September 19, 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

■ Scripture - Isaiah 49:14-26 / Prayer for our offerings

■ "Before The Throne"

Words by Charitie Less Bancroft, alt. lyrics and music by Vikki Cook @ 1997 Sovereign Grace Worship CCLI #801260

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea A great High Priest whose name is love Who ever lives and pleads for me My name is graven on His hands My name is written on His heart I know that while in heaven He stands No tongue can bid me thence depart No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair And tells me of the guilt within Upward I look and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin Because the sinless Savior died My sinful soul is counted free For God, the Just, is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there! The risen Lamb My perfect, spotless, Righteousness The Great unchangeable I AM The King of Glory and of Grace One with Himself I cannot die My soul is purchased by His blood My life is hid with Christ on high With Christ my Savior and my God With Christ my Savior and my God

■ Confession of Sin / Pastoral Prayer Confession of Sin from 1 John 1:8-10 (ESV)

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and

the truth is not in us.

Congregation: If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

<u>Pastor</u>: But what is God's promise to us as we confess our sins?

<u>Congregation</u>: He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

<u>Pastor</u>: In silence before God then, let us each confess our sins to Him.

Congregation: Lord, we confess to you

(a time of silent prayer)

1 John 1

<u>Pastor</u>: We confess our sins, not to earn His forgiveness but to be reminded that there is forgiveness for all who trust in Christ by faith alone!

<u>Congregation</u>: Lord, we believe your promise that we are truly forgiven and cleansed and have new life through faith in Christ! (Pastoral Prayer)

■ "All Creatures of Our God and King"......Hymn 64

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

O Praise Him, O Praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along, O praise Him, Alleluia! Thou rising morn in praise rejoice, Ye lights of evening, find a voice

Thou flowing water, pure and clear, Make music for thy Lord to hear, Alleluia, Alleluia! Thou fire so masterful and bright, That givest man both warmth and light,

And all ye men of tender heart, Forgiving others, take your part, O sing ye, Alleluia! Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, Praise God and on Him cast your care,

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,

■ "It Is Not Death to Die"

Words by Henri Malan, music by Bob Kauflin. © 2008 Integrity's Praise/Sovereign Grace Praise CCLI #801260

It is not death to die To leave this weary road And join the saints who dwell on high Who've found their home with God It is not death to close The eyes long dimmed by tears And wake in joy before Your throne Delivered from our fears

O Jesus conquering the grave Your precious blood has power to save Those who trust in You will in Your mercy find That it is not death to die

It is not death to fling aside this earthly dust. And rise with strong and noble wing. To live among the just. It is not death to hear the key unlock the door. That sets us free from mortal years to praise You evermore.

- Message "Welcome One Another: Receiving and Sharing in Christ-Centered Unity" Scott
- Lord's Supper / Closing Song
- Benediction

A Word from Pastor Scott September 19, 2021

"Therefore, welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you"

Romans 15:7

This morning as we finish our brief series on *Life Together in Christ's Church*, we'll be looking at Romans 15:5-7. Here the Apostle Paul prays that God will give us true unity in Christ's church (vv 5-6). He then exhorts us as to put that unity into practice in the way we treat one another (v 7). So we learn that while true unity is God's gift to the church as it places its trust in Him, it is also something we as Christians must pursue in the way we "welcome one another just as Christ has welcomed us". There is so much for us to learn from this passage. I'm really looking forward to sharing it with you!

As mentioned last week, this message will also serve as a kind of kick off for the series that will be preached next week during Family Camp. Our theme will be drawn from various "one another" passages in the New Testament where we are called to love and serve one another just as Christ has loved and served us in the Gospel. This should be a really good series. So even if you aren't able to make it to Family Camp this year, be sure and catch the messages on our website next week or on Sermon Audio at

www.sermonaudio.com/rockportbaptist.

Please be in prayer for our speakers and for those who are working so hard to organize this year's Camp. Pray also for our safety as we travel to and from Bate's Creek. And just as a reminder, here are our speakers and the topics they'll be addressing.

- 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)

Pray also for Erik Bird who will bring the word here at RBC next Sunday. *In Christ's Grace*

Pastor Scott

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.

Romans 15:5-7

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶ that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷ Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

Due to Family Camp there will be *NO Sunday School next Sunday, Sept 26*.

Eric Bird will be preaching at Rockport

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Fall D-Groups start the first full week of October.

We will meet to fellowship, pray and study the book of Joshua Wednesday Groups will meet the first and third Wednesday of each month, October through December

(10/6; 10/20; 11/3; 11/17; 12/1; 12/15)

Sign up will begin later this week.

Congregational Prayer Meetings will be held here at Rockport on the second Wednesday of each month:

October 13; November 10; December 8. Please mark your calendars

"Welcome One Another: Receiving and Sharing in Christ-Centered Unity" (Romans 15:5-7)

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Col 3:16	
III. An Exhortation to Christ-centered unity with on	ie
another v7	
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(3) We can only welcome each other like this if we know how	
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THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - September 19

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

SUNDAY - September 26 - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs
Rockport Weekly Budget Goal.....\$4,341.00
August Weekly Average.....\$4,303.89

Today's Nursery - Amy Lee and Lucy Blunt
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.
- September 23-26 Family Camp

Theme: "One Another-ing to the Glory of God" See the Pastor's Word for the message topics. Talk to one of us if you have not received your info e-mail

- Saturday, October 9 at 8 AM Men's Breakfast Scott Lee speaking about Your Wife and Family"
- 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.

Kid's Lis	tening Sheet (9/	(19/21)	alolo
Message Title: "	One	Another"	
Bible Passage: Rom	nans	_	£-1
Key Words: Circle	each word every	time you hear it	
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Romans 15:5-7

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