkuk's prayer strike you as inappropriate?

Are there things that we can learn from his passionate honesty and vulnerability? How does this book show us that God invites our struggles and questions?

Have you ever received an answer from God that you did not like?

Have you read clear teachings in the Bible that you disagree with?

How did you resolve the issue?

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

CS Lewis said of himself, "My idea of God is not a divine idea. It has to be shattered time after time. He shatters it Himself."

Why is it important that we constantly reevaluate our thinking of God?

How do trials, suffering, or confusing circumstances help us do that?

Where has Habakkuk stationed himself in 2:1? What is he doing, and what does this indicate about his hope and expectations?

What can we learn from just this verse?

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



Lord's Day Gathering
September 20, 2026

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the
Glory
of Christ

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