

Congregational Singing: "I Will Glory in My Redeemer" Grace Hymn 196.

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VERSE 1

I will glory in my Redeemer
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails
And hung Him on that judgment tree.
I will glory in my Redeemer
Who crushed the pow'r of sin and death;
My only Savior before the Holy Judge,
The Lamb who is my righteousness,
The Lamb who is my righteousness.

VERSE 2

I will glory in my Redeemer;
My life He bought, my love He owns.
I have no longings for another;
I'm satisfied in Him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
His faithfulness, my standing place;
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me,
My feet are firm, held by His grace.
My feet are firm, held by His grace.

VERSE 3

I will glory in my Redeemer
Who carries me on eagle's wings.
He crowns my life with lovingkindness;
His triumph song I'll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer
Who waits for me at gates of gold
And when He calls me it will be paradise.
His face forever to behold,
His face forever to behold.

Closing Thoughts and Benediction



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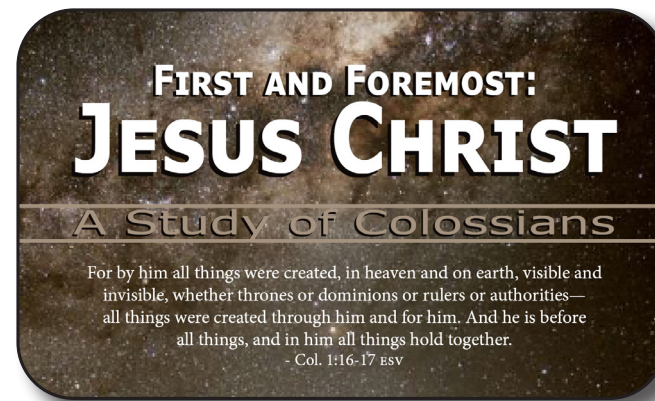
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WORSHIP SHEET for the WORSHIP SERVICE
of FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
March 17, 2024

Welcome

Pastor Kevin Morris

Call to Worship

Pastor Jerry Birkholz

Congregational Singing: "Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness"

Hymn 33. TEXT, Rusty Edwards; MUSIC, Traditional American melody; John Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, 1813. © 1987 Hope Publishing Company.

VERSE 1

Praise the One who breaks the darkness with a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the pris'ners, turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the gospel, healing every dread disease,
Calming storms, and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.

VERSE 2

Praise the One who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word;
Praise the One who drove out demons with a piercing two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand;
From this well comes living water quenching thirst in every land.

VERSE 3

Praise the one true love incarnate: Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory. Praise the One who makes us one.

Congregational Singing: “Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me”

TEXT and MUSIC, Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Farren; arr., A. Blumer.

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VERSE 1

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer.
There is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His.
Oh, how strange and divine – I can sing all is mine.
Yet not I but through Christ in me!

VERSE 2

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Savior, He will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need His power is displayed.
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me.
Through the deepest valley He will lead.
Oh, the night has been won and I shall overcome,
Yet not I but through Christ in me!

VERSE 3

No fate I dread. I know I am forgiven,
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated.
Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh, the chains are released. I can sing, I am free.
Yet not I but through Christ in me!

VERSE 4

With ev’ry breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that He will bring me home.
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne!
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus.
All the glory evermore to Him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me!

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Scripture Reading – Psalm 93

Keith Kruienga

Pastoral Prayer

Dave DeGear

Offertory – Congregational Singing: “Beautiful Savior” Grace Hymn 193

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VERSE 1

All my days I will sing this song of gladness,
Give my praise to the Fountain of Delights;
For in my helplessness You heard my cry
And waves of mercy poured down on my life.

VERSE 2

I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer.
I will sing of the blood that never fails,
Of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed,
Of death defeated and life without end.

CHORUS

Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor,
Clothed in majesty, Lord of history,
You’re the Way, the Truth, the Life.
Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness,
You’re the Risen One, heaven’s Champion,
And You reign, You reign over all.

VERSE 3

I long to be where the praise is never ending,
Yearn to dwell where the glory never fades,
Where countless worshipers will share one song,
And cries of “Worthy!” will honor the Lamb!

[sing CHORUS]

Message

Pastor Jerry Birkholz

JESUS IS UNIQUELY FIRST AND FOREMOST, Pt. 3 **Colossians 1:18-20**

“The power and energy of an Almighty and All-sustaining God, is the cause of subsistence to every creature; and if that energy which created them should at any time cease from ruling them, their species would all at once cease, and all nature fall to nothing.”
- Augustine, quoted in *An Exposition of...Colossians* by the Rev. John Davenant

[See insert for sermon outline]