

COLLEGE BAPTIST CHURCH

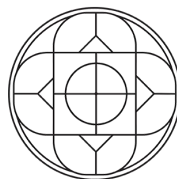
MAY 5, 2024

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

MEDITATION

There can be no grace when there is no sovereignty. Deny God's right to choose whom He will and you deny His right to save whom He will. Deny His right to save whom He will and you deny that salvation is of grace. If salvation is made to hinge upon any merit or fitness in man, seen or foreseen, grace is at an end.
— Horatius Bonar in "The Reign of Grace"

† CALL TO WORSHIP

HEBREWS 4:14-16

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

† COME, PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING

Getty, Getty, Townend; CCLI 5232617

Come, people of the Risen King, who delight to bring him praise!
Come all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth, we will lift our eyes to him,
Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

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CHORUS

Rejoice, rejoice, let ev'ry tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night.
Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight,
For his perfect love will never change and his mercies never cease.
But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace. **CHORUS**

Come, young and old from ev'ry land, men and women of the faith.
Come, those with full or empty hands, find the riches of his grace.
Over all the world his people sing; shore to shore we hear them call.
The truth that cries through ev'ry age: our God is all in all! **CHORUS**

† INVOCATION

COLLEGE GRADUATE RECOGNITION

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.

† 1 TIMOTHY 1:14-16

The grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. 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.

† HIS MERCY IS MORE

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
Our sins, they are many; his mercy is more.

Boswell, Papa; CCLI 7065053

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What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father, so tender, is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.
Our sins, they are many; his mercy is more.

CHORUS

Praise the Lord, his mercy is more.
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins, they are many; his mercy is more.

What riches of kindness he lavished on us,
His blood was the payment; his life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.
Our sins, they are many; his mercy is more. **CHORUS**

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Don Westblade, 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 37:30-32

This shall be the sign for you: the surviving remnant of the house of Judah shall again take root downward and bear fruit upward. For out of Jerusalem shall go a remnant, and out of Mount Zion a band of survivors. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

† HE WILL HOLD ME FAST

Habershon, Merker; CCLI 7016161

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, he will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold. He must hold me fast.

CHORUS

He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so. He will hold me fast.

Those he saves are his delight. Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in his holy sight. He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost. His promises shall last;
Bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me fast. **CHORUS**

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For my life he bled and died. Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied. He will hold me fast.
Raised with him to endless life, he will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, when he comes at last! **CHORUS**

ROMANS 11:1-10

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he appeals to God against Israel? ³“Lord, they have killed your prophets, they have demolished your altars, and I alone am left, and they seek my life.” ⁴But what is God's reply to him? “I have kept for myself seven thousand men who have not bowed the knee to Baal.” ⁵So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace. ⁶But if it is by grace, it is no longer on the basis of works; otherwise grace would no longer be grace. ⁷What then? Israel failed to obtain what it was seeking. The elect obtained it, but the rest were hardened, ⁸as it is written,

“God gave them a spirit of stupor,
eyes that would not see
and ears that would not hear,
down to this very day.”

⁹And David says,

“Let their table become a snare and a trap,
a stumbling block and a retribution for them;

¹⁰let their eyes be darkened so that they cannot see,
and bend their backs forever.”

SERMON: CHOSEN BY GRACE

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?

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.

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Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood. **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.”

†CHRIST IS MINE FOREVERMORE

Robinson, Thompson; CCLI 7036096

(Please remain seated until instructed to stand)

Mine are days that God has numbered; I was made to walk with him.
Yet, I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings.
But mine is hope in my Redeemer; though I fall, his love is sure.
For Christ has paid for every failing; I am his forevermore.

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood.
Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good.
But mine is peace that flows from heaven, and the strength in times of need.
I know my pain will not be wasted; Christ completes his work in me.

Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way.
One with Christ I will encounter harm and hatred for his name.
But mine is armor for this battle, strong enough to last the war.
And he has said he will deliver safely to the golden shore.

And mine are keys to Zion city where beside the King I walk.
For there my heart has found its treasure; Christ is mine forevermore.
Come rejoice now, O my soul, for his love is my reward.
Fear is gone and hope is sure; Christ is mine forevermore.

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: Ingrid Dornbirer, Evalyn Homoelle **ORGAN:** Katherine Rick **PIANO:** Kristi Gautsche

BRASS: Will McIntosh, Don Westblade

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

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

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am-2:00 pm **CHURCH COPYRIGHT LICENSE:** 450831

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.*

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 MEETINGS: May 15 & 22

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

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

OUTSTANDING PLEDGES: \$326,351

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.



THE BULLETIN BOARD

Sunday, May 5	5:30 p.m.	O.W.L.S. at Gertig's home (5240 E Reading Rd)
Sunday, May 5	6:00 p.m.	Youth Group (Upper Vestry)
Monday, May 6	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (Library)
Monday, May 6	7:00 p.m.	Men's M.E.A.T. Bible Study (Nursery)
Wednesday, May 8	10:00 a.m.	Tidings of Comfort (Upper Vestry)
Thursday, May 9	6:15 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (Upper Vestry)
Thursday, May 9	12:00 p.m.	Hour of Prayer (Library)
Sunday, May 12	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
Sunday, May 12	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service

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.

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 Pro-Life supporters. There are envelopes on the table in the narthex for those who would like to be included. Please **mail your donation by Monday, May 6.**

CUSTODIAN We are actively seeking to hire a part-time Custodian. If you, or someone you know, would be interested, please contact Travis Wilson at 517-610-2070 or crxwilson@gmail.com.

MEDICAL AND EVANGELISTIC MISSION TRIP Plans are in place to take our ministry in 2025 to Peru, where we have seen God work miraculously to save souls. If you have any interest in joining us, please contact Dr. Larry Gaetano at lawrence.gaetano@gmail.com by May 30. No medical experience is required.

WEDDING LIAISON We are searching for a Wedding Liaison. Compensation is provided and there are training opportunities June 7 & 8 and/or June 14 & 15. If interested, contact Brietta Wilson at 517-320-1844 or briettaallen@hotmail.com.

BOUNDARIES Love INC is hosting a class called "Boundaries" on **Tuesdays at 6:00pm, May 14-July 16**, at the First Presbyterian Church of Hillsdale. Call Love INC at 517-235-5299 or email ministries@loveincnhillsdale.org to register. For more information see the flyer posted in the narthex.

LOST AND FOUND Please check the Lost and Found Basket above the coat rack if you are missing any items. After **today** any unclaimed items will be donated.

FINANCIAL REPORT THROUGH APRIL 27:

Contributions YTD \$101,290 *minus* Expenses YTD \$100,086 *equals* Net \$1,204

Budget YTD \$107,026