

ORDER OF WORSHIP
January 29, AD 2023



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Colton Underwood

*Welcome and Call to Worship

Adapted from John 3

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son.

That whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world. **But in order that the world might be saved through him.**

Yet people loved darkness more than the light. They did not come into the light, lest their hearts be exposed.

But we are not those who shrink back into the dark. We come boldly to the light of Christ's grace, To lift our voices in praise for so great a love.

*Songs of Praise

"Good, Good Father"
"This Is Amazing Grace"

*Blessing God

*Song of Praise

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Greeting and Announcements

Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children's Church.

Time with God's Word

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

John 3: 16-21

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."

The secret things belong to the LORD our God.

But what has been revealed belongs to us, and to our children forever. That we may do all the words of this law.

Sermon

Gerrit Dawson
"Lured Out of the Dark"



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Offertory and Song of Response

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Please place your offering and prayer requests in the baskets.

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
And born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, The holy catholic Church, The communion of saints, The forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious Father, I stand amazed anew at your grace. Again this week, I have learned how desperately I have need of you! I bend the knee of my heart, casting myself on your kindness. For I have sinned, O Father, I have sinned. I acknowledge my transgressions. Apart from you I have no good. In myself, I am lost. On my face in shame, beyond hope, I hear your voice. You call my name and say, "Take heart. Your sins are forgiven." I rise from the darkness and walk, rejoicing, into your light.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon



INTERCESSION

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer



BENEDICTION

*Song of Response

"Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death"

*Response

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

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.

The Chapel and Sanctuary flowers serve to honor a departed loved one or celebrate with thanksgiving cherished people or events. If you would like to donate flowers for a particular Sunday, please contact Kathy Mullins at 603.4735.

Scripture for Next Week: John 4: 1-18

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stay-Treat This Weekend! You won't want to miss our stellar team of presenters that will lead us to consider five treasures of the person of Jesus revealed in John. Join us Friday night, February 3 and Saturday morning, February 4. There's even a kids track! Use the QR code below or visit fpcbr. org to register.

Get Your Mutt Blessed! The "Jurassic Bark" Crewe of Mutts parade passes down North Blvd. Sunday, February 5. Join Scott Graham, and his sheepadoodle Schubert, in front of the Sanctuary beginning at 12.30 pm to have your dog blessed!

So Loved Parents' Night, February 9. Join us for a laid-back evening with other parents in the same stage of life on Thursday, February 9. We'll meet from 6 to 8 pm at Hattie and Jonathan Guidry's (1401 Knottaway Drive, St. Gabriel). Please bring a dessert or bottle of wine to share. Appetizers and finger food will be provided. RSVP to Jessica (jessica@fpcbr.org).

Men's Ministry Fly-Fishing Trip. Men's Ministry has confirmed March 2-5 for a Fly-Fishing Spiritual retreat. QR Code is below or visit fpcbr.org for details.

"Journey" Class at the Chapel. "Journey: God's Heart for the Nations" is a limited edition missions course offered at The Chapel-LSU. Come learn about God's plan for all the nations through all of Scripture. The course is similar to Perspectives but more condensed and meets Sundays, February 5-March 26, 12.30 pm to 3 pm. More information is online (chapelbr.com).

Calling All Artists! We are inviting you to create works to be displayed as a part of our Lent celebration. The theme of this year's study is "Come and See: Asking Jesus in the Gospel of John." Please contact Emily Viguerie with questions and details (emily@fpcbr.org).

Daily Lent Emails. Sign up for the daily Lent emails by visiting fpcbr.org. Emails begin Saturday, February 25.







