November 22, 2026

- **Pre-Service Hymn** (Everyone can remain seated)

- **Announcements / Call to Worship**

- **"His Robes for Mine".....Hymn 259**

His robes for mine: Oh, wonderful exchange! Clothed in my sin, Christ suffered 'neath God's rage. Draped in his righteousness, I'm justified. In Christ I live, for in my place he died.

I cling to Christ and marvel at the cost: Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God. Bought by such love, my life is not my own. My praise, my all shall be for Christ alone.

His robes for mine: what cause have I for dread? God's daunting law Christ mastered in my stead. Faultless I stand with righteous works not mine, saved by my Lord's vicarious death and life.

His robes for mine: God's justice is appeased. Jesus is crushed, and thus the Father's pleased. Christ drank God's wrath on sin, then cried, "Tis done!" Sin's wage is paid; propitiation won.

His robes for mine: such anguish none can know; Christ, God's beloved, condemned as though his foe. He, as though I, accursed and left alone; I, as though he, embraced and welcomed home!

- **Scripture Reading** – Mark 12:13-27 (ESV)

- **Offertory Prayer**

- **"Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken".....Hymn 462**

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow Thee; destitute, despised, forsaken, thou from hence my all shalt be. Perish every fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known, Yet how rich is my condition: God and heaven are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me; they have left my Savior too. Human hearts and looks deceive me; thou art not, like them, untrue. Oh, while thou dost smile upon me; God of wisdom, love, and might, foes may hate and friends disown me: show thy face and all is bright.

Man may trouble and distress me; 'Twill but drive me to Thy breast, Life with trials hard may press me; heav'n will bring me sweeter rest. Oh, 'tis not in grief to harm me while Thy love is left to me; Oh, 'twere not in joy to charm me, were that joy unmixed with Thee.

Go, then, earthly fame and treasure; come, disaster, scorn, and pain; in Thy service, pain is pleasure; with Thy favor, loss is gain. I have called Thee Abba, Father; I have stayed my heart on Thee; storms may howl and clouds may gather; all must work for good to me.

Soul, then know thy full salvation, rise o'er sin and fear and care; Joy to find in ev'ry station, something still to do or bear. Think what Spirit dwells within thee; think what Father's smiles are thine; think that Jesus died to win thee– child of heav'n, canst thou repine?

Haste thee on from grace to glory, armed by faith, and winged by prayer. Heav'n's eternal day's before thee;, God's own hand shall guide thee there. Soon shall close thy earthly mission, soon shall pass thy pilgrim days; hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

- **Confession / Prayer / Lord's Supper –**

Confession of Sin from 1 John 1:5-9

Pastor: *This is the message we have heard from Him and proclaim to you*

Congr: That God is Light and in Him there is no Darkness at all!

Pastor: *If we say we have fellowship with Him, yet continue to walk in darkness*

Congr: We lie and do not practice the truth

Pastor: *But if we walk in the light, as He is in the Light*

Congr: We have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Pastor: *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves*

Congr: And the truth is not in us!

Pastor: *But if we confess our sins!*

Congr: He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness

Pastor: *Lord, we come confessing our sins!*

Congr: Hear our prayer, O Lord! Forgive our sins for Jesus' sake. Amen.

- **"Man of Sorrows! What a Name".....Hymn 226**

"Man of Sorrows," what a name for the Son of God, who came ruined sinners to reclaim! Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, In my place condemned He stood; sealed my pardon with His blood: Hallelujah, What a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless we; spotless Lamb of God was He; full atonement, can it be? Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die; "It is finished!", was His cry; Now in heav'n exalted high: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King, all His ransomed home to bring, then anew this song we'll sing: Hallelujah! What a Savior!

■ **"I Stand Amazed (My Savior's Love)".....Hymn 187**

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus, the Nazarene
and wonder how He could love me a sinner, condemned, unclean

How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be:
How marvelous! How wonderful is my Savior's love for me!

For me it was in the garden He prayed, "Not My will, but Thine."
He had no tears for His own griefs, but sweat-drops of blood for mine.

He took my sins and my sorrows; He made them His very own.
He bore the burden to Calvary, and suffered and died alone.

When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see,
'twill be my joy through the ages to sing of His love for me.

■ **Message: "Don't Fight God: Rejecting Worldliness"**
Pastor Warren - (James 4:4-6)

■ **"Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me".....Hymn 594**

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer; there is no more for heaven now to give. He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom, my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace. To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus, for my life is wholly bound to His. Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken, for by my side, the Savior, He will stay. I labor on in weakness and rejoicing, for in my need His power is displayed. To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me; through the deepest valley He will lead. Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread; I know I am forgiven; the future sure, the price it has been paid. For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and He was raised to overthrow the grave. To this I hold: my sin has been defeated; Jesus now and ever is my plea. Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus, for He has said that He will bring me home. And day by day I know He will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne. To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus; all the glory evermore to Him. **When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: yet not I, but through Christ in me!**

■ **Benediction**

Church Office (636) 464-1460
RockportBaptist@sbcglobal.net
www.rockportbaptist.org

ROCKPORT BAPTIST CHURCH
EST. 1967
THROUGH CHRIST ALONE • GLORY TO GOD ALONE • BY SCRIPTURE ALONE • BY FAITH ALONE • BY GRACE ALONE •

Pastors/Elders
Scott Lee
Mike Booker
Kyle Davis
Warren Kesselring

Deacons
Kurt Boehm
Greg Chastain
Josh Dittmann
Ray Gawlik
Scott Larson
Herman Meyer
Jay Sikes
Mark Stoner
Brad Tompkins

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. There are three verses this week!

1 John 2:15-17 (ESV)

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. 17 And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.



Discipleship in Missions 2027

Join us tonight at 5:00 p.m. in the Rockport Annex.
We'll be discussing preparation and tentative summer plans,
with time for questions.

As part of this journey, we'll meet monthly on Sunday Evenings
to study "Let the Nations Be Glad!" by John Piper, and
we will consider God's heart for the nations together.

You're welcome whether you're considering the Discipleship in Missions Trip or
would like to participate in the study without traveling.

Please let us know you're coming so we can plan. A link to register can be found
in the Rockport News email that went out last week.
Signing up for this meeting does not commit you to the trip.

Sermon Notes

"Don't Fight God: Rejecting Worldliness"
Pastor Warren – (James 4:4-6)

THIS WEEK AT ROCKPORT

Sunday, November 22, 2026

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

Today's Greeters – Heather Sloan, Amelia Kesselring, Lucas Harbit, Nate Baechle, & Erin Pfleegor

Today's Tellers – Kim Fels & Darla Ferguson

Today's Nursery – Kaylyn Groat & Karyss Groat

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

Prayerfully consider Rockport's Budget Needs

2026-2027 Weekly Budget Goal.....$8,648.00
October Weekly Average.....$9,074.08
October Average Attendance.....SS - 147 / Worship - 285

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The **Annual Children's Choir** will begin practicing on Sunday, Nov. 29th in room #107. For more details, see the Rockport News email that went out last week or contact Cyndi Loving.
- We will be having this year's **Christmas Celebration on 12/20 at 6:30pm**. As we have done in previous years, we will give everyone the opportunity to sign up to play a song or read/recite a passage of Scripture. The deadline to sign-up is December 1st. Please sign up through the Rockport News email sent last week... see Luke McAllister if you have questions.
- **Ladies, mark your calendars** now for two events coming up in 2027!!
  - Ladies Winter Cookie Exchange on Friday, February 12th at 6pm.
  - Ruthie Skersick's Baby Boy Shower will be Friday, February 26th, at 6pm.

  Watch for more details to come next year for both events!!

A Word from Pastor Scott:

Sunday, November 22, 2026

". . . in everything give thanks;
for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."
1Thessalonians 5:18

Good morning church. As I was thinking about the upcoming Thanksgiving Holiday, I was reminded that for us as Christians every day should be a day of thanksgiving. Yet, for so many in our culture, stopping to give thanks to God is a foreign concept – *"Why should I be thankful? And to whom?"* For them, the upcoming holiday is little more than a *"Turkey Day"* – an excuse to eat and drink too much, watch TV and think about Black Friday sales. But what is often missing in our modern holiday "celebration" is any real sense of joy or gratitude toward the God who made all things for our good and deserves all our praise!

Romans 1:21 says our lack of gratitude toward God is the very heart of our sinful rebellion! Although we know God is worthy of praise, we neither glorify Him, nor give Him thanks. In our sin, we fill our hearts – not with thankfulness as should be – but with a sense of entitled pride, selfishness, bitterness and much complaining. We take God's blessings for granted and assume we deserve better than we got, then whine about not receiving what we thought we should. But the Gospel frees us from all these self-obsessed delusions. It re-orients our lives to God and puts Him at the center instead of us! When that happens we become free to do the one thing we were created to do – *rejoice in making much of Him who has given us life and breathe and every good thing to enjoy!*

This week, I pray that you will experience this freedom and be able to express it in joyful words of heartfelt gratitude to the One truly worthy of praise! For Christ gave *Himself* to rescue us from our sin and lavish us with an abundant grace that frees us to glorify and enjoy Him forever! Oh, give Him thanks today!

Amy and I have been out of town with our grandson this week. This morning we are at Peine Ridge Church where our son-in-law, Tim, is preaching.

Looking forward to worshiping with you all next week! *Pastor Scott Lee*