

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

Sunday, September 29, 2024

Sunday Morning Worship

10:40 AM

Today's Greeters - Herman Meyer & Alex Starkey

Today's Tellers - Herman Meyer & Tren Groat

Today's Nursery - Jennifer McMillian & Kim Ditto

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

August Weekly Average.....\$7,039.68

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Prayer Meeting this Wednesday**, Oct. 2nd at 7pm. Please join us for this important time of seeking the Lord and His help.
- **First Sunday Fellowship Meal** – Next Sunday, Oct 6th following Morning Worship.. Bring a dish to share and Stay & Join us!
- **Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be Saturday, Oct. 12th at 8am.
- **Women's Discipleship Ministry Fellowship & Information Event** -- Monday, October 28th 6:30pm to 8:30pm – The RBC Women's Council will be hosting a women's fellowship event to get acquainted with our newer members and attenders.
- **Rockport Trunk-or-Treat** – This year we are planning to engage our community with a Trunk-or-Treat event on Thursday, Oct. 31st, 6-8pm. The church will be available from 4:30 to 5:45pm for setup. Reach out to Kim Ditto with any questions or ideas! Even if you are unable to help, please come, get candy, and engage with the people who attend... and please pray God would use this for His glory!

A Word from Pastor Scott:

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Where is the Rest of Our Congregation?

Good morning! If you are reading this before the morning service, you may have noticed that attendance looks a little thinner than normal. So where is the rest of the congregation? Don't worry, there hasn't been an outbreak of bubonic plague that I know of. Instead, many in our church family are taking part in our Annual "Family Camp" at Bate's Creek near Potosi, MO. We've been there since Thursday enjoying fellowship, playing games, competing in tournaments, sharing meals and getting together for times of worship and teaching from God's Word. Though I wish all could join us, I know that's not possible. So we are glad those who could not come to camp are able to gather here at Rockport this morning. I'm also thankful that our brother Bake Ottofy is available to bring God's Word to you gathered here, and that Stuart was willing to remain here and lead worship. I know you all will be well served by these brothers today.

This year's theme at Family Camp has been "***The Fruit of the Spirit***" from Gal 5:22-23. It is an extension of our current Sunday Sermon Series "Galatians: Gospel Freedom." The messages this year include: "*The Fruit of the Spirit is Love*" by Pastor Scott Lee; "*Joy*" by Pastor Kyle Davis; "*Peace*" by Pastor Warren Kesselring. "*Patience*" by Mike Booker; "*Goodness and Faithfulness*" by Jason Woelm; and "*Self-Control*" by Aaron Sutton. All these messages will be available online by the end of this week and will be found on our website or at our SermonAudio page at www.SermonAudio.com/rockportbaptist.

Lord willing, we will be back together next Sunday, ready to share our stories of the good things God has done, praise Him for His faithfulness and hear His life-changing Word as we continue the study of Galatians and the Fruit of the Spirit described in Galatians 5:22-24. So listen to the camp messages if you can and come back next Sunday (which is also a fellowship Sunday!)

Looking forward to gathering with you in His Name next week! Pastor Scott Lee

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

■ **“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

■ **Scripture Reading - John 15:1-8**

■ **Offering / Prayer**

■ **“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”**

By John Newton, Christ Tomlin, Louis Giglio ©2006 worshiptogether.com CCLI #801260

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I
once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see.

“Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears
relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed.

**My chains are gone, I've been set free. My God, my Savior, has
ransomed me. And like a flood, His mercy reigns, Unending love,
amazing grace.**

The Lord has promised good to me, His word my hope secures; He
will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

**The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine.
But God who called me here below, will be forever mine.**

■ **Confession: Based on Psalm 39:7-13**

R: *“And now, O Lord, for what do I wait? My hope is in you.*

C: **Deliver me from all my transgressions. Do not make me the**

scorn of the fool!

R: *I am mute; I do not open my mouth, for it is you who have done it.*

C: **Remove your stroke from me; I am spent by the hostility of your
hand.**

R: *When you discipline a man with rebukes for sin,*

C: **you consume like a moth what is dear to him; surely all
mankind is a mere breath! Selah**

R: *“Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry; hold not your
peace at my tears!*

C: **For I am a sojourner with you, a guest, like all my fathers.**

R: *Look away from me, that I may smile again,*

C: **before I depart and am no more!”**

■ **Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:8-14 (ESV)** (Reader only)

8 The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

9 He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.

10 He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.

11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

12 as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

13 As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

14 For he knows our frame;
he remembers that we are dust.

■ **Lord's Supper**

■ **“Rock of Ages”**.....Hymn 204

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee; Let the water
and the blood, From Thy wounded side which flowed, Be of sin the
double cure; Cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r

Not the labors of my hands Can fulfill Thy law's demands; Could my
zeal no respite know, Could my tears forever flow, All for sin could not
atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling; Naked, come
to Thee for dress; Helpless, look to Thee for grace; Foul, I to the
fountain fly; Wash me, Savior, or I die!

While I draw this fleeting breath, When my eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown, See Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in Thee.

■ **“Grace Unmeasured”**

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Grace unmeasured, vast and free, that knew me from eternity, That called me out before my birth, to bring You glory on this earth. Grace amazing, pure and deep, that saw me in my misery, That took my curse and owned my blame, so I could bear Your righteous name.

Grace paid for my sins and brought me to life.

Grace clothes me with pow’r to do what is right.

Grace leads me to heav’n where I’ll see Your face,

And never cease to thank You for Your grace.

Grace abounding, strong and true, that make me long to be like You,
That turns me from my selfish pride, to love the cross on which You died.
Grace unending, all my days, you’ll give me strength to run this race.
And when my years on earth are through, the praise will all belong to You.

- **Message: “The Upside-Down Gospel”** Bake Ottofy – (Eph. 2:4-10)
- **Closing Hymn**
- **Benediction**



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