

COLLEGE BAPTIST CHURCH

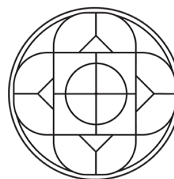
NOVEMBER 26, 2023

† Congregation Standing (as able)



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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. CDs of past services are available by contacting Laura Wilson at office@collegebaptist.org.

MEDITATION

“Only as we reckon on these twin facts – that I am dead to sin and its reign over me and that I am alive to God, united to Him who strengthens me – can I keep sin from reigning in my mortal body.”

–Jerry Bridges in “The Pursuit of Holiness”

† CALL TO WORSHIP

ISAIAH 59

Leader: Our iniquities have made a separation between us and our God,
and our sins have hidden his face from us, so that he does not hear.

People: **Therefore justice is far from us, and righteousness does not overtake us;
we hope for light, and behold, darkness, and for brightness, but we walk in gloom.**

Leader: Justice is turned back, and righteousness stands far away;
for truth has stumbled in the public squares, and uprightness cannot enter.

People: **God saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no one to intercede;
then his own arm brought him salvation, and his righteousness upheld him.**

Leader: He put on righteousness as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation on his head;
he put on garments of vengeance for clothing, and wrapped himself in zeal as a cloak.

All: **“And a Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who turn from transgression,”
declares the LORD.**

† THANKS TO GOD FOR MY REDEEMER

Storm, Backstrom, Hultman; Hymn 386

Thanks to God for my Redeemer, thanks for all thou dost provide!
Thanks for times now but a memory, thanks for Jesus by my side!
Thanks for pleasant, balmy springtime, thanks for dark and dreary fall!
Thanks for tears by now forgotten, thanks for peace within my soul!

Thanks for prayers that thou hast answered, thanks for what thou dost deny!
Thanks for storms that I have weathered, thanks for all thou dost supply!
Thanks for pain and thanks for pleasure, thanks for comfort in despair!
Thanks for grace that none can measure, thanks for love beyond compare!

Thanks for roses by the wayside, thanks for thorns their stems contain!
Thanks for home and thanks for fireside, thanks for hope, that sweet refrain!
Thanks for joy and thanks for sorrow, thanks for heav'nly peace with thee!
Thanks for hope in the tomorrow, thanks thru all eternity!

† INVOCATION

OFFERING & OFFERTORY

† 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.

† TITUS 2:11-14

The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

† O GREAT GOD

Kauffman; CCLI 4804015

O great God of highest heav'n, occupy my lowly heart.
Own it all and reign supreme, conquer ev'ry rebel pow'r.
Let no vice or sin remain that resists your holy war.
You have loved and purchased me; make me yours forever more.

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I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear your voice,
Did not know your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys.
Then your Spirit gave me life, opened up your word to me.
Through the gospel of your Son, gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on your grace.
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face.
You are worthy to be praised with my ev'ry thought and deed.
O great God of highest heav'n. Glorify your Name through me.

PRAYER OF BLESSING & DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Kate Maxwell & Caroline Roberts

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Mike Roberts, 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.

† ISAIAH 26:8-9, 19

In the path of your judgments, O LORD, we wait for you; your name and remembrance are the desire of our soul. My soul yearns for you in the night; my spirit within me earnestly seeks you. For when your judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world learn righteousness. Your dead shall live; their bodies shall rise. You who dwell in the dust, awake and sing for joy!

† CHRIST IS RISEN

Maher, Fieldes; CCLI 5242683

Let no one caught in sin remain inside the life of inward shame,
But fix our eyes upon the cross, and run to him who showed great love and bled for us.
Freely you've bled for us.

CHORUS

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling over death by death.
Come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the grave!
Christ is risen from the dead, we are one with him again.
Come awake, come awake, come and rise up from the grave!

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Beneath the weight of all our sin you bowed to none but heaven's will.
No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown, no burden great can hold you down.
In strength you reign! Forever let your church proclaim: **CHORUS**

O death, where is your sting? O hell, where is your victory?
O church, come stand in the light. The glory of God has defeated the night.
Singing: "O death, where is your sting? O hell, where is your victory?"
O church, come stand in the light. Our God is not dead. He's alive! He's alive! **CHORUS**

SERMON TEXT: ROMANS 6:1-14

¹ What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸ Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. ¹² Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. ¹³ Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

SERMON: UNITED WITH CHRIST

Pastor Ben Cuthbert

†ARISE, MY SOUL, ARISE

Wesley, Twit; CCLI 2570138

Arise, my soul, arise! Shake off your guilty fears.
The bleeding sacrifice on my behalf appears.
Before the throne my surety stands, my name is written on his hands.

He ever lives above for me to intercede.
His all redeeming love, his precious blood to plead.
His blood atoned for every race and sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary.
They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me.
Forgive him! O, forgive they cry. Don't let that ransomed sinner die.

My God is reconciled. His pard'ning voice I hear.
He owns me as his child. I can no longer fear.
With confidence, I now draw nigh, and Father, Abba Father, cry.

†BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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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**: Kristi Gautsche **PIANO**: Kristi Gautsche

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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.*

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: 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: \$219,123

BUILDING ADDITION FUND BALANCE: \$997,457

OUTSTANDING PLEDGES: \$446,208

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THE BULLETIN BOARD

Monday, November 27	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (Library)
Monday, November 27	7:00 p.m.	Men's M.E.A.T. Bible Study (Nursery)
Wednesday, November 29	10:00 a.m.	Tidings of Comfort (Upper Vestry)
Wednesday, November 29	8:30 p.m.	College Bible Study (Sanctuary)
Thursday, November 30	6:15 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (Upper Vestry)
Thursday, November 30	12:00 p.m.	Hour of Prayer (Library)
Sunday, December 3	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
Sunday, December 3	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service

CHRISTMAS DECORATING Today, we need help after church to bring the garland from the basement upstairs to the balcony. On **Saturday, December 2 at 8:00 a.m.**, we need those who are willing and able to help us decorate the church. If you are interested in helping, please email Stephanie Gordon at stephanie.gordon525@gmail.com.

CONFERENCE Ladies, mark your calendars! Plans are underway for a group of College Baptist women to attend The Gospel Coalition's Women's Conference on **June 20-22, 2024**, in Indianapolis. Speakers will include Jen Wilkin, Melissa Kruger, Nancy Guthrie, and David Platt. For more information, please contact Peggy Stewart at 517-320-1098 or peggystewart@yahoo.com.

SAVE THE DATES—Advent & Christmas Events

Saturday, December 2—Youth Group Christmas Party at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 5—College Christmas Dinner at 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 10—Children's Christmas Presentation during Worship Service at 10:45 a.m.

Sunday, December 17—Christmas Caroling at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 24—Christmas Eve Worship Service at 10:45 (No Sunday School)

Sunday, December 24—Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7:00 p.m. (Prelude at 6:30 p.m.)

FINANCIAL REPORT THROUGH NOVEMBER 18:

Contributions YTD \$280,981 *minus* Expenses YTD \$264,803 *equals* Net \$16,178
Budget YTD \$277,882