

July 16, 2023

■ **Welcome / Call to Worship**

■ **“God Moves”** Words by William Cowper, Music plus alternate and additional words by Bob Kauffman
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God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform
He plants His footsteps in the sea And rides upon the storm
Deep in His dark and hidden mines With never-failing skill
He fashions all His bright designs And works His sovereign will

So God we trust in You O God we trust in You

O fearful saints new courage take The clouds that you now dread
Are big with mercy and will break In blessings on your head
Judge not the Lord by feeble sense But trust Him for His grace
Behind a frowning providence He hides a smiling face

So God we trust in You O God we trust in You

When tears are great And comforts few

We hope in mercies ever new We trust in You

God's purposes will ripen fast Unfolding every hour
The bud may have a bitter taste But sweet will be the flower
Blind unbelief is sure to err And scan His work in vain
God is His own interpreter And He will make it plain

■ **“Revelation Song”** Words and Music by Jennie Lee Riddle © 2004 Integrity's Praise Music CCLI #801260

Worthy is the, Lamb who was slain Holy, Holy, is He Sing a new
song, to Him who sits on Heaven's Mercy Seat
**Holy, Holy, Holy Is the Lord God Almighty Who was, and is, and
is to come With all creation I sing: Praise to the King of Kings!
You are my everything, And I will adore You!**

Clothed in rainbows, of living color Flashes of lightning, rolls of
thunder Blessing and honor, strength and Glory and power be To
You the Only Wise King,

Filled with wonder, Awestruck wonder At the mention of Your Name
Jesus, Your Name is Power Breath, and Living Water Such a
marvelous mystery

■ **Scripture Reading** - 1 Peter 4:1-11

■ **Offertory Prayer**

■ **“To God Be the Glory”**Hymn 66

To God be the glory, great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the Life-gate that all may go in.

**Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His
voice! Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord, Let the people
rejoice! O come to the Father, thru Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done.**

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To ev'ry believer the promise of God; The vilest offender who truly
believes, That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son; But purer and higher,
and greater will be Our wonder, our transport,
when Jesus we see.

■ **Confession / From 1 Peter 4:1-11**

(lead) Father, you remind us that the end of all things is at hand. This
world is passing away, along with all its promises of satisfaction and
stability.

(cong) Thank you for a hope beyond this life.

Forgive us for looking to the world instead of you.

Help us stay sober-minded and prayerful.

(lead) You tell us, above all, to keep loving one another earnestly,
letting our love cover a multitude of sins and overflow in generous
hospitality.

**(cong) Thank you for covering our sins. Forgive us for
grumbling against our brothers. Help us to love one another as
you loved us.**

(lead) You call us to celebrate our varied gifts and use them to serve
one another, relying on the strength you provide and giving all glory
to you.

**(cong) Thank you for gifting your people. Forgive us for our self-
reliance. Help us be good stewards of your grace.**

(lead) Thank you, Spirit,

(cong) The power that rescued us transforms us

(lead) Thank you, Jesus,

(cong) The blood that bought us washes us

(lead) Thank you, Father,

**(cong) The love that chose us will guard us until you complete
your work. Amen.**

■ **“All I Have is Christ”** By Jordan Kauffman © 2008 Sovereign Grace Praise CCLI #801260

I once was lost in darkest night Yet thought I knew the way The
sin that promised joy and life Had led me to the grave I had no
hope that You would own A rebel to Your will And if You had not
loved me first I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state And led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me Now all I know is grace

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ Hallelujah! Jesus is my life

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone And live so all might see The
strength to follow Your commands Could never come from me Oh

Father, use my ransomed life In any way You choose And let my song forever be My only boast is You

- **Message** - Psalm 49
- **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.



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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. This week as we begin our new series in the Psalms, we begin with Psalm 1:1-2

Psalm 49:20

Man in his pomp yet without understanding is like the beasts that perish.

Sermon Notes

Psalm 49

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - July 16

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

Today's Greeters - Anja Woelm & Kathy Blunt

Today's Tellers - Molli Gunby & Darla Ferguson

Today's Nursery - Debbie & Lily McClure

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

June Weekly Average.....\$8,218.63

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **SATURDAY, July 15, 9:30 - 11 AM** - Introduction to Children's Ministry
 - **MONDAY, July 17 - next Monday Summer Fellowship**
5 - 8 PM. Eat at 5:30 PM. Please see sign up for food in your e-mail. Please park on the side lot to leave the back open for play. Fellowship will only take place in the fellowship hall and outside please. (Bring games, toys, etc)
 - **WEDNESDAY, July 19** at 7 PM - Congregational Prayer Meeting
 - **SUNDAY, AUGUST 6 - First Sunday Fellowship**
 - **SATURDAY, August 12 at 8 AM - Men's Discipleship Breakfast** - Bring food to share!
 - **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: Loving the Psalms

Sunday July 16, 2023

"Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings" **Psalm 33:3**

One thing to keep in mind as you read the Psalms is that they are written as poetry. There is skillfulness involved in how the thoughts are phrased. And so, having a basic understanding of how Hebrew poetry works can help you better understand the point being made. Hebrew poetry is driven, not by rhymed sounds, but by what is called "Rhythm of Thought" communicated through the use of "parallelisms"—two parallel lines that play off one another in specific ways. For example, in **Synonymous Parallelism**, the same thought is expressed twice using synonyms for the purpose of emphasis. The word "and" is a clue. So for example, in Proverbs 29:22, there aren't two men, one angry and the other hot tempered, but both refer to the same man whose sin stirs up dissension..

Prov 29:22 *An angry man stirs up dissension,*

and a hot-tempered one commits many sins.

In **Antithetical Parallelism**, the first line expresses one thought, while the next gives its opposite. The word "but" is a clue. Notice **Psa 1:6** from last week

Psa 1:6 *For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,*

but the way of the wicked will perish.

Inverted (reversed) Parallelism, like a synonymous parallelism, expresses the same thought twice, but the word order is reversed for poetic emphasis.

Psa 51:3 *For I know my transgressions,*

and my sin is always before me.

A **Metaphorical (or emblematic) Parallelism**: builds on a picture or metaphor to make a point using a well-known image. Look for words like "so" or "as"

Psa 103:13 *As a father shows compassion to his children,*

so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him;

Finally, in a **Synthetic (or Progressive) Parallelism**, the first line expresses a thought that is then built on by the next and possibly several additional lines.

Words like "for" or "because" are clues to this type of parallelism.

Prov 4:23 *Above all else, guard your heart,*

for it is the wellspring of life.

As poetry, the Psalms are meant to make you think. They are meant to be read slowly and prayerfully as you consider what they are meant to convey.

There is beauty in the Psalms worth exploring!

Pastor Scott