

# COLLEGE BAPTIST CHURCH

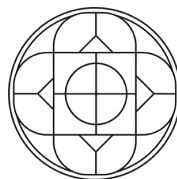
APRIL 21, 2024

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

### MEDITATION

You are the one who was made the headstone of the corner—for our salvation! You are precious and honorable. All things take their place under you as their cause and author. You are the one who brought all things into being, out of nothing. So I will glorify you, O Lord my God. I will praise your name.

— Methodius of Olympia from "Fount of Heaven"

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 27:4-5

One thing have I asked of the LORD,  
that will I seek after:  
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD  
all the days of my life,  
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD  
and to inquire in his temple.  
For he will hide me in his shelter  
in the day of trouble;  
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;  
he will lift me high upon a rock.

## †BE THOU MY VISION

*Byrne, Hull, Evans; Hymn 468*

Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my Wisdom, and thou my true Word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my Treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

## †INVOCATION

## OFFERING & OFFERTORY

*Ethan Rohrbach, "Because He Lives"*

## †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.

## †1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-4

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

## †THERE IS ONE GOSPEL

*Robinson, Thompson; CCLI 7199817*

There is one Gospel on which I stand for all eternity.  
It is my story, my Father's plan, the Son has rescued me.  
Oh, what a Gospel, oh what a peace. My highest joy and my deepest need.  
Now and forever, he is my light. I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

There is one Gospel to which I cling, all else I count as loss.  
For there, where justice and mercy meet, he saved me on the cross.  
No more I boast in what I can bring, no more I carry the weight of sin.  
For he has brought me from death to life. I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

There is one Gospel where hope is found, the empty tomb still speaks.  
For death could not keep my Savior down, he lives and I am free.  
Now on my Savior I fix my eyes, my life is his and his hope is mine.  
For he has promised I too will rise, I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

And in this Gospel, the church is one, we do not walk alone.  
We have his Spirit as we press on to lead us safely home.  
And when in glory still I will sing of this old story that rescued me.  
Praise to my Savior the King of life. I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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## †PHILIPPIANS 3:7-9

Whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith.

## †YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME *Robinson, Farren, Thompson; CCLI 7121852*

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.

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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.

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.

With every 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."  
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## PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

*Jeff Beazley, 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.

## ROMANS 9:30-10:4

<sup>30</sup>What shall we say, then? That Gentiles who did not pursue righteousness have attained it, that is, a righteousness that is by faith; <sup>31</sup>but that Israel who pursued a law that would lead to righteousness did not succeed in reaching that law. <sup>32</sup>Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as if it were based on works. They have stumbled over the stumbling stone, <sup>33</sup>as it is written,

"Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

<sup>1</sup>Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. <sup>2</sup>For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. <sup>3</sup>For, being ignorant of the righteousness of God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. <sup>4</sup>For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

## SERMON: STUMBLING STONE OR SAVING STONE?

*Pastor Ben Cuthbert*

## †THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

*Stone, Wesley; Hymn 547*

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord.  
She is his new creation by water and the Word.  
From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride.  
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth  
Her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore,  
Till with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy, Lord, give us grace that we,  
Like them the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

## †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: Caitie Dugan, Zach Ponraj ORGAN: Kristi Gautsche PIANO: Kristi Gautsche

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

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

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CHRISTIAN ED BOARD: Carie Brown, Stephanie Gordon, Mariel Stauff, Christian Winter, **Matt Young**

DEACON BOARD: Grace Balkan, Malisa Banbury, Sally Beazley, **Stephanie Maxwell**, Kathy Oberlin, Brietta Wilson

ELDER BOARD: Jeff Beazley\*, Ben Cuthbert, Jim Dugan, Bill Gray, **Mike Roberts**, Don Westblade

MISSION BOARD: **Carol Bentley**, Susan Betz, Larry Gaetano, Lorissa Mekelburg, Sue Reed, Joanna Young

TRUSTEE BOARD: Ray Bentley, Andy Brown, Terry Reed, **Travis Wilson**

CLERK: Lisa Dugan EXPENSE TREASURER: Lisa Roberts LIBRARIAN: Peggy Stewart

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, April 21	12:15 p.m.	Congregational Meeting
Sunday, April 21	6:00 p.m.	Youth Group (Upper Vestry)
Monday, April 22	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (Library)
Monday, April 22	7:00 p.m.	Men's M.E.A.T. Bible Study (Nursery)
Wednesday, April 24	10:00 a.m.	Tidings of Comfort (Upper Vestry)
Wednesday, April 24	8:30 p.m.	College Bible Study (Sanctuary)
Thursday, April 25	6:15 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (Upper Vestry)
Thursday, April 25	12:00 p.m.	Hour of Prayer (Library)
Sunday, April 28	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
Sunday, April 28	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
Sunday, April 28	12:15 p.m.	Congregational Meeting

## 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)

NEXT BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING: TBD

EXPENDITURES SINCE JUNE 27, 2021: \$222,713

BUILDING ADDITION FUND BALANCE: \$1,124,802

OUTSTANDING PLEDGES: \$326,351

Everyone is welcome and members are encouraged to remain after this morning's service for a congregational meeting in which redesigned plans and prospective budgets for the 4:12 Center will be displayed and explained. A motion to move forward with further architectural steps toward construction will be distributed for voting at a follow-up meeting next Sunday, April 28.

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.



VBS 2024 *Babylon: Daniel's Courage in Captivity* June 23-27, 2024 6-8:30PM (Sunday through Thursday).

If you would like to be a part of this wonderful opportunity to minister to children of our church and community, contact Donna Gaetano at 732-232-7111 or donnamarie.gaetano@gmail.com.

**EXAM CARE PACKAGES** We are in need of people to donate food items for exam week care packages for our college students. Please see the email announcement for the signup link. We also need volunteers to help pack bags on **Saturday, May 4 at 10:00 a.m.** in the church library. If you have any questions, contact Kathy Oberlin at 517-398-1955 or email kathy.oberlin@yahoo.com.

**RIGHT TO LIFE** The annual Pro-life Newspaper Signature Display will appear in the Hillsdale Daily News on Friday, May 10 with the names of people who want to be included as Pro-Life supporters. While a small donation is welcome to help offset the cost of the display, names will be included with or without a donation. There are envelopes on the table in the narthex for those who would like to be included. Please **mail your envelope by Monday, May 6.**

**HELP NEEDED** Darrel Kratt has stepped away from his role as the Sexton at CBC. We are so grateful for him and the time he served CBC in this role. The Trustees are immediately looking for volunteers to help fulfill some of his day-to-day duties while we search for a new Custodian. **If you are interested in volunteering**, please reach out to Travis Wilson or anyone on the Trustee board for more information. Also, we are now actively seeking to permanently fill the Custodian position. If this sounds like something you, or someone you know, would be interested in please reach out to Travis Wilson at 517-610-2070 or crxwilson@gmail.com.

FINANCIAL REPORT THROUGH APRIL 13:

Contributions YTD \$89,185 *minus* Expenses YTD \$89,468 *equals* Net (\$283)

Budget YTD \$94,328