

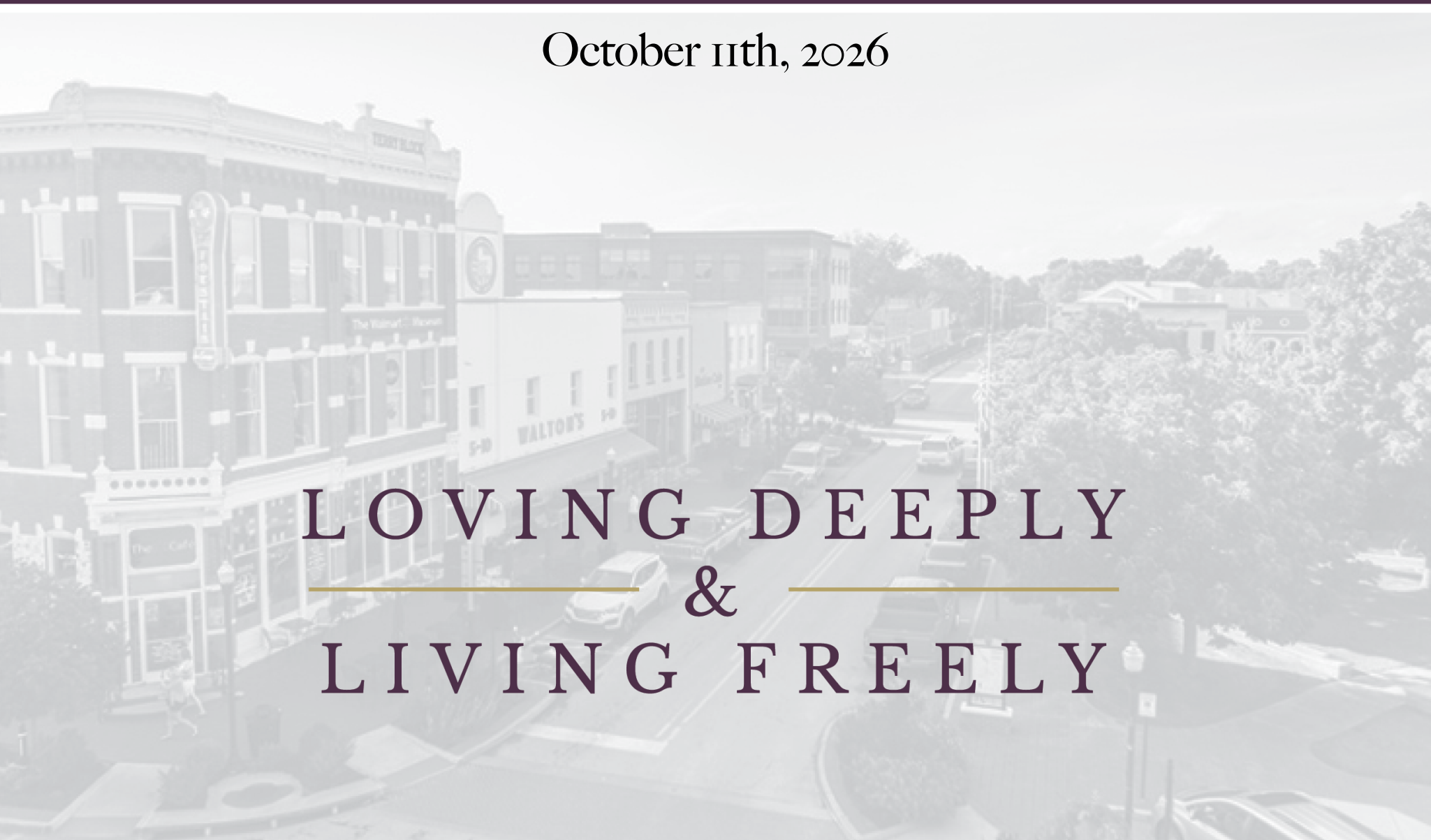


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October 11th, 2026

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&
LIVING FREELY

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH BENTONVILLE

To all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whosoever will come, this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.

TO OUR GUESTS: **First**, we are glad you could join us for worship! We would love to connect with you and answer any questions you may have about Christ Church. Please take a minute and scan the QR code with your phone camera and leave us your contact information. We will be in touch early in the week. **Second**, because what we are about to do may be a little different than what you are probably used to, we ask that you give us 6 weeks. Take 6 weeks to visit, become familiar with the form, ask questions, and get to know us. We believe you'll be glad you did. **Finally**, for an explanation of the content and order of worship, read the rubric along the left hand side of the bulletin as well as the section entitled "***The Liturgical Elements of Worship***" on page 8 of the bulletin.



Preparation for Worship

This is a time to prepare for the worship of our holy God. Pray that God would meet His people as we gather.

Call to Worship

It is the Lord who calls His people to worship Him in Spirit and in Truth. We do not call ourselves. Worship is a reflexive and deliberate response to His gracious call.

Invocation

This prayer exalts the name of the Lord and invokes His presence and communion as we come to worship Him.

*But I am the Lord your God from the land of Egypt; you know no God but me,
and besides me there is no savior.*

- Hosea 13:4

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Pastor: Grace and peace to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pastor: *Praise the Lord from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling his word! Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds! Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children! Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the Lord!*

- Psalm 148:7-14

Psalm 33

To How Great Thou Art

Stuart K Hine

A D Raines

Hymn of Praise

This hymn draws our hearts and minds to God acknowledging the reality and awe and wonder of who He is.



Sing to the Lord! Praise Him now, all you right-teous! 'Tis fit-ting
For by His word, He made the heav'ns a-bove us, and by His
Howbless-ed is Je-ho-vah's cho-sen na-tion; how hap-py
Je-ho-vah's eyes are on all those who fear Him; on those who
for the up-right now to praise. With harp and lyre make mu-sic now be-
mouth, He breathed the star-ry host. He stores the sea as jars with-in a
those whose God is Lord of all. From heav'n He sees, He looks down on the
trust in His un-fai-ling love. He saves from death, and He pre-serves in
fore Him, sing a new song, with joy your voi-ces raise! His word is
store-house. How great His pow'r; in Him we make our boast. Let all earth
peo-ples; yea, from His throne, He looks and sees them all. He forms their
fam-ine; de-liv'-rance comes with pow-er from a-bove. We wait in
right, and all His works are true. Faith-ful is He in all He
fear, let peo-ples stand in awe! By His com-mand, earth came to
hearts, and sees all they will do. No king is saved by his own
hope for Him, our help and shield! Our hearts re-joice! We trust His
does. The Lord loves right-teous-ness and jus-tice pure; He fills the
be. He foils the plans of na-tions and of kings. His coun-sel
might. Trust not in hor-ses, for their strength will fail; they can-not
name! Make Your great love fall ev-er-more on us; You are our
earth with cov'-nant love!
e-ver sure will be!
save us from our plight.
hope, for-e'er the same!

Corporate

Confession of Sin

Having come into His presence, we are reminded that we are sinners in need of the deliverance from sin and its power. We both confess and lament sin as an act of worship and faith in the God Who promises to deliver His people from all their sin and sorrow. We encourage a posture of prayer (sitting or kneeling) that is most comfortable for you.

Elder: *You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.* - Deuteronomy 5:11

The third commandment requires the holy and reverent use of God's names, titles, attributes, ordinances, word, and works.

The third commandment forbids all profaning or abusing of any thing whereby God makes himself known. - WSC 54-55

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All: O God, cleanse me, a sinner, for I have done nothing good before You. Deliver me from the evil one, and may Your will be in me, that I might open my unworthy lips without condemnation and praise Your holy name, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever unto ages of ages. Amen.

Silently confess your sins to the Lord

**Hymn of
Confession/
Lament**

This hymn focuses on the acknowledgment of our sin, our need of forgiveness, and the only One in whom our forgiveness and restoration are found.

Adam Our Father and Our Head

Isaac Watts

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A-dam, our fa - ther and our head Transgressed and jus - tice doomed us
In vain we ask, for all a - round stand si - lent in the heav'n - ly
A - ma - zing work, look down, you skies, won - der and gaze with all your

F#m

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A

Bm

G

A



dead; the fi' - ry law speaks all de - spair, There's no re - prieve or par - don
ground; there's not a glor - ious mind a - bove has half the strength or half the
eyes; you saints be - low and saints a - bove, and bow to this my - ster - ious

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A



there. Call a bright coun - cil in the skies; ser - a - phs the migh - ty and the
love. But O! un - mea - sure - a - ble grace! Th'e - ter - nal Son takes A - dam's
love! Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died, my sin - ful soul is coun - ted

Bm

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Bm

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wise, Speak! Are you strong to bear the load? The weigh - ty ven - geance of a
place; down to the world our Sav - ior flies, stretch - es His arms and bleeds and
free, for God the just is sat - is - fied to look on Him and par - don

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God; the weigh - ty ven - geance of a God?
dies; stretch - es His arms and bleeds and dies.
me; to look on Him and par - don me.

**Assurance of
Salvation**

Having confessed our sins, and raised our prayer for deliverance, we now hear of our salvation through the declaration of the Gospel.

Elder: *In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace,*
- Ephesians 1:5-7

ISAIAH 43

Hymn of Faith

This hymn focuses
either on God's
faithfulness to us
through the ages,
on our
responsibility to
respond in faith, or
the many reasons
for our faith.

1. When you pass through the wa - ters, I will be with you.
2. When you walk through the fire, You'll not be burned.

And the waves will not ov - er - come you. Do not fear. For
And the flames will not con - sume you. Do not fear For

I have re - deemed you. I have called you by name, you are mine
I have re - deemed you. I have called you by name, you are mine.

17 **Women:** I am the Lord your God

Men: For I am the Lord your God I am the Lord Your God

21 **Unison:** I am the Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el Your God

24 **Women:** I am the Lord your God

Sa - vior. **Men:** For I am the Lord your God

28 **Unison:** I am the Ho - ly One of I am the Lord Your God

31 **Women:** Do not Is - ra - el Your Sa - vior **Men:** I am the Lord

35 fear Do not fear Do not I am the Lord I am the Lord

39 fear Do not fear I am the Lord

Scripture
Reading

We read from both
Old and New
Testaments
because they are
not two different
books but both are
a part of God's
unfolding plan of
redemption.

Hymn of
Preparation

This hymn is
gospel-focused and
sermon-oriented
and planned with
the children in
mind.

New Testament - Mark 11:1-11
Old Testament - Isaiah 43:1-44:5
Elder: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God!

He Will Hold Me Fast

Words: Verses 1-2, Ada Habershon (1861-1918); Verse 3, Matt Merker

Music: Matt Merker

♩ = 56 A A/C# D D E A

1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
2. Those He saves are His de - light, Christ will hold me fast;
3. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;

A A/C# D D E A

When the tempt - er would pre - vail, He will hold me fast.
Pre - cious in his ho - ly sight, He will hold me fast.
Just - ice has been sat - is - fied; He will hold me fast.

F#m E A D D C# F#m

I could nev - er keep my hold Through life's fear - ful path;
He'll not let my soul be lost; His Prom - is - es shall last;
Raised with Him to end - less life, He will hold me fast

F#m E A D D E A

For my love is oft - en cold; He must hold me fast.
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.
'Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

Bm7 A/C# D E F#m F#m E/G# A

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;

A Bm7 A/C# D D E A

For my Sa - vior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Sermon

*The preaching of
God's Word is a
means by which
God bestows grace
on His people.*

THUS SAYS THE LORD

Isaiah 43:1-44:5

(A note-taking guide is provided on the final page)

For the Children - fear, I, you, sin, judgement, Lord, God, Christ

Confession of Faith

*Being a part of the
communion of
saints, we take this
time to confess the
truth that has been
embraced by the
church throughout
history.*

Elder: Christian, what do you believe?

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

***catholic meaning universal**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the LORD.

The bread is gluten-free. Purple cups contain wine; clear cups contain grape juice. Come forward, pause to hear the words of institution, take a piece of bread and a cup, then return to your seats. Once everyone has been served, we will eat and drink together. After the service, please dispose of your used communion cup in the trash cans provided.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*The Word having
been preached, the
death of Christ is
now showed forth
through the
sacrament of the
Lord's Supper. The
worthy receivers
are, not after a
corporal and carnal
manner, but by
faith, made
partakers of His
body and blood,
with all his benefits,
to their spiritual
nourishment and
grace.*

Pastoral Prayer

*We are a needy
people, and this
prayer not only
reflects that
neediness but our
dependence upon
the Lord.*

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen!

Offertory/Hymn
of Response

Giving is an act of worship. We give of our tithes and offerings because all we are and all we have are gifts of God's grace. We sing in grateful response to God's grace granted to us in both Word and Sacrament.

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 3/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is primarily in the Soprano and Alto parts, with the Tenor and Bass parts providing harmonic support. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with line numbers 1 through 4 indicating the start of each line of the hymn. The score includes a Refrain section and a final line of the hymn.

1. My hope is built on noth - ing less than Je - sus' blood and
2. When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on his un -
3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
4. When he shall come with trum - pet sound, O may I then in

righteous - ness; I dare not trust the sweet - est frame, but
chang - ing grace; in ev - 'ry high and storm - y gale, my
whelm - ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he
him be found, dressed in his right - eous - ness a - lone, fault -

Refrain

whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all
then is all my hope and stay.
less to stand be - fore the throne.

oth - er ground is sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Prayer of
Thanksgiving

Edward Mote, 1834

SOLID ROCK L.M.ref.
William B. Bradbury, 1863
Alternate: ST. PETERSBURG

Doxology

We encourage a posture lifting holy hands to the Lord in thanksgiving.

Benediction

We leave with the assurance that God intends to bless His people as we serve him and our neighbors through our various vocations throughout the week.

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen!

Pastor: Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it... The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

- 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24, 28

People: And also with you!

Information

CHILDCARE

It has been our desire to offer childcare as we have volunteers. We have intentionally refrained from constant pressure and from relying upon only a few to shoulder the responsibility. At the same time, as the number of little ones increases, we do want to keep the opportunity before you. If you are able and willing to help, please scan the QR code to the right and sign up today. The more the merrier.



THE LITURGICAL ELEMENTS OF OUR WORSHIP

Why do we do what we do during our corporate worship service on Sunday? To a visitor it could seem strange. We do more than just sing, which is usually what people associate with the word "worship". There are times of silence. Prayers are spoken. The Bible is read. A sermon on a particular passage of Scripture is heard. We eat a bite of bread and drink a small amount of wine or juice in celebration of Christ's death. Money is collected. Hands are raised in devotion. Why are these elements a part of what we do together? Why don't we just hang out in small groups and sip coffee? Why don't we just sit back and watch an hour long video on being better people? All of these elements are a part of our worship because we believe they show honor to God in the way he wants to be honored. These aren't just made up elements. They are pieces in a story that is told each Sunday, with each piece either commanded or exemplified in scripture.

WHY OUR PASTORS WEAR ROBES

Wearing a robe **hides the man** - No matter what the pastor wears, whether it be an expensive suit, an inexpensive suit, business casual or holey jeans with his shirt untucked, people are always prone to put too much stock in whatever style he prefers. The black Geneva robe is designed to remove this distraction and allow us to focus on the One whom he represents. That leads to the second point. It also **emphasizes his office**. Just as a judge wears a robe when in the courtroom, a fireman wears a uniform when on duty, or a military officer wears his dress greens or blues to a formal event to announce that they are acting in an official capacity, our pastors wear robes during the worship service to signify that they are acting in their official capacity as men who have been called by God to proclaim His word to His people. The robe reminds the congregation (and the minister!) that he is in the pulpit as an ambassador of Christ, and thus is not to speak his own thoughts, give mere advice, or share worldly wisdom, but only the Word of God.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

We believe children are a blessing from the Lord, and that they should be included in the worship of God with the people of God. That means at times there will be noise in the worship service. **God put the wiggle in children and that wiggle is welcome in His house!** If you are not used to it, it may take a little time. We understand. Bearing with one another in love is our calling.

Our aim is to help parents in the training of their children in the “pew”. We do this in two ways:

1. Sunday evening worship.

Every Sunday, we plan our worship services taking both children and parents into consideration. First, the Hymn of Preparation is chosen with our children in mind. We want it to be a song that they know or at least can learn quickly. Second, we offer childcare for those 0-3 during the sermon. But please know, we enjoy having children in worship! They are not distractions! Keeping them with us in worship is one of the best gifts we can give them as they will learn the blessing of worship and grow in ways we cannot imagine. Feel free to sit up front where it is easier for children to see and hear what is happening.

2. Weekly family worship.

To facilitate learning throughout the week, the following ideas are provided for families to use during their own times of worship. We incorporate the hymns, confession of faith and sermon passage for familiarity and repetition purposes.

Weekly Catechism: WSC 50

Q: What is required in the second commandment?

A: The second commandment requires the receiving, observing, and keeping pure and entire, all such religious worship and ordinances as God has appointed in his word.

Wednesday

Sing Isaiah 43.

Read Isaiah 43:14-21, 2 Corinthians 5:17-21, and WSC 50.

Why is it good news that God is His people's King? How did He remind Judah of His past works of deliverance? What new thing would He do? How was this fulfilled in Christ's work?

Prayer prompt: *Praise God for keeping His word and making you a part of His new creation.*

Monday

Sing Psalm 33.

Read Isaiah 43:1-7, Luke 12:22-32, and WSC 50.

What things would Judah have to fear? What causes you to fear? Why is the Lord's presence comforting to us? What confidence can we have that He will protect us?

Prayer prompt: *Confess your fears and ask the Lord to strengthen your trust in His provision and protection.*

Tuesday

Sing “Adam our Father...”

Read Isaiah 43:8-13, Acts 1:1-11, and WSC 50.

How would Judah serve as witnesses for the Lord? What things would they testify about? What things would the apostles testify about? How can you serve as a witness for the Lord?

Prayer prompt: *Ask the Lord for opportunity and boldness to share the gospel.*

Thursday

Sing “He Will Hold me Fast”.

Read Isaiah 43:22-28, Psalm 50, and WSC 50.

How had the people become weary of the Lord? How had they become like Jacob? Why did this burden and weary the Lord? What good news does He give them? For what purpose does He promise forgiveness?

Prayer prompt: *Confess ways you have failed to honor the Lord in worship and thank Him that He blots out all your transgressions for His own sake.*

Friday

Sing “My Hope is Built...”

Read Isaiah 44:1-5, Genesis 12:1-3, and WSC 50.

What promises does God give Judah in these verses? How is this a fulfillment of His promises to Abram? How would people's attitude toward the Lord change as a result of these works? Do you belong to the Lord? Do you see being a member of His church as an honor?

Prayer prompt: *Thank God for pouring out His Spirit and making you a part of His people.*

SMALL GROUPS

Chambers/Fried - Rogers

1st and 3rd Thursdays; 6 PM

The Fried House

Contact: Latham (479) 903-4169

Walker - Bentonville

1st and 3rd Wednesdays; 6 PM

The Walker House

Contact: Wes (479) 409-8831

Taylor/Solms - Bentonville

1st and 3rd Wednesdays; 6 PM

The Solms House

Contact: Caleb (479) 295-5011

Youth Small Group - Bella Vista

2nd and 4th Wednesdays; 6 PM

The Wieda or Raines House

Contact: Kenny (479) 616-7493

SERMON NOTES

THUS SAYS THE LORD Isaiah 43:1-44:5

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II. THE CONTEXT OF THE IMPERATIVE

III. THE GIVER OF THE IMPERATIVE

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