

■ **Welcome / Call to Worship**

■ **“One Pure and Holy Passion”**

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Give me one pure and holy passion Give me one magnificent obsession Give me one glorious ambition for my life To know and follow hard after You

To know and follow hard after You To grow as your disciple in your truth This world is empty, pale, and poor Compared to knowing you, my Lord Lead me on and I will run after you Lead me on and I will run after you

■ **Scripture** - Isaiah 49:1-13 / Prayer for our offerings

■ **“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 pow’r, 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!

■ **Confession of Sin / Lord’s Supper**

■ **“Jesus I Come”**Hymn 336

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light, Jesus, I come to Thee; Out of my sickness, into Thy health, Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth, Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee; Out of earth’s sorrows, into Thy balm, Out of life’s storm and into Thy calm, Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee; Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, Out of despair, into raptures above, Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee; Out of the depths of ruin untold, Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold, Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.

■ **“Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me”**

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What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer There is no more for heaven now to give He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus For my life is wholly bound to His Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side, the Savior He will stay I labor on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley He will lead Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven The future sure, the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus For He has said that He will bring me home And day by day I know He will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to Him **When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me!**

■ **Message** – Pastor Kyle

■ **Closing Song**

■ **Benediction**

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - September 12

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship 10:40 AM

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs

Rockport Weekly Budget Goal.....\$4,341.00
August Weekly Average.....\$4,303.89

Today's Nursery - Ellen Bonnel and Shealyn Woelm

Please note: Nursery care during worship is for children up through age 2

Announcements

- **Gluten Free Communion Wafers** are available upon **request** for those who have to avoid gluten for medical reasons. We also have sealed communion cups available for those who may prefer them.
- **Family Camp** - September 23-26
Theme: "One Another-ing to the Glory of God"
Family Camp Registration is up and ready on line through Rockportnews.
 - Dates are Sept 23-26.
 - See the Pastor's Word for the message topics.Talk to one of us if you need more information
- **Wondering About Deacon Service?** For any man who may be interested in deacon service, a "Deacon Service: Personal Evaluation Sheet" is available in the foyer.
- **A handout called "The Calling and Qualifications of Elders and Deacons"** is available in the foyer for those who would like to follow up this morning's message with more information.

A Word from Pastor Scott

September 12, 2021

"These things I command you, so that you will love one another"

John 15:17

Good morning! As you read these words, Amy and I should be on our way back from a week spent with our grandchildren and their parents in Gulf Shores, AL. We had originally planned this trip last year, but had to reschedule when everything got shut down. Lord willing, we will be back later this evening.

Pastor Kyle will be preaching this morning as we continue a short series on who we are as Christ's church and why we do what we do. I believe he'll be speaking about the Purity of Christ's Church. I know I'm looking forward to hearing what he has to share. Next Sunday, I plan to finish this brief series by looking at Romans 15:5-7 where Paul commands us to live in Christ-centered harmony with one another and to "Welcome one another for the glory of God." This sermon will also set us up for the series of messages that will be preached at this year's Family Camp the following week, September 23-25.

Our Theme for Family Camp this year will be "*One Another-ing to the Glory of God.*" We'll be looking at how we are called to love and serve one another in the church as described in various "one another" passages in the New Testament. Here is a list of the messages that are scheduled (all messages will be made available on SermonAudio for those who cannot attend Family Camp):

Thu – Aaron S. "Through Love, Serve One Another" (Gal 5:13-15)

Fri – Warren K. "Bearing with One Another" (Col 3:12-15)

Ryan H. "Bear One Another's Burdens" (Gal 6:2)

Sat – Jason W. "Loving One Another by Watching Ourselves" (2 John 5-7)

Geoff I. "Outdo One Another in Love and Good Deeds" (Rom 12:10)

Sun – Scott L. "Encourage One Another" (1 Thess 4:18; 5:11; Heb 10:25)

May the Lord bless the proclamation of His Word.

Looking forward to being back with you soon!

Pastor Scott

Prayer of Confession:

Triune God,

You are one God in three persons, a diverse unity in whom there is neither division nor contention. You call us also to be one body made up of many different members with different gifts and abilities as well as different needs and failings. We confess that we often take pride in our own gifts and look down on those who lack them. We confess that we often think little about our need for the gifts of others in the body. We form factions and cliques that promote and support our own interests, desperately trying to attract the favor of those whom we think strong, while despising and shunning those whom we see as weak, unattractive, or broken. Father forgive us.

Jesus, thank you for your willingness to allow your physical body to be shattered and broken to establish the unity of your spiritual body, the church. Thank you that in you we have a unity that transcends all earthly boundaries: in you, there is neither Jew nor Gentile, male nor female, slave nor free. You gave grace and honor to all who lacked it. As the only mediator between us and the Father, you unite all your people in yourself.

Holy Spirit, you are the one who gives each of us our various gifts and callings. Help us to see and appreciate your work in other Christians, honoring them more highly than ourselves. Remove our stony, self-centered hearts and give us hearts of flesh that love our brothers and sisters in Christ and value them as they are. Bind us firmly together into one new people, united by Christ's work on the cross and your continuing work in each of our hearts. Amen

Assurance of Pardon:

John 17:20-24

I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with

me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.