

# Worship Guide

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August 16, 2026



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# The Worship Gathering

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Pastor Ryan Hess

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“How Firm A Foundation”

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Pastor Lewis Richerson

# GOD HAS REVEALED HIS STANDARDS THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture Reading: Psalm 119:9–11 (ESV)

## How Firm a Foundation

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
 2. "Fear not! I am with thee; O be not dis - mayed,  
 3. "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
 4. "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose

Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!  
 For I am thy God, and still give thee aid;  
 My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;  
 I will not, I will not de - sert to his foes;

What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 The flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
 That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 Up - held by My right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 Thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.  
 I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er for - sake!"

Song Ending

Words: John Rippon's Selection of Hymns

Music: Joseph Funk's *Genuine Church Music*; Last stanza setting by Dave Williamson

# SCRIPTURE CALLS US TO SUBMIT OUR LIVES TO HIS STANDARDS

Scripture Reading: 1 John 2:3-6 (ESV)

## Higher Ground

1. I'm press - ing on the up - ward way, New heights I'm  
 2. My heart has to no de - sire to stay Where doubts a -  
 3. I want to live a - bove the world, Though Sa - tan's  
 4. I want to scale the ut - most height And catch a

gain - ing ev - 'ry day; Still pray - ing as I on - ward bound,  
 rise and fears dis - may; Though some may dwell where these a - bound,  
 darts at me are hurled; For faith has caught the joy - ful sound,  
 gleam of glo - ry bright; But still I'll pray till heav'n I've found,

"Lord, plant my feet on high - er ground."  
 My prayer, my aim is high - er ground.  
 The song of saints on high - er ground. Lord, lift me  
 "Lord, lead me on to high - er ground."

up. and let me stand, By faith, on heav - en's ta - ble - land, A high - er

plane than I have found; Lord, plant my feet on high - er ground.

WORDS: Johnson Oatman, Jr., 1856-1922  
 MUSIC: Charles H. Gabriel, 1856-1932

HIGHER GROUND  
 8.8.8.8.(L.M.) with Refrain

## **Lead Us To Repentance**

**Lord, where can we hide? There's nothing hidden from Your sight  
You know every heart, You've seen the depths of who we are  
But when our shame says "run," Your mercy calls us home**

**Lead us to repentance, make us know Your presence  
Even when we fall, You are never far  
Draw us with your kindness, with You there's forgiveness  
Condemnation's gone, all the work is done, lead us to repentance**

**There's no greater love, our Savior bled and died for us  
Guilty ones are dressed in Jesus' perfect righteousness  
So when we go astray, Lord, give us grace to pray**

**Lead us to repentance, make us know Your presence  
Even when we fall, You are never far  
Draw us with your kindness, with You there's forgiveness  
Condemnation's gone, all the work is done, lead us to repentance**

**Father, Your lovingkindness never has failed to find us  
You have been patient with us, You always will be  
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# GOD IS FAITHFUL TO HIS COVENANT PROMISES

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 7:9 (ESV)

## The Lord Is My Salvation



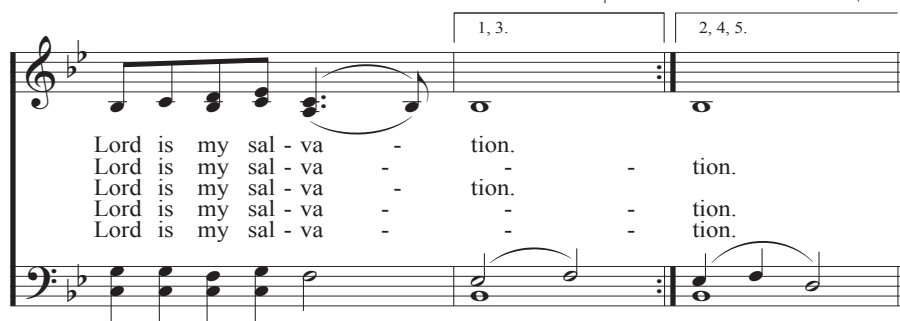
1. The grace of God has reached for — me,  
 2. I will not fear when dark - ness falls.  
 3. My hope is hid - den in the — Lord.  
 4. In times of wait - ing, times of — need,  
 5. And when I reach my fi - nal — day,



and pulled me from the rag - ing sea,  
 His strength will help me scale these walls.  
 He flow'rs each prom - ise of His Word.  
 when I know lost, when I am weak,  
 He will not leave me in the grave,



and I am safe on this sol - id ground. The  
 I'll see the dawn of the ris - ing sun. The  
 When win - ter fades, I know spring will come. The  
 I know His grace will re - new these days. The  
 but I will rise. He will call me home. The



Lord is my sal - va - tion.  
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 Lord is my sal - va - tion.

Words and Music by Kieth & Kristyn Getty, Nathan Nockels, & Jonas Myrin

*Refrain*

Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My

debt is paid and the vic-t'ry won. The Lord is my sal - va - tion.

*Bridge*

Glo-ry be to God, the Fa - ther. Glo-ry

be to God, the Son. — Glo-ry be to God, the Spi -

- rit. — The Lord is our sal - va - tion. —

### Children's Church

At this time, children ages Pre-K through 1st Grade are welcome to transition to the Assembly Room located in the Education Building. Parents are asked to pick up their children as soon as the worship gathering is dismissed.

# **GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD**

Amos 4:12

Dr. Archie England



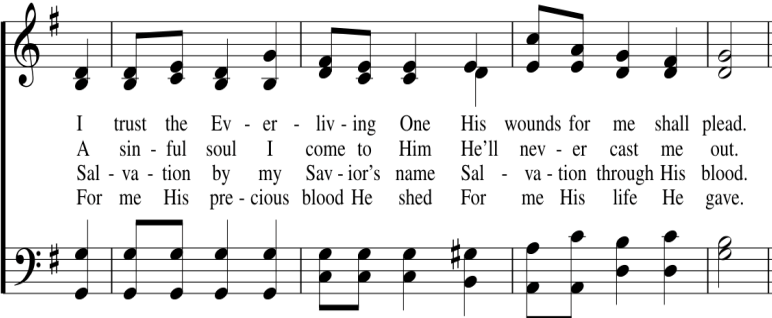


# RESPONDING TO THE WORD OF GOD

## My Faith Has Found A Resting Place



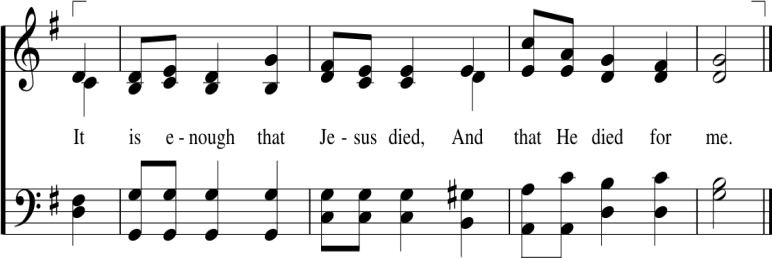
1. My faith has found a rest - ing place Not in de - vice or creed;  
2. E - nough for me that Je - sus saves This ends my fear and doubt;  
3. My heart is lean - ing on the Word The writ - ten Word of God:  
4. My great Phy - si - cian heals the sick The lost He came to save;



I trust the Ev - er - liv - ing One His wounds for me shall plead.  
A sin - ful soul I come to Him He'll nev - er cast me out.  
Sal - va - tion by my Sav - ior's name Sal - va - tion through His blood.  
For me His pre - cious blood He shed For me His life He gave.



I need no oth - er ar - gu - ment, I need no oth - er plea;



It is e - nough that Je - sus died, And that He died for me.

Words: Lidie H. Edmunds

Music: Andre Gretty; arr. William J. Kirkpatrick

# Pastoral Prayer

## Pastoral Prayer

Today we will pray for the country of **Argentina**.

Population: **45,851,000**

**9.1%** Evangelical

**1%** Unevangelized

Buenos Aires is one of the world's largest urban areas, and the gospel does not reach many who live there. The cultured upper class are harder to reach. The Jewish community (one of the world's largest) has few believers. Some churches started work among the 500,000 slum dwellers, homeless, and street kids, but more work is needed. Chinese, Korean, Japanese, and Vietnamese communities continue to grow with only one agency reaching out to them. Pray for the many Christians present in Buenos Aires to gain a passion for sharing the gospel across social, economic, and cultural boundaries.

## WBC Homebound Member of the Week

We will pray for our own **Eddie Olinde**.

(Old Jefferson Community Care Center, Room #201

8340 Barringer Foreman Road

Baton Rouge, LA 70817)

Cell: (225) 324-2963

## Local Church

We will also pray for **Zoar Baptist Church**, and their pastor,

**Clint Newsom**.

(11848 Hooper Rd.

Baton Rouge, LA 70818)

## Government Leaders

Additionally, we will pray for the Secretary of Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs,

**Charlton Meginley**

(602 North Fifth Street

Baton Rouge, LA 70802)

## Woodlawn Baptist Church

For matters related to our own local body, see weekly prayer guide distributed via email during the week.

## 1 Timothy 2:1-2 (ESV)

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

# Offering

“It is more blessed to give than to receive” (Acts 20:35). One of the greatest joys for Christians is being able to give cheerfully, generously, and sacrificially. There is tremendous satisfaction that comes from seeing the fruits of our labor multiplied many times over in the lives of others. Money is a powerful thing, and when we use it well, it has potential to do incredible good. We hope that we're able to excel in the grace of giving.

## January–April 2026 Budget Giving

|               |              |
|---------------|--------------|
| Received..... | \$357,209.97 |
| Expenses..... | \$320,362.91 |

## Building on Faith Giving

|                                       |             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Collected in January–March..... | \$13,355.23 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|

## Attendance

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| August 9, 2026..... | 335 people |
|---------------------|------------|

## Online Giving:



## GOD SENDS US TO SERVE

### Combined Sunday School

**Today at 9:00am in the Sanctuary.** Introduction to Amos by Dr. Archie England.

### Members' Meeting and Fellowship Meal

We will have our fellowship meal today, immediately following the service in the FLC followed by our members' meeting in the sanctuary. Please bring enough food to feed your family plus one.

### Back To School Parents' Night Out

Parent's Night Out will be on **August 21 from 6:00pm to 9:00pm** in the FLC/Ed Building/Pool. Pizza is \$5 per child. Today is the last day to sign up through the Church Center app.

### Awana Leader Luncheon and Training

The training will be on **Sunday, August 23, at 12:00pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be provided. **Listeners needed!** If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please contact the Kieffers or Baileys.

### WBC Family Pool Party

Join us **Sunday, August 23, at 5:00pm**, at the Southern Oaks Athletic Club on Shenandoah Avenue. **The entry fee is \$5 per person and covers admission and dinner. Pizza will be served at the church from 5:00-5:30, and swimming will take place at SOAC from 5:30-8:30.** Concessions will be available for purchase. Today is the last day to sign up through the Church Center app.



### Pre-teen & Parents Retreat

Fifth & Sixth Graders & their parents are invited to this retreat on **August 28-29 in the FLC.** This is Milestone #3 in our Family Ministry Legacy Path. Please see Lyn to register.

### Wednesday Night Fellowship Meals Resume

**August 26, at 5:30pm** in the Fellowship Hall. The price per meal is **\$4.00 for children under 10, \$6.00 for adults and \$7.00 for to go plates.** Payment forms are cash, credit or tap to pay.

**Awana Kick Off and Registration Night**  
**August 26 at 6:15pm in the FLC.**

**CPR Training**

**August 29 at 8:30am in the Assembly Room.** The cost is \$75.00 per person. Please sign up in the church center app. For details please contact Terri Davis.

**Ladies Sweet Tea and the SEC**

**Ladies of WBC, make plans to join us on August 30 at 5:00pm in the FLC!** Come enjoy an evening of fellowship, ministry connections, tailgate favorites, and sweet tea as we grow together in faith and friendship. Register through the Church Center app, and contact Erica or Lyn if you have any questions.

**Kids Beach Club Leader Meeting**

**August 30 at 12:00pm in the Assembly Room.** If anyone is interested in serving in this ministry, please see Lyn Bailey or Elizabeth Butler.

**Neighborhood Challenge Night**  
**September 11 and 12**

**Preschool, Children, and Student Choirs Kick-off – Sept. 13**

Preschool, Children, and Student Choirs take place on **Sundays**, at **5pm**.

**Preschool Choir– Age 3 (by 9/30/2025) – Kindergarten**

**Children's Choir– Grades 1st – 6th**

**Student Choir– Grades 7th – 12th**

**Adult Choir– 7:00pm on Wednesday evenings in the choir suite**

**Life Groups – Sept. 13 at 5:00pm**

Scan the QR code to sign up to participate in a Life



## **Upcoming Fall Dates and Kickoffs: October – December**

Youth Fall Bonfire – Oct. 28

Operation Christmas Child – Oct. 25 - Nov 15

Harvest Meal and Lord's Supper – Nov. 22

Senior Adult Luncheon – Dec. 7

Christmas Family Night of Worship / Jones Creek Parade – Dec. 13

Christmas Eve Service – Dec. 24

## **Benediction**

**Scripture Reading: Romans 6:17–18**

### **Prospective Members to be Considered at the Upcoming Members' Meeting:**

Gloria Griffin  
Carol Hughes  
Terry Bozeman  
Micah Corrick

Cell: (225) 405–7913  
Cell: (225) 603–1612  
Cell: (225) 270–6636  
Cell: (817) 253–0854

By Baptism:  
Larry Bellan  
Olivia Wilkins

Cell: (225) 921–7263  
Cell: (225) 485–1688

# WEEKLY SCHEDULE

## Sunday, August 16

|         |                                  |                |
|---------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| 9:00am  | Combined Sunday School           | Sanctuary      |
| 10:15am | The Worship Gathering            | Sanctuary      |
| 12:00pm | Fellowship Meal/Members' Meeting | FLC/Sanctuary  |
| 6:00pm  | College Fellowship               | Court to Table |

## Monday, August 17

## Tuesday, August 18

## Wednesday, August 19

|        |                                      |                    |
|--------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 6:00am | Men's Bible Study                    | Frank's Restaurant |
| 6:00pm | Kids on Mission                      | FLC                |
| 6:15pm | Converge/Student Ministry/Evangelism | FLC                |
| 7:00pm | Adult Choir Practice                 | Choir Suite        |

## Thursday, August 20

## Friday, August 21

|        |                                   |                   |
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| 6:00pm | Back To School Parent's Night Out | FLC/Ed Bldg./Pool |
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## Saturday, August 22

## Sunday, August 23

|         |                                    |           |
|---------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| 9:00am  | Sunday School                      | Sanctuary |
| 10:15am | The Worship Gathering              | Sanctuary |
| 12:00pm | Awana Leader Luncheon and Training | FLC       |
| 5:00pm  | SOAC Family Pool Party             | FLC/SOAC  |

## Woodlawn Hymnal Playlist

We have created a playlist filled with songs we sing here at Woodlawn that is now available to you through Apple Music and Spotify.



Apple Music



Spotify

## Staff

Lewis Richerson, PhD — Lead Pastor  
Lewis@wbcbr.org

Ryan Hess — Pastor, Music & Administration  
Ryan@wbcbr.org

Lyn Bailey — Children's Minister  
Lyn@wbcbr.org

Leslie Talley — Hospitality & Facilities Coordinator  
Service@wbcbr.org

Alison Alsept — Ministry Assistant  
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Angel Raborn — Financial Assistant  
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Terri Davis — Preschool Director

### Church Office Information

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Email: Info@wbcbr.org

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