



WHAT YOU LEAVE BEHIND

ACTS 9:36-43

WORSHIP SERVICE | MAY 11, 2025

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Call to Worship

Isaac McConnell

One: We praise you, Lord! We give thanks to you with our whole heart!

ALL: Great are your works, full of honor and majesty and studied by all who delight in them.

One: The works of your hands are faithful and just.

ALL: Your precepts are trustworthy.

One: Our reverence for you is the beginning of wisdom.

ALL: You are to be praised forever.

Praise & Worship: Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus name (REPEAT)

**CHORUS: Christ alone, Cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Savior's love
Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all**

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil

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CHORUS x 3

When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

Praise & Worship: Build My Life

Worthy of every song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, oh, we live for You

Jesus, the Name above every other name
Jesus, the only One who could ever save
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for You, we live for You

CHORUS: Holy, there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder
And show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

REPEAT from beginning, repeat CHORUS

I will build my life upon Your love; It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone, And I will not be shaken

REPEAT

CHORUS x2, REPEAT BRIDGE

Prayer of Confession

Christian Laurent

God of the clean and the unclean,
we too easily think we can see from your point of

view.

**We exclude, hold grudges and nurse contempt,
all the while hiding ourselves
for fear we too would be found wanting.**

**We think we are justified
because we are made holy by your love,
and we assume holiness means more like us.**

**We forget, or never really knew,
that all you touch is holy,
and that you created all that is.**

**So when we exclude, we exclude you.
When we hold grudges, we hate you.
When we show contempt,
we are contemptuous of those you love.**

**May we be made holy in truth,
loving as you love, clean and unclean alike.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Children's Message

Rev. Rachael McConnell

Litany for Mothers

We pray for moms whose children are grown.

**Grant them joy and satisfaction for the days that
have been and the days to come.**

We pray for moms experiencing changes they could not
predict.

**Grant them rest and peace as they trust you for
the future.**

We pray for pregnant women who will soon be moms.

**Grant them patience and good health and healing
in the coming months.**

We pray for moms who face the demands of single parenthood.

Grant them strength and wisdom.

We pray for moms who enjoy financial abundance.

Grant them a generous heart to share their blessings in Your Will.

We pray for moms who are raising their children in poverty.

Grant them relief and justice.

We pray for step-moms.

Grant them patience, understanding and love.

We pray for moms who are separated from their children.

Grant them faith and hope.

We pray for moms in marriages that are in crisis.

Grant them support and insight.

We pray for moms who gave up their children for adoption.

Grant them peace and confidence as they trust in your providence.

We pray for adoptive mothers.

Grant them joy and gratitude for the gift you have provided.

We pray for women who think about becoming mothers.

Grant them wisdom and discernment.

We pray for women who desperately want, or wanted, to be mothers.

Grant them grace to accept your timing.

We pray for women who have assumed the mother's role in a child's life.

Grant them joy and the appreciation of others.

We pray for persons who are grieving the loss of their mother by either death or estrangement.

Grant them comfort and hope in Christ's resurrection.

I Sing Praises

Caden Thorpe, trumpet solo

Offering

Zephyr Lewis

Song: Graves into Gardens

I searched the world, But it couldn't fill me
Man's empty praise and treasures that fade are never enough
Then You came along And put me back together
And every desire is now satisfied here in Your love

CHORUS: Oh, there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord, there's nothing, Nothing is better than You

I'm not afraid to show You my weakness
My failures and flaws, Lord, You've seen 'em all
And You still call me friend
'Cause the God of the mountain is the God of the valley
There's not a place your mercy and grace won't find me again

CHORUS x 2

You turn mourning to dancing; You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory; You're the only one who can
(REPEAT)

You turn graves into gardens; You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways; You're the only one who can
You're the only one who can

CHORUS x 2, repeat BRIDGE 2 x 2

You're the only one who can, You're the only one who can

Scripture Reading: Acts 9:36-43

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There was a believer in Joppa named Tabitha (which in Greek is Dorcas). She was always doing kind things for others and helping the poor. About this time she became ill and died. Her body was washed for burial and laid in an upstairs room.

But the believers had heard that Peter was nearby at Lydda, so they sent two men to beg him, “Please come as soon as possible!”

So Peter returned with them; and as soon as he arrived, they took him to the upstairs room. The room was filled with widows who were weeping and showing him the coats and other clothes Dorcas had made for them. But Peter asked them all to leave the room; then he knelt and prayed. Turning to the body he said, “Get up, Tabitha.” And she opened her eyes! When she saw Peter, she sat up! He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then he called in the widows and all the believers, and he presented her to them alive.

The news spread through the whole town, and many believed in the Lord. And Peter stayed a long time in Joppa, living with Simon, a tanner of hides.

Sermon: “What You Leave Behind”

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Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Song: The Lord Bless You and Keep You

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord lift his countenance upon you,
and give you peace, and give you peace.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious, unto you, be gracious;
the Lord be gracious, gracious unto you.

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen,
Amen, Amen, Amen.

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebration of Life for Treva

The Celebration of Life in honor of Treva will be at Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship on Monday, May 12 at 11 AM.

Women's Circle meets this week

The Presbyterian Women Sarah Circle meets on Tuesday May 13 at 7 PM.

Worship Planning Meeting

The Worship Planning Meeting is this Wednesday, May 14 at 6 PM.

Choir Rehearsal on Wednesday

Choir rehearses on Wednesday, May 14 at 7 PM.

Men's Fellowship

The Men's Fellowship meets on Saturday May 17 at 9 AM.

Yard signs are now available!

If you wanted a yard sign to advertise FPCD, now's the time! The signs are in the narthex and are \$15, which can be placed in the offering plate or left in Katherine's office.

Sermons are available online at www.fpcd.org/sermons.
The "R" stands for Hymnal for Worship & Celebration.
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Welcome Guests and Visitors!

We want to get to know you! If it's your first time here, please fill out a visitor card from the seat back in front of you and place it in an offering plate, located throughout the sanctuary.

Sunday School and Children

Sunday school for adults and children meets at 9:15 AM in the Education Building. During the service, nursery is provided for ages 0-4 in the Education Building. Children are welcome to stay with you during the service, and are invited to come forward during the Children's Moment. If your child needs something to keep them busy, kids' activity boxes are available in the entry hall!



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