June 5, 2022

Welcome / Call to Worship

■ "Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven" by Matthew Smith/Jeff Pardo ©2010 Detuned Radio Music/Simple Tense Songs CCLI #801260

Once on a dreary mountain We wandered far and wide, Far from the cleansing fountain Far from the pierced side But Jesus sought and found us And washed our guilt away With cords of love He bound us To be His own today

Redeemed, restored, forgiven Through Jesus' precious blood Heirs of His home in heaven Oh, praise our pardoning God

Dear Lord receive the glory Of each recovered soul Oh who can tell the story Of love that made us whole? Not our, not ours, the merit Be Yours alone the praise And ours a thankful spirit To serve You all our days

Now keep us, holy Savior In Your true love and fear And grant us by Your favor The grace to persevere Till in Your new creation When Earth meets Heaven's shore We find our full salvation And praise You evermore

Scripture - Philippians 2:14-30

"I Need Thee Today" by Frederick Whitfield, Music by Matthew Smith @2007 Detuned Radio Music CCLI # 801260 I need Thee, precious Jesus For I am full of sin My soul is dark and guilty My heart is dead within I need the cleansing fountain Where I can always flee The blood of Christ most precious The sinner's perfect plea

I need Thee, I need Thee, Jesus I need Thee today

I need Thee, blessed Jesus For I am very poor A stranger and a pilgrim I have no earthly store I need the love of Jesus To cheer me on my way To guide my doubting footsteps To be my strength and stay

I need Thee, blessed Jesus I need a friend like Thee A friend to soothe and pity A friend to care for me I need the heart of Jesus To feel each anxious care To tell my every trial And all my sorrows share

I need Thee, blessed Jesus And hope to see Thee soon Encircled with the rainbow And seated on Thy throne There, with Thy blood-bought children My joy shall ever be To sing Thy praise, Lord Jesus, To gaze, My Lord, on Thee

■ Confession / Lord's Supper - Confession based on Romans 7-8 <u>Pastor</u>: For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is in my flesh apart from Christ

<u>Congregation</u>: For I have a desire to do what is right, but I often fail to carry it out

P: For the good that I long to do as a Christian too often, I do not do And find myself doing the very evil that I hate.

- C: For whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it For him it is sin!
- P: And so we confess:
- C: Father, we have sinned and fallen short of your glory
- P: Lord have mercy!
- C: Christ have mercy!
- P: Yet, even as our hearts condemn us
- C: Christ is our hope!
- P: When we confess our sins
- C: He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness
- All: Thanks be to God!
- "Great is Thy Faithfulness" CCLI #801260

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father There is no shadow of turning with Thee Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not As Thou has been, Thou forever wilt be

Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness Morning by morning new mercies I see All I have needed Thy hand hath provided Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest Sun moon, and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today, and bright hope for tomorrow Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside

■ Message – "Deacons in the Life of the Church"

(Php1:1; 1 Tim 3:8-13; Acts 6:1-7) - Pastor Scott

■ Closing Hymn - "Be Thou My Vision"......Hymn 382

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art Thou my best Thought, by day or by night Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord Thou my great Father, I Thy true son Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight. Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my High Tower. Raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise Thou mine Inheritance, now and always Thou and Thou only, first in my heart High King of heaven my Treasure Thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun Heart of my own heart, whatever befall Still be my Vision O Ruler of all

Benediction

How to Join Rockport Baptist Church We as a church are committed to the biblical teaching that church membership is for believers in Christ who voluntarily band together under the leadership of the Holy Spirit for worship, fellowship and service. We therefore require the following:

- (1) A credible profession of faith in Christ for salvation (Romans 10:9-10)
- (2) Obedience to Christ through water baptism (Matthew 28:18-20)
- (3) A willing commitment to the basic beliefs and practices of this church as evidenced in our Confession of Faith and Church Covenant (available upon request)

Those who are interested in seeking membership are asked to make this known to Pastor Scott and/or an Elder who will provide a copy of our Petition for Membership and explain the process.

Why Should I Be Baptized?

Baptism is commanded by Christ (Matthew 28:18-20) for all those who would follow Him as disciples. It is a picture on the outside of what Christ does on the inside of all those who come to Him by faith. As Paul declares in Romans 6:4, "We are buried with Him through baptism into death, and raised to walk in newness of life." Baptism, therefore symbolizes our new life in Christ as believers. It is a public declaration that my old life is dead and I now belong to him. As such, it is the first act of obedience for all who would profess their faith in Him for salvation. If you have placed your faith in Christ and need to follow through with believer's baptism, please contact Pastor Scott.

> Church Office (636) 464-1460 <u>RockportBaptist@sbcglobal.net</u> www.rockportbaptist.org



Pastors/Elders Scott Lee Kyle Davis

Deacons

Kurt BoehmHerman MeyerGreg ChastainMark StonerDoug FergusonBrad TompkinsRay Gawlik

Worship Leaders Stuart McMillian Luke McAllister This Week's Fighter Verse: Feed Your Soul by <u>Memorizing Scripture</u>! Each week's '*Fighter Verse*' is meant to help you "fight the good fight" of faith.

<u>1 Tim 3:13</u>

For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.



Repentance and Faith Which Lead to Eternal Life

"Deacons in the Life of the Church" (Php1:1; 1 Tim 3:8-13; Acts 6:1-7)

- I. Deacons are called as ______ to serve alongside the elders Php 1:1 The Church has two offices: ______ and _____
- II. Deacons serve the church as ______ to the overall ministry
 - (1) Elders/Pastors are called to serve as _____
 - 1 Pet 5:1-2, etc
 - (2) Deacons _____ with them
 - Dickonos (Deacon) = anyone who _____

• Mt 23:11-12 ; Mk 9:35 ; Jn 12:26 ; Mk 10:15 ; 1 Tim 3:10,13 In the office of deacon, deacons are called to _____ the church Example: Acts 6:1-6

- (1) Deacons help ______ as the church drives forward They are like "_____"
- (2) This biblical structure helps us see the _____ of deacons
- III. Deacons must be _____ men who are faithful and willing to serve 1 Tim 3:8-13
 (1) They must have faithful proven _____ v8,10
 (2) They must be men of genuine _____ v9
 - (3) They must give evidence of faithfulness v11-12
- IV. Deacons who serve well are worthy of ______ v13

 (1) They gain a ______ in the church

 (2) They gain a ______ of the genuiness of their faith

Laying on of Hands Acts 6:6

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - June 5

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship	10:40 AM
First Sunday Fellowship Meal	

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs	
Rockport Weekly Budget Goal	\$4,506.00
May Weekly Average	\$6,620.47

Today's Nursery - Shealyn & Reilyn Woelm Please note: Nursery care during worship is for children up through age 2

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Sunday May 8 → Sunday, June 19 Please help support Hand n Hand Pregnancy Help Center by picking up a baby bottle on Mother's Day from the foyer table, filling it with change, cash or check made out to Hand n Hand, and returning it by Father's Day (June 19)
- Saturday, June 11 Men's Breakfast at 8 AM Bake Ottofy speaking on "Repentance and Faith Which Lead to Eternal Life". Bring food to share.
- Sunday, June 12 Savannah Weber will be sharing an update
- Wednesday, June 15 Congregational Prayer Meeting at Rockport at 7 PM. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays for the summer Dates include June 15, July 6 and 20, August 3
- **Sunday, July 3 -** Billy & Sarah Jackson will be with us
- July 15th and 16th Heritage of Grace Missions Conference Register by July 3 at https://form.jotform.com/220237343798158
- September 22-25 Family Camp Theme: "Stand Firm Therefore"
- Exercise Class Tuesdays at 1 PM at Rockport. Please contact Susan Jackson for more information <u>susanjj1966@gmail.com</u> or (636) 375-1113
- D-Groups will not be meeting during the summer months. They will begin again in August.- watch for more info

A Word from Pastor Scott:

Sunday June 5, 2022

"If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant (deacon) of all." Mark 9:35

In a very real way, every Christian is called to be a "deacon." For the word we sometimes translate as "deacon" (*diakonos*) is a word that basically means a "servant." In fact, in the majority of times it appears in the New Testament, that is how it is translated – as "servant" not "deacon." For example, if the following passages were translated literalistically we would read:

The greatest among you shall be your *deacon*. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted. (Matt 23:11-12)

And [Jesus] said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and *deacon* of all."(Mark 9:35)

If anyone *deacons* (ie, serves) me, he must follow me; and where I am, there my *deacon* will be also. If anyone *deacons* me, the Father will honor him. (John 12:26)

As Matt Smethurst points out in his helpful book on deacons called *Deacons*,

"Above all, Christian believers are those who walk in the footsteps of the ultimate *deacon*, the suffering servant who came 'not to be *deaconed*, but to *deacon*, and to give his life as a ransom for many.""

My point is, when we think of this word deacon (*diakonos*), the first thing that ought to come to our minds is the calling we all share to be Christ-like servants. That's what I mean when I say every Christians is called to be a "deacon." We are all called to be servants of one another and servants of Christ.

So all Christians are "deacons" in a general sense. But some Christians are called and set aside to serve Christ and His church more specifically by fulfilling the office of "deacon." (See 1 Tim 3:8-13 where *diakonos* means "deacon" in this more special sense). This morning, as we set aside four men to begin serving as Deacons (in the special sense of the word), we're going to spend some time looking at this calling and what it means and how it is a blessing to our church.

Grateful to God to see Him calling men to serve Him.

Movie Night – The Most Reluctant Convert:

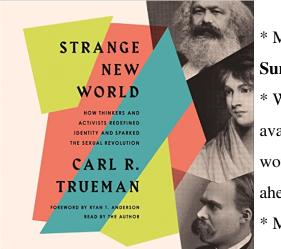
The Untold Story of C. S. Lewis

Sunday, June 26th at 7 PM at Rockport



Fall Culture Study starting in September

"Strange New World: How Thinkers and Activists Redefined Identity and Sparked the Sexual Revolution" by Carl R. Trueman



* Mark the start date –
Sunday September 11.
* We will have books available soon for those who

would like to read the book ahead of time.

* More information to come

Kid's Listening Sheet (6/5/22)

Message Title: "Deacons in the _____

Bible Passages: _____



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

Deacon	Elder	Coffee	Serve
Bible	Teach	Heart	Slave
Word	Men	Food	Joy
Money	Love	Rock	Home

What are three important things you heard during the sermon?

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Draw two pictures that show what you heard today:

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