

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
Onward

Pastoral Prayer (Chuck Hollingsworth)
How Firm A Foundation (Hymn 294)
Spring Of Life
Sermon: Acts 11:19-30
Holy, Holy, Holy (Hymn 4)
Doxology (Hymn 384)

Call to Worship

Recieve the Word of the Lord from Psalm 34:1–3:
I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sin to God:
We, poor sinners, confess before you, our God and Creator, that we have sinned gravely and in various ways against you, not only with outward gross sins, but much more with internal, innate blindness, unbelief, doubts, faintheartedness, impatience, pride, evil greed, secret envy, hatred and jealousy, as well as other evil emotions. Our Lord and God, you recognize this in us very well, but we cannot recognize them sufficiently.We feel sorrow and regret for them and wholeheartedly desire grace through your Son Jesus Christ.Amen. - Zacharias Ursinus

Assurance of Pardon

Receive these words of comfort from Hebrews 4:14–16:
Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.
For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Onward

Luke Hill Music
Verse 1
Onward Christian soldiers
marching as to war
With the cross of Jesus
going on before
Christ the royal Master
leads against the foe
Forward into battle
see His banners go
Chorus
Onward
onward
Onward we shall go
Onward
onward
Onward we shall go
Verse 2
Like a mighty army
moves the church of God
Pilgrims we are treading where the
saints have trod
We are not divided
all one body we
One in hope and doctrine
one in charity
Chorus
Onward
onward
Onward we shall go
Onward
onward
Onward we shall go
Verse 3
Crowns and thrones may perish
kingdoms rise and wane
But the church of Jesus
constant will remain
Gates of hell can never
against the church prevail
We have Christ's own promise
and that cannot fail
Chorus
Onward
onward
Onward we shall go
onward
onward
Onward we shall go
Tag
Onward then ye people
join our happy throng
Blend with ours your voices
in the triumph song
Chorus (2x)

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 thee
O be not dismayed
For I am thy God
and will still give thee aid
I'll strengthen thee help thee
and cause thee to stand
Upheld by My righteous
omnipotent hand
Verse 3
When through the deep waters
I call thee to go
The rivers of sorrow
Shall not overflow
For I will be with thee
thy troubles to bless
And sanctify to you
Your deepest distress
Verse 4
When through fiery trials
thy pathway shall lie
My grace all-sufficient
Shall be thy supply
The flame shall not hurt thee
I only design
thy dross to consume and
thy 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
Ending
That soul though all hell
Should endeavor to shake
I'll never no never
No never forsake

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
Chorus 1
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
Chorus 1
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

Holy, Holy, Holy
(Psalm 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

AUGUST 5 @ 6PM

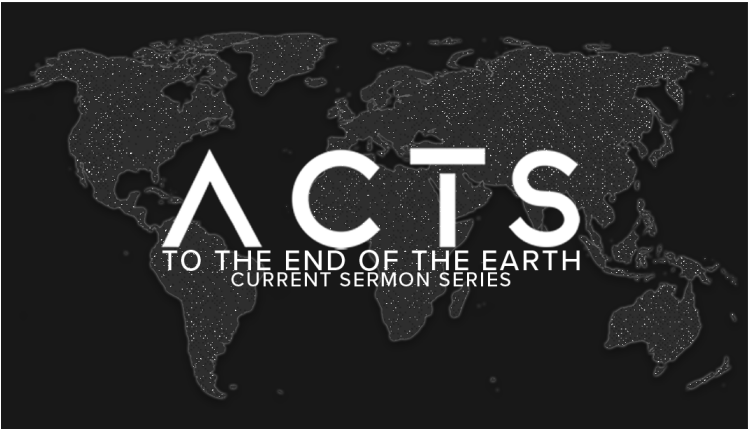


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ALL THAT WE DO AT FBC CORDELE IS INTENTIONALLY DESIGNED
TO HELP YOU GROW IN CHRIST WITH FELLOW BELIEVERS
AND TO HELP YOU BEHOLD THE GLORY OF CHRIST!

Sunday School	We desire to help you grow in knowledge of the Word of God by applying it to daily life. Quad: Evangelism 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. This Sunday, all Life Groups will meet together one last time at the church at 5pm. Not in a Life Group yet? You still have a chance to jump in, get connected, and see what it's all about!
Midweek Bible Study	No Midweek Activities until August 12.
FBC Students	On Sundays, we are continuing a series through the Apostles' Creed and seeing how its ancient truths change our heads, hearts, and hands. Students will resume their Relentless Grace study on Wednesday, August 12 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. Our AWANA Kick-off will be on August 5 @ 6PM.



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QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

Read Acts 11:19-30

Talk about it...

What is your biggest takeaway from Acts 11:19-30?

What is the mission of the church? What are some misunderstandings people have about what the mission of the church is? What are the signs that a church has departed from the mission? How do we, as a church, stay focused on the mission given to us by Jesus?

The Christians who brought the Gospel to Antioch did so when fleeing from persecution. Be honest and vulnerable here: How might God be calling you to use the adversity you are currently facing to share the Gospel with those around you?

In Acts 11, we see the Biblical truth that, while God uses ordinary Christians to share the Gospel, He alone brings about new life. How is this encouraging? How is this challenging? How can forgetting either side of that truth (our responsibility to proclaim the Gospel or God's power to change hearts) cause problems?

When arriving in Antioch, Luke says that Barnabas saw "the grace of God". What kinds of evidence would demonstrate the grace of God in someone's life and ministry? Why should we look for that evidence before affirming someone's profession of faith or supporting a ministry? What are the dangers of affirming someone's profession or ministry too quickly? How can we discern genuine faith without being overly cynical or critical?

It is at Antioch that the disciples are first called "Christians." What does it mean to be a Christian? How would our culture answer that question? Is it possible to be saved as a "cultural Christian"? Why or why not? How would you evangelize a cultural Christian?

What does true unity amongst churches look like? How do we see this in Acts 11:19-30? How would this benefit and serve our community?

Spend time praying for the unreached people groups around the world. Pray for those going to tell them about Jesus- even in the midst of persecution. Finally, pray for our local churches. That they would seek to make disciples of all nations.

THIS WEEK

@ FBC CORDELE

SUNDAY

9AM: SUNDAY SCHOOL; 10AM: WORSHIP GATHERING

5PM: COMBINED LIFE GROUP

WEDNESDAY

6PM: AWANA KICK-OFF



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Behold
the
Glory
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