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*"Let us praise and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high; Here they trusted Him before us, Now their praises fill the sky: 'You have washed us with your blood; You are worthy, Lamb of God!'"*

- John Newton

*"Let us Love and Sing and Wonder" (1774)*

## Happenings/Announcements!

*A smattering of things to keep you in the Loop...*

**Family Service NEXT Week: Sunday, Oct. 31**—Please note that next week our usual children’s ministries will be suspended in favor of an “all together” service in the main sanctuary! There will be a special a kids moments from Pastor Josh, and we’ll seek to be mindful of our littles throughout the whole service, knowing that it will likely be “extra wiggly” as always!



**Small Groups & Bible Studies**—Looking for a place to connect throughout the week? See our newly updated “*Small Group Half-Sheet*” on the back table! Ask Pastor Bryan or Josh if you want more info on places to connect.

**Connect to our “ListServ”**—If you’re not currently subscribed to our church’s community email group, simply use the QR code to the right to sign-up! This ListServ email group acts like a community bulletin board for offering, selling, seeking and sharing things. See more details by scanning the code!



**Serving at Church**—We’re really looking to bolster our volunteer groups for the Tech Team (sound, music, powerpoint, livestream) and Pre-Church Prayer. Let us know if you want more info or are ready to dive in by scanning the code.

**CareNet Banquet: November 19th**—The CareNet Banquet returns this year and will be hosted at the Paradise CMA at 6:00pm. Our church will be sponsoring a table this year and would love to have you join us.



**Run for Food: Nov. 25th**—Plan now to participate in the 16th annual Run for food in Chico, benefitting the Jesus Center! Register and get more details here: <http://www.runforfood.com>

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# Scriptures & Readings

For October 24, 2021

## Call to Worship - Matthew 16:13-17 & Psalm 96:1+3

**Leader:** “Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, ‘Who do people say that the Son of Man is?’ And they said, ‘Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ Simon Peter replied, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’ 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.’”

**People:** “**Oh sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth!  
... Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous works among all the peoples!”**



## Missions Moment - Prayer for Pastors

“I appeal to you, brothers, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to strive together with me in your prayers to God on my behalf, that I may be delivered from the unbelievers in Judea, and that my service for Jerusalem may be acceptable to the saints, so that by God’s will I may come to you with joy and be refreshed in your company. May the God of peace be with you all.”

Romans 15:30-32

“Finally brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith.”

2 Thessalonians. 3:1-2

## Confession of Faith - Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A #1

**Q:** What is your only comfort in life and death?

**A:** **My only comfort in life and death is that I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him—Christ—by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.**



## Preaching of God’s Word - Romans 4:1-12

Sermon Title: “Father Abraham Has Many Sons”

Pastor Josh Lee

<sup>1</sup>What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness.” <sup>4</sup>Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. <sup>5</sup>And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, <sup>6</sup>just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works: <sup>7</sup>“Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; <sup>8</sup>blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin.” <sup>9</sup>Is this blessing then only for the circumcised, or also for the uncircumcised? For we say that faith was counted to Abraham as righteousness. <sup>10</sup>How then was it counted to him? Was it before or after he had been circumcised? It was not after, but before he was circumcised. <sup>11</sup>He received the sign of circumcision as a seal of the righteousness that he had by faith while he was still uncircumcised. The purpose was to make him the father of all who believe without being circumcised, so that righteousness would be counted to them as well, <sup>12</sup>and to make him the father of the circumcised who are not merely circumcised but who also walk in the footsteps of the faith that our father Abraham had before he was circumcised.

## Benediction - Numbers 6:24-26

“The LORD bless you and keep you; ... and give you peace.”

## I Love You Lord

I love You Lord  
And I lift my voice  
To worship You  
O my soul rejoice  
Take joy my King  
In what You hear  
May it be a sweet sweet sound  
In Your ear

CCLI Song # 25266  
Laurie Klein  
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## Lord I Need You

Lord I come I confess  
Bowing here I find my rest  
And without You I fall apart  
You're the one that guides my heart

Lord I need You oh I need You  
Ev'ry hour I need You  
My one defense my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more  
Where grace is found is where You are  
And where You are Lord I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me  
Where You are Lord I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me

So teach my song to rise to You  
When temptation comes my way  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus You're my hope and stay  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus You're my hope and stay

Lord I need You oh I need You  
Ev'ry hour I need You  
My one defense my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You  
My one defense my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You

CCLI Song # 5925687

Christy Nockels | Daniel Carson | Jesse Reeves | Kristian Stanfill | Matt  
Maher

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## Jesus What A Savior

Jesus what a Savior  
What a brother what a friend  
Lifter of the lowly  
God You meet me where I am

Your heart it knows no borders  
Knows no walls  
You're constantly moving towards me  
With open arms

I've never known a love like Yours  
I've never known a love like Yours (no)  
I've never known a love like Yours  
I've never known a love like Yours

Hallelujah hallelujah  
What a beautiful way You've shown us  
Hallelujah hallelujah  
What a wonderful Savior

CCLI Song # 7089112  
Kirby Kaple  
Kaple Music (Admin. by Bethel Music Publishing)  
Bethel Music Publishing

## Lean Back

You will never leave  
Your love sustaining me  
Before I even knew what love was  
You've brought me here to rest  
And given me space to breathe  
So I'll stay still until it sinks in

(I will) lean back in the loving arms  
Of a beautiful Father  
Breathe deep and know that He is good  
He's a love like no other

Now I can see Your love is better  
Than all the others that I've seen  
I'm breathing deep all of Your goodness  
Your loving-kindness to me

CCLI Song # 7104907  
Amanda Cook | Chris McClarney | Nate Moore | Tony Brown  
Bethel Worship Publishing (Admin. by Bethel Music Publishing)

## Blessed Assurance (All My Attempts To Be Satisfied)

All my attempts to be satisfied  
Were vain and empty  
Until the moment You rescued me  
And Your love filled me

My soul sings now my soul sings

What blessed assurance  
I've found in You I've found in You  
I won't be shaken I will not be moved  
How steadfast Your strong hand  
Is keeping me is keeping me  
I won't be shaken I will not be moved  
(O blessed assurance)

No other love that I've ever known  
Compares to You God  
No other love that I've ever found  
Has done what You've done

Ever my anchor ever my strength  
Ever my portion and all I need  
Ever my healing ever my hope  
Ever the truth that leads me home  
That leads me home

CCLI Song # 7073328

Jaywan Maxwell | Michael Farren | Nathan Singh | Rhyan Shirley  
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