

October 22, 2023

■ **Welcome / Announcements / Call to Worship**

■ **“He Will Hold Me Fast”**

by Ada Habershon, Music by Matt Merker © 2014 Sovereign Grace Praise CCLI #801260

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast

When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast

I could never keep my hold Through life's fearful path

For my love is often cold He must hold me fast

He will hold me fast He will hold me fast

For my Savior loves me so He will hold me fast

Those He saves are His delight Christ will hold me fast

Precious in His holy sight He will hold me fast

He'll not let my soul be lost His Promises shall last

Bought by Him at such a cost He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died Christ will hold me fast

Justice has been satisfied He will hold me fast

Raised with Him to endless life He will hold me fast

'Till our faith is turned to sight When He comes at last

■ **Scripture Reading - Romans 2:12-29**

■ **Prayer/Offering**

■ **“Nailed to the Cross”**

By Bryan Fowler and Jonathan Smith © 2017 Musical Moodswing, Rend Family Music CCLI #801260

When I stand accused by my regrets And the devil roars his
empty threats I will preach the gospel to myself That I am not a man
condemned For Jesus Christ is my defense

**My sin is nailed to the cross My soul is healed by the
scars The weight of guilt I bear no more Praise the Lord, praise
the Lord**

When my doubt and shame hang over me Like the arrows of
the enemy I will run again to Calvary That rugged hill of hell's defeat
My fortress and my victory

**My sin is nailed to the cross My soul is healed by the
scars The weight of guilt I bear no more Praise the Lord, praise
the Lord My sin is nailed to the cross My soul is healed by the
scars Now I'm alive forevermore Praise the Lord, praise the
Lord**

It is finished, sin is vanquished Hallelujah, praise the Lord
All the glory, all the honor To my Savior, Christ the Lord It is
finished, sin is vanquished Hallelujah, praise the Lord All the glory,
all the honor To my Savior, Christ the Lord

When I stand before the throne at last His blood will plead my
innocence I will worship Him with holy hands And raise the song that
never ends Of Jesus Christ, my righteousness

■ **Confession/Lord's Supper - Confession based on Romans 2**

(lead) Lord, as we celebrate your greatness and grace, we recognize
our need.

We confess sins of heart, hand, and tongue,
things we have done and left undone.

(congratulatory) **We are without excuse and know that your judgment
rightly falls on those who do such evil.**

(lead) Lord, our own words rebuke us. We have stood in
judgment of others but find ourselves committing the
same sins.

(congratulatory) **Forgive us Fill us with humility
Free us from hypocrisy**

(lead) We thank you for the riches of your kindness and
forbearance and patience in Jesus. Thank you for
granting us repentance leading to life.

(congratulatory) **Continue your kindness to us, Lord Keep our hearts
soft toward you and gentle toward one another**

(lead) We thank you for the promise of eternal life for those who
pursue true glory and honor and immortality in Jesus
Christ.

(congratulatory) **Help us proclaim this good news and practice this
pursuit in truth Amen**

■ **“Jesus Knows the Inmost Heart”**

translated by Alison Blenkinsop © 1995 The Jubilate Group CCLI #801260

Jesus knows the inmost heart nothing can be hidden

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This our sinful hearts require flame of God's refining fire
working in us day by day till the dross is burned away

Jesus knows our deepest fears knows the pain of hidden tears
By His words of love and peace every heart can find release

When our lives are in His hand nothing can His work withstand
His forgiveness sets us free saves us for eternity

So our faith will be restored by the word of Christ our Lord for
the warmth His love imparts melts the very hardest hearts

■ **“God Omniscient, God All Knowing”**

by Matt Boswell © 2015 Messenger Hymns CCLI #801260

God omniscient, God all knowing In His wisdom doth ordain
Every working of creation To the glory of His name
Who His thoughts can dare to fathom? Who His judgements can
contain? None His equal, unassailable He our God, who ever reigns

God all keeping, omnipresent In the passing days of man
First to last, not one forgotten By His strong and steering hand
He the sovereign Lord, now praise we He the fount of providence
On His Word we rest, unwavering Yes, His perfect Word shall stand

God omnipotent and mighty Inexhaustible His strength
Governments and fleeting powers Melt before His majesty
How unsearchable His greatness How inscrutable His ways
Sing His greatness and preeminence Over all created things

God unchanging, ever faithful To His covenant of grace
We His people, Christ did ransom To the glory of His name
Now ascribe unending worship Now ascribe immortal praise

To the God whose kingdom cometh Blessed be His matchless name
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- **Message** - Psalm 139 - Warren
- **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. Memorize it and use it for the good of your soul! This week's passage is one you should keep with you and pray often.

Sermon Notes

Psalm 139

Psalm 139:23–24 (ESV)

²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart!

Try me and know my thoughts!

²⁴ And see if there be any grievous way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting!

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



Subscribe to Psalm 67 Epistle updates!

Use the QR code or the following link:

<https://psalm67missions.epistle.org/subscribe>

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 22

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship	10:40 AM
Heart of Mortification	5:00 PM

Today's Greeters - Mark Stoner & Stephanie Tompkins

Today's Tellers - Kim Fels & Sandy Fischer

Today's Nursery - Julie & Grace Bird

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

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs

Rockport Weekly Budget Goal.....	\$5,689.00
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September Weekly average.....	\$6,910.00
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

■ SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 - FIRST SUNDAY

FELLOWSHIP MEAL -

Bring food to share.

■ SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 - Men's Breakfast at 8 AM

"A Godly Man's Purity" study Bring food to share

■ MONDAYS at 7:00 PM Exercise Class at Rockport .

Please contact Susan Jackson for more information
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Word from Pastor Scott: *A Psalm of Searching*

Sunday October 22, 2023

"O Lord, you have searched me and known me!"

Psalm 139:1

Psalm 139 is a favorite of many for a very good reason. Here, in this song of poetry, we have on display the marvel of God's omniscient glory - a God who knows when we sit or stand, who discerns our thoughts and knows our ways, even before we walk them. He is a God who hears the echo of our words in advance of our speaking them, a God whose presence cannot be escaped no matter how high we ascend, how low we might plunge or how far we run. Every where we go, he sees us and knows us. From the very moment of conception, God knew and treasured us as those made in His image, created to know and celebrate His glory. Our story was written in His memory before we even took our first breath, even before our parents or their parents or their parent's parents were born. How can we comprehend such a God? He is just too mind-blowing.

And yet, according to this Psalm, this is the God who knows us! And not only does he know us, but he searches us out. He desires to be our God, not just the God who made us (though He certainly is) but also the God who redeems us and is known by us and loves us that we might love Him in return. This is why he sent Jesus. That we might know Him, not just as Creator, but as Savior and Lord! For that reason Christ, the Creator, entered His creation, took on flesh like ours, lived the life of perfect righteousness we failed to live, then laid down his life in our place that He might make a perfect payment for our sin. He then rose from the dead to prove that the payment was made in full and that life is His to give, so that all who would turn from their sin and place their faith in Him might enter the joy of His presence forever.

Have you entered into this life by faith in the Gospel? If not, why not speak with one of us before you leave today? And listen carefully as Pastor Warren proclaims this message of the faithful God who searches.

May the Lord show us His glory as we hear His word today

Pastor Scott