



WEST BRIDGEWATER
COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday, October 18, 2020

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

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Hymn: “In Christ Alone”

Words and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All; here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh; fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness scorned by the ones He came to save;
'til on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;
for every sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay; Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then, bursting forth in glorious Day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
for I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from His hand;
'til He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

Song: “This Is Amazing Grace”

Words and music by Phil Wickham, Jeremy Riddle, and Josh Farro

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness,
whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of glory, the King above all kings.

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder

and leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of glory, the King above all kings.

This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love,
that You would take my place, that You would bear my cross.
You laid down Your life that I would be set free.
Oh, Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.

Who brings our chaos back into order,
who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of glory, the King of glory.

Who rules the nations with truth and justice,
shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of glory, the King above all kings.

This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love,
that You would take my place, that You would bear my cross.
You laid down Your life that I would be set free.
Oh, Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave.
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave.
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave.
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!
Worthy, worthy, worthy!

This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love,
that You would take my place, that You would bear my cross.
You laid down Your life that I would be set free.
Oh, Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.

**Scripture Reading and Prayer:
Ephesians 1:15–23 (ESV)**

¹⁵ For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸ having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰ that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And he put all

things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Sermon: “Justice”

Here are some of the Proverbs on justice:

Proverbs 16:11 (ESV)

A just balance and scales are the LORD’s;
all the weights in the bag are his work.

Proverbs 17:13 (ESV)

If anyone returns evil for good,
evil will not depart from his house.

Proverbs 17:15 (ESV)

He who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous
are both alike an abomination to the LORD.

Proverbs 17:23 (ESV)

The wicked accepts a bribe in secret
to pervert the ways of justice.

Proverbs 17:26 (ESV)

To impose a fine on a righteous man is not good,
nor to strike the noble for their uprightness.

Proverbs 18:5 (ESV)

It is not good to be partial to the wicked
or to deprive the righteous of justice.

Proverbs 18:17 (ESV)

The one who states his case first seems right,
until the other comes and examines him.

Proverbs 19:5 (ESV)

A false witness will not go unpunished,
and he who breathes out lies will not escape.

Proverbs 19:9 (ESV)

A false witness will not go unpunished,
and he who breathes out lies will perish.

Proverbs 19:28 (ESV)

A worthless witness mocks at justice,
and the mouth of the wicked devours iniquity.

Proverbs 20:22 (ESV)

Do not say, “I will repay evil”;

wait for the LORD, and he will deliver you.

Proverbs 21:3 (ESV)

To do righteousness and justice
is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.

Proverbs 21:7 (ESV)

The violence of the wicked will sweep them away,
because they refuse to do what is just.

Proverbs 21:13 (ESV)

Whoever closes his ear to the cry of the poor
will himself call out and not be answered.

Proverbs 21:15 (ESV)

When justice is done, it is a joy to the righteous
but terror to evildoers.

Proverbs 22:8 (ESV)

Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity,
and the rod of his fury will fail.

Proverbs 24:11–12 (ESV)

- ¹¹ Rescue those who are being taken away to death;
hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter.
¹² If you say, “Behold, we did not know this,”
does not he who weighs the heart perceive it?
Does not he who keeps watch over your soul know it,
and will he not repay man according to his work?

Proverbs 24:23–25 (ESV)

- ²³ These also are sayings of the wise.
Partiality in judging is not good.
²⁴ Whoever says to the wicked, “You are in the right,”
will be cursed by peoples, abhorred by nations,
²⁵ but those who rebuke the wicked will have delight,
and a good blessing will come upon them.

Proverbs 24:28–29 (ESV)

- ²⁸ Be not a witness against your neighbor without cause,
and do not deceive with your lips.
²⁹ Do not say, “I will do to him as he has done to me;
I will pay the man back for what he has done.”

Proverbs 28:3 (ESV)

A poor man who oppresses the poor
is a beating rain that leaves no food.

Hymn: “Compassion Hymn”

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

There is an everlasting kindness You lavished on us,
When the radiance of heaven came to rescue the lost.
You called the sheep without a shepherd to leave their distress
For Your streams of forgiveness and the shade of Your rest.

What boundless love, what fathomless grace
You have shown us, O God of compassion.
Each day we live an offering of praise
As we show to the world Your compassion.

And with compassion for the hurting You reached out Your hand
As the lame ran to meet You and the dead breathed again.
You saw behind the eyes of sorrow and shared in our tears;
Heard the sigh of the weary, let the children draw near.

What boundless love, what fathomless grace
You have shown us, O God of compassion.
Each day we live an offering of praise
As we show to the world Your compassion.

We stood beneath the cross of Calvary and gazed on Your face
At the thorns of oppression and the wounds of disgrace;
For surely You have borne our suffering and carried our grief,
As You pardoned the scoffer and showed grace to the thief.

What boundless love, what fathomless grace
You have shown us, O God of compassion.
Each day we live an offering of praise
As we show to the world Your compassion.

How beautiful the feet that carry this Gospel of peace
To the fields of injustice and the valleys of need.
To be a voice of hope and healing, to answer the cries
Of the hungry and helpless, with the mercy of Christ.

Benediction

Ephesians 3:20–21 (ESV)

²⁰Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.