



LYRICS FOR HIS LIFE

Praying the Psalms
with Jesus

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 7, AD 2024

9 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Darin Travis

Welcome

***Call to Worship**

From Psalm 116

The LORD, your God, has heard your voice and your pleas for mercy.
We love the LORD, our God.

He has inclined his ear to you.
We will call on him as long as we live.

The LORD is gracious and merciful. He has dealt bountifully
with you.
Our souls are at rest.

He has delivered you from death!
As long as we have breath, we will serve him!

***Songs of Praise**

“Psalm 150”

“Not to Us”

***Blessing God**

***Song of Praise**

“Bless God”

***Greeting and Announcements**

Children ages three through kindergarten are invited to Children’s Church.

Minute for Mission

John Norwood, Abounding Love Ministries



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Time with God's Word

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

Psalm 116:1-9

I love the LORD, because he has heard
my voice and my pleas for mercy.
Because he inclined his ear to me,
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
The snares of death encompassed me;
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
I suffered distress and anguish.
Then I called on the name of the LORD:
“O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!”

Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;
our God is merciful.
The LORD preserves the simple;
when I was brought low, he saved me.
Return, O my soul, to your rest;
for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.

For you have delivered my soul from death,
my eyes from tears,
my feet from stumbling;
I will walk before the LORD
in the land of the living.

For whatever was written in former days was written for
our instruction,
**That through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures
we might have hope.**

Sermon

Gerrit Dawson

“I Love the LORD”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection



LORD'S SUPPER

We Are Welcomed to the Table

Prayer of Communion Preparation

Thomas Aquinas, 13th century

**Almighty and ever-living God,
I approach the sacrament of your
Only begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.
I come sick to the doctor of life,
Unclean to the fountain of mercy,
Blind to the radiance of eternal light,
Poor and need to the Lord of all.**

**In your great generosity,
Heal my sickness,
Wash away my defilement.
Enlighten my blindness,
Enrich my poverty, and
Clothe my nakedness.**

**May I receive the King of kings
With humble reverence,
With purity and faith,
Repentance and love.
May I receive the sacrament of
The Lord's body and blood
In its reality and power.**

We Hear the Words Jesus Said at Supper

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We Commune with Jesus

Please bring your prayer requests and offerings forward during communion.

Communion Offering

“Be at Rest”

***Song of Response**

“Because He Lives, Amen”



BENEDICTION

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***Response**

Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!

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Prayer Time: Join us at 10.10 am each Sunday for additional prayer in the Prayer Room (just to the left of the elevator in the Sanctuary building). One or more pastors/elders, along with others willing to intercede on your behalf, will welcome you.

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: Today's flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Lamar Boydston, Ms. Martha Wilbourne Nabers and Mr. Fred Foster Nabers Jr., parents of Nan & Herb Boydston.

Scripture for Next Week: Psalm 24

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Loving Our rEcess Families. rEcess is Friday, April 12. Once a month, volunteers spend a few hours playing with the children of families affected by disability while parents enjoy a night out. Contact Jess Concienne if you would like to participate in monthly rEcess (jess.concienne@gmail.com or 225.892.3212).

Women's Spring Picnic, April 13. All ladies are invited to the annual Spring Picnic. Join us Saturday, April 13 from 11 am to 1 pm at the home of Kelli Bankston. \$10 per person. RSVP at fpcbr.org.



Gardere Art Show Next Sunday! Gardere students have been working hard on preparing a special art show they will display in the Reception Room Sunday, April 14. As a thank you for your support, you may select one piece of art to take home with you. As a special treat, the students will sing for us at the 9 am service.

GriefShare® A new GriefShare® group is forming on Monday evenings, 6.30-8.30, beginning April 15. Chris Phillips will lead the group which will meet at Phillip Juban's home near the State Archives building. Space is limited. Email Scott Graham (scott@fpcbr.org) or Laura Shaw (laura@fpcbr.org) if interested.

International Friendship Partners Game Night, April 19. IFP is hosting a Game Night Friday, April 19 from 6 to 8 pm in the Gym. There will be many games with food and fellowship. It's fun for the whole family! Please join us.

Gardere Share Your Heart Lunch-N-Learn. Join our GCCS Eagles on their journey toward academic success, spiritual growth, and community and family stability at a luncheon Friday, April 19, 12-1 pm. A special lunch will be prepared by celebrity guest chef Tré of Tré's Street Kitchen! Visit gardereschool.com for more information.

"Man Up!" Men's Conference, April 25-26 at Abounding Love Ministries. Abounding Love Ministries presents the "Man Up!" Conference Thursday, April 25 and Friday, April 26. Come worship and attend workshops on health and finance. Details and registration online at almstarsbr.com or scan the code.



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