

A GLORIOUS ASSURANCE

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
SHELBYVILLE IN 46176**

8.16.26

Call to Worship:

O nations of the world, recognize the LORD;
recognize that the LORD is glorious and strong.

Give to the LORD the glory he deserves!
Bring your offering and come into his courts.

Worship the LORD in all his holy splendor.
Let all the earth tremble before him.

Tell all the nations, "The LORD reigns!"
The world stands firm and cannot be shaken.
He will judge all people fairly.

Let the heavens be glad, and the earth rejoice!
Let the sea and everything in it shout his praise!

Let the fields and their crops burst out with joy!
Let the trees of the forest sing for joy
before the LORD, for he is coming!

Hymn: #8 Praise to the Lord

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession:

God our Father, long-suffering, full of grace and truth, you create us from nothing and give us life.

I confess to you, I confess with my whole heart, my neglect and forgetfulness of your commandments

I confess my wrong doing, thinking, and speaking;

the hurts I have done to others, and the good I have left undone.

We have disbelieved your love, living by our own power rather than the strength by which you raised the Lord Jesus from the dead.

Yet, you do not turn your face from me, nor cast me aside.

O God, forgive us, for we have sinned against you.

Raise us to newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn of Meditation: I Need Thee Every Hour

I need Thee ev'ry hour,
Most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine
Can peace afford.

Refrain:

I need Thee, Oh I need Thee;
Ev'ry hour I need Thee;
Oh bless me now, my Savior,
I come to Thee.

I need Thee ev'ry hour,
Stay Thou nearby;
Temptations lose their pow'r
When Thou art nigh.

I need Thee, Oh I need Thee;
Ev'ry hour I need Thee;
Oh bless me now, my Savior,
I come to Thee

I need Thee ev'ry hour,
In joy or pain;
Come quickly and abide,
Or life is vain.

Oh, I need Thee, yes, I need Thee;
Ev'ry hour I need Thee;
Oh bless me now, my Savior,
I come to Thee.

Yes, I need Thee, Oh I need Thee;
Ev'ry hour I need Thee;
Oh bless me now, my Savior,
I come to Thee.

To Thee

Assurance of Pardon:

Who is worthy to reveal and execute the Father's purposes for all of creation?

Jesus, You are worthy!

Only the Lamb whose blood purchased persons from every tribe and language and people and nation,

Jesus is now seated at the center of God's divine throne, and will bring about his Father's good, holy, beautiful plan.

Your plan is to renew and restore all things under Jesus Christ. So, pour out your Holy Spirit power on us from heaven!

The ascended Jesus reigns over heaven and earth. Warm our hearts to your love for us personally and for all you have made.

Make our hearts glad, and our tongues sing praise.

For you have raised Christ from the dead, so fill us with joy in your presence by your Spirit.

Hymn: Hymn of Heaven

Hymn: There is a Redeemer

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture: **Romans 8: 28-39**

Sermon: A Glorious Assurance

²⁸ And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. ²⁹ For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. ³⁰ Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

³² He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? ³³ Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written:

"For Your sake we are killed all day long;
We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter."

³⁷ Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:1, 2, 11, 15, 16, 17, 26, 27

¹ There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.

¹¹ But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba, Father.”

¹⁶ The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

²⁷ Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

Deuteronomy 31:6-8

⁶ Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the Lord your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you.”

⁷ Then Moses called Joshua and said to him in the sight of all Israel, “Be strong and of good courage, for you must go with this people to the land which the Lord has sworn to their fathers to give them, and you shall cause them to inherit it. ⁸ And the Lord, He is the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed.”

John 15:18-19

¹⁸ “If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you. ¹⁹ If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.

Romans 7:18-19

¹⁸ For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells; for to will is present with me, but how to perform what is good I do not find. ¹⁹ For the good that I will to do, I do not do; but the evil I will not to do, that I practice.

Romans 7:24-25

²⁴ O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ²⁵ I thank God—through Jesus Christ our Lord!

So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.

Ephesians 6:10-12

¹⁰ Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

1 Peter 5:8-9

⁸ Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. ⁹ Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

1 Corinthians 15:58

⁵⁸ Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

Hymn: We Will Feast in the House of Zion

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
"He has done great things," we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the Lord, our God
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld, protected, gathered up

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
"He has done great things," we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

In the dark of night, before the dawn
My soul, be not afraid
For the promised morning, O how long?
O God of Jacob, be my strength

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
"He has done great things," we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom

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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 now studying the book of James - The Relationship Between Faith and Works by Dr. David Jeremiah. Join us at the Christian Center at 10 am.

Revelation 4: 11

You are worthy, O Lord,
To receive glory and honor and power;
For You created all things,
And by Your will they exist and were created.