

**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.<sup>1</sup>

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

<sup>1</sup>Jonathan 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
- All My Boast Is In Jesus
- Pastoral Prayer
- O Worship The King
- God Our Rescuer
- Sermon: 1 Samuel 15:10-21
- The Lord's Supper
- How Firm A Foundation
- Doxology

**Call to Worship**

Hear God call you to worship through His Word:

The Lord has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all. Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word! Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will! Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul! ~ Psalm 103:19-22

**Confession of Sin**

Confess your sins to God:

I acknowledge, Lord, and I thank you, that you have created me in your image so that I may remember you, think of you, and love you. Yet this image is so eroded with my vices, so clouded by the smoke of my sins, that it cannot do what it was created to do unless you renew and refashion it. I am not trying to scale your heights, Lord; my understanding is in no way equal to that. But I do long to understand your truth in some way, your truth which my heart believes and loves. For I do not seek to understand in order to believe; I believe in order to understand. Amen. ~ Anselm

**Assurance of Pardon**

Receive these words of comfort from God:

For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ~ Galatians 2:19-20

**All My Boast Is In Jesus**

Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

**Verse 1**

What wonder of wonders  
what love is this  
That Christ would die for me  
His goodness His merit  
His righteousness  
This sinner's only plea  
O foolish pride be crucified  
The work is finished

**Chorus 1**

All my boast is in Jesus  
All my hope is His love  
And I will glory forever  
In what the cross has done

**Verse 2**

Now fully forgiven my life is filled  
With graces undeserved  
For mercy that flowed down  
that sacred hill  
Let praises now return  
Rise up my soul and bless the Lord  
Who else is worthy

**Bridge 1**

O praise the One forever blessed  
Him alone my heart adores  
And I will boast in nothing less  
Than the love of Christ my Lord

**Verse 3**

I boast not in riches  
in strength or might  
But in the grace of God  
I glory in weakness to live is Christ  
In plenty or in want  
That I may know that all may see  
His pow'r within me

**Chorus 2**

Now I stand in His freedom  
Ransomed clean in His sight  
And I cannot be ashamed for  
My boast is Jesus Christ  
My boast is Jesus Christ  
Forever my boast is Jesus Christ

**Worship  
Through Song**

**O Worship The King**

Johann Michael Haydn

**Verse 1**

O worship the King  
all glorious above  
And gratefully sing  
His power and His love  
Our Shield and Defender  
the Ancient of Days  
Pavilioned in splendor  
and girded with praise

**Verse 2**

O tell of His might  
O sing of His grace  
Whose robe is the light  
whose canopy space  
His chariots of wrath the deep  
thunderclouds form  
And dark is His path  
on the wings of the storm

**Verse 3**

Frail children of dust  
and feeble as frail  
In Thee do we trust  
nor find Thee to fail  
Thy mercies how tender  
how firm to the end  
Our Maker Defender  
Redeemer and Friend

**Verse 4**

O measureless might  
ineffable love  
While angels delight  
to worship Thee above  
The humbler creation  
though feeble their lays  
With true adoration  
shall all sing Thy praise

**God Our Rescuer**

Michael Bleecker

**Verse 1**

Righteousness, as filthy rags  
Still you sought us,  
mercy bought us  
From our shame  
and from our chains  
Grace has freed us  
truth will lead us

**Chorus**

God our Rescuer  
Redeemer of the world  
Prodigal Chaser Miracle Maker  
Strong enough to save  
You pulled us from the grave  
Yours is the glory,  
O God our Rescuer  
Oh, Oh God our Rescuer

**Verse 2**

You came in love,  
you walked our dust  
Healed the blind eyes,  
gave the dead life  
In our midst and in our mess  
You're our Helper,  
You are Healer

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**Bridge**

This seems impossible  
oh what a selfless love  
That reaches far beyond  
and stretches high above  
He made it possible  
by sending us His Son, Jesus

**How Firm  
A Foundation**

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 dress 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

**THIS WEEK @ FBC CORDELE**

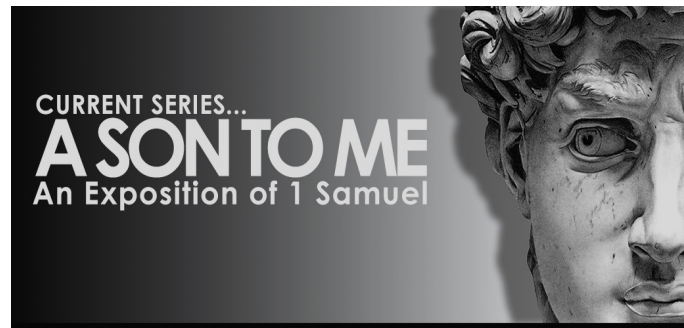
SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
9AM: SUNDAY SCHOOL 10AM: WORSHIP GATHERING	6PM: MIDWEEK ACTIVITIES

**WAYS TO SERVE/WHO TO CONTACT:**

PASTOR VON	• HOSPITALITY
PASTOR JACK	• DISCIPLESHIP • STUDENT MINISTRY
PASTOR DANIEL	• AUDIO/VIDEO • INSTRUMENTALISTS/VOCALISTS
PASTOR CHUCK	• HOSTING A LIFE GROUP
CHRISTY SAYLOR	• AWANA • KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL

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!

<b>Sunday School</b>	We desire to help you grow in knowledge of the Word of God by applying it to daily life. <b>Quad: Old Testament Survey II</b> <b>Classroom A: Biblical Theology</b> <b>Classroom B: Membership Matters</b>
<b>Worship Gathering</b>	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.
<b>Life Groups</b>	Community, fellowship, life-on-life, accountability, service opportunities. <i>If you would like more information about how to join a Lifegroup and where they are located, contact Pastor Chuck.</i>
<b>Midweek Bible Study</b>	Discussion around the Word, learn to read the Bible, consider context of Biblical texts, application to daily life <i>Adult Bible Study, FBC Students, AWANA</i>
<b>FBC Students</b>	FBC Students will be participating in <i>Secret Church '25</i> , an annual livestream event hosted by David Platt on <i>April 11th</i> . See Pastor Jack for details! There are still spots open for our trip to <i>Centrifuge</i> on <i>July 7-11</i> . Please contact Pastor Jack for more information.
<b>FBC Kids</b>	Each Sunday School class is led by wonderful teachers who love the Lord. Nursery and childcare is available for kids <i>birth-Pre-K</i> during the 10am Worship Gathering. <i>AWANA</i> is every Wednesday at 6pm.



**SERMON NOTES**

Read | Samuel 15:10-21

Talk about it...

What is your biggest takeaway from 1 Samuel 15:10-21?

God is shown to grieve over His choice of Saul, yet He does not regret in the way that we do. How can grief be godly? What are some things that are right and good for us to grieve over as Christians?

Based on everything we have seen from Saul since his introduction, why do you think he would build a monument for himself? If God has created us and set us apart for himself, what are some ways that we can live as monuments for His glory? What are some ways that we tend to build monuments for ourselves? Look at your life, would you say that you are building a monument for yourself or for the Lord? Explain.

Saul covers over his disobedience by first saying he \*did\* obey and then blaming his disobedience on his men. In what ways do we similarly cover up our disobedience? How does the gospel free us from needing to justify ourselves in those ways? Our text shows us that the Lord grieves over a lack of obedience. How do you think the LORD reacts when those who have trusted in Christ, and have seen more fully than the Israelites His worthiness, disobey? Why should we be the more eager to obey in light of Christ's work?

Too often we think we can obey enough to gain God's love. What does it do to your heart - and to your obedience - to know that God already loves us so much that He gave us Jesus?

Saul blurts out that he had been obedient before Samuel says anything to him. As the narrative unfolds, he appears to have a clear conscience. How does this show us that having a clear conscience is not an indication that we are right?

React to this from Dale Ralph Davis: "To reject Yahweh's word is to reject Yahweh Himself, to reject His authority. In a word, to reject His kingship."

To obey God we will need to disobey ourselves and make unpopular decisions. How can we, then, be people who are more and more willing to obey God over obeying ourselves? How does the truth of the gospel of our truer and better King, motivate pursuing obeying Jesus over self?



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**Lord's Day Gathering**  
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the  
Glory  
of Christ

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