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.

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; 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

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 As For Me And My House Pastoral Prayer **Great Things** How Great Thou Art Sermon: 1 Samuel 14:47-15:11 My Lord, I Did Not Choose You Doxology

Call to Worship

Hear God call you to worship through His Word:

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.~ Hebrews 12:1–2

Confession of Sin

Confess your sins to God:

O merciful God, full of compassion, long-suffering and of great pity, make us earnestly repent, and heartily to be sorry for all our misdoings; make the remembrance of them so burdensome and painful that we may flee to you with a troubled spirit and a contrite heart; O merciful Lord, visit, comfort, and relieve us; excite in us true repentance; give us knowledge of your truth and confidence in your mercy, and in the world to come, life everlasting. Amen. ~ Samuel Johnson

Assurance of Pardon

Receive these words of comfort from God:

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen. ~ I Timothy 1:15-17

Worship **Through Song**

As For Me And My House

Keith & Kristyn Getty Cochren & Co.

Verse I

Oh choose you this day whom you will serve The kingdom of heaven or the powers of earth Has He not spoken have you not heard There is but one true God

Verse 2

The God of our fathers set us free His Son paid the price for our covenant peace Through generations His mercy speaks We trust in one true God

Chorus

As for me and my house We will serve serve the Lord As for me and my house We will serve the Lord our God

Verse 3

This house is the Lord's and all within May it be pleasing and holy to Him Joined by His Spirit His people sing Great is the one true God Oh great is the living God

Bridge

Oh praise the Father praise the Son Praise the Spirit now in us Let every heart and every tongue Praise the one true God

Great Things

Phil Wickham

Verse I

Come let us worship our King Come let us bow at His feet He has done great things See what our Savior has done See how His love overcomes He has done great things He has done great things

Chorus I

O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave You free every captive and break every chain O God You have done great things We dance in Your freedom awake and alive O lesus our Savior Your name lifted high O God You have done great things

Verse 2

You've been faithful through every storm You'll be faithful forevermore You have done great things And I know You will do it again For Your promise is yes and amen You will do great things God You do great things

Bridge 2x

Hallelujah God above it all Hallelujah God unshakable Hallelujah You have done great things

Tag

You've done great things **Ending**

You have done great things O God, You do great things

How Great Thou Art

Stuart K. Hine

Verse I

O Lord my God When I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder Thy pow'r thru'out The universe displayed

Chorus

Then sings my soul My Savior God to Thee How great Thou art
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My Savior God to Thee How great Thou art How great Thou art Verse 2

And when I think That God His Son not sparing Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in That on the cross My burden gladly bearing He bled and died To take away my sin

Versé 4 When Christ shall come With shout of acclamation And take me home What joy shall fill my heart Thén I shall bow In humble adoration And there proclaim My God how great Thou art

My Lord, I Did Not **Choose You**

loseph Conder

Verse I

My Lord, I did not choose You For that could never be My heart would still refuse You Had You not chosen me You took the sin that stained me You cleansed me, made me new Of old You have ordained me That I should live in You

(Repeat) Verse 2

Unless Your grace had called me And taught my darkened mind The world would have enthralled me To heavenly glories blind My heart knows none above You For Your rich grace I thirst I know that if I love You You must have loved me first

HOW I DO I **GET INVOLVED AT FBC?** Begin with becoming a member. To start the process, attend the Membership Matters classes at 9:00am on Sundays. Please e-mail kvonpax@gmail.com with any questions or see Pastor Von in the foyer after service. First Baptist Church

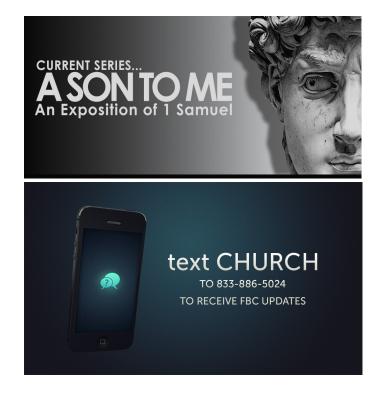
THIS WEEK @ FBC CORDELE

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

WAYS TO SERVE/WHO TO CONTACT:		
PASTOR VON	HOSPITALITY	
PASTOR JACK	DISCIPLESHIPSTUDENT MINISTRY	
PASTOR DANIEL	AUDIO/VIDEOINSTRUMENTALISTS/VOCALISTS	
PASTOR CHUCK	HOSTING A LIFE GROUP	
CHRISTY SAYLOR	AWANAKIDS 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!

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



SERMON NOTES

Read I Samuel 14:47-15:11 Talk about it...

What is your biggest takeaway from 1 Samuel 14:47-15:11?

For the Bible covenant obedience matters far more than vocational achievement. How much of a reversal of the world's value is that? In the world, how is success measured? How is it measured in Scripture? How can the American church be guilty of operating more according to the standards and measures of the world than the Bible? In your own life, is power and influence important to you? Should it be important in the church? Explain.

React to this from Richard Phillips: "How many people today possess glowing resumes and glittering accomplishments yet none of it ultimately matters because they are estranged from their Maker?"

Answer honestly: what matters to you more: having a good life as defined by the world, or being obedient to Christ even if it costs you everything?

How is the way that God views sin different from the way we often view sin? Why do we have such a difficult time thinking about wrath and judgment? Is it necessary to understand 'rightful punishment' for sin in order to truly understand the gospel? Explain.

God has a problem with half-way obedience. Why do you think that is?

How do we tend to think of obedience? Is a little obedience better than no obedience? Agree or disagree: partial obedience is really only disobedience made to look acceptable.

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?

Put all that we considered together: how does the gospel define power, success, sin, sin's consequences, obedience, and grief? How does Jesus 'fill out' all that we see here? How is He a better King than Saul was?







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Come Behold the Glory of Christ

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