

April 21, 2024

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

■ **“All I Have is Christ”** By Jordan Kauflin © 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

■ **Scripture Reading - James 1:19-27**

■ **Offering / 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 – Confession “Your Kingdom Come”**

Pastor: *Lord, you taught us to pray . . .*

Congregation: **“Your Kingdom come, Your will be done.”**

Pastor: *We acknowledge that we and all mankind are by nature under
the dominion of sin and Satan.*

Congregation: **We pray that the kingdom of sin and Satan may be
destroyed, the Gospel proclaimed throughout the
world, and people from every nation, tribe and
tongue brought to faith..**

Pastor: *We pray that the church be renewed in true faithfulness to
it's Head.*

Congregation: **That its pastors will lead according to your Word,
Its members will follow in obedience to Christ, and
Christ will be clearly seen in all our gatherings.**

Pastor: *We pray that your truth will not depart from our mouths or
our hearts*

Congregation: **That we will hold fast to you in love,
That we will live in obedience to your commands,
And trust in the cleansing power of your Gospel.**

Pastor: *Father, makes us your lights in this world*

Congregation: **That others may see Jesus through us,
May hear His gospel proclaimed by us,
And experience His love in our actions.**

Pastor: *Lord, fill us with the hope of your Kingdom*

Congregation: **As we look to Christ's soon return,
Walking in the power of His Spirit,
Resting by faith in His promises.**

Pastor: *Bring these things about for your Name and glory*

Congregation: **Amen**

■ **“Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”** Words and Music by Keith Getty, Matt Boswell,
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What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone What
is our only confidence? That our souls to Him belong Who holds our
days within His hand? What comes, apart from His command? And
what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand

O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal

O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess

Christ our hope in life and death

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's
blood Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the
stormy trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh Unto the shore,
the rock of Christ?

Unto the grave, what will we sing? "Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with Him And we will
rise to meet the Lord Then sin and death will be destroyed And we will
feast in endless joy When Christ is ours forevermore

■ **“Christ is Mine Forevermore”**

by Jonny Robinson and Rich Thompson © 2015 CityAlight Music CCLI #801260

Mine are days that God has numbered I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure And forsake the King of kings But mine is
hope in my Redeemer Though I fall, His love is sure For Christ has paid
for every failing I am His forevermore

**Come rejoice now, O my soul For His love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure Christ is mine forevermore**

Mine are tears in times of sorrow Darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel Where I see no earthly good But mine
is peace that flows from heaven And the strength in times of need I
know my pain will not be wasted Christ completes his work in me

Mine are days here as a stranger Pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter Harm and hatred for His name
But mine is armour for this battle Strong enough to last the war
And He has said He will deliver Safely to the golden shore

And mine are keys to Zion city Where beside the King I walk For
there my heart has found its treasure Christ is mine forevermore

■ **Message:** ***“Strangers and Exiles”***

Ryan Haider – (1 Peter 2:9-12)

■ **Closing Song - “How Firm a Foundation”** CCLI L #801260

How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord Is laid for your faith in His
excellent Word What more can He say than to you He hath said To you
who for refuge to Jesus have fled

Fear not I am with thee oh be not dismayed For I am thy God and will
still give thee aid I'll strengthen thee help thee and cause thee to stand
Upheld by My righteous Omnipotent hand

When through the deep waters I call thee to go The rivers of sorrow
shall not overflow For I will be with thee thy troubles to bless And
sanctify to thee thy deepest distress

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie My grace all-sufficient
shall be thy supply The flame shall not hurt thee I only design
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose I will not, I will not
desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake

■ **Benediction**



Pastors/Elders

Scott Lee
Kyle Davis
Warren Kesselring

Deacons

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

Worship Leaders

Stuart McMillian
Luke McAllister

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!

1 Peter 2:11–12 (ESV)

¹¹ Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. ¹² Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

"Strangers and Exiles" - Ryan Haider

1 Peter 2:9-12

Sermon Notes



Coffee or Tea for Three: *May/June/July*

Getting to Know You Fellowship: *May 3 | 7-9pm*

Summer Book Discussion: Making Sense of Forgiveness: *May/June*

How to Study the Bible: *Beginning in May*

Coffee/Tea Fellowship: *August 17 | 10 am - 12 noon*

The **ACTS 4 FUND** at Rockport is to help our members in need. It's funded by designated offerings and administered by the deacons. If you're led to contribute to this fund, please designate your offering and amount accordingly.

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Grace Bible Conference	9:30 AM
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Today's Greeters - Stephanie Tompkins & Alex Starkey

Today's Tellers - Kim Fels & Darla Ferguson

Today's Nursery - Amy Lee & Phoebe Davis

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

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs

Rockport Weekly Budget Goal.	\$5,689.00
March Weekly Average	\$6,910.47

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **No Marriage Class Tonight** - we will meet next week (April 28)
- **Women's Discipleship Ministry Events/Opportunities**
Coming Soon - May through August (see inside page)
- **"Operation Parsonage Property"** - Saturday, May 18th
8am to Noon (see Greg Chastain for details)
- **SEMO Scripture Fest** - "The Gospel Revealed" May 17 & 18
at FBC Park Hills, MO (for more info, contact the Pfleegors)

A Word from Pastor Scott:

Grace Bible Conference Sunday April 21, 2024

"The LORD has done great things for us."

Psalm 126:3

Let me first of all, thank all of you who were praying for us last weekend while our Psalm 67 mission team was in Mexico. It was wonderful to spend time with a great group of brothers and be able to meet many new Christian friends who are serving Christ faithfully in Mexico. As many know, I came down with quite a vicious stomach bug while I was there, so your prayers for my health were especially appreciated. I am grateful that God brought us home safely and has restored me so that I am able to be with you here this weekend.

Today brings us to the end of this year's Grace Bible Conference. And though I am writing this note before it even begins, I am confident it has been an encouraging time as well. So what next? I imagine the first thing you will need to do is rest. So when it's over, go home and take a nap if you can. But then, sit back and consider what the Lord has shown you about how you must live here and now as a Christians who is a "citizen and exile" in this world.

I am so grateful for those who have served us well this weekend behind the scenes, and for our speakers! Former Rockport member Ben Hedrick came to us from Louisville, KY to share two messages from God's word. Pastor Geoff Ingram from our sister church, Heritage of Grace, in Columbia IL was here. Thank you Pastor Josh Wilson from First Baptist Park Hills, who stepped up and took my place when I could not be ready due to my illness. And I am especially grateful for our own Warren Kesselring who organized things this year and also brought two messages. Our final speaker this morning will be Bro. Ryan Haider. Ryan is a long time friend of Warren and a man I have known and respected for several years as well. I look forward to hearing his message from 1 Peter 2. All messages will be available on our SermonAudio page later this week.

The Lord Reigns and is Faithful in All Things!

Pastor Scott