

Worship Guide 9/15/2024

Call to Worship

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

Psalm 92:1-4

Worshiping God by Singing

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day

All thy works with joy surround thee;
earth and heaven reflect thy rays
Stars and angels sing around thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in thee!

Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine
Teach us how to love each other;
lift us to the joy divine!

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Worshiping God by Confessing Our Sins

We confess, our Father, that we do not live up to the family name.
There are times when we are more ready to resent than to forgive,
more ready to manipulate than to serve,
more ready to fear than to love,
more ready to keep our distance than to welcome,
more ready to compete than to help.
At the root of this behavior is mistrust.
We do not love one another as we should,
because we do not believe you love us as you do.
Forgive us our cold unbelief.
And make more vivid to us the meaning and depth
of your love at the cross and the empty tomb.
Cause us to live more in line with our identity
as your sons and daughters.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, our righteousness.
Amen.

Worshiping God by Singing

Help My Unbelief

I know the Lord is nigh,
And would but cannot pray,
For Satan meets me when I try,
And frights my soul away.
And frights my soul away.

I would but can't repent,
Though I endeavor oft;
This stony heart can ne'er relent
Till Jesus makes it soft.
Till Jesus make it soft.

Help my unbelief.
Help my unbelief.
Help my unbelief.
My help must come from Thee.

I would but cannot love,
Though wooed by love divine;
No arguments have power to move
A soul as base as mine.
A soul so base as mine.

I would but cannot rest,
In God's most holy will;
I know what He appoints is best,
And murmur at it still.
I murmur at it still.

Help my unbelief.
Help my unbelief.
Help my unbelief.
My help must come from Thee.

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Worshiping God by Confessing Our Faith

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14-16

Worshiping God by Singing

Abide

For my waking breath
For my daily bread
I depend on You
I depend on You

For the sun to rise
For my sleep at night
I depend on You
Yes, I depend on You

You're the Way, the Truth, and the Life
You're the Well that never runs dry
I'm the branch and You are the Vine
Draw me close and teach me to abide

Where the Spirit leads
As I'm following
I depend on You
Yes, I depend on You

For the victories
Still in front of me
I depend on You
Yes, I depend on You

You're the Way, the Truth, and the Life
You're the Well that never runs dry
I'm the branch and You are the vine
Draw me close and teach me to abide

Be my Strength, my Song in the night
Be my All, my Treasure, my Prize
I am Yours, forever You're mine
Draw me close and teach me to abide

When I pass through death
As I enter rest
I depend on You
I depend on You

For eternal life
To be raised with Christ
I depend on You
Yes, I depend on You

You're the Way, the Truth, and the Life
You're the Well that never runs dry
I'm the branch and You are the vine
Draw me close and teach me to abide

Be my Strength, my Song in the night
Be my All, my Treasure, my Prize
I am Yours, forever You're mine
Draw me close and teach me to abide

Prayer

Missionary of the Week:	Scott and Ruth Hill Cherokee, NC
Community Church of the Week:	First Baptist Church Rev. Dan Barber
Presbytery Church of the Week:	Grace Presbyterian Church Rev. Kyle Brent

Worshiping God by Hearing His Word

Series:	<i>Don't Stop Believin'</i>
Sermon:	<i>Deal with Unbelief Today</i>

⁷ Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says, “Today, if you hear his voice,⁸ do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, on the day of testing in the wilderness,⁹ where your fathers put me to the test and saw my works for forty years.¹⁰ Therefore I was provoked with that generation, and said, ‘They always go astray in their heart; they have not known my ways.’¹¹ As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest.’”¹² Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God.¹³ But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.¹⁴ For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original

confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵ As it is said, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.” ¹⁶ For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷ And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? ¹⁸ And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? ¹⁹ So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

^{4:1} Therefore, while the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. ² For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³ For we who have believed enter that rest, as he has said, “As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest,’” although his works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴ For he has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: “And God rested on the seventh day from all his works.” ⁵ And again in this passage he said, “They shall not enter my rest.” ⁶ Since therefore it remains for some to enter it, and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷ again he appoints a certain day, “Today,” saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.” ⁸ For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on. ⁹ So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, ¹⁰ for whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from his. ¹¹ Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. ¹² For the word of God is living

and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.¹³ And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Hebrews 3:7-4:13

_____ is the day to deal with _____.

Unbelief is what keeps people from _____
_____.

God's promise of rest is fulfilled _____ in
_____.

Action point:

_____ your _____ to
_____.

Let's _____ on _____ to change our
_____ to _____.

Worshiping God by Singing

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting

Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
of Thy loving heart

Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee,
and Thy beauty fills my soul
For by Thy transforming power
Thou hast made me whole

Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
of Thy loving heart

Oh, how great Thy loving kindness,
vaster broader than the sea
Oh, how marvelous Thy goodness
lavished all on me

Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved,
know what wealth of grace is Thine
Know Thy certainty of promise
and have made it mine

Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
of Thy loving heart

Simply trusting Thee, Lord Jesus,
I behold Thee as Thou art
And Thy love, so pure, so changeless,
satisfies my heart

Satisfies its deepest longings,
meets supplies its ev'ry need
Compasseth me 'round with blessings,
Thine is love indeed

Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
of Thy loving heart

Ever lift Thy face upon me
as I work and wait for Thee
Resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus,
Earth's dark shadows flee

Brightness of my Father's glory,
sunshine of my Father's face
Keep me ever trusting, resting,
fill me with Thy grace

Jesus, I am resting, resting
in the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness
of Thy loving heart
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Benediction

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hebrews 13:20-21