

March 19, 2023

■ **Welcome / Call to Worship**

■ **“In Christ Alone”**

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In Christ alone, my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; this Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone - who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe! This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save. “Til on that cross, as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied; For every sin on Him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain; then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me; from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand; 'til He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

■ **Scripture Reading** - 1 Thess 4:13-18

■ **Offertory Prayer**

■ **“It Is Well with My Soul”**Hymn 493

Words by Horatio G. Spafford and Music by Philip P. Bliss ©1986 by WORD MUSIC CCLI#801260

When peace like a river attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, “It is well, it is well with my soul,”

It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, tho' trials should come, Let this blest assurance control, That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

My sin - O, the bliss of this glorious thought, My sin - not in part but the whole, Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, “Even so” - it is well with my soul.

■ **“It is Finished, Tetelesti”** by James Needham CCLI#801260

It is finished, It is finished, Tetelesti The beauty of the double meaning phrase He ceased from His labor and so have I

Now resting only in His grace

It is finished, It is finished, Tetelesti The Son of Man succeeding where I failed The wrath of God now satisfied In Jesus, my Emmanuel

It is done, He's alive And He is able to bring us life
In three days, He will rise Tetelesti

It is finished, it is finished, Tetelesti My hope found in the Savior's words alone He willingly laid down His life And gloriously He rolled away the stone

It is finished, it is finished, Tetelesti No longer need I labor for His love For Christ fulfilling the law of God Was deemed by God to be enough

It is finished, It is finished, Tetelesti The wedding bells of freedom now ring Your sons and daughters will testify Now to you, Jesus, we will sing

We will sing We will sing We will sing
On Christ the solid rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

■ **Confession / Lord's Supper-**

Confession of Sin - Psalm 51

Pastor: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Congregation: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

Pastor: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Congregation: Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

Pastor: Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me. Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.

Congregation: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Pastor: Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Congregation: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

Pastor: Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.

Congregation: Deliver me from bloodguilt, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your righteousness.

Pastor: O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering.

Congregation: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

■ **“Mercy Tree”** by Michael Neale and Krissy Nordhoff ©2012 Universal Music CCLI #801260

On a hill called Calvary Stands an endless mercy tree
Every broken weary soul Find your rest and be made whole
Stripes of blood that stain its frame Shed to wash away our shame
From the scars pure love released Salvation by the mercy tree
In the spot between two thieves Hung the blameless Prince of Peace
Bruised and battered, scarred and scorned
Sacred head pierced by our thorns “It is finished” was His cry The perfect Lamb was crucified His Sacrifice our victory Our Savior chose the mercy tree

Hope went dark that violent day The whole earth quaked at Love’s display Three days silent in the ground This Body born for Heaven’s crown On that bright and glorious day When Heaven opened up the grave He’s alive and risen indeed Praise Him for the mercy tree

Death has died Love has won Hallelujah Hallelujah

Jesus Christ has overcome He has risen from the dead

One day soon we’ll see His face And every tear He’ll wipe away No more pain or suffering Oh praise Him for the mercy tree

On a hill called Calvary Stands an endless mercy tree

■ **Message** – “Finished!” - John 19:28-30 - Pastor Scott

■ **Closing Hymn**

■ **Benediction**

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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.

John 19:30

When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, "It is finished," and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.



Saturday, April 15 at 10 AM - Shower for Baby Starkey
Saturday, May 27 at 12:30 PM - Shower for Baby Bartels

(If you would like to go in on a group gift please let Cindy Boehm know by Sunday, April 2 for the Starkey shower and Sunday, May 14 for the Bartels shower)

"Finished!"
John 19:28-30

- I. Jesus knew His _____ was finished (v28a)
Jesus knew _____ Jn 13:1, 18:4
Jesus knew that all was _____ (Tetelestai)
• To bring something to a successful _____
• To bring it to _____, to fully accomplish it
Jn 4:34 , 5:36 , 17:4 ; Col 1:14
- II. Jesus finished out the _____ for us v28b-29
"Fulfill" is from the same verb as tetelestai = Teleō
John is making a point. Lk 18:31-34
"The _____ is the center-point of all salvation history"
"I thirst" - Ps 69-21 ... "sour wine"
The OT connection of hyssop - Ex 12:21-23
- III. Jesus declares the work of _____ finished for all
who trust in Him v30
(1) He proclaims a word of _____! Tetelestai
• It is finished forever
• Something done in the _____ with continuous effect in
the _____ "Once and for all" Heb 7:27 , 10:14
• It is "Paid in _____" Col 2:13-15
(2) He rested
• He did this. He is in charge Jn 10:18
• He rested His head
• He yielded up His Spirit Lk 23:56

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - March 19

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

Mortification of Sin Study	6:00 PM
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Today's Greeters - Ray Gawlick & Ditto

Today's Tellers - Molli Gunby & Kim Fels

Today's Nursery - Phoebe Davis & Clairra Davis

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
February Weekly Average.....	\$6,070.17

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Most Sundays at 6 PM** - Study of "The Mortification of Sin"
- **D groups are meeting - check with your leader!**
- **Feb 21 - Apr 18**, Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:30 PM Women's Bible Study
- **Feb 23 - Apr 20**, Thursdays 9 - 11 AM Women's Bible Study
- **Sunday, April 2** - Congregational Meeting after morning worship and fellowship meal
- **Friday, April 7 at 7 PM - Good Friday Celebration**
- **Saturday, April 15 at 10 AM** - Baby Shower for Marj Starkey
- **Grace Bible Conference 2023** with Brian Borgman - April 21-23
- **Saturday, May 27 at 12:30 PM** - Baby Shower for Victoria Bartels
- **Family Camp 2023** - September 21-24
- **Tuesdays at 1:30 PM** at Rockport. - **Exercise Class** .
Please contact Susan Jackson for more information
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A Word from Pastor Scott:

Sunday March 19, 2023

"Father, into your hands I commit my spirit"

Luke 23:46

The Seven Last Sayings of Jesus.

I mentioned last week that every time Jesus chose to speak from the cross it was a significant event. A man being crucified could barely breathe. The effort required to take even a small breath was incredibly painful. But any speech requires air in the lungs. So seven times Jesus hoists himself up on the cross, pushing against the nails, in order to make Himself heard. These "seven last words" of Christ, as they are traditionally called, are as follows:

(1) *A prayer of forgiveness for his enemies* in **Lk 23:34**

"Father, forgive them for they don't know what they do!"

Even pinned to a cross, his mercy still flows to His enemies.

(2) *The Assurance of salvation to the repentant criminal* in **Lk 23:43**

"Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise"

What assurance! What grace!

(3) *A Caring Concern for the welfare of His mother* in **Jn 19:27**

We looked at this last time. Jesus commends her to John's faithful care.

Even in death His mind is on the good of those He loves.

(4) *His cry of abandonment. "Eloi, Eloi, Lama Sabachthani"* in **Mk 15:34**

"My God, My God why have you forsaken me" a quote from **Psa 22:1**

It is at this point Jesus is bearing the curse of death for our sin.

(5) *He cries out "I thirst"* in **Jn 19:28**

We will look further at this today, but here we clearly see his humanity.

We also see his self-consciousness of fulfilling the Scriptures (Ps 69:21)

(6) *His declaration of triumph as He cries "It is finished"* in **Jn 19:30**

Many of you will know this is the cry of *"tetelestai"* = *Paid in Full!*

Jesus declares that his work of redemption is finished, as we'll see today

(7) *"Father, into your hands I commit my Spirit"* in **Lk 23:46**.

His work complete, Jesus bows his head and dismisses his spirit into His

Father's loving and faithful hands. Jesus begins his three day rest.

My goal in giving you these "seven words" is more than informational. It is my hope that you may take time between now and Easter to think about these passages. What do they mean? What is Jesus saying that you need to hear?

Christ died for our sins, that in Him we may have life!

Pastor Scott

Kid's Listening Sheet (3/19/23)

Title: " _____ "

Bible Passages: John 19: _____



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

Cross	Know	Believe	Son
Finish	John	Forgive	Sins
Fill	Thirst	Wine	Blood
Lamb	Sponge	Win	Pay

What are three important things you heard during the sermon?

1.

2.

3.

Draw two pictures that show what you heard today:

1.

2.

It Is Finished! (John 19:28–30)

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M C U I E E A H T E S
H E L D C S N E O A O
G J F K E U C R O D U
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E L L W E I Y H U U P
N L V I D R S I L T O
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BOWED	BRANCH	FINISHED
FULFILL	FULL	GAVE
HEAD	HELD	HYSSOP
JESUS	KNOWING	MOUTH
RECEIVED	SAID	SCRIPTURE
SOUR	SPIRIT	SPONGE
STOOD	THERE	THIRST