

September 3, 2023

■ **Welcome / Call to Worship**

■ **“I Will Call Upon the Lord”**

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I will call upon the Lord (I will call upon the Lord)

Who is worthy to be praised (who is worthy to be praised)

I will call upon the Lord (I will call upon the Lord)

Who is worthy to be praised (who is worthy to be praised)

So shall I be saved from my enemies (so shall I be saved from my enemies) I will call upon the Lord

The LORD liveth and blessed be the Rock and let the God of my salvation be exalted, the LORD liveth and blessed be the Rock and let the God of my salvation be exalted.

■ **“In Christ Alone”**

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend ©2001Kingsway'sThankyou Music CCLI #801260

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 - 2 Peter 3:1-8**

Offertory

■ **“O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer”**

Music and Words by Nathan Stiff © 2017 Sovereign Grace Worship CCLI #801260

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, greatest treasure of my longing soul My God, like You there is no other; true delight is found in You alone Your grace, a well too deep to fathom Your love exceeds the heavens' reach Your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom My highest good and my unending need

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, strong defender of my weary heart My sword to fight the cruel deceiver and my shield against his hateful darts My song when enemies surround me, my hope when tides of sorrow rise My joy when trials are abounding Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer, gracious Savior of my ruined life My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders In my place You suffered bled and died **You rose! the grave and death are conquered You broke my bonds of sin and shame** O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer **May all my days bring glory to Your Name**

■ **“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

■ **Confession** Give Thanks to the Lord! (1 Chronicles 16:8f)

P: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

Cong: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!

P: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

C: Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!

P: Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles and the judgments he uttered, O offspring of Israel his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

C: He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

Remember his covenant forever, the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

P: Sing to the LORD, all the earth! Tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

C: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, He is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens

P: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and joy are in his presence Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

C: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come before him! Worship the LORD in the splendor of

holiness; tremble before him, all the earth . . .

P: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations,

C: "The LORD reigns!"

P: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it! Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth.

C: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

P: Say also: "Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather and deliver us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

C: Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!" Let all the people say, "Amen!" and praise the LORD

■ **Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Supper**

■ **"Holy, Holy, Holy"**.....Hymn 262

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert and art and ever more shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful men Thy glory may not see; Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee, Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea; Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

■ **Message** - Psalm 17 - Pastor Warren

■ ■ **"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**



Pastors/Elders

Scott Lee
Kyle Davis
Warren Kesselring

Worship Leaders

Stuart McMillian
Luke McAllister

Deacons

Kanoa Benz	Herman Meyer
Kurt Boehm	Alex Starkey
Greg Chastain	Mark Stoner
Ray Gawlik	Brad Tompkins
Scott Larson	

Dear Church,

Winter is on its way and homeless people will be needing warm clothing: coats, sweaters, hats, mittens, and anything else that is warm.

Please bring your extra winter clothing and place it by the basement back door. We will bring your donations over to the Salvation Army to distribute. Thank you.

If you have any questions, please contact Paula Ottofy, Sherie Eagleburger or Marquette Govero.

Luke 3:11



“For This I Will Sing: the Story-Shaping Power of Praise”

Psalm 17

STUDIES AND SMALL GROUPS FOR WOMEN

ABIDE – A TEN WEEK STUDY OF 1, 2, & 3 JOHN

Tuesday Evenings OR Thursday Mornings September -November

BASIC CHRISTIAN BELIEFS –

A TEN WEEK STUDY OF BASICS EVERY CHRISTIAN SHOULD KNOW

Tuesday Evenings September - November

EXPLORING HOPE –

A THREE WEEK NO COST SMALL GROUP EXPERIENCE FOR WOMEN

Coming Soon



Women's Discipleship Ministry

Sign Up Now



THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 3

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

Today's Greeters - Ray Gawlik & Herman Meyer

Today's Tellers - Sherie Eagleburger & Stephanie Tompkins

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

July Weekly Average.....\$5,896.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 at 8 AM - Men's Discipleship**

Breakfast - Bring food to share

■ **FAMILY CAMP 2023 - September 21-24 - SIGN UP NOW**

■ **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 - WEDDING SHOWER - 10 AM**

Emma's bridal shower. This is for ladies and girls. Jonny & Emma are registered on Amazon and at Target.

■ **TUESDAYS at 1:30 PM at Rockport - Exercise Class** . Please contact Susan Jackson for more information

susanjj1966@gmail.com or (636) 375-1113

A Word from Pastor Scott

Sunday September 3, 2023

D-Group Study of 1 Corinthians 10-16 "*Loving Church*"

Our Rockport Discipleship-Groups (D-Groups) start again soon! There will

be five group, with the potential of adding more as needed. We will continue our study of 1 Corinthians with Chapters 10-16 in a study called "Loving Church." An optional book is available from Matthias Meda for all who would like. The cost is \$6 or whatever you can afford. We would love to see all our members take advantage of this time of study and fellowship. To help us prepare for you, please sign up through Rockportnews or talk to one of the pastors.

Here is the schedule for this 8 week study (dates reflect Wednesday groups)

<u>Week</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Passage</u>	<u>Theme</u>
1	9/13	1 Cor 9:24-10:13	"Keep on Running"
2	9/27	1 Cor 10:14-11:1	"Love, Liberty & Legalism"
3	10/11	1 Cor 11:2-16	"Loving Authority"
4	10/25	1 Cor 11:17-34	"Thoughtful Unity"
5	11/8	1 Cor 12:1-31a	"Your Gifts, Their Good"
6	11/22	1 Cor 12:31b-14:40	"The Most Excellent Way"
7	12/6	1 Cor 15	"Resurrection Hold On"
8	12/20	1 Cor 16	"Good Examples"

Meeting times and locations are listed below, but watch your bulletin and Rockport news in case we add additional groups:

<u>Leaders</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Meeting Day and Time</u>
Scott L	Arnold/SC (Blunt)	Wed @ 7 PM
Kyle D	Herky (Davidson)	Thur @ 7 PM
Stuart M	Barnhart (McMillian)	Thur @ 7 PM
Greg C/ Mark S	Imperial (Chastain)	Fri @ 7 PM
Warren K/ Mike B	Arnold (Dittman)	Fri @ 7 PM

Please sign up to let us know you are coming. We will send our more information as we add groups or if anything changes. Talk to your group leader for more information. This should be a great study. We look forward to seeing our people gathered together for worship, study, discussion and prayer centered around the application of God's good Word.

Looking forward to great time of word, prayer and fellowship!

Pastor Scott Lee