



**Loving God and One
Another**

**First Baptist Church
Shelbyville IN
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Call to Worship:

Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the people of the world revere him.

For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.

The Lord brings the plans of the world to nothing; he thwarts the intentions of its people.

But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever, the purposes of his heart through all generations.

Blessed are those whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his inheritance.

From heaven the Lord looks down and sees all mankind. From his dwelling place he watches all who live on earth— he who forms the hearts of all, He considers everything they do.

No king is saved by the size of his army; no warrior escapes by his great strength. A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; despite all its great strength it cannot save.

But the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love.

He delivers them from death and sustains them in want.

We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name.

May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you.

Hymn: # 8 Praise to the Lord, The Almighty

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession:

O Father, we confess that we love the world and its ways. We love the world's things. We love doing what we want, and it often squeezes out our love for God.

We love to be first, to be in charge, we love feeling superior.

We love watching others get what they deserve; We often give in to anger.

We love thinking about what we don't have. We love talking about other people, we love hearing about bad things.

We love to be flattered. We love being accepted by the world, we love to convince ourselves that we are guilt free, we love to suppress the truth.

We love the secret things, the dark things, the things that are forbidden. We often love the world and our lives here more than you.

Father, you see our very hearts. How great is the mercy we need every day.

Father, forgive us and cleanse us and heal us. Do not spare anything that is needed in making us yours completely.

Hymn of Meditation: Abide with Me

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens, Lord with me abide
When other helpers, fail and comforts flee
Help of the helpless, abide with me

Thou on my head in early youth didst smile
And though rebellious and perverse meanwhile
Thou hast not left me though I oft left Thee
On to the close Lord, abide with me

I need Thy presence, every passing hour
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness
Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy victory?
I triumph still, abide with me

Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me

Assurance of Pardon:

Jesus, the lamb of God, sacrificed for us and raised again, comes to reveal and bring about the purposes of God. At his throne they are singing this new song:

“You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.

You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.”

“Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”

“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!”

Hymn: #58 This is My Father’s World

Hymn: There is a Redeemer

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture: **Philippians 1: 3-11**

Sermon: Loving God and One Another

³ I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, ⁴ always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, ⁵ for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now, 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; ⁷ just as it is right for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as both in my chains and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers with me of grace. ⁸ For God is my witness, how greatly I long for you all with the affection of Jesus Christ.

⁹ And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰ that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, ¹¹ being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

1 Corinthians 16:22

²² If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed. O Lord, come!

Ephesians 6:24

²⁴ Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen.

John 8:42

⁴² Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me.

John 21:15-17

¹⁵ So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?”

He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.”

He said to him, “Feed My lambs.”

¹⁶ He said to him again a second time, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?”

He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.”

He said to him, “Tend My sheep.”

¹⁷ He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?” Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, “Do you love Me?”

And he said to Him, “Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You.”

Jesus said to him, “Feed My sheep.

1 John 4:19

¹⁹ We love Him because He first loved us.

Luke 7:47

⁴⁷ Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little.”

Revelation 1:5-6

⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth.

To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, ⁶ and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn: Hymn of Heaven

Benediction