

March 7, 2021

■ **Welcome / Call to Worship**

■ **“Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”**

Words by John Newton, Music by Laura Taylor ©2001 Laura Taylor Music CCLI #801260

Let us love and sing and wonder Let us praise the Savior's name
He has hushed the law's loud thunder He has quenched Mount
Sinai's flame **He has washed us with His blood** He has brought us
nigh to God

Let us love the Lord Who bought us Pitied us when enemies
Called us by His grace and taught us Gave us ears and gave us
eyes **He has washed us with His blood** He presents our souls to
God

Let us sing though fierce temptation Threatens hard to bear us
down For the Lord, our strong salvation, Holds in view the
conqu'ror's crown **He, Who washed us with His blood,** Soon will
bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice Join and point to mercy's store
When through grace in Christ our trust is Justice smiles and asks no
more **He Who washed us with His blood** Has secured our way to
God

Let us praise and join the chorus Of the saints enthroned on high
Here they trusted Him before us Now their praises fill the sky **Thou
hast washed us with Thy blood** Thou art worthy Lamb of God

■ **“Be Unto Your Name”**

By Lynn Deshazo and Gary Sadler © 1998 Integrity's Hosanna! Music CCLI #801260

We are a moment, You are forever Lord of the ages, God before
time We are a vapor, You are eternal Love everlasting reigning on
high

**Holy Holy Lord God Almighty Worthy is the Lamb Who was
slain Highest praises honor and glory Be unto Your Name Be
unto Your Name**

We are the broken, You are the Healer Jesus Redeemer Mighty to
save You are the Love Song we'll sing forever Bowing before You
blessing Your Name

■ **Scripture**

■ **“God Moves”**

Words by William Cowper, Music plus alternate and additional words by Bob Kaufflin

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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 of Sin / Pastoral Prayer**

■ **“Was It Enough?”** Public Domain CCLI#801260

Was it enough, that God should die To take away my sin?
Enough to close the door of Hell, And stop my falling in?
Enough, that I be righteous found, Before His perfect view?
Enough, that Christ's own deeds be mine Despite all I could do?
My God why would You shed Your blood, so pure and undefiled.
To make a sinful one like me Your chosen, precious child?
Enough that all my soul and mind Transformed within should be?
Enough, my sin should be subdued, And God should live in me?
No! Not enough! More would He do! How deep His mercy runs:
That I, a treas'nous wretch, should be Adopted as His son!

To wear His name, to feel His kiss, To lie in that Embrace,
What grand, mysterious gentleness Shines in my Father's Face!

■ **“Holy, Holy, Holy”**.....Hymn 262

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our
song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God
in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee, Casting down their
golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling
down before Thee, Which wert and art and ever more shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee, Though the
eye of sinful men Thy glory may not see; Only Thou art holy - there is
none beside Thee, Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall
praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea; Holy, holy, holy! merciful
and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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■ **Message** - “The Faith of a Dog” Mark 7:24-30 Nevin

■ **Closing Song / Benediction**

A Word from Pastor Scott

March 7, 2021

“Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up! . . . And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him—a threefold cord is not quickly broken.” Ecclesiastes 2:9-12

This passage is not specifically addressing plural eldership (having more than one pastor), but the principle certainly applies. Living in a day when we have seen so many celebrity, lone-wolf pastor’s fail, it is good to be reminded that the Bible’s wisdom is wisdom, indeed, as it calls each church to have more than a single pastor (see Titus 1:5; James 5:14; Acts 14:23; 20:17; 1 Timothy 5:17; etc). The benefits are many. They include shared wisdom in making decision, better accountability for each man in leadership, regular prayer support for one another, a variety of gifts to share, more hands to do the work of ministry and more shoulders to carry it’s burdens (and celebrate it’s blessings) as part of leading the church. You, as a congregation, benefit from having more than one pastor, and we, as pastors, benefit as well.

I count it a great privilege to have been called to serve this church for almost 30 years now. I did so for many years as a solo pastor, and now for many more as part of a team. I can tell you without any doubt, that having brothers to share this task is better by far – even counting some of the difficulties we faced in times past. For that I am grateful to God.

One benefit for me personally (and also for you) is having the ability for me to step back, on occasion, from my role as lead teaching pastor and be able to sit under the teaching ministry of one of these other brothers. It’s always good to sit under the faithful preaching of God’s Word (No matter who brings it!)! It’s good for me! It’s also good for you to get to hear from one of the other mens as well. So I look forward to hearing this morning’s message.

God is faithful to own His word when it is faithfully declared!

Pastor Scott

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - March 7

Worship

9:00 AM & 10:45 AM

Tuesday and Thursday - Women’s ZOOM Bible Study

SATURDAY - March 13 - Men’s Breakfast

8 AM

Prayerfully consider Rockport’s Budget Needs

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

February Weekly Average.....\$5,199.13

Announcements

- Saturday, March 13 - Men’s Breakfast at 8 AM
Bring your own breakfast
- 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
March 17,31 and April 14 Studying Obadiah & Malachi
There is still room for you. Information sheets on foyer table
- **Grace Bible Conference**, April 23-25 - Mark your calendars for this year’s Grace Bible Conference. This year’s topic is “Walking in Hope” (Romans 15:13)

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. This week's passage is one every Christian needs to know by heart and bring to mind daily!

"The Faith of a Dog"
(Mark 7:24-30)

Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Rockport's Women's Discipleship Ministry -

Questions? Flyers available on foyer table or contact

Tynetta Chastain 314-795-5268 or tynetta.chastain@yahoo.com

■ **Zoom Winter Bible Study** – God of Covenant (Genesis 12-50)

Choose Tuesday Evenings or Thursday mornings:

Tuesday 6:30pm – 8:30pm – February 9, 2021 – April 13, 2021

Thursday 9:00am – 11:00 am – February 11, 2021 – April 15, 2021

■ **Women's Workshop** - Friday, July 30, 2021 from 4 - 9 PM

FRONT LINE APOLOGETICS- Recognizing & Responding to Cultural Lies. Rockport Fellowship Hall. No Childcare Provided

Who doesn't need to be equipped & encouraged to think through and address the lies our culture believes and teaches? Join us for an evening of discipleship and camaraderie. Dinner will be catered for a small fee.

■ **Fall Bible Study** – God of Deliverance (Exodus 1-18)

Ten Consecutive Weeks choose Tuesday Evenings OR Thursday

Mornings in the Rockport Fellowship Hall. Limited Childcare provided

Tuesday 6:30pm – 8:30pm, September 7 – November 9, 2021

Thursday 9:00am – 11:00 am, September 9 – November 11, 2021

■ **Coming in 2022**

● Winter Women's Workshop on Saturday, January 22, 2022

● Winter Bible Study on Tuesday nights Feb. 17-Apr. 12
or Thursday mornings Feb. 19-Apr. 14

