

WORSHIP GUIDE: SUNDAY AM – September 10th, 2023 – 10:15am

The Unstoppable Gospel

Welcome: [Pastor Steve]

- Passage Focus: Philippians 1:12-18a – Paul reports about the powerful spread of the gospel and testifies to his boldness in proclaiming it.
- Today we will have a ministry spotlight, featuring our Sunday School ministry. Scott Baker will be sharing, and we'll be presenting Bibles to some students.
- Today's Service: The Unstoppable Gospel: The gospel is powerful, trustworthy, and worthy of our devotion and faithful proclamation. Today we will seek to:
 - Praise the Person of the Gospel
 - Trust the Power of the Gospel.

PRAISE THE PERSON OF THE GOSPEL

Call to Worship: [Pastor Joel]

¹³ Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"¹⁴ And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."¹⁵ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"¹⁶ Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."¹⁷ And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven."¹⁸ And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock^[b] I will build my church, and the gates of hell^[c] shall not prevail against it.

Congregational Song: The Church's One Foundation [Sing stanzas 1, 2, & 4]

Jesus is the architect of the Church, head of the church. By paying for her with his blood, he has purchased the church and promised that it will endure. Through threats of conflict and persecution, we have this confident assurance from Jesus that the Church will survive." Let us confess this truth together.

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord
She is His new creation
By water and the Word
From heav'n He came and sought her
To be His holy bride
With His own blood He bought her
And for her life He died

Elect from every nation

Yet one o'er all the earth
Her charter of salvation
One Lord one faith one birth
One holy name she blesses
Partakes one holy food
And to one hope she presses
With every grace endued

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won
O happy ones and holy
Lord give us grace that we
Like them the meek and lowly
On high may dwell with Thee

Congregational Song: O God My Joy [Sing all 3 stanzas – Song sheets available]

O God, my joy, You reign above
In radiant splendor and beauty.
Your Word has drawn my heart to love
The awesome sight of Your glory.
Your blazing light and gospel grace
Shine brightly from my Savior's face.
No other wonder would I see
Than Christ enthroned in His glory!

Sustained by joy in trial and pain,
I trust Your wisdom and mercy.
Through suff'ring that Your love ordains,
More like Your Son You will make me.
For Christ embraced the cross of shame,
Beholding glorious joys to come.
O give me faith like His to see
That suff'ring lifts me to glory!

Compelled by joy, I fight the sin
That turns my gaze from Your glory.
Your Holy Spirit dwells within;
His presence arms me for vict'ry.
Let death and hell against me rise;
Through death I'll gain eternal joys.
All pow'rs of hell will bend the knee
Before my great King of Glory!

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT – Sunday School at FBC

Sunday School Overview: [Scott Baker]

Bibles to Students: [Pastor Bernie & Karen Greenberg]

Prayer: [Pastor Bernie]

TRUST THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL

Scripture: Romans 1:16

- *¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.*

Congregational Song: The Power of the Cross [Sing stanza 1, 2, chorus, 3, chorus, 4, chorus]

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood

Oh to see the pain written on Your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed
Crowning Your bloodstained brow

*This the pow'r of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross*

Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life
Finished the vict'ry cry

*This the pow'r of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross*

Oh to see my name written in the wounds
For through Your suff'ring I am free
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live
Won through Your selfless love

*This the pow'r of the cross
Son of God slain for us
What a love what a cost
We stand forgiven at the cross*

Congregational Song: There is a Fountain [Sing stanzas 1,2,3]

There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains
Lose all their guilty stains
Lose all their guilty stains
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day
And there may I though vile as he
Wash all my sins away
Wash all my sins away
Wash all my sins away
And there may I though vile as he
Wash all my sins away

Dear dying Lamb Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its pow'r
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved to sin no more
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Be saved to sin no more

***Children 3-K5 dismissed to back**

Message: Philippians 1:12-18b [Pastor Steve]

¹² I want you to know, brothers,^[e] that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, ¹³ so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard^[f] and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. ¹⁴ And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word^[g] without fear.

¹⁵ Some indeed preach Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from good will. ¹⁶ The latter do it out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. ¹⁷ The former proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but thinking to afflict me

in my imprisonment. ¹⁸ What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is proclaimed, and in that I rejoice.

Congregational Song of Response: There is a Fountain [Sing stanzas 4,5]

E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die
And shall be till I die
And shall be till I die
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die

When this poor lisping stamm'ring tongue
Lies silent in the grave
Then in a nobler sweeter song
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save
Then in a nobler sweeter song
I'll sing Thy pow'r to save

Announcements: [Pastor Bernie]

- Today, various Sunday School fellowships are happening.
- SFCS School retreat taking place this week
- Next Sunday, September 17th – Deacon Care Groups
- September 24th, Prayer Emphasis that evening
- September 23rd – Camp Chetek Fall Festival – K-6th Grade