



## **WEST BRIDGEWATER**

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday, May 11, 2025

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

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Opening Prayer**

### **Call to Worship**

#### **1 Timothy 3:16 (ESV)**

Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness:

He was manifested in the flesh,  
vindicated by the Spirit,  
seen by angels,  
proclaimed among the nations,  
believed on in the world,  
taken up in glory.

### **Hymn: “Wonderful, Merciful Savior”**

*Words: Dawn Rodgers and Eric Wyse. Music: Dawn Rodgers.*

Wonderful, merciful Savior,  
precious Redeemer and Friend;  
who would have thought that a Lamb  
could rescue the souls of men?  
Oh, you rescue the souls of men.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper,  
Spirit we long to embrace;  
You offer hope when our hearts have  
hopelessly lost the way.  
Oh, we’ve hopelessly lost the way.

You are the One that we praise,  
You are the One we adore.  
You give the healing and grace  
our hearts always hunger for,

Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Almighty, infinite Father,  
faithfully loving Your own;  
here in our weakness You find us  
Falling before Your throne.  
Oh, we're falling before Your throne.

You are the One that we praise,  
You are the One we adore.  
You give the healing and grace  
our hearts always hunger for,  
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

**Song: "Lord, I Need You"**

*By Christy Nockels, Daniel Carson, Jesse Reeves, Kristian Stanfill, Matt Maher*

Lord, I come, I confess.  
Bowing here, I find my rest.  
And without You, I fall apart.  
You're the one that guides my heart.

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You.  
Every hour I need You.  
My one defense, my righteousness;  
Oh, God, how I need You.

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more.  
Where grace is found is where You are.  
And where You are, Lord, I am free.  
Holiness is Christ in me.

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You.  
Every hour I need You.  
My one defense, my righteousness;  
Oh, God, how I need You.

So, teach my song to rise to You  
When temptation comes my way.  
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You.  
Jesus, You're my hope and stay.

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You.  
Every hour I need You.  
My one defense, my righteousness;  
Oh, God, how I need You.

## **Hymn: “Be Thou My Vision”**

*Traditional Irish melody; ancient Irish text translated by Mary E. Byrne,  
set to verse by Eleanor H. Hull*

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord.  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always.  
Thou, and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,  
may I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## **Time of Prayer**

### **Sermon: “Soldiers of Christ”**

#### **2 Timothy 2:1–13 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup>You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup>and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also. <sup>3</sup>Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. <sup>4</sup>No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. <sup>5</sup>An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. <sup>6</sup>It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. <sup>7</sup>Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

<sup>8</sup>Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, <sup>9</sup>for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the word of God is not bound! <sup>10</sup>Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup>The saying is trustworthy, for:

- If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
- <sup>12</sup> if we endure, we will also reign with him;  
if we deny him, he also will deny us;
- <sup>13</sup> if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

for he cannot deny himself.

**Hymn: “Am I a Soldier of the Cross?”**

*Words: Isaac Watts. Music: Thomas A. Arne.*

Am I a soldier of the cross, a follower of the Lamb?  
And shall I fear to own His cause, or blush to speak His Name?

Must I be carried to the skies on flowery beds of ease,  
while others fought to win the prize and sailed through bloody seas?

Are there no foes for me to face? Must I not stem the flood?  
Is this vile world a friend to grace to help me on to God?

Sure I must fight if I would reign; increase my courage, Lord.  
I'll bear the toil, endure the pain, supported by Thy Word.

**Benediction**

**Philemon 25 (ESV)**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.