

## **Worship Outline**

### **April 19, 2020**

#### **Meditation**

“For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.” – II Corinthians 4:17-18

#### **Call to Worship**

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. “Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!” The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.  
– Psalm 46

#### **“The Solid Rock”**

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*Chorus:* On Christ the solid Rock I stand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.  
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When darkness veils His lovely face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace.  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil.

*Chorus*

His oath, His covenant, His blood  
Support me in the whelming flood.  
When all around my soul gives way,  
He then is all my hope and stay.

*Chorus*

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

*Chorus*

#### **Old Testament Reading – Psalm 27**

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall. Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident. One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple, For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock. And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy I will sing and make melody to the Lord. Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me! You have said, “Seek my face.” My heart says to you, “Your face, Lord, do I seek.” Hide not your face from me. Turn not your servant away in anger, O you who have been my help. Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation! For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the Lord will take me in. Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies. Give me not up to the will of my adversaries for false witnesses have risen against me, and they breathe out violence. I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living! Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

## Prayer of Trust

### “Abide with Me”

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide.  
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head in early youth didst smile,  
And though rebellious and perverse meanwhile,  
Thou hast not left me, oft as I left Thee,  
On to the close, Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour.  
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?  
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?  
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless.  
Ills have no weight; tears lose their bitterness.  
Where is thy sting, death? Where, grave, thy  
victory?

I triumph still; abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes.  
Shine through the gloom and point me to the  
skies.

Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain  
shadows flee.

In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

### Confession of Sin

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. – John 15:4-5

### Assurance of Pardon

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. – John 15:9,13

### “Jesus Paid It All”

I hear the Savior say,  
“Thy strength indeed is small;  
Child of weakness, watch and pray,  
Find in Me thine all in all.”

*Chorus:* Jesus paid it all; All to Him I owe.  
Sin had left a crimson stain;  
He washed it white as snow.

For nothing good have I,  
Wherby Thy grace to claim.  
I'll wash my garments white  
In the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.

*Chorus*

Lord, now indeed I find  
Thy pow'r and Thine alone  
Can change the leper's spots  
And melt the heart of stone.  
*Chorus*

And when before the throne  
I stand in Him complete,  
“Jesus died my soul to save,”  
My lips shall still repeat.  
*Chorus 2x*

Oh praise the One who paid my debt  
And raised this life up from the dead! (4x)

## **Greeting and Announcements**

- All events and services “online only” through the end of April at this time
- Get Help/Give Help: [southwood.org/covidhelp](http://southwood.org/covidhelp)
- Electronic Giving: [southwood.org/give](http://southwood.org/give) OR on the Southwood App

### **“Vapor”**

Oh the vapor of it all  
It's a chasing of the wind  
The powers of the earth so pale and thin  
We will set our hearts on you again.

Heaven taunts the hearts of men  
We can feel it from within  
The beauty of it all  
The mystery  
The swelling of a voice, a rising sea.

Holy, You oh God are Holy  
Trees clap their hands for you  
Oceans they dance for you  
You are holy.

Oh the mystery of it all  
I can never peer within  
I'll never find the words or understand  
The fullness of a God  
Become a man.

A billion suns rise for you  
Clouds paint the skies for you  
Mountains stand tall for you  
Valleys bow down to you  
Everything rising to  
Sing all our songs for you.

Holy, the impossible and holy  
Kings become fools for you  
Kingdoms to ruins for you  
Vapor finds ground in you  
Music finds sound for you  
Everything rising  
Everything rising.

Come like dawn, like waves, like sunlight  
Bring this world to life.  
Come like rain, like breath, like springtime  
Bring this world to life.

## **Preaching of the Word**

*Romans 8:12-23*

“Waiting Game”

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### **“The Solid Rock”**

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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 for doing 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

## **Sermon Outline**

Intro: Life is a waiting game that everyone plays. The question is how you are going to wait.

### **I. WHY DO WE WAIT? CORRUPTION!**

- a. We suffer the effects of a corrupted world.
- b. We suffer persecution at the hands of others.
- c. We suffer in the battle to put our flesh to death.
- d. We suffer the longing for something else.

### **II. WHAT DO WE WAIT FOR? GLORY!**

- a. We wait for the glory of sons/daughters.
- b. We wait for the glory of being heirs with Christ.
- c. We wait for the glory that we will share.
- d. We wait for the glory of the whole creation.
- e. We wait for the glory that is worth the wait.

### **III. HOW DO WE WAIT? PATIENTLY WITH HOPE!**

## **Questions for Discussion/Reflection**

1. What is making your life difficult right now? Is your sense of hope wearing thin?
2. How has your continued struggle brought out more understanding of your sin and idolatry? What is it revealing to you about you?
3. How can a vision of what is coming rekindle hope? How does this hope enable you to suffer with greater patience? How does it help you persevere through the battle and even embrace the struggle?
4. When you think of the day when our redemption is complete, what do you look forward to the most?
5. How can we help one another keep the vision clearly before our eyes?

## **Prayer Guide 4/19/20**

### **Core Commitment**

#### **We are driven by relationships.**

Ask that God would be especially near and real to those in our community struggling with loneliness and that He would make us sensitive to their pain.

Pray for relationships formed in Connect Communities to be sustained and deepened during time apart. Ask that the love we experience and share as the body of Christ will be a clear testimony to the broader community of the realities of the Gospel.

### **Mission Partner**

#### **New City (Celina) TX**

*Jake Patton is pastor of this church plant in Celina, Texas. Jake is a former Southwood pastor now in Texas with Paige, Laci, Luke, Aubrey, and Brooke. Join them in praying for these requests:*

Pray for wisdom, insight and guidance from the Holy Spirit in how to lead our plant in the season ahead.

We are asking the Lord to preserve the welfare of our new and young businesses in Celina.

Pray for new Gospel opportunities (word and deed) as we engage with neighbors and community.

### **Specific Needs**

Pray for Jack Bryan, 15, and his family as battles mono and high fevers. Praise God for progress and pray it continues.

Pray for Mary Vaughn in the death of her mother last weekend.

Pray for Terra Calhoun as she cares for family and their 9th-grade relative, Rowan, found unresponsive.

Pray for local and national leaders as they make significant decisions regarding the ongoing pandemic.

Pray for our city as we work together to care for the sick and help others impacted recover.

Pray for our Wednesday Zoom Prayer Gatherings to be used by God to renew our hearts and community.

### **Senior Member**

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### **Expectant Mothers**

**Molly Athey** - April 2020

**Ann Ever Ainsworth** - May 2020

**Kristen Stevens** - June 2020

**Grace Crawford** - July 2020

**Kelly Lewis** - July 2020

**Nina Cash** - August 2020

**Taylor Bozeman** – September 2020