

Grace Baptist Church ~ May 2, 2021

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Call to Worship – Psalm 97:1-5

- ¹ The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice;
let the many coastlands be glad!
- ² Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.
- ³ Fire goes before him
and burns up his adversaries all around.
- ⁴ His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees and trembles.
- ⁵ The mountains melt like wax before the LORD,
before the Lord of all the earth.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn #238 – Christ Is Coming!

1. Christ is com - ing! let cre - a - tion From her groans and
2. Earth can now but tell the sto - ry Of thy bit - ter
3. Long thine ex - iles have been pin - ing, Far from rest, and
4. With that bless - ed hope be - fore us, Let no harp re -

trav - ail cease; Let the glo - rious proc - la - ma - tion
cross and pain; She shall yet be - hold thy glo - ry,
home, and thee: But, in heav'n - ly ves - tures shin - ing,
main un - strung; Let the might - y ad - vent cho - rus

Hope re - store and faith in - crease: Christ is com - ing!
When thou com - est back to reign: Christ is com - ing!
They their lov - ing Lord shall see: Christ is com - ing!
On - ward roll from tongue to tongue: "Christ is com - ing!

Christ is com - ing! Come, thou bless - ed Prince of Peace.
Christ is com - ing! Let each heart re - peat the strain.
Christ is com - ing! Haste the joy - ous ju - bi - lee.
Christ is com - ing! Come, Lord Je - sus, quick - ly come!" A - MEN.

Scripture Reading – 2 Thessalonians 2:1-15

2 Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴ who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? ⁶ And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. ⁷ For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. ⁸ And then the lawless one will be revealed,

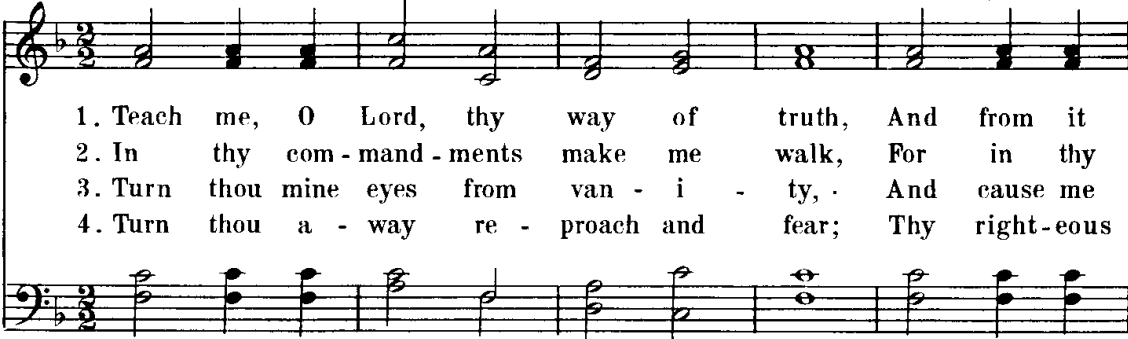
whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming. ⁹The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, ¹⁰ and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. ¹¹ Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false, ¹² in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

¹³ But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. ¹⁴ To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter.

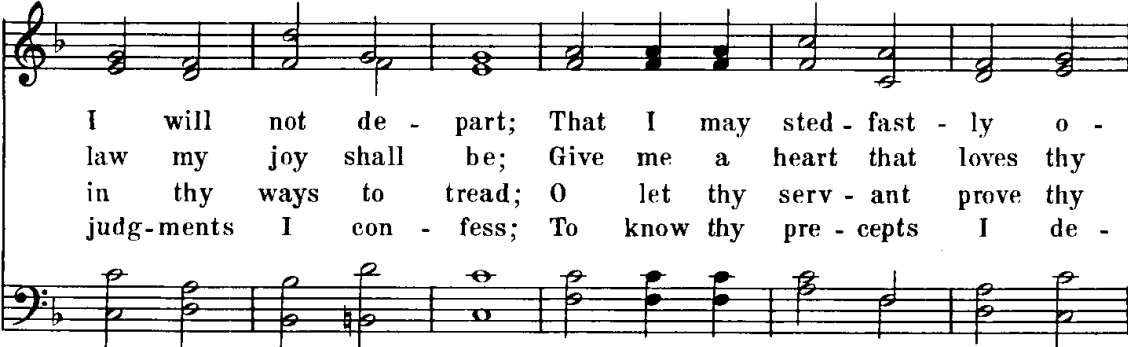
Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Hymn #451 – *Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Way of Truth*



1. Teach me, O Lord, thy way of truth, And from it
2. In thy com - mand - ments make me walk, For in thy
3. Turn thou mine eyes from van - i - ty, And cause me
4. Turn thou a - way re - proach and fear; Thy right - eous



I will not de - part; That I may sted - fast - ly o -
law my joy shall be; Give me a heart that loves thy
in thy ways to tread; O let thy serv - ant prove thy
judg - ments I con - fess; To know thy pre - cepts I de -



bey, Give me an un - der - stand - ing heart.
will, From dis - con - tent and en - vy free.
Word And thus to god - ly fear be led.
sire; Re - vive me in thy right - eous - ness. A - MEN.

Sermon Reading – Revelation 20:1-10

20 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. ² And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, ³ and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while.

⁴ Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. ⁵ The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection. ⁶ Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

⁷ And when the thousand years are ended, Satan will be released from his prison ⁸ and will come out to deceive the nations that are at the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them for battle; their number is like the sand of the sea. ⁹ And they marched up over the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, but fire came down from heaven and consumed them, ¹⁰ and the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

Prayer for Illumination

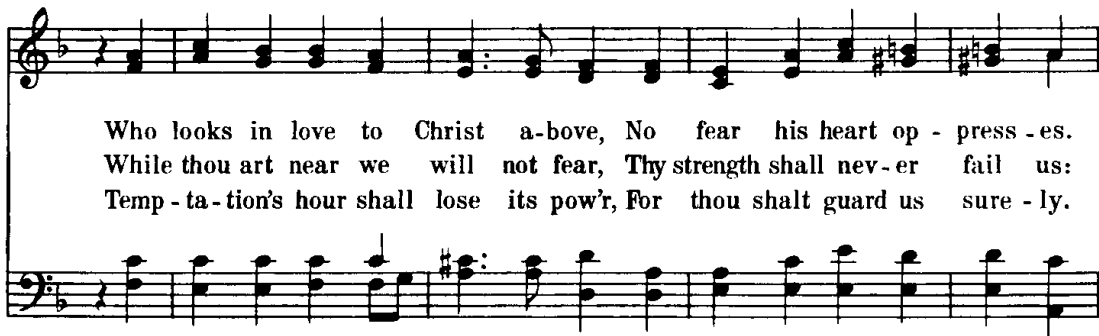
Sermon – *The Dragon Is Defeated*

Prayer of Application

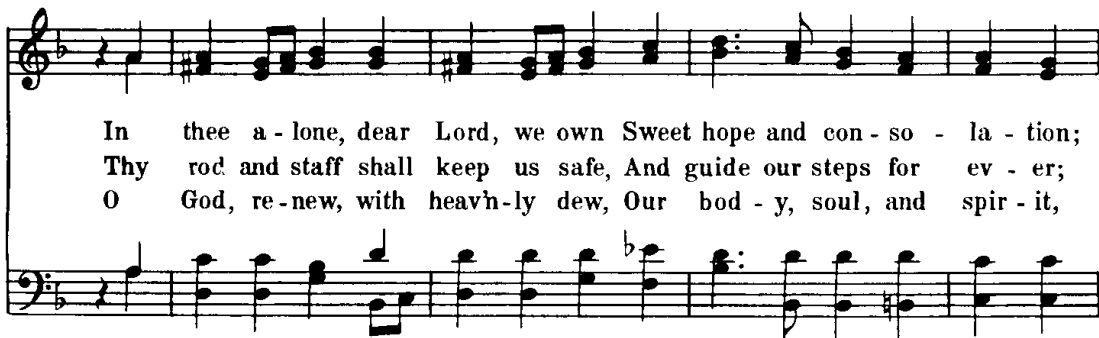
Hymn #558 – *Who Trusts In God*



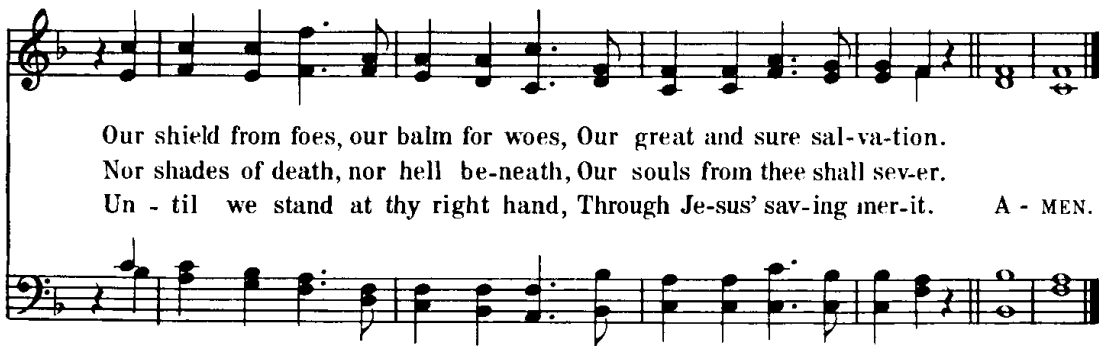
1. Who trusts in God, a strong a-bode In heav'n and earth pos - sess - es;
2. Though Sa-tan's wrath be - set our path, And world - ly scorn as - sail us,
3. In all the strife of mor - tal life Our feet shall stand se - cure - ly;



Who looks in love to Christ a - bove, No fear his heart op - press - es.
While thou art near we will not fear, Thy strength shall nev - er fail us:
Temp - ta - tion's hour shall lose its pow'r, For thou shalt guard us sure - ly.



In thee a - lone, dear Lord, we own Sweet hope and con - so - la - tion;
Thy rod and staff shall keep us safe, And guide our steps for ev - er;
O God, re - new, with heav'n - ly dew, Our bod - y, soul, and spir - it,



Our shield from foes, our balm for woes, Our great and sure sal - va - tion.
Nor shades of death, nor hell be - neath, Our souls from thee shall sev - er.
Un - til we stand at thy right hand, Through Je - sus' sav - ing mer - it. A - MEN.

Benediction – Romans 16:20

²⁰ The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

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Call to Worship – Psalm 95:1-3

95 Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
3 For the LORD is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn #50 – Praise to the Lord

Arr. in Praxis Paetatis Melica, 1668

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al-might - y, the King of cre - a - - tion!
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly reign - eth,
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de - fend thee!
4. Praise thou the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath made thee,
5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore him!

O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and sal - va - - tion!
Shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so gen - tly sus - tain - eth!
Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee;
Decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand guid - ed and stayed thee.
All that hath life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!

All ye who hear, Now to his tem - ple draw near,
Hast thou not seen How thy de - sires e'er have been
Pon - der a - new What the Al - mighty will do,
How oft in grief Hath not he brought thee re - lief,
Let the A - men Sound from his peo - ple a - gain;

Join me in glad ad - o - ra - - - - tion.
Grant - ed in what he or - dain - - - - eth?
If with his love he be - friend thee!
Spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!
Glad - ly for aye we a - dore him. A - MEN.

Scripture Reading – Mark 8:1-10

8 In those days, when again a great crowd had gathered, and they had nothing to eat, he called his disciples to him and said to them, ²“I have compassion on the crowd, because they have been with me now three days and have nothing to eat. ³And if I send them away hungry to their homes, they will faint on the way. And some of them have come from far away.” ⁴And his disciples answered him, “How can one feed these people with bread here in this desolate place?” ⁵And he asked them, “How many loaves do you have?” They said, “Seven.” ⁶And he directed the crowd to sit down on the ground. And he took the seven loaves, and having given thanks, he broke them and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and they set them before the crowd. ⁷And they had a few small fish. And having blessed them, he said that these also should be set before them. ⁸And they ate and were satisfied. And they took up the broken pieces left over, seven baskets full. ⁹And there were about four

thousand people. And he sent them away. ¹⁰ And immediately he got into the boat with his disciples and went to the district of Dalmanutha.

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Hymn #115 – *None Other Lamb*

1. None oth - er Lamb, none oth - er Name, None oth - er
2. My faith burns low, my hope burns low; On - ly my
3. Lord, thou art Life, though I be dead; Love's fire thou

Hope in heav'n or earth or sea, None oth - er Hid - ing - place
heart's de - sire cries out in me By the deep thun - der of
art, how - ev - er cold I be: Nor heav'n have I, nor place

from guilt and shame, None be - side thee!
its want and woe, Cries out to thee.
to lay my head, Nor home, but thee. A - MEN.

Sermon Reading – Mark 8:11-21

¹¹ The Pharisees came and began to argue with him, seeking from him a sign from heaven to test him. ¹² And he sighed deeply in his spirit and said, “Why does this generation seek a sign? Truly, I say to you, no sign will be given to this generation.” ¹³ And he left them, got into the boat again, and went to the other side.

¹⁴ Now they had forgotten to bring bread, and they had only one loaf with them in the boat. ¹⁵ And he cautioned them, saying, “Watch out; beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of Herod.” ¹⁶ And they began discussing with one another the fact that they had no bread. ¹⁷ And Jesus, aware of this, said to them, “Why are you discussing the fact that you have no bread? Do you not yet perceive or understand? Are your hearts hardened? ¹⁸ Having eyes do you not see, and having ears do you not hear? And do you not remember? ¹⁹ When I broke the five loaves for the five thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you take up?” They said to him, “Twelve.” ²⁰ “And the seven for

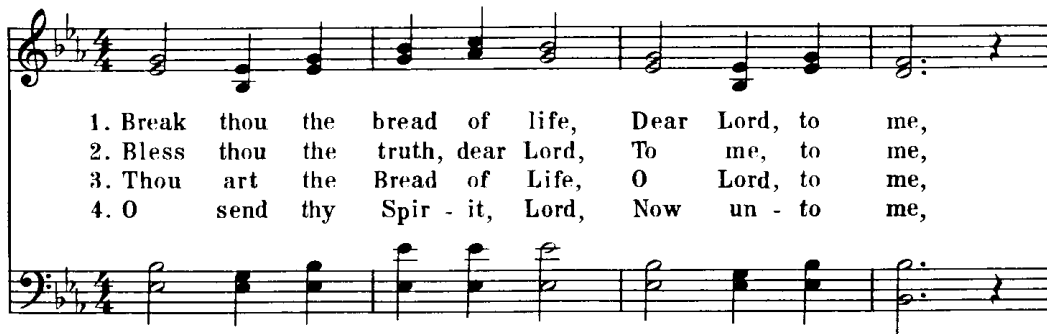
the four thousand, how many baskets full of broken pieces did you take up?" And they said to him, "Seven."²¹ And he said to them, "Do you not yet understand?"

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon – *Do You Not Yet Understand?*

Prayer of Application

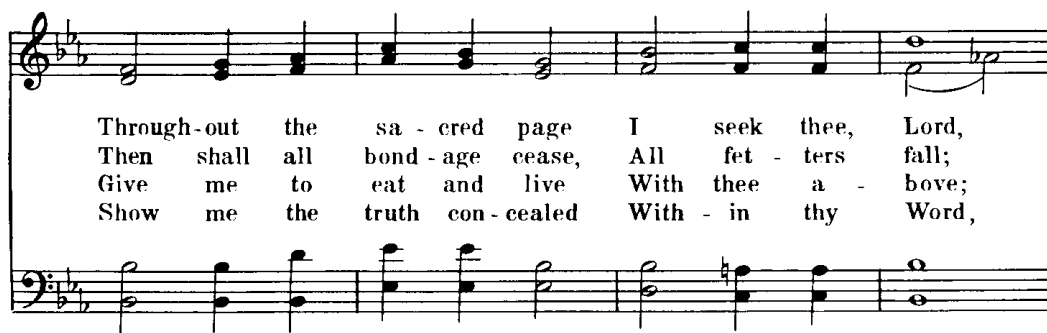
Hymn #256 – *Break Thou the Bread of Life*



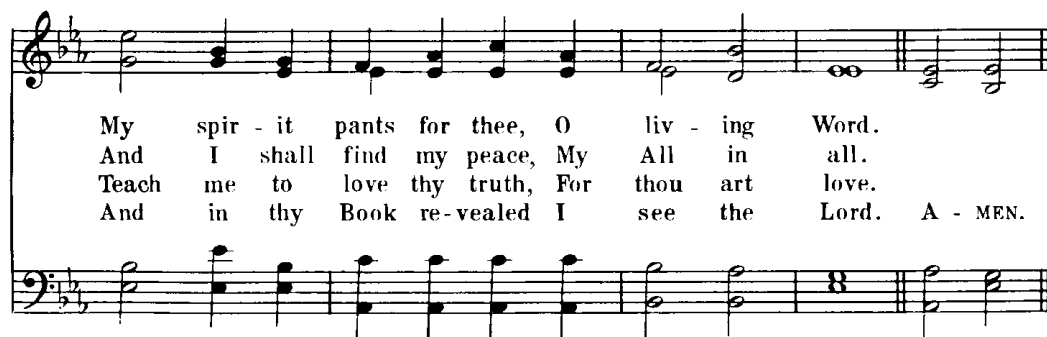
1. Break thou the bread of life, Dear Lord, to me,
2. Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, To me, to me,
3. Thou art the Bread of Life, O Lord, to me,
4. O send thy Spir - it, Lord, Now un - to me,



As thou didst break the loaves Be - side the sea;
As thou didst bless the bread By Gal - i - lee;
Thy ho - ly Word the truth That sav - eth me;
That he may touch mine eyes, And make me see:



Through-out the sa - cred page I seek thee, Lord,
Then shall all bond - age cease, All fet - ters fall;
Give me to eat and live With thee a - bove;
Show me the truth con - cealed With - in thy Word,



My spir - it pants for thee, O liv - ing Word.
And I shall find my peace, My All in all.
Teach me to love thy truth, For thou art love.
And in thy Book re - vealed I see the Lord. A - MEN.

Welcome to New Members – Bob & Nancy Weaver

Lord's Supper

Hymn xv – *Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father, and to the son, and to the
Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is
Now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Benediction – 2 Corinthians 4:6

⁶For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

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