

GATHERED WORSHIP SERVICE

for the
**Glory of God
and the**

Renewal of His People

September 23, 2018



To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Glorifying God...

Embracing Scripture...

Loving Corpus Christi...

GATHERING SONG

Everlasting God

Words and Music: Brenton Brown and Ken Riley

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
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We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
Our God You reign forever
Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

You are the everlasting God the everlasting God
You do not faint You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

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WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

(See the inside of the back page)

Information Cards. Please take a moment to fill out the information card in your bulletin, providing any information to enable us to better serve you. When you finish, place your card in offering tray as it passes or on your seat after the service.

PREPARATION for WORSHIP

“The Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.”

Psalm 147:11

WORSHIPING GOD’S GREATNESS

(*Indicates where congregation is invited to stand, as able)

*CALL to WORSHIP

Psalm 100

Minister: *Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!*

Congregation: Serve the LORD with gladness!

Minister: *Come into his presence with singing!*

Congregation: Know that the LORD, he is God!

Minister: *It is he who made us, and we are his;*

Congregation: We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Minister: *Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!*

Congregation: Give thanks to him; bless his name!

Minister: *For the LORD is good;*

**Congregation: His steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

***SONG of ADORATION**

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Words and Music: Thomas Obediah Chisholm and William Marion Runyan

Great is Thy faithfulness O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changest not Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be

Great is Thy faithfulness
Great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest
Sun moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness mercy and love

Great is Thy faithfulness
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Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside

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All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me

***PRAYER of INVOCATION**

ACKNOWLEDGING GOD'S GRACE

***CONFESSION of FAITH**

Scots Confession

**We confess and acknowledge one God alone,
to whom alone we must cleave,
whom alone we must serve,
whom only we must worship,
and in whom alone we put our trust.**

**Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable,
incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible;
one in substance
and yet distinct in three persons,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.**

**By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth,
visible and invisible
to have been created,
to be retained in their being,
and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence
for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed,
and to the manifestation of his own glory.**

CONFESSION of SIN

Please, pray the following in unison

Lord, high and holy, meek and lowly,
Thou hast brought me to the valley of vision,
where I live in the depths but see thee in the heights;
hemmed in by mountains of sin I behold thy glory.
Let me learn by paradox
that the way down is the way up,
that to be low is to be high,
that the broken heart is the healed heart,
that the contrite spirit is the rejoicing spirit,
that the repenting soul is the victorious soul,
that to have nothing is to possess all,
that to bear the cross is to wear the crown,
that to give is to receive,
that the valley is the place of vision.
Lord, in the daytime stars can be seen from deepest wells,
and the deeper the wells the brighter thy stars shine;
Let me find thy light in my darkness,
thy life in my death,
thy joy in my sorrow,
thy grace in my sin,
thy riches in my poverty
thy glory in my valley.

ASSURANCE of PARDON for BELIEVERS

Ephesians 2:4-7

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ – by grace you have been saved – and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

SONG of RENEWAL

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

Words: Thomas Kelly (1804) Music: Phillip Palmertree

Stricken, smitten, and afflicted,
See Him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ by man rejected;
Yes, my soul, 'tis He, 'tis He!
'Tis the long-expected prophet,
David's Son, yet David's Lord;
By His Son, God now has spoken:
'Tis the true and faithful Word.

Tell me, ye who hear Him groaning,
Was there ever grief like His?
Friends through fear His cause disowning,
Foes insulting His distress:
Many hands were raised to wound Him,
None would interpose to save;
But the deepest stroke that pierced Him,
Was the stroke that Justice gave.

Ye who think of sin but lightly,
Nor suppose the evil great,
Here may view its nature rightly,
Here its guilt may estimate.
Mark the Sacrifice appointed!
See Who bears the awful load!
'Tis the Word, the Lord's Anointed,
Son of Man, and Son of God.

Here we have a firm foundation,
Here the refuge of the lost.
Christ's the Rock of our salvation,
His the Name of which we boast.
Lamb of God for sinners wounded!
Sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded
Who on Him their hope have built.

PRAYER of COMMITAL for our OFFERINGS

Giving Month-to-Date:	\$ 13,954.00	Giving Fiscal Year-to-Date:	\$ 149,118.00
Goal Month-to-Date:	\$ 18,000.00	Goal Fiscal Year-to-Date:	\$ 150,000.00

GIVING of OFFERINGS

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

2 Samuel 6:1-15 (page 258-259)

PRAYER for GOD'S PEOPLE and HIS WORLD

Please contact Tammy at the church office for prayer needs and updates.

How Firm a Foundation (Hymn #94, Verses 1, 2, 3, 6)

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith, in His excellent word!
What more can He say than to you He has said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled.

Fear not I am with you, O be not dismayed,
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by My righteous omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call you to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be with you, your trouble to bless,
And sanctify to you, your deepest distress.

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.

EMBRACING GOD'S WORD

*READING and PREACHING of GOD'S WORD

John 14:1-14 (page 901)

*SONG of RESPONSE

Jesus, Messiah

Words and Music: Daniel Carson, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves, Chris Tomlin

He became sin who knew no sin
That we might become His righteousness
He humbled Himself and carried the cross
Love so amazing love so amazing

Jesus Messiah Name above all names
Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel the Rescue for sinners
The Ransom from heaven
Jesus Messiah Lord of all

His body the bread His blood the wine
Broken and poured out all for love
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn
Love so amazing love so amazing

Jesus Messiah Name above all names
Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel the Rescue for sinners
The Ransom from heaven
Jesus Messiah Lord of all

All our hope is in You
All our hope is in You
All the glory to You God
The Light of the world

Jesus Messiah Name above all names
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CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

There are prayers on the back of the bulletin to assist you in praying, particularly if the Christian faith is new or unknown to you.

Elders are available to pray with you.

Feel free to bring children forward even if they are not partaking of the elements.

If you are physically unable to come forward but wish to partake, servers will bring the elements to you.

Serving of the Elements

(wine is in the outer ring of the trays; juice in the inner)

***SONG of CELEBRATION**

Lift High the Cross (Hymn # 263, Verses 1, 3, 4, 5)

Words: George W. Kitchin, Michael R. Newbolt Music: Sydney H. Nicholson

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore his sacred name.
Come, brethren follow where our Savior trod,
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore his sacred name.
O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised, draw men unto thee.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore his sacred name.
Thy kingdom come, that earth's despair may cease
Beneath the shadow of its healing peace.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore his sacred name.
For thy blest cross which doth for us atone,
creation's praises rise before thy throne.

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

***BENEDICTION**

Romans 1:7

Congregation: (Loudly) Alleluia! Amen!

***GREETING**

***POSTLUDE**

*We praise the Lord for our accompanists this morning
– vocalists and instrumentalists and audio and video technicians.*

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MINISTRY OF THE WEEK

Greg Hood

REACH Ministries

The Purpose of REACH Ministries is to lead men to know Christ, to mature in Christ, and to serve Christ. By reliance on God's Spirit they reach for this purpose through discipleship, prayer, and outreach.

The Executive Director, Greg Hood, is a former Army pilot who flew helicopters in Vietnam. After military service, Greg and his wife Sarah joined the Military Ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ and came to Corpus Christi in 1976. Their ministry subsequently expanded to include the business community and also church leadership.

REACH provides small group Bible studies, training in evangelism, prayer and Christian leadership. In addition, the ministry sponsors men's conferences and brings in well-known speakers with evangelistic testimonies. These events provide all Christians with opportunities to share the gospel simply by inviting friends to the meetings. Southside has benefitted greatly from the Hoods' ministry, and is glad to be a part of sending them out as Christ's ambassadors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 23

September 16 – All are invited to lunch bunch at Macaroni Grill located at 5133 SPID following worship service.

This Evening 6:00pm Sunday Night Fellowship. Join us for singing, prayer, a Bible lesson, and fellowship

September 29th Southside Women's Ministry Fall Fundraiser Garage Sale at the Graf's home. Drop off donations the week of September 24th – 28th. Contact Hannah Feuchtenberge for more information.

Officer Nominations. Nominations for the office of Elder and Deacon are being requested through Sunday, October 14. Please see one of the elders if you would to submit a nominee for either office.

October 19 - The 28th Annual Corpus Christi Leadership Prayer Breakfast will take place Friday morning, 6:30AM at the Ortiz Center. Former Navy SEAL Chad Williams will give his testimony. Please see Greg Hood for information regarding tickets.

October 19-20 - Men of Southside, you are invited and challenged to come to the "Success that Matters" Men's Seminar on Friday evening and Saturday morning, Oct 19-20. It will be taught by former PCA Pastor Pete Alwinson. The format will be similar to last year's event. Chad Williams will be giving his testimony again. It will take place at CCCF, and there will be several small groups forming for 6 weeks after the seminar.

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and show me the reality of who You are. – Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Heavenly Father, I admit that I am more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through Your Son Jesus, I can be more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You that He lived the life I should have lived, and paid the debt and punishment I deserved. Receive me now for His sake. I turn from my sins and receive Jesus to be my Lord and Savior. – Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, help me to look to You as the fulfillment of all my needs, and to turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. – Amen.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow You in a life of committed discipleship in Your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. – Amen