## October 23, 2022

- Welcome / Announcements / Call to Worship

This is the day (repeat) That the Lord has made (repeat)

We will rejoice (repeat) And be glad in it (repeat)

This is the day that the Lord has made

We will rejoice and be glad in it

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made

"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"...... Hymn 477

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, ye soldiers of the cross;

Lift high His royal banner, it must not suffer loss.

From victory unto victory His army shall He lead,

Till every foe is vanquished, and Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, the trumpet call obey;

Forth to the mighty conflict, in this His glorious day.

Ye that are men now serve Him against unnumbered foes;

Let courage rise with danger, and strength to strength oppose.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, stand in His strength alone;

The arm of flesh will fail you, ye dare not trust your own.

Put on the Gospel armor, each piece put on with prayer;

Where duty calls or danger, be never wanting there.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, the strife will not be long;

This day the noise of battle, the next the victor's song.

To him who overcometh a crown of life shall be:

He with the King of Glory shall reign eternally.

## ■ "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 3:15-22
- **■** Offertory Prayer
- "Blessed Assurance"......Hymn 345

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight: angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

- Confession / Lord's Supper
- "It's Your Grace"

Music and Words by Bob Kauflin and Doug Plank ©2013 by Sovereign Grace Worship CCLI#801260

You will save whom You will save We're the lost and helpless ones The rebels and the renegades who spurned Your holy love You will save whom You will save Mercy will be magnified Everyone has gone astray and followed after lies

But You have loved us and opened our eyes

## It's Your grace From beginning to the end It's Your grace We will never comprehend Why You drew the ones who ran from You What can we do but offer You praise?

You will save whom You will save We were captive to our wills And if our hearts had not been changed We'd flee Your mercy still You will save whom You will save Who can guestion what You do? You're the potter, we're the clay You can make us as You choose And there is no one who boasts before You

You will save whom You will save Yet the promised hope remains You will rescue anyone who calls upon Your name You will save whom You will save Faithful love won't be denied Christ has overcome the grave and for our sins He died And when He comes back His glory will shine

- **Message** Warren Kesselring
- Closing Hymn "Because He Lives"......Hymn 213 by Gloria & Bill Gaither © 1971 William J. Gaither, Inc. CCLI#801260

God sent His son, they called Him Jesus He came to love heal and forgive He lived and died to buy my pardon An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives

Because He lives I can face tomorrow Because He lives all fear is gone Because I know He holds the future And life is

## worth the living just because He lives

How sweet to hold a newborn baby and feel the pride and joy he gives. But greater still the calm assurance, This child can face uncertain days because He lives.

And then one day I'll cross the river, I'll fight life's final war with pain And then as death gives way to victory I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives

#### ■ 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 RockportBaptist@sbcglobal.net www.rockportbaptist.org



<u>Pastors</u>/Elders Scott Lee Kyle Davis

Worship Leaders Stuart McMillian Luke McAllister Deacons

Kanoa Benz He Kurt Boehm Ale Greg Chastain Ma Ray Gawlik Br Scott Larson Ja

Herman Meyer Alex Starkey Mark Stoner Brad Tompkins Jared Weber <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.

## **2 Cor 10:4-6**

<sup>4</sup> For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. <sup>5</sup> We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ, <sup>6</sup> being ready to punish every disobedience, when your obedience is complete.

# Women's Cardmaking Workshop

Help stock Rockport's new card ministry

Potluck lunch!
Bring a soup or sandwich to share and your own beverage

Friday, November 11th 9am-12pm and/or 1pm-5pm

Bring your own Scissors!

Please Register by Nov 4th
Ages 16 and up (nursing infants welcome)



Sermon Notes (2 Cor 10:1-6)

#### THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

#### SUNDAY - October 23

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

Today's Greeters - Kim & Alex Ditto
Today's Tellers - Darla Ferguson & Mysti Jackson
Today's Nursery - Jennifer McMillian & Kristy Booker
Please note: Nursery care during worship is for children up through age 2

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs
Rockport Weekly Budget Goal.....\$5,263.00
Sept Weekly Average ......\$5,341.65

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Tuesdays at 1:30 PM at Rockport. Exercise Class.

  Please contact Susan Jackson for more information <a href="mailto:susanjj1966@gmail.com">susanjj1966@gmail.com</a> or (636) 375-1113
- Sunday, October 30 Confirm Warren Kesselring to begin a time serving as elder in training.
- Wednesday, November 2 Congregational Prayer Meeting at 7pm (Then on 12/7)
- Sunday, November 6 First Sunday Fellowship
- Friday, November 11 Women's Cardmaking Workshop 9am -12pm and / or 1-5pm - please register by Nov 4
- Saturday, November 12 at 8 AM Men's Discipleship Breakfast

## A Word from Pastor Scott: Sunday October 23, 2022

"Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead

and be honored, as happened among you,"

## 2 Thessalonians 3:1

I've always appreciated the way the Apostle Paul was never shy in asking for prayer. For while we may be tempted to think that Paul was some kind of "super saint" who never struggled with doubt or fear or his own inadequacy, he certainly knew otherwise. Throughout the New Testament Paul openly confesses that he is weak (2 Cor 12:10), that he had feelings of inadequacy (2 Cor 3:5), and even times of depression (2 Cor 7:6). So it should not surprise us to find how aware he was of his absolute dependance on the prayers of others to accomplish anything of value, especially in the preaching of God's Word!

I feel that reality every Sunday when I stand in the pulpit, and so am always appreciative of your prayers and the encourage you give me when you tell me you are praying me. It means a lot! Probably more than you will ever know! And so it is with that in mind that I ask you to pray especially for me today and tomorrow as I prepare to speak at the Missouri Baptist Convention Pastor's Conference in Saint Charles at 9 AM Monday morning. For some reason, this has been a particularly difficult message to prepare as I have grappled with what I should say concerning how a pastor must view God's Word. The message will be based on Titus 1:7-9 and the stewardship of God's Word. My desire is to encourage weary pastors who are tempted to turn to all the tricks and techniques being offered today as substitutes to the faithful preaching of God's Word. I want to exhort these men to renew their confidence in the fact that God's word is true and powerful and will accomplish all God promises. So please pray for me!

And pray as well for Warren as he preaches the word here at Rockport this morning. And then keep him in mind as our church is asked to confirm him next week in taking the next step toward eldership by becoming an elder-in-training.

May God own and use His powerful word for the good of His people! Pastor Scott