



**WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday, October 17, 2021

*Join us live on our Facebook or YouTube page beginning at 10:30 a.m.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

**Song: “Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)”**

*Words and music: Brenton Brown and Paul Baloche*

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You; we turn to You.  
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You; we long for You;  
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.  
In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.

Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises.  
Hosanna, hosanna, come have Your way among us; we welcome You here, Lord Jesus.

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You; we turn to You.  
In Your kingdom broken hearts are made new; You make us new;  
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.  
In Your presence all our fears are washed away, washed away.

Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God who saves us, worthy of all our praises.  
Hosanna, hosanna, come have Your way among us; we welcome You here, Lord Jesus.

**Hymn: “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”**

*Words: Charles Wesley. Music: Carl G. Glaser*

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace!

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of canceled sin, He sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold your Savior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.

### **Hymn: “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”**

*Words: Christian Bateman. Music: Traditional Spanish Melody.*

Come, Christians, join to sing  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Loud praise to Christ our King;  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice,  
Before His throne rejoice;  
Praise is His gracious choice.  
Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high,  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Let praises fill the sky;  
Alleluia! Amen!  
He is our Guide and Friend;  
To us He'll condescend;  
His love shall never end.  
Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again,  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain;  
Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore,  
His goodness we'll adore,  
Singing forevermore,  
“Alleluia! Amen!”

### **Time of Prayer**

## Sermon: “Worship in Spirit and Truth”

*Numerous Scripture references will be read or referenced. Some of them include:*

Deuteronomy 6:13 (ESV)

It is the LORD your God you shall fear. Him you shall serve and by his name you shall swear.

Psalms 50:7–15 (ESV)

- <sup>7</sup> “Hear, O my people, and I will speak;  
O Israel, I will testify against you.  
I am God, your God.
- <sup>8</sup> Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you;  
your burnt offerings are continually before me.
- <sup>9</sup> I will not accept a bull from your house  
or goats from your folds.
- <sup>10</sup> For every beast of the forest is mine,  
the cattle on a thousand hills.
- <sup>11</sup> I know all the birds of the hills,  
and all that moves in the field is mine.
- <sup>12</sup> “If I were hungry, I would not tell you,  
for the world and its fullness are mine.
- <sup>13</sup> Do I eat the flesh of bulls  
or drink the blood of goats?
- <sup>14</sup> Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
and perform your vows to the Most High,
- <sup>15</sup> and call upon me in the day of trouble;  
I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.”

Psalms 50:23 (ESV)

- <sup>23</sup> The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glorifies me;  
to one who orders his way rightly  
I will show the salvation of God!”

Psalms 51:16–17 (ESV)

- <sup>16</sup> For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it;  
you will not be pleased with a burnt offering.
- <sup>17</sup> The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Proverbs 15:8 (ESV)

- <sup>8</sup> The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD,  
but the prayer of the upright is acceptable to him.

Isaiah 29:13 (ESV)

- <sup>13</sup> And the Lord said:  
“Because this people draw near with their mouth

and honor me with their lips,  
while their hearts are far from me,  
and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men.

Hosea 6:6 (ESV)

<sup>6</sup> For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,  
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Hosea 8:11–13 (ESV)

<sup>11</sup> Because Ephraim has multiplied altars for sinning,  
they have become to him altars for sinning.  
<sup>12</sup> Were I to write for him my laws by the ten thousands,  
they would be regarded as a strange thing.  
<sup>13</sup> As for my sacrificial offerings,  
they sacrifice meat and eat it,  
but the LORD does not accept them.  
Now he will remember their iniquity  
and punish their sins;  
they shall return to Egypt.

Amos 5:21–24 (ESV)

<sup>21</sup> “I hate, I despise your feasts,  
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.  
<sup>22</sup> Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,  
I will not accept them;  
and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,  
I will not look upon them.  
<sup>23</sup> Take away from me the noise of your songs;  
to the melody of your harps I will not listen.  
<sup>24</sup> But let justice roll down like waters,  
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Micah 6:6–8 (ESV)

<sup>6</sup> “With what shall I come before the LORD,  
and bow myself before God on high?  
Shall I come before him with burnt offerings,  
with calves a year old?  
<sup>7</sup> Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams,  
with ten thousands of rivers of oil?  
Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression,  
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?”  
<sup>8</sup> He has told you, O man, what is good;  
and what does the LORD require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

Acts 17:24–25 (ESV)

<sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything.

John 4:19–26 (ESV)

<sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup>Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. <sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” <sup>25</sup>The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.” <sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.”

Romans 12:1 (ESV)

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

### **Song: “O Sing, My Soul”**

*Words and music by Matt Boswell and Matt Papa*

O sing, my soul, the ancient song, and lend Your highest praise  
to Him who is the King of old and dwells in endless days.  
How resplendent His glory! How majestic His name!  
Now to the Uncreated One, oh, Let the anthem raise.

O worship Him our Father God, the Spirit and the Word,  
Who fashioned all things from His joy, and saw that it was good.  
What perfection of friendship, what communion we shared!  
But choosing death, we fell from life aside the guilty pair.

Now hear, my soul, the gospel song, attend the joyful news,  
for Christ has come, the perfect Son, His Father's will to choose.  
In our place He did suffer, in our place became sin,  
the death of death, the death of Christ who stands alive again

Now, people of the risen Lord, O hear the call to go.  
Into the world we have been sent as messengers of hope.  
Christ alone be our treasure, Christ alone our reward.  
Come, bid the nations sing with us the praises of the Lord.

### **Benediction**

#### **Romans 15:33 (ESV)**

May the God of peace be with you all. Amen.