

*Congregational Singing: "Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me"*

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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!" [repeat from \*]

*Closing Thoughts and Benediction*



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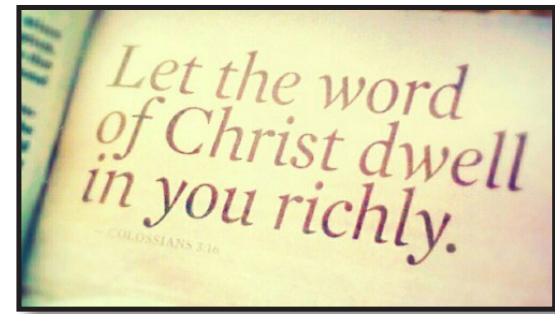
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WORSHIP SHEET for the WORSHIP SERVICE

of FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

July 21, 2024

Welcome

Keith Kruizenga

Call to Worship

Jason Fiedler

*Congregational Singing: "Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"*

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VERSE 1

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone. Christ alone!  
What is our only confidence? That our souls to Him belong.  
Who holds our days within His hand?  
What comes, apart from His command?  
And what will keep us to the end?  
The love of Christ in which we stand.

CHORUS

O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal.  
O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess  
Christ, our hope in life and death.

VERSE 2

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good. God is good!  
Where is His grace and goodness known?  
In our great Redeemer's blood.  
Who holds our faith when fears arise?  
Who stands above the stormy trial?  
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh  
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ? [sing CHORUS]

VERSE 3

Unto the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, He lives! Christ, He lives!"  
And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with Him.  
There we will rise to meet the Lord, then sin and death will be destroyed,  
And we will feast in endless joy when Christ is ours forevermore.

[sing CHORUS 2X]

TAG

Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

*Congregational Singing: "Sweet Hour of Prayer"* Hymn 640  
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VERSE 1

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer  
That calls me from a world of care  
And bids me at my Father's throne  
Make all my wants and wishes known.  
In seasons of distress and grief  
My soul has often found relief  
And oft escaped the tempter's snare  
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

VERSE 2

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,  
Thy wings shall my petition bear  
To Him whose truth and faithfulness  
Engage the waiting soul to bless.  
And since He bids me seek His face,  
Believe His word, and trust His grace,  
I'll cast on Him my every care  
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

*Scripture Reading* – 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

Michael Teachout

*Pastoral Prayer*

Pastor Jerry Birkholz

*Offertory — Congregational Singing: "Your Will Be Done"*

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VERSE 1

Your will be done, my God and Father, as in heaven so on earth.  
My heart is drawn to self-exalting. Help me seek Your kingdom first.  
As Jesus walked, so I shall walk held by Your same unchanging love.  
Be still my soul, O lift your voice and pray,  
"Father, not my will but Yours be done."

VERSE 2

How in that garden He persisted I may never fully know.  
The fearful weight of true obedience, it was held by Him alone.  
What wondrous faith to bear that cross!  
To bear my sin, what wondrous love!  
My hope was sure when there my Savior prayed:  
"Father, not my will but Yours be done."

VERSE 3

When I am lost, when I am broken in the night of fear and doubt,  
Still I will trust in my good Father. Yes, to one great King I bow!  
As Jesus rose, so I shall rise in ransomed glory at the throne.  
My heart restored, with all your saints I sing:  
"Father, not my will but Yours be done."

VERSE 4

As we go forth, our God and Father, lead us daily in the fight  
That all the world might see Your glory and Your name be lifted high.  
\*And in this Name we overcome for You shall see us safely home.  
Now as Your church we lift our voice and pray:  
"Father, not my will but Yours be done." [repeat from \*]

*Message*

Pastor Alex Metras

FIRST AND FOREMOST: JESUS CHRIST

## THREE INSTRUCTIONS FOR GOSPEL LIVING

Colossians 4:2-6

The Believer is Instructed to —

### 1. PRAY WITH PURPOSE — vv 2-4

#### a. Three Marks of a Purposeful Prayer Life

(1.) Devotion – 1 Thessalonians 5:17

(2.) Alertness

(3.) Thanksgiving – Colossians 1:12-13

#### b. Prayer for Gospel Advancement

(1.) Opportunity

(2.) Effectiveness

(3.) Bold and humble messengers

### 2. WALK WITH WISDOM – v 5

#### a. Distinct but Not Detached from the World

#### b. Wise Walking

(1.) Worthy of the LORD – Colossians 1:9-10

(2.) Deeply Understanding the Gospel – Colossians 2:3

(3.) Full of His Word – Colossians 3:16

(4.) Centered on Him

#### c. Displaying and Giving the Gospel – Matthew 28:19-20

### 3. SPEAK WITH SAVVY – v 6

#### a. What is "Gospel Savvy"?

#### b. Salty Talk

(1.) Content

(2.) Consistency

(3.) Joy