

February 14, 2021

■ **Welcome / Call to Worship**

■ **“Come, O Sinner”**

Music and words by Jordan Kaufflin. © 2019 Sovereign Grace Praise CCLI #801260

Come, O sinner, come and see Christ the Lord upon a tree
See the crown of thorns adorn the King Who labors to breathe in
agony Come, O sinner, come and see
What our God became to set us free

Come, O sinner, come and mourn For He calls your sin His
own Do you feel the weight of justice served?
He suffers the wrath that you deserve Come, O sinner, come and
mourn For He bears the curse for all you've done

Oh the wonder of this awesome scene

**Where our Savior bleeds Oh the power of the love of God
Come and stand in awe**

Come, O sinner, come rejoice Mercy fills this place of scorn
For He dies to save His enemies That all who draw near may know
His peace Come, O sinner, come rejoice
Through the death of Christ death is destroyed

■ **“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”**

by Dawn Rodgers and Eric Wyse Copyright 1989, Arr. 1990 Word Music; CCLI #801260

Wonderful, merciful Savior, Precious Redeemer and Friend;
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men?
Oh, You rescued the souls of men.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace;
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost our way,
Oh, we've hopelessly lost the way.

You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore.

You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for,

Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Almighty, infinite Father, Faithfully loving Your own; Here in
our weakness You find us Falling before Your throne,
Oh, we're falling before Your throne.

■ **Scripture**

■ **“Emmanuel”**Hymn 134

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Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel;
God with us, revealed in us; His name is called Emmanuel

■ **“This Is My Father's World”**

This is my Father's world, And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas—
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world: The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, Declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair; In the rustling
grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world: O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: the battle is not done
Jesus who died shall be satisfied And earth and heav'n be one

■ **Confession / Pastoral Prayer**

■ **“All Creatures of Our God and King”**

add words by Jonathan Baird and Ryan Baird © 2013 Sovereign Grace Worship CCLI #801260

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with
us sing O praise Him! Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam, O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, And worship Him in
humbleness, O praise Him! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father,
praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, Three in One O praise Him! O
praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the redeemed washed by His blood Come and rejoice in
His great love O praise Him! Alleluia! Christ has defeated every sin:
cast all your burdens now on Him O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign; Heaven and earth will join to
say O praise Him! Alleluia! Then who shall fall on bended knee? All
creatures of our God and King; O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia,
Alleluia!

■ **“Only A Holy God”**

by Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Dustin Smith, Rich Thompson © 2016 CityAlight Music CCLI#801260

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven, Who else could
make every king bow down, Who else can whisper and darkness
trembles, Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises, What other
splendor outshines the sun, What other majesty rules with justice
Only a Holy God

**Come and behold Him The One and the Only Cry out,
sing holy Forever a Holy God Come and worship the Holy God**

What other glory consumes like fire, What other power can
raise the dead, What other name remains undefeated
Only a Holy God

Who else could rescue me from my failing, Who else would
offer His only Son, Who else invites me to call Him Father
Only a Holy God, Only a Holy God

- **Message** - “Confused About Jesus” John 7:25-36 Scott
- **Closing Song**
- **Benediction**

Word from Pastor Scott

February 14, 2021

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Matthew 11:29

Over the years, I’ve read a lot of books. Some just for fun, others for an education, and still others just to glean a little information. I’ve read novels and biographies, theologies and anthologies. And of course, I’ve read the Bible, the Book above all books, God’s Holy Word (which everyone should read daily).

But after the Bible, there have been a handful of good books that God has used in a profound way in my life. Among those I would include *Knowing God* by J I Packer, *The Pleasures of God* by John Piper and *The Weight of Glory* by C S Lewis. All these (and others I could name) are precious to me and have been used by God to help direct my heart into a deeper knowledge of Him.

Recently, I added a new title to this precious list. Dane Ortlund’s “*Gentle and Lowly*” has become a rich source of deep refreshment to my soul since I first read it in June (and again this past month). It’s subtitle reveals what it’s about: “*The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers.*” Here is rich gospel medicine, able to point the weary soul back to the loving heart of Jesus. I simply can’t recommend this book strongly enough as something God will use to bring comfort, refreshing, conviction and joy to the believer who takes time to read it. If you want to know how deep and practical the love of Jesus is for His people, I recommend this book. I found myself laughing, rejoicing, weeping and praising God for Christ as He is seen here through the lens of Scripture. So I encourage you to get a copy. Read it devotionally. Then meditate on the rich, biblical picture of Christ in His love it will help you find.

I have several copies at a discounted price of \$10. See me if you want one. If you can’t afford it, but promise to read it, I will gladly give you a free copy.

Seeking the Joy of Christ’s Love dwelling richly in your soul!

Pastor Scott

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - February 14

Worship

9:00 AM & 10:45 AM

Women's ZOOM Bible Study Tuesday and Thursday

Most D-groups meet this week

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs

Rockport Weekly Budget Goal.....\$4,341.00

January Weekly Average.....\$4,651.40

Announcements

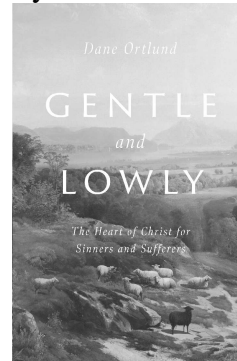
- God of Creation: Bible study for women has begun
Zoom option only. You can still join
Contact Tynetta Chastain 314-795-5268
- **D-Groups** - Wednesday groups will meet on Feb 17, March 3, 17, 31 and April 14 Studying Obadiah & Malachi
There is still room for you. Information sheets on foyer table
- **Sunday, February 28** - Brief Congregational Meeting. The Stewardship Committee will give a brief update on the church budget status at the end of each service on Sunday, February 28. In addition, the church will be asked to vote on the restoration of the 1% cost of living increase our staff voluntarily deferred this past September due to uncertainty over the pandemic. The plan at that time was to revisit this increase when possible. Stewardship is recommending that it be restored retroactively back to the beginning of the budget year this past September.

This Week's Fighter Verse: Feed Your Soul by Memorizing Scripture! Each week's 'Fighter Verse' is meant to help you "fight the good fight" of faith.

John 14:6

6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Gentle and Lowly: The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers by Dane Ortland



Christians know that God loves them, but can easily feel that he is perpetually disappointed and frustrated, maybe even close to giving up on them. As a result, they focus a lot—and rightly so—on what Jesus has done to appease God's wrath for sin. But how does Jesus Christ actually feel about his people amid all their sins and failures? This book draws us to Matthew 11, where Jesus describes himself as "gentle and lowly in heart," longing for his people to find rest in him. The gospel flows from God's deepest heart for his people, a heart of tender love for the sinful and suffering. These chapters take readers into the depths of Christ's very heart for sinners, diving deep into Bible passages that speak of who Christ is and encouraging readers with the affections of Christ for his people. His longing heart for sinners comforts and sustains readers in their up-and-down lives. (See this morning's Pastor's Word for Pastor Scott's recommendation of this book. We have copies available at a discount price of \$10 – or free if you cannot afford it but promise to read it. Get this book!)

“Confused About Jesus”
(John 7:25-36)

I. The Unbelieving World is _____ vv25-29

What has confused them? vv25-27

Jesus raises his voice (loud) in response vv28-29

(1) You have no idea _____ v28

“You think you _____...you think you _____...but you don’t _____”

(2) If you want to know God, you have to _____ v29

Jn 1:18 , 14:6 ; Mt 11:27

II. People respond to the message of Jesus in different ways vv30-31

(1) Some are _____ and want to get rid of Him v30

...but no one laid a hand on Him Lk 4:28-30 ; Jn 10:18

(2) Some are drawn to Him in _____ v31 ; Jn 2:23

Could these be some of the same people - Acts 2:23-36

III To understand Jesus, you have to _____ to what He says v32-36

• The opposition now becomes official v32

• They have no clue what Jesus means in vv33-34

• There is a prophetic foreshadowing in vv35-36

Mt 28:19

• There is a warning of condemnation in v36 (also v34)

Jn 8:21

Kids’ Listening Sheet (2/14/21)

Message Title: “Confused about _____ ”

Bible Passages: John 7: _____



Key Words: Circle each word every time you hear it.

People	Jerusalem	Messiah	Loud
Jesus	Truth	Video	Book
Hand	Anger	Faith	Enemy
Crowd	Greek	Arrest	Trust

What are three important things you heard during the sermon?

1.

2.

3.

Draw two pictures that show what you heard today:

1.

2.