



Philippians

JOY IN JESUS

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CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**MINISTRY OF THE WORD***Abounding in Love*

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 And Can it Be? 

CLOSING BLESSING!**PRAYER FOR THE WEEK**

Heavenly Father, we pray with Paul this morning. Please cause our love for one another to abound in ever increasing ways, with all knowledge and discernment, so that our life together reflects Your glory. In Christ's Name, we lift this request. Amen!

QUOTABLE

To discern and approve what is excellent, Christians must be characterized by this abounding love. — D. A. Carson

CALL TO WORSHIP: Revelation 4:4-10 (ESV)

Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads. From the throne came flashes of lightning, rumblings and peals of thunder. In front of the throne, seven lamps were blazing. These are the seven spirits of God. Also in front of the throne there was what looked like a sea of glass, clear as crystal.

In the center, around the throne, were four living creatures, and they were covered with eyes, in front and in back. The first living creature was like a lion, the second was like an ox, the third had a face like a man, the fourth was like a flying eagle. Each of the four living creatures had six wings

and was covered with eyes all around, even under its wings. Day and night they never stop saying:

“Holy, holy, holy
is the Lord God Almighty,
who was, and is, and is to come.”

Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say:

“Worthy are you, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power,
for you created all things, and by your will
they existed and were created.”

SCRIPTURE READING: Revelation 5:6-14 (ESV)

Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne. And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people. And they sang a new song, saying:

“You are worthy to take the scroll
and to open its seals,
because you were slain,
and with your blood you purchased
for God
persons from every tribe and lan-
guage and people and nation.
You have made them to be a kingdom
and priests to serve our God,

and they will reign on the earth.”

Then I looked and heard the voice
of many angels, numbering
thousands upon thousands, and
ten thousand times ten thou-
sand. They encircled the throne
and the living creatures and the
elders. In a loud voice they were
saying:

“Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and
wisdom and strength
and honor and glory and praise!”

Then I heard every creature in heaven
and on earth and under the earth and
on the sea, and all that is in them,
saying:

“To him who sits on the throne and
to the Lamb
be praise and honor and glory and
power,
for ever and ever!”

The four living creatures said,
“Amen,” and the elders fell down
and worshiped.

SERMON TEXT: Philippians 1:9-11 (ESV)

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ—to the glory and praise of God.

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

All creatures of our God and King Lift up your voice
and with us sing O praise Him! Alleluia!



Thou, burning sun with golden beam
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him! Alleluia
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the Redeemed washed by His blood Come and rejoice in His great love
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Christ has defeated every sin
Cast all your burdens now on Him O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



He shall return in pow'r to reign Heaven and earth will join to say
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Then who shall fall on bended knee? All creatures of our God and King
O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL PRAISE TO HIM

All praise to Him, the God of light
Who formed the mountains by His might,
All praise to Him Who names the stars
That sing His fame in skies afar.
All praise to Him Who reigns in love,
Who guides the galaxies above
Yet bends to hear our every prayer
With sovereign pow'r and tender care.



All praise to Him whose love is seen
In Christ the Son, the Servant King,
Who left behind His glorious throne
To pay the ransom for His own.
All praise to Him Who humbly came
To bear our sorrow, sin, and shame
Who lived to die, Who died to rise
The all-sufficient sacrifice.

All praise to Him whose pow'r imparts
The love of God within our hearts
The Spirit of all truth and peace
The fount of joy and holiness.
To Father, Son, and Spirit now,
Our souls we lift, our wills we bow,
To You, the triune God, we raise
With loving hearts our song of praise.
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THERE IS A REDEEMER

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son.
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Thank You, oh my Father, for giving us Your Son,
and leaving Your Spirit till Your work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names.
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, oh, for sinners slain.

When I stand in glory, I will see His face,
and there I'll serve my King forever in that holy place.

WORDS & MUSIC: Melody Green



THE POWER OF THE CROSS

O, to see the dawn of the darkest day;
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then
nailed to a cross of wood.

This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath. We stand forgiven at the cross.

O, to see the pain written on Your face,
bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Every bitter thought, every evil deed
crowning Your blood-stained brow.

Now the daylight flees. Now the ground beneath
quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life –
“Finished!” the victory cry.

O, to see my name written in the wounds,
for through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,
won through Your selfless love!

WORDS & MUSIC: Keith Getty & Stuart Townend



YOU ARE MY KING

I'm forgiven because you were forsaken. I'm accepted. You were condemned.
I'm alive and well. Your Spirit is within me because You died and rose again.

Amazing love, how can it be that You, my King, would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true. It's my joy to honor You.

You are my King, Jesus, You are my King. Jesus, You are my King.

WORDS & MUSIC: Billy James Foote

AND CAN IT BE?

And can it be that I should gain
an interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain,
for me, who Him to death pursued.
Amazing love! How can it be
that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Amazing love! How can it be
that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father's throne above,
so free, so infinite His grace!
Emptied Himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race!
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,
for, o my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
fast bound in sin and nature's night
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray.
I woke - the dungeon flamed with light!
My chains fell off, my heart was free.
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread.
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach the eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788
MUSIC: Thomas Campbell, 1777-1844

FEATURED SAINTS



JESSE AND LIZ FENN were married in New Waverley, TX in 2009. Jesse, from Sydney, Australia and Liz from Conroe, TX had met at YWAM in Denver, CO the previous year. Jesse moved Liz to Sydney where their children Brynn, Aubrey and Atticus were born, and helped plant the Sovereign Grace Church there. Then in 2018 they relocated to Round Rock TX to join Redemption Hill Church and welcomed Ezekiel into their family. The Lord provided them to relocate to Conroe and join Christ Church in June of 2021, the church where Liz had attended as a teenager.

Jesse has a degree in Agriculture and manages one of the largest vertical lettuce farms in the Northern Hemisphere in Humble and Liz is well versed in natural health and nutrition. They love gardening, exploring homesteading and spending time getting to know people.

PASTOR BART ON PHILIPPIANS



God intends to do God size things as we open Philippians each week. And certainly, there is no greater miracle in the human soul than to experience genuine joy in the person and work and presence of Jesus Christ. That's the greatest miracle that there is for a human soul — to rejoice in the person and work and presence of Jesus. That's the **"Joy in Jesus."**

I ask you to be praying that the Holy Spirit would make Jesus more glorious in our eyes, that our bond together as those who are bound together in him would only deepen and strengthen and that our witness to an outside world that we belong to Jesus Christ would only be emboldened.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Portraits Today
Children's Ministry Interest Meeting Today
Communion October 3

The Prayer List is inserted into the Sunday Bulletin now. It is also distributed via email in the Christ Church Journal. Check your email daily for updates.

EVERY SUNDAY OPPORTUNITIES

Bible Classes

Classes are currently suspended.
Resumption of classes will be announced when appropriate.

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

We are now meeting in the Sanctuary.
Nursery is currently unavailable.

After Church Fellowship

After church fellowship each first Sunday following the worship service.

NOTES OF INTEREST

Greeters: Bob and Jeanne Wendrock

Fellowship Hosts: To be announced

Nursery Care: To be announced

Sunday School: Currently not being held.

Prayer Needs: Please refer to the printed and emailed prayer sheet for names and specific prayer requests. For ministry or prayer need, call one of our deacons or pastor Bart:

Phil Moorman 1-832-971-1415

Stephen Robinson 936-525-0813

Bob Wendrock 936-647-8830

Pastor Bart Lipscomb 251-609-5251

***You may also email prayer requests to:
Prayer1@ChristChurchConroe.org***

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