

September 13, 2020

■ **Welcome / Call to Worship**

■ **“When Trials Come”** Words and Music by Keith & Kristyn Getty © 2005 ThankYou Music CCLI #801260

When trials come no longer fear For in the pain our God draws near
To fire a faith worth more than gold

And there His faithfulness is told

Within the night I know Your peace The breath of God brings strength to me
And new each morning mercies flow

As treasures of the darkness grow

I turn to Wisdom not my own For every battle You have known
My confidence will rest in You

Your love endures Your ways are good

When I am weary with the cost I see the triumph of the cross So
in its shadow I shall run

Till You complete the work begun

One day all things will be made new I'll see the hope You called me to
And in Your kingdom paved with gold

I'll praise Your faithfulness of old

■ **“O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer”**

Music and Words by Nathan Stiff © 2017 Sovereign Grace Worship CCLI #801260

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, greatest treasure of my longing soul
My God, like You there is no other; true delight is found in You alone
Your grace, a well too deep to fathom
Your love exceeds the heavens' reach Your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom
My highest good and my unending need

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, strong defender of my weary heart
My sword to fight the cruel deceiver and my shield against his hateful darts
My song when enemies surround me, my hope when tides of sorrow rise
My joy when trials are abounding Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, gracious Savior of my ruined life
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders
In my place You suffered bled and died **You rose! the grave and death are conquered
You broke my bonds of sin and shame**

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer **May all my days bring glory to Your Name**

■ **Catechism**

■ **“God Moves”** Words by William Cowper, by Bob Kauflin © 2005 Sovereign Grace Praise (BMI) CCLI #801260

God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform
He plants His footsteps in the sea And rides upon the storm
Deep in His dark and hidden mines With never-failing skill
He fashions all His bright designs And works His sovereign will

So God we trust in You O God we trust in You

O fearful saints new courage take The clouds that you now dread

Are big with mercy and will break In blessings on your head
Judge not the Lord by feeble sense But trust Him for His grace
Behind a frowning providence He hides a smiling face

So God we trust in You O God we trust in You

When tears are great And comforts few

We hope in mercies ever new We trust in You

God's purposes will ripen fast Unfolding every hour
The bud may have a bitter taste But sweet will be the flower
Blind unbelief is sure to err And scan His work in vain
God is His own interpreter And He will make it plain

■ **Confession / Pastoral Prayer**

■ **“He Will Hold Me Fast”**

by Ada Habershon, Music by Matt Merker © 2014 Sovereign Grace Praise CCLI #801260

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

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

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

■ **“O Church Arise”** by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend © 2005 Thankyou Music CCLI #801260

O Church Arise and put your armour on Hear the call of Christ

our Captain For now the weak can say that they are strong

In the strength that God has given With shield of faith and belt of truth

We'll stand against the devil's lies An army bold whose battle cry is Love

Reaching out to those in darkness

Our call to war to love the captive soul But to rage against the

captor And with the sword that makes the wounded whole

We will fight with faith and valor When faced with trials on every side

We know the outcome is secure And Christ will have the prize for which

He died An inheritance of nations

Come see the cross where love and mercy meet As the Son of

God is stricken Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet For the

Conqueror has risen And as the stone is rolled away

And Christ emerges from the grave This victory march continues till the

day Every eye and heart shall see Him

So Spirit come put strength in every stride Give grace for every

hurdle That we may run with faith to win the prize Of a servant good and

faithful As saints of old still line the way
Retelling triumphs of His grace We hear their calls and hunger for the
day When with Christ we stand in glory

- **Message** - Phillipians 2:1-4 - Nevin
- **Closing Song / Benediction**

Sermon Notes
Phillipians 2:1-4

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So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy,

2 complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind.

3 Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.

4 Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

This week's Catechism # 37

How does the Holy Spirit help us?

The Holy Spirit convicts us of our sin, comforts us, guides us, gives us spiritual gifts and the desire to obey God; and he enables us to pray and to understand God's Word.

Next week's Catechism # 38

What is prayer?

Prayer is pouring out our hearts to God in praise, petition, confession of sin, and thanksgiving.

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - September 13

Worship 9:00 AM
(Please enter/leave w mask & strict social distancing)
Worship (less strict social distancing) 10:45 AM

WEDNESDAY - September 16

Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs

Rockport Weekly Budget Goal.....\$4,284.00
August Weekly Average.....\$3,954.61

Announcements

- **Nursery** - If you are willing to serve in the nursery during the 10:45 hour please let Mayci Loving know. We will only be able to restart the nursery when we its safe and we have enough volunteers to fill out the schedule for at least one month.
- **Baby Girl Showers** - Please let Cindy Boehm know TODAY if you would like to go in on a baby girl gift for **Marissa Conard**. Marissa and Kevin (who are having a girl due October 15) felt it would be best not to have an in-person baby shower gathering at this time. Gift options for them would include:
 - 1 - Cindy Boehm will collect for a joint gift, let you know what was purchased and will get the gift to Marissa. Please let her know if you would like to go in on a gift TODAY!
 - 2 - You can drop off a gift that you would like delivered to Marissa at the church and I will get it to her. Gifts would need to be dropped off at the church by Friday, September 18.
 - 3 - You can go to Marissa's baby registry on Amazon or Target and your gift can be sent directly to her house! She will know who sent it if you use the gift receipt option.
- **For Mysti Jackson**
A baby girl shower is being planned on Friday, October 9 at 7 pm at Rockport. Mysti (who is due around Thanksgiving) is registered at Target and will be registered soon at Amazon. If you would like to go in on a gift for Mysti please let Cindy know by October 4. Watch Rockport news for more shower details!
- **September 25-27-Family Camp** -Theme is "God is Our Refuge"

A Word from Pastor Scott:

Sunday September 13, 2020

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

Hebrews 4:14

As Christians we believe *something*, not just anything. By that, I mean that our faith is something specific. It has content. There are specific truths we must believe and affirm if we are to be considered Christians. And there are likewise lies (falsehoods) we must reject. In other words, what we believe matters! And the reason what we believe matters, is because the Christian faith is a faith that is rooted in actual events of history. The God who made us and the world has continued to interact with this world. He's entered the stream of history and made himself known, first by speaking to the prophets of Israel in the Old Testament, and then by entering this world and living among us in the form of His Son, Jesus Christ (See Hebrews 1:1-2). So He is not a silent God! And He has refused to be a distant God. He has come near and spoken to make Himself known to us. He has given us real truth for us to understand and obey.

For that reason, what we believe matters. Faith, for the Christian, can never be just a matter of feelings or even of our chosen commitments. For us, *The Faith*, begins with objective Truth revealed by God – things we must acknowledge and believe and build our lives upon. At the heart of these truths is what the Bible tells us about Jesus, who He is and what He's done. That's why the Christian faith has always been a *confessional* Faith. We confess that certain things are true – the things revealed in the Bible. We are not free to change these things, or alter them to suit ourselves or our times. We must simply receive these truths by humbling submitting our minds and lives to them! In times like these when there is so much to divide us from one another, let it be this, our confession of Jesus, that holds us together.

My family and I are traveling today so we will miss you.

See you next week.

Confessing Him Together!

Pastor Scott Lee

