### September 11, 2022

## ■ Welcome / Baptism

## ■ Announcements / Call to Worship

#### ■ "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

By Robert Robinson, adapted by Margaret Clarkson, Music by John Wyeth CCLI# 801260

Come Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the Mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come; And I hope by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee: Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.

Oh that day when freed from sinning I shall see Thy lovely face Full arrayed in blood-washed linen How I'll sing Thy Sovereign Grace Come my Lord no longer tarry Bring Thy promises to pass For I know Thy power will keep me 'Til I'm home with Thee at last

- Scripture Galatians 1:1-10
- Offertory Prayer

#### ■ "Abide With Me"

Words by Henry Lyte alt by Justin Smith, Music by Justin Smith. © 2007 Justin Smith Music CCLI #801260

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide. When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head in early youth didst smile And though rebellious and perverse meanwhile Thou hast not left me oft as I left Thee On to the close Lord abide with me

I need Thy presence every passing hour. What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r? Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless, Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes. Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies. Heav'n's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee; In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

#### ■ Confession / Lord's Supper

#### ■ "How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place"

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How sweet and awesome is the place With Christ within the doors, While everlasting love displays The choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs Join to admire the feast, Each of us cry, with thankful tongues, "Lord, why was I a guest?"

"Why was I made to hear Thy voice, And enter while there's room, When thousands make a wretched choice, And rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast That sweetly drew us in; Else we had still refused to taste, And perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God, Constrain the earth to come; Send Thy victorious Word abroad, And bring the strangers home.

We long to see Thy churches full, That all the chosen race May, with one voice and heart and soul, Sing Thy redeeming grace.

- Message "The Christian and the World" John 17:14-15 Scott
- **■** Closing Hymn
- 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.

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

### John 17:14-15

<sup>14</sup> I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. <sup>15</sup> I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one.

## REDEEMED FOR GOD'S GLORY: One Woman's Story

Tiffany DeLapp, Executive Director at Hand 'N Hand Pregnancy Help Center in Barnhart will share her personal story of God's grace and redemption

Friday, October 7 7-9 PM

Rockport Baptist Church



# "The Christian and the World" (John 17:14-15)

Christ's saving word	a world in sin
• "Sanctify" (v17) means to make	
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from one thing to be	
Christ has given us His (v8) that of	defines our lives
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and bring us new life in Christ. And it	
Christ, centered on God's Word, that _	
from the world	
• John 15:18-19	
• God's Word is a shining in	the darkness
(Ps 119:130)	
- It exposes sin Jn 3:19-20	
- It is hated by those committed	d to sin
Christ's life-giving word us	
It us from this world in its re	ebellion 1 Jn 2:15-17
(2) Jesus isn't praying for us to be	this world
but to remain in it as His witnesses v	15,18
Two temptations we face	
(1) with the world	
(2) from the world	
We can neither to this world,	nor oon wo
from this world	nor can we
• Mt 28:19-20	
• We must be (Mt 5:14-16	) and (Mt 5:13)
We must be (Wit 3.14-10)	) and (wit 3.13)
He will keep us from the power of the	One v15
How do we overcome him? Rev 12:11	<del></del>

#### THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

### **SUNDAY - September 11**

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship	10:40 AM
Strange New World Study in fellowship hall at	6:00 PM

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs	
Rockport Weekly Budget Goal	\$

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Today's Nursery - Debbie & Lily McClure

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

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Sunday, September 11 Strange New World study begins at 6 PM in the fellowship hall
- September 22-25 Family Camp Theme: "Stand Firm Therefore" Camp opens at 1 PM on Thursday, September 22. Camp closes after lunch on Sunday, September 25
- Wednesday, October 5 Congregational Prayer Meeting at 7pm (Then on 11/2; 12/7)
- Friday, October 7 at 7 PM Tiffany DeLapp will be sharing her personal story of God's grace and redemption
- Tuesdays at 1 PM at Rockport. Exercise Class. Please contact Susan Jackson for more information susanji1966@gmail.com or (636) 375-1113

# A Word from Pastor Scott: Sunday September 11, 2022

"They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world."

#### John 17:16

The relationship of the Christian to the world is one that is rather complex and, for that reason, open to a great deal of confusion. Clearly there is a distinction to be made between what it means to live "for Christ" and what it means to live "for" this world as if Christ did not exist. But what exactly is that difference? After all, we must live "in" this world. (Where else would we live?) But at the same time we cannot be "of" this world. "In the world, but not of it." That's how it's usually phrased. But what does that mean?

First, let's think about what Christ means by "the world." He certainly does not mean the flowers and the trees, hills and seas. As Genesis 1 makes clear, we are certainly made "of" this world, formed by God's hands from the dust of the earth. Nor does He mean the world of people in general, because we are people too, called to love and serve our neighbors for Christ's sake. So what does Jesus means by "the world" we are not to be a part of? He means this world as it is in it's rebellion against God – this world as it is when men and women live as if God did not exist and Christ had never come.

But of course Christ has come. He went to the cross to defeat our sins and bring us into a new life with God. And because that is true – and not only true in the sense of being a fact, but also true in the sense of being the central truth that governs our lives...! Because it's true, we can never live as if it's not true. We cannot live by the rules of a world in rebellion against God. We cannot chase the things they chase or love the things they love, if chasing those things means we leave Christ behind (1 John 2:15-17). All that we are and all that we do must be centered on Christ whom we call Savior and Lord. And so while it is true we must live in this present world (see John 17:18), we cannot be "of this world" in the way we live while we are here. In all we do, we must live for Christ.

We are in the world, but we cannot be of it.

Pastor Scott

### **Kid's Listening Sheet (9/11/22)**

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## The Christian and the World (John 17:11–16)

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