



**WEST BRIDGEWATER**  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday, March 24, 2024

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

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

**Hymn: “To God Be the Glory”**

*Words: Fanny J. Crosby. Music: William H. Doane.*

To God be the glory, great things He hath done;  
so loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,  
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give Him the glory, great things He hath done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
to every believer the promise of God;  
the vilest offender who truly believes,  
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give Him the glory, great things He hath done!

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,  
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;

but purer, and higher, and greater will be  
our wonder, our victory, when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the earth hear his voice!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,  
let the people rejoice!  
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,  
and give Him the glory, great things He hath done!

**Song: “This Is Our God”**

*Words and music by N. DeGraide, D. Fournier, Z. Jones, D. Pland, and G. Romanacce*

God, our Father, full of power, Maker of the heavens, Maker of the world;  
forming all things seen and unseen,  
truly the Almighty beyond all measured worth. Holy is His Name.

We believe the Lord our God is One, Father, Spirit, Son; this is our God!  
We believe forever He will reign. Let the church proclaim: this is our God!

Our Lord Jesus sent to save us, born unto a virgin, lived a perfect life;  
greatly suffered, dying for us. From the grave He’s risen, seated now on high.  
Holy is His Name.

We believe the Lord our God is One, Father, Spirit, Son; this is our God!  
We believe forever He will reign. Let the church proclaim: this is our God!

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usher in the age to come; let everyone sing “amen.”  
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Spirit, holy, One in glory, speaking through the prophets, empowering the Church;  
life is given by and through Him, with the Son and Father, worshipped and adored.  
Holy is His Name.

We believe the Lord our God is One, Father, Spirit, Son; this is our God!  
We believe forever He will reign. Let the church proclaim: this is our God!

**Hymn: “Speak, O Lord”**

*Words and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend*

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You  
to receive the food of Your Holy Word.  
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;

shape and fashion us in Your likeness,  
that the light of Christ might be seen today  
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us  
all Your purposes for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,  
holy reverence, true humility.  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
in the radiance of Your purity.  
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see  
your majestic love and authority.  
Words of pow'r that can never fail,  
let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;  
help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
that will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,  
and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built  
and the earth is filled with Your glory.

## **Time of Prayer**

### **Sermon: "The Promise of God" Romans 4:13–25 (ESV)**

<sup>13</sup>For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup>That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup>In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, "So shall your offspring be." <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup>No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>That is why his faith was "counted to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup>But the words "it was counted to him" were not written for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, <sup>25</sup>who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

## **Hymn: “By Faith”**

*Words and music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend*

By faith we see the hand of God in the light of creation’s grand design.  
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness, who walk by faith and not by sight

We will stand as children of the promise; we will fix our eyes on Him our soul’s reward;  
till the race is finished and the work is done. We’ll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth, with the power of His promise in their hearts,  
of a holy city built by God's own hand, a place where peace and justice reign.

We will stand as children of the promise; we will fix our eyes on Him our soul’s reward;  
till the race is finished and the work is done. We’ll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day when the longed-for Messiah would appear,  
with the power to break the chains of sin and death, and rise triumphant from the grave.

We will stand as children of the promise; we will fix our eyes on Him our soul’s reward;  
till the race is finished and the work is done. We’ll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the church was called to go in the power of the Spirit to the lost.  
To deliver captives and to preach good news in every corner of the earth.

We will stand as children of the promise; we will fix our eyes on Him our soul’s reward;  
till the race is finished and the work is done. We’ll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith this mountain shall be moved, and the power of the gospel shall prevail;  
for we know in Christ all things are possible for all who call upon His name.

We will stand as children of the promise; we will fix our eyes on Him our soul’s reward;  
till the race is finished and the work is done. We’ll walk by faith and not by sight.

## **Benediction**

### **2 Timothy 4:22 (ESV)**

The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.