

# COLLEGE BAPTIST CHURCH

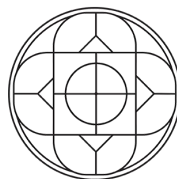
OCTOBER 1, 2023

† Congregation Standing (as able)



## COLLEGE BAPTIST CHURCH

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### PRELUDE

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*There are children's activity bags on the white stand in the back, along with clipboards in the red basket for older children. The nursery is available for ages 0-3. The library is available for nursing mothers. On the second and fourth Sundays of the month, children 4 years old - 2nd grade will be dismissed during the service for children's church.*

*Hearing assistance devices are available on the back table of the sanctuary.*

*Past sermon videos are available at [www.collegebaptist.org/sermons](http://www.collegebaptist.org/sermons). CDs of past services are available by contacting Laura Wilson at [office@collegebaptist.org](mailto:office@collegebaptist.org).*

### MEDITATION

By coming to earth as a human, you equipped yourself with righteousness. You anointed yourself with faithfulness. You yourself are righteousness and truth. You are the joy of all. We lift you high!

So I tell the heavens to rejoice with me today, for you have showed mercy to your people. Let the clouds drop the dew of righteousness on the world. Let the foundations of the earth sound a trumpet blast to the dead for the resurrection to come.

May compassion also spring up for all people of this earth. I am overjoyed since I have met you, Jesus, the Savior of all!

Amen.

—Methodius of Olympia

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

GALATIANS 6:14

Far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

## †LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

*Kitchin, Newbolt, Nicholson; CCLI 5169*

### CHORUS

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim.  
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

Come, brethren, follow where our Savior trod,  
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God. **CHORUS**

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
As thou hast promised, draw men unto thee. **CHORUS**

For thy blest cross which doth for all atone,  
Creation's praises rise before thy throne. **CHORUS**

So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
Praise to the Crucified for victory. **CHORUS**

## †INVOCATION

### OFFERING & OFFERTORY

*Jan Ourensma, "The Goodness of God"*

## †DOXOLOGY & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## †PHILIPPIANS 2:8-11

Being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## †THROUGH ALL THE WORLD

*Leech, Lijlestrand; Hymn 672*

Through all the world let every nation sing to God the King.  
As Lord, may Christ preside, where now he is defied,  
And sovereign place his throne in lands not yet his own.  
Through all the world let every nation sing to God the King.

Through all the world, let everyone express true righteousness.  
May Christ now be the norm to which we all conform,  
His passion cure the sin that festers from within.  
Through all the world let everyone express true righteousness.

Through all the world let everyone embrace the gift of grace.  
May Christ's great light consume our darkest cities' gloom.  
May Christ's great love efface hostilities of race.  
Through all the world let everyone embrace the gift of grace.

If all the world in every part shall hear, and God revere,  
We must be moved to care, and in his name to share  
The liberating word, which must be told abroad.  
Then all the world in every part shall hear, and God revere.

## MISSIONS MOMENT

*Commissioning of the Peru Team*

## PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

*Jared Maxwell, Elder*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## †PSALM 47:8-9

God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.  
The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham.  
For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted!

## †THE GOD OF ABRAHAM PRAISE

*Mann, Landsberg, Lyon; Hymn 332*

The God of Abraham praise, all praised be his name,  
Who was, and is, and is to be, always the same!  
The one eternal God, whose timelessness is clear;  
The first, the last: beyond all thought, throughout the years!

His spirit floweth free, high surging where it will;  
In prophet's word he spoke of old, he speaketh still.  
Established is his law, and changeless it shall stand,  
Now written deep upon the heart by God's own hand.

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He hath eternal life implanted in the soul;  
His love shall be our strengthening while ages roll.  
Praise to the living God! All praised be his name,  
Who was, and is and is to be, always the same!

### SERMON TEXT: ROMANS 3: 1-8

Then what advantage has the Jew? Or what is the value of circumcision? <sup>2</sup> Much in every way. To begin with, the Jews were entrusted with the oracles of God. <sup>3</sup> What if some were unfaithful? Does their faithlessness nullify the faithfulness of God? <sup>4</sup> By no means! Let God be true though every one were a liar, as it is written,

“That you may be justified in your words,  
and prevail when you are judged.”

<sup>5</sup> But if our unrighteousness serves to show the righteousness of God, what shall we say? That God is unrighteous to inflict wrath on us? (I speak in a human way.) <sup>6</sup> By no means! For then how could God judge the world? <sup>7</sup> But if through my lie God’s truth abounds to his glory, why am I still being condemned as a sinner? <sup>8</sup> And why not do evil that good may come?—as some people slanderously charge us with saying. Their condemnation is just.

### SERMON: THE ADVANTAGE OF THE ORACLES

*Pastor Ben Cuthbert*

### †THE WONDERFUL CROSS

*Watts, Walt, Tomlin; CCLI 3148435*

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss and pour contempt on all my pride.

See from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down;  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

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### CHORUS

O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross  
Bids me come and die and find that I may truly live.  
O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross;  
All who gather here by grace draw near and bless your name.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were an offering far too small.  
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all. **CHORUS**

### THE LORD’S SUPPER *The bread we use is gluten-free.*

The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

### †I WILL GLORY IN MY REDEEMER

*Cook, Cook; CCLI 3337435*

*(Please remain seated until instructed to stand)*

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 power of sin and death,  
My only Savior before the holy Judge: the Lamb who is my righteousness.  
The Lamb who is my righteousness.

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 up on me, my feet are firm held by his grace.  
My feet are firm held by his grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer, who carries me on eagle’s wings;  
He crowns my life with loving kindness. 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.

### DEACONS’ FUND OFFERING

### †BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

WHO'S WHO? *Boldface indicates board chair. Look inside the attendance pad for more information about board duties.*

PASTOR: Reverend Ben Cuthbert (bcuthbert@collegebaptist.org)

WORSHIP LEADERS: Brietta Wilson, Tyler Wilson ORGAN: Jan Ourensma PIANO: Kristi Gautsche

YOUTH DIRECTOR: Jared Maxwell (jared.r.maxwell@gmail.com) SEXTON: Darrel Kratt

SECRETARY: Laura Wilson (office@collegebaptist.org) BOOKKEEPER: Joanna Young (finance@collegebaptist.org)

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD: Carie Brown, Stephanie Gordon, Amelia Lawson, Jared Maxwell, Derek Stauff, Christian Winter, **Matt Young**

DEACON BOARD: Grace Balkan, Malisa Banbury, Sally Beazley, Kathy Oberlin, **Joni Westblade**, Brietta Wilson

ELDER BOARD: Ben Cuthbert, Bill Gray, **Jared Maxwell\***, Mike Roberts, Don Westblade

MISSION BOARD: **Carol Bentley**, Larry Gaetano, Karen Herteg, Lorissa Mekelburg, Sue Reed, Joanna Young

TRUSTEE BOARD: Doug Banbury, Andy Brown, Matt Hazelton, **Joshua Lawson**, Terry Reed, Travis Wilson

CLERK & LIBRARIAN: Peggy Stewart EXPENSE TREASURER: Lisa Roberts

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT: Megan Gray FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Laura Wilson

MOTHER'S HELPER MINISTRY: Shannon Westblade 517-610-6211 or shannonwestblade@gmail.com

*\*This elder will be available at the front of the church for ten minutes after the service for prayer.*

# THE BULLETIN BOARD

Sunday, October 1	5:30 p.m.	OWLS @ The Burke Home (221 N Manning St)
Sunday, October 1	6:00 p.m.	Youth Group (Upper Vestry)
Monday, October 2	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (Library)
Monday, October 2	7:00 p.m.	Men's M.E.A.T. Bible Study (Nursery)
Wednesday, October 4	10:00 a.m.	Tidings of Comfort (Upper Vestry)
Wednesday, October 4	8:30 p.m.	College Bible Study (Sanctuary)
Thursday, October 5	6:15 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (Upper Vestry)
Thursday, October 5	12:00 p.m.	Hour of Prayer (Library)
Sunday, October 8	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
Sunday, October 8	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service

**ADOPT-A-STUDENT MATCH SUNDAY** is **today** after the service!

**HELPING HANDS BANQUET** You are invited to a Fall Banquet to benefit Helping Hands Pregnancy Center. Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023. 6:30 p.m. start time/Doors open at 5:45 p.m. Location: Hillsdale College Searle Center. Thanks to generous sponsors, tickets are FREE, however, RSVPs are required. RSVP by phone 517-437-7020, or sign up through Kris Healy 517-917-6914.

**MEDICAL AND EVANGELISTIC MISSION TRIP:** A team from CBC will be working alongside our missionaries, Junior and Sarah Araujo, in Cusco and Arequipa, Peru from October 6-20. Our own short-term missionaries, who will join 13 others, include Joni Westblade, Shannon Westblade, Terry Reed, and Donna & Larry Gaetano. **Please pray for safe travel and a fruitful ministry.**

**COLLEGE STUDENTS** You are invited to a Saucy Dogs lunch in the Upper Vestry on Sunday, October 8 after the worship service. Please text or call Lisa Dugan at 913-708-5737 for more information.

**AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY** We are looking for more individuals to join our A/V ministry team. No experience necessary. Training will be provided. If interested, please contact Travis Wilson at crxwilson@gmail.com or 517-610-2070.

**PRAYER CHAIN** If you would like to be added to the CBC Prayer Chain Email, please contact Peggy Stewart at 517-320-1098 or peggystewart@yahoo.com.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** If you would like to be added to the CBC Announcement Email, please contact Laura Wilson at 517-439-9931 or office@collegebaptist.org.

## 4:12 CENTER PROGRESS REPORT

“...to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ...”— Ephesians 4:12

BUILDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Shelley Allen, Ray Bentley, Ben Cuthbert, Megan Gray, Rod Stewart, Don Westblade

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN DIRECTOR: Bill Gray

ARCHITECT: InForm Architecture (informarchitect.com)

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN CONSULTANT: Church Growth Services (churchgrowthservices.com)

EXPENDITURES SINCE JUNE 27, 2021: \$216,913

BUILDING ADDITION FUND BALANCE: \$943,053

OUTSTANDING PLEDGES: \$489,955

To donate to College Baptist, please scan the QR code to the right. Use the drop down menu to select one of the following funds: General, Mission, Deacon, Building Addition.



To our College Baptist Church Family,

Thank you for the outpouring of prayers, love, encouragement, meals and offers of support we have received since Debbie's accident in August. You have truly been the hands and feet of Jesus in showing us Christian love during this time of need.

God bless you all!

Debbie & Dave Dinkleman

### FINANCIAL REPORT THROUGH SEPTEMBER 23:

Contributions YTD \$224,438 *minus* Expenses YTD \$218,128 *equals* Net \$6,310

Budget YTD \$229,554