

First Baptist Church
Shelbyville IN

GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

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Call to Worship:

Praise the Lord!

Sing to the Lord a new song, *And* His praise in the assembly of saints.

Let Israel rejoice in their Maker

Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

For the Lord takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the humble with salvation.

**Let the saints be joyful in glory; Let the high praises of God be in their mouth.
Praise the Lord!**

Hymn of Praise: Christ Our Hope in life and Death

Prayer for God's Blessing

Confession of Sin:

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.

We humbly confess our sins and ask for your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.

We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God.

Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.

Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.

Do not cast us away from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us.

Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit. Amen.

We bring to you our sacrifice— a broken and contrite heart. These, O God, you will not despise. Amen

Hymn of Meditation: When I See the Blood

Christ our Redeemer died on the cross,
Died for the sinner, paid all his due;
Sprinkle your soul with the blood of the Lamb,
And I'll pass over you

Chiefest of sinners, Jesus will save;
All He has promised, surely He'll do;
Wash in the fountain where sinners can bath,
And I'll pass over you.

When I see the blood of my holy One
My wrath shall be quenched, my judgment be thru
When I see the blood of my only Son
Yes I will pass over you.

Judgment is coming, and all will be there,
Each one receiving justly his due;
Hide in the saving, sin-cleansing blood,
And I'll pass over you.

When I see the blood of my holy One
My wrath shall be quenched, my judgment be thru
When I see the blood of my only Son
Yes I will pass over you.

O great compassion! O boundless love!
Now found with power, Jesus is true!
Find peace and shelter under the blood,
And I'll pass over you.

When I see the blood of my holy One
My wrath shall be quenched, my judgment be thru
When I see the blood of my only Son
Yes I will pass over you.

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Assurance of Pardon:

Be encouraged by the promises of God:

God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ

By grace you have been saved!

And He has raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in the heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus

that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in *His* kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

Thanks be to God for His grace and mercy toward us.

Hymn: Only A Holy God

Hymn: #385 Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture: **1 Thessalonians 5: 12-24**

Sermon: God's Faithfulness

¹² And we urge you, brethren, to recognize those who labor among you, and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, ¹³ and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. Be at peace among yourselves.

¹⁴ Now we exhort you, brethren, warn those who are unruly, comfort the fainthearted, uphold the weak, be patient with all. ¹⁵ See that no one renders evil for evil to anyone, but always pursue what is good both for yourselves and for all.

¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray without ceasing, ¹⁸ in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

¹⁹ Do not quench the Spirit. ²⁰ Do not despise prophecies. ²¹ Test all things; hold fast what is good. ²² Abstain from every form of evil.

²³ Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁴ He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it.

Deuteronomy 7:7-9

⁷ The Lord did not set His love on you nor choose you because you were more in number than any other people, for you were the least of all peoples; ⁸ but because the Lord loves you, and because He would keep the oath which He swore to your fathers, the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

⁹ "Therefore know that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments;

Numbers 23:19

¹⁹ "God is not a man, that He should lie,
Nor a son of man, that He should repent.
Has He said, and will He not do?
Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?

2 Timothy 2:13

¹³ If we are faithless,
He remains faithful;
He cannot deny Himself.

Genesis 15:13-18

¹³ Then He said to Abram: “Know certainly that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, and will serve them, and they will afflict them four hundred years.

¹⁴ And also the nation whom they serve I will judge; afterward they shall come out with great possessions. ¹⁵ Now as for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age. ¹⁶ But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.”

¹⁷ And it came to pass, when the sun went down and it was dark, that behold, there appeared a smoking oven and a burning torch that passed between those pieces. ¹⁸ On the same day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying:

“To your descendants I have given this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the River Euphrates—

Exodus 12:40-41

⁴⁰ Now the sojourn of the children of Israel who lived in Egypt was four hundred and thirty years. ⁴¹ And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years—on that very same day—it came to pass that all the armies of the Lord went out from the land of Egypt.

Isaiah 7:14

¹⁴ Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

Matthew 1:22-23

²² So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: ²³ “Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,” which is translated, “God with us.”

John 17:1

¹ Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: “Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You,

Habakkuk 3:17-19

¹⁷ Though the fig tree may not blossom,
Nor fruit be on the vines;
Though the labor of the olive may fail,
And the fields yield no food;
Though the flock may be cut off from the fold,
And there be no herd in the stalls—
¹⁸ Yet I will rejoice in the Lord,
I will joy in the God of my salvation.

¹⁹ The Lord God is my strength;
He will make my feet like deer’s feet,
And He will make me walk on my high hills.

To the Chief Musician. With my stringed instruments.

1 Corinthians 1:6-9

⁶ even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you, ⁷ so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸ who will also confirm you to the end, that you may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Philippians 1:6

⁶ being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;

1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

¹² And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all, just as we do to you, ¹³ so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints.

Hymn: #43 Great is Thy Faithfulness

Benediction

A warm welcome to our visitors today! You will find visitor and prayer request cards on the back of each pew. Please complete a visitor card and place it in the offering plate on the corner of the sound booth. You may also submit prayer requests there or directly to the pastor or deacon, who are Roger, Jeff and Pastor Robert.

Upcoming Announcements

The Women's Bible Study is pausing the study of "James, The Relationship Between Faith and Works" to delve into spiritual gifts. Join us at the Christian Center at 10 am on Monday to learn what your spiritual gifts may be.

Monthly Mission
October Mission
Dinner Before Bedtime

Second Baptist Men's Brotherhood Youth Outing to the Pumpkin Patch will be Saturday, October 24th. Leaving Second Baptist Church at 10:00 am. If you have any youth that would like to go, let Roger or Jeff know.