"Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him.

By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments.

For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments.

And His commandments are not burdensome."

I John 5: 1-3



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Our Weekly Services

Sunday School	9:30	am
Sunday Morning Worship	.11:00	am
Sunday Evening Worship	5:30	pm
Wednesday Prayer Meeting	7:15	pm

We warmly welcome our visitors today and ask that you sign our Guest Register located in the foyer.

We hope to greet you in a more personal way following the services.

The Lord's Day March 1, 2009

Call to Worship Opening Hymn Pastor Stu Johnston
"How Firm a Foundation"

- 1. How~ firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is~ laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He hath said, you~ unto~ Jesus for refuge have fled?
- 2. "Fear~ not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed; I,~ I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, up~held by My righteous, omnipotent hand.
 - 3. "When~ through the deep waters I call thee to go, the~ rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; For I will be with thee thy troubles to bless, and~ sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.
- 4. "When~ through fiery tri-als thy pathway shall lie, My~ grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply; The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy~ dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.
- 5. "E'en~ down to old age all my people shall prove My~ sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love; And when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, like~ lambs they shall still in my bosom be born.
 - 6. "The~ soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose, I ~will not, I will not desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll~ never, no, never, no never forsake." Amen

 Text. from Rippon's Selection, 1787; alt. Tune: Traditional American Melody, J. Funk's A Compilation of Genuine Church Music, 1832

Scripture Reading

I John 5

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn

553 "Thou Art My Hiding Place"

Hymn of Preparation

"Whate'er My God Ordains"

- Whate'er my God ordains is right: Holy His will abi~deth;
 I will be still whate'er he doth, and follow where He gui~deth:
 He is my God; though dark my road, He holds me that I shall not fall:
 Wherefore to Him I leave it all, I~leave it all.
- 2. Whate'er my God ordains is right: He never will deceive~ me; He leads me by the proper path; I know He will not leave~ me: I take, content, what He hath sent; His hand can turn my griefs away, And patiently I wait His day, I~ wait His day.
- 3. Whate'er my God ordains is right: Though now this cup, in drink~ing, May bitter seem to my faint heart, I take it, all unshrink~ing: My God is true; each morn anew sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart, And pain and sorrow shall depart, shall~ depart.
 - 4. Whate'er my God ordains is right: Here shall my stand be ta~ken; Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, yet am I not forsa~ken; My Father's care is round me there; He holds me that I shall not fall: And so to Him I leave it all, I~ leave it all. Amen

Sermon

Pastor Gary Hendrix

Evening Worship

Call to Worship Opening Hymn

Scripture Reading

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory/Preparatory Hymns

Pastor Stu Johnston

82 "Unto the Hills"
(Psalm 121)

Zechariah 2

There is No Night in Heav'n"/
"There is a Higher Throne"

(seated)

- 1. There is no night in heav'n; in that blest world above Work never can bring weariness, for work itself is love.
- 2. There is no grief in heav'n; for life is one glad day; And tears are of those former things which all have passed away.
 - 3. There is no sin in heav'n; behold that blessed throng-All holy is their spotless robe, all holy is their song!
 - 4. There is no death in heav'n; for they who gain that shore Have won their immortality, and they can die no more!
- 5. Lord Jesus, be our Guide; O lead us safely on,
 Till night and grief and sin and death are past, and heav'n is won!

 (piano introduction, please stand)
 - 1. There is a Higher Throne, than all this world has known, Where faithful ones from ev'ry tongue, will one day come. Before the Son we'll stand, made faultless thro' the Lamb; Believing hearts find promised grace; salvation comes. Hear heaven's voices sing; their thund'rous anthem rings Thro' emerald courts and sapphire skies; their praises rise. All glory, wisdom, pow'r, strength, thanks, and honor Are to God, our King, Who reigns on high, forevermore!
 - 2. And there we'll find our home; our life before the Throne. We'll honor Him in perfect song where we belong. He'll wipe each tearstained eye as thirst and hunger die. The Lamb becomes our Shepherd King, we'll reign with Him. Hear heaven's voices sing; their thund'rous anthem rings Thro' emerald courts and sapphire skies; their praises rise. All glory, wisdom, pow'r, strength, thanks, and honor Are to God, our King, Who reigns on high, forevermore!

There is No Night in Heav'n, Text: Francis M. Knollils, 1859, alt. Tune: Robert Jackson, 1894

There is a Highter Throne, Text and Music: Keith and Kristyn Getty

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Sermon

Pastor Andy Dunkerton

GRBC Calendar Announcements

We kindly request that you turn off all cell phones, pagers and watch alarms before the services. Please make use of our well-staffed nursery for children who may become fretful or talkative.

Today

<u>Morning Prayer Meeting</u> - A prayer meeting to seek God's presence for the day's services is held each Sunday morning at 9:00 in the College/Career classroom.

<u>College/Career Lunch</u> – All College/Career young adults are invited to stay for lunch today following the service.

<u>Elon "Campus Outreach" Report Tonight</u> – Michael Lopes will be giving a ministry report tonight following the evening service. All are invited to attend.

Because of this report, the Adult Chorus Rehearsal has been cancelled.

<u>MCC needs "outdoor toy" donations</u> for the children who are being supervised during the meetings. See the list on the board and the donation box is in the foyer.

<u>Church Directories</u> are available in the office for members and regular attendees. Two per family, please.

A "Couples' Dinner" is planned for Friday evening, March 27, 7:00 pm. Space is limited to 32 couples. The cost is \$32.00/couple.

Please refer to the bulletin board "sign up" by 3/15 and place your payments in the church office by 3/18. Checks are to be made to: Clara Canfield

***Childcare info is posted on a separate sheet on the bulletin board.

Please read the details re: voluntary donations***

March

Ladies' Missionary Society, 3/7, 9:00 AM

Men's Prayer Meetings, 3/3 & 3/17 (Tuesdays), 6:30 AM

Moms' Coffee Connection, 3/13, 10:00 AM

"Fellowship in Song", Friday, 3/20, 7:30 PM- An evening of special music is being planned. Music presented at the Women's Conference and Youth Conference will be presented by those who participated. Congregational and other special music is planned as well. Please come and enjoy this special time of fellowship. No formal nursery is planned but the facilities will be open for any who may need to use them.

Hawfields Service, 3/22, 3:00 PM

Youth Meetings, 3/22, following evening worship

Couples' Dinner, 3/27, 7:00 PM – Please see the bulletin board for "sign-up."

Attention: Adult Chorus! A concert is being planned for May. The March rehearsal schedule is as follows: March 8 & 15 following the evening service, March 22, 4:00, and March 29, following the evening service.

Visit the new GRBC blog: Shepherds' Pie at:

<u>http://blog.grbc.net</u> or go to: grbc.net and click the "Blog" button. You will also find a "Subscribe" option on the main blog page that will keep you informed when new entries are posted.