



WEST BRIDGEWATER COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday, September 28, 2025

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

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

Psalm 47 (ESV)

TO THE CHOIRMASTER. A PSALM OF THE SONS OF KORAH.

- ¹ Clap your hands, all peoples!
Shout to God with loud songs of joy!
- ² For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,
a great king over all the earth.
- ³ He subdued peoples under us,
and nations under our feet.
- ⁴ He chose our heritage for us,
the pride of Jacob whom he loves. *Selah*
- ⁵ God has gone up with a shout,
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
- ⁶ Sing praises to God, sing praises!
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
- ⁷ For God is the King of all the earth;
sing praises with a psalm!
- ⁸ God reigns over the nations;
God sits on his holy throne.
- ⁹ The princes of the peoples gather
as the people of the God of Abraham.
For the shields of the earth belong to God;
he is highly exalted!

Hymn: “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

Words and Music: Stuart Townend.

How deep the Father’s love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
that He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away
as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders.
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished.
His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.

Song: “Lead On Good Shepherd”

Words and music by Frankie Orella, Patrick Mayberry, Paul Duncan.

Verse 1

Well, I’ve been turned ’round but I’ve never been lost,
seen the water get troubled but we walked across.
When my knees were shaking, You held my hand,
turning my problems to a promised land.

Chorus

Lead on, Good Shepherd, I’ll follow all my days
There ain’t nothing sweeter than to watch You make a way.
You’ve walked me through the valley but You never steered me wrong.
So, lead on, Good Shepherd, lead on.

Verse 2

Seen some mighty deep canyons that You brought me through,
seen some mighty big mountains that just up and moved.
“Glory, glory, hallelujah!”—Yeah, that’s my song.
Walking with my Father into the great unknown.

Chorus

Lead on, Good Shepherd, I’ll follow all my days
There ain’t nothing sweeter than to watch You make a way.
You’ve walked me through the valley but You never steered me wrong.
So, lead on, Good Shepherd, lead on.

Bridge

Step by step, day by day, lead me on, Lord, I pray.
Road gets dark, walk by faith. Lead on, Good Shepherd.
Step by step, day by day, lead me on, Lord, I pray.
Road gets dark, walk by faith. Lead on, Good Shepherd.

Chorus

Lead on, Good Shepherd, I'll follow all my days ...

Bridge

Step by step, day by day, lead me on, Lord, I pray.
Road gets dark, walk by faith. Lead on, Good Shepherd ...

Chorus

Lead on, Good Shepherd, I'll follow all my days ...

Hymn: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Words: Thomas O. Chisholm. Music: William M. Runyan.

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with Thee.
'Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
as Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed, Thy hand hath provided;
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed, Thy hand hath provided;
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
'Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed, Thy hand hath provided;
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Time of Prayer

Sermon: “Bright Hope for Tomorrow”

Mark 4:21–34 (ESV)

²¹ And he said to them, “Is a lamp brought in to be put under a basket, or under a bed, and not on a stand? ²² For nothing is hidden except to be made manifest; nor is anything secret except to come to light. ²³ If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear.” ²⁴ And he said to them, “Pay attention to what you hear: with the measure you use, it will be measured to you, and still more will be added to you. ²⁵ For to the one who has, more will be given, and from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.”

²⁶ And he said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷ He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸ The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹ But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.”

³⁰ And he said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹ It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, ³² yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

³³ With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. ³⁴ He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

Hymn: “Hear the Call of the Kingdom”

Words and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Hear the call of the kingdom, lift your eyes to the King.
Let His song rise within you as a fragrant offering
of how God rich in mercy came in Christ to redeem
all who trust in His unfailing grace.

King of Heaven we will answer the call;
we will follow, bringing hope to the world,
filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim
salvation in Jesus’ name.

Hear the call of the Kingdom to be children of light,
with the mercy of heaven, the humility of Christ;
walking justly before Him, loving all that is right;
that the life of Christ may shine through us.

King of Heaven we will answer the call;
we will follow, bringing hope to the world,
filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim
salvation in Jesus’ name.

Hear the call of the Kingdom to reach out to the lost;

with the Father's compassion, in the wonder of the cross,
bringing peace and forgiveness and a hope yet to come.
Let the nations put their trust in Him.

King of Heaven we will answer the call
we will follow, bringing hope to the world,
filled with passion, filled with power to proclaim
salvation in Jesus' name.

Benediction

Numbers 6:24–26 (ESV)

- ²⁴ The LORD bless you and keep you;
²⁵ the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
²⁶ the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.