



**WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday, October 1, 2023

*Join us live on our Facebook or YouTube page beginning at 9:15 a.m.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

**Hymn: “In Christ Alone”**

*Words and music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend.*

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my All in All; here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh; fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save;  
'til on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;  
for every sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay; Light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then, bursting forth in glorious Day, up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
for I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand;  
'til He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

**Hymn: “O Sing, My Soul”**

*Words and music: 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.

### **Time of Prayer**

#### **Sermon: "To Live Is Christ"**

##### **Philippians 1:18–26 (ESV)**

Yes, and I will rejoice, <sup>19</sup> for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, <sup>20</sup> as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. <sup>21</sup> For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. <sup>22</sup> If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. <sup>23</sup> I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. <sup>24</sup> But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. <sup>25</sup> Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, <sup>26</sup> so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

#### **Hymn: "The Communion Hymn"**

*Words and music: Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend.*

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us, and we remember  
the promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice  
as a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ, torn for you, eat and remember  
the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice  
as a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you, drink and remember  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice

as a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond, and to remember  
our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering we proclaim Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.

## **The Lord's Supper**

### **Hymn: "What Grace Is Mine"**

*Words: Kristyn Getty. Music: Traditional Irish folk tune.*

What grace is mine that He who dwells in endless light  
called through the night to find my distant soul,  
and from His scars poured mercy that would plead for me,  
that I might live and in His name be known.

So I will go wherever He is calling me,  
I lose my life to find my life in Him.  
I give my all to gain the hope that never dies;  
I bow my heart, take up my cross, and follow Him.

What grace is mine to know His breath alive in me;  
beneath His wings my weary soul may soar;  
all fear can flee, for death's dark night is overcome;  
my Savior lives and reigns forevermore.

So I will go wherever He is calling me,  
I lose my life to find my life in Him.  
I give my all to gain the hope that never dies;  
I bow my heart, take up my cross, and follow Him.

## **Benediction**

### **Ephesians 6:23–24 (ESV)**

<sup>23</sup>Peace be to the brothers, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>24</sup>Grace be with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with love incorruptible.