

PERSEVERANCE

I have one place of confidence, one place of rest and peace and hope.

I have one place of surety, where courage can be found and strength waits for the taking.

I have one place of wisdom where foolishness wanes and truth grants freedom.

Alone I am not confident, no pride in strength or knowledge or character.

I know who I am, the duplicity of my heart, the weakness of resolve, the covert disloyalty that makes me susceptible to temptation's hook.

I have one place of confidence; it isn't a theology a book a set of principles a well-researched observation a worldview,

No my peace is in You. I am confident because of this solitary thing: You are and You are good.

-- Paul David Tripp

GOD, YOU'RE SO GOOD PASSION MUSIC

Amazing love
That welcomes me
The kindness of mercy
That bought with blood, wholeheartedly
My soul undeserving

**God, You're so good
God, You're so good
God, You're so good
You're so good to me**

Behold the cross
Age to age
And hour by hour
The dead are raised, the sinner saved
The work of Your power

*I am blessed, I am called
I am healed, I am whole
I am saved in Jesus' name
Highly favored, anointed
Filled with Your power
For the glory of Jesus' name*

And should this life
Bring suffering
Lord, I will remember
What Calvary has bought for me
Both now and forever

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

FACING A TASK UNFINISHED
EAST COOPER CHOIR, ORCHESTRA AND ECAA STUDENTS

Please stand and join in singing as directed:

O Father who sustained them
O Spirit who inspired
Saviour, whose love constrained them
To toil with zeal untired
From cowardice defend us
From lethargy awake!
Forth on Thine errands send us
To labour for Thy sake

**We go to all the world
With kingdom hope unfurled
No other name has power to save
But Jesus Christ The Lord**

CONGREGATIONAL GREETINGS

THE MORNING SERMON
CONRAD "BUSTER" BROWN, PASTOR

THE RESPONSE
JESUS, WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS

Jesus! What a friend for sinners
Jesus, lover of my soul
Friends may fail me, foes assail me
He, my savior, makes me whole

**Hallelujah! What a savior!
Hallelujah! What a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving
He is with me to the end**

Jesus! I do now receive him
More than all in Him I find
He has granted me forgiveness,
I am His and He is mine

BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE

GETTING CLEAR ON EVANGELISM

JONATHAN PARNELL

We might have evangelism mixed up.

When evangelism is often discussed, it tends to focus on how churches mobilize their people to get out and connect with unbelievers. But when we think in these terms, the definition of evangelism can be mistaken as a maneuver, rather than proclamation.

To evangelize, explains pastor Jeff Vanderstelt, simply means to herald the good news of Jesus. The evangelist, or messenger, is the one who says, Jesus has come and preached good news. Jesus has given his life, died for your sins, in your place, risen from the dead to overcome all of sin and brokenness, and put death to death, and bring new life to all who put their trust in him.

This is the good news that makes a Christian "Christian".

This is the news that we can be saying to one another all the time, which means something central that we're bound to skip if we reduce evangelism to tactics. It's that evangelism requires affections. We will have a hard time proclaiming someone who doesn't impress us – but not if we're overcome with joy and captivated by glory.

This means that foundational to evangelism isn't so much our strategy for outside contact, but our seeing and savoring Jesus Christ. Evangelism, or our mission, is an extension of our joy in God. As one veteran missionary writes, Mission begins with a kind of explosion of joy. The news that the rejected and crucified Jesus is alive is something that cannot possibly be suppressed. It must be told.

Who could be silent about such a fact?

At the heart of mission is thanksgiving and praise. . . .
When it is true to its nature, it is so to the end.
Mission is an acted-out doxology.
That is its deepest secret.
Its purpose is that God may be glorified.
(Lesslie Newbigin, The Gospel in a Pluralistic Society, 116, 127)

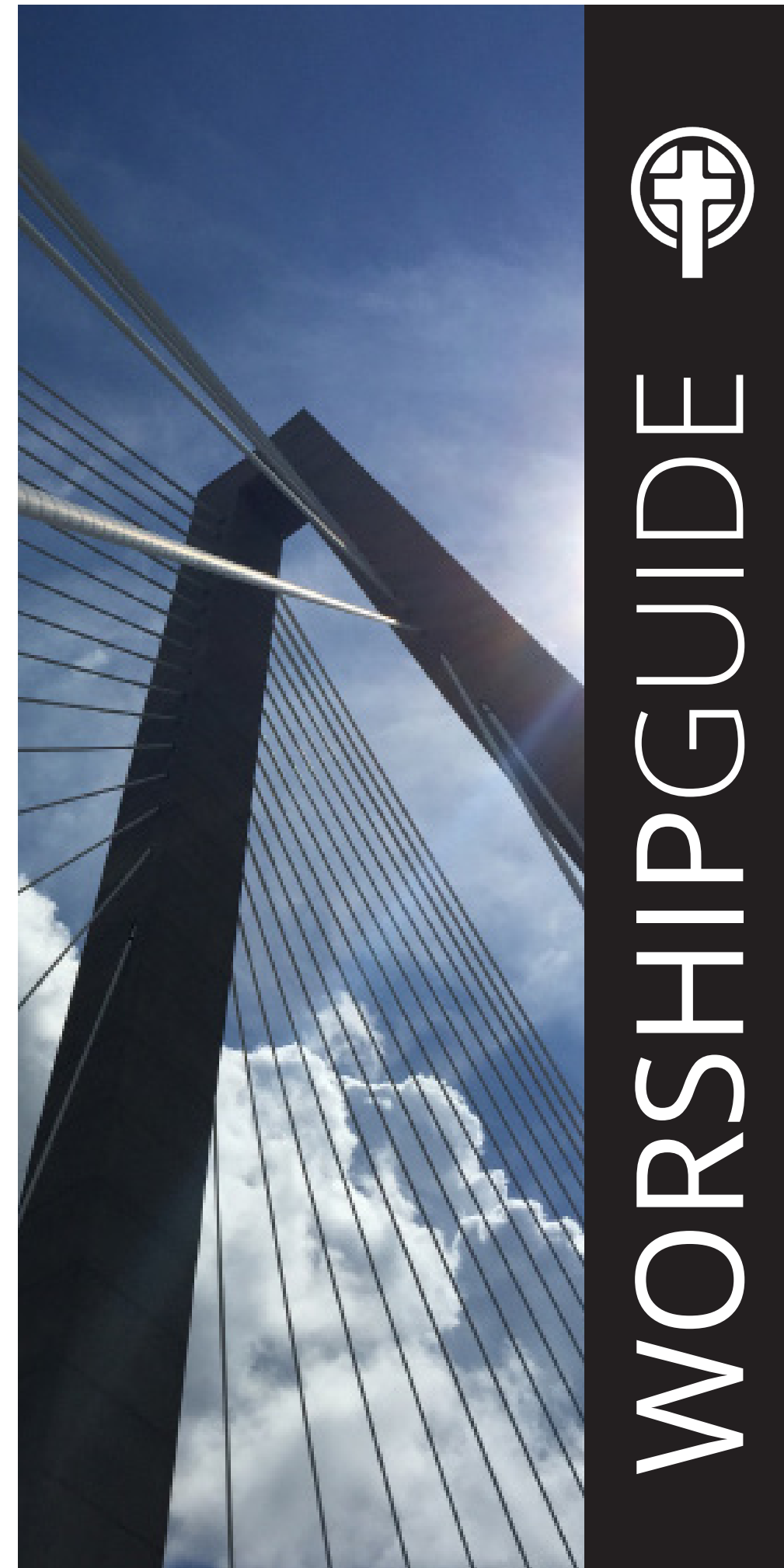
And then, with this kind of heart, we learn how to step out into the world and share this joy with those who haven't yet embraced it.

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EAST COOPER BAPTIST CHURCH

The Church in Corporate Worship NOVEMBER 3, 2019

Please use the following prayer to prepare your hearts for worship:

OUR SAVIOR, You have seen fit to call us to yourself and to your church.

Fill us with your Spirit, that we might worship you in spirit and in truth, know you in the world and in your revealed Word, and serve you and others with faithfulness for the sake of your Name and your Kingdom.

You are our Shield and our Defender, our Mighty Fortress and our God.

We acknowledge your presence with us here this day and ask you to revive our hearts, make us doers of the Word, and call forth from us the praises due your name. **AMEN.**

WELCOME EAST COOPER ARTS ACADEMY STUDENTS! We welcome some students from our East Cooper Arts Academy Home-school Choir and Band today as they join our Choir and Orchestra in leading worship.

The East Cooper Arts Academy, a ministry of the Worship Ministry of ECBC, exists to raise up a generation of musicians who are "trained and skilled in music for the LORD." (1 Chronicles 25:7)

The Arts Academy offers individual and group instruction in music and the visual arts to the church and our community. Our purpose is to advance the historic role of the church as propagator of God's gifts and of the arts, merging faith with creative development.

We gather to praise and exalt our great Savior, whose name is above every name! His is the only Name given to men whereby they might be saved!

Let us abound in loud praise this day with our voices - and our lives.

REFLECTION THOUGHTS FOR WORSHIP PREPARATION

We may say the gospel is for all the nations, but people won't buy it unless we live it. -- Daniel Oh

In the shadow of the glorious cross Compelled by grace to cast my lot I'll discard the loss and bare your name Forsaking all for your own fame Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Your hymn of grace sung over me Abounding forth in glorious streams My thirst is quenched by you my Lord Sustained am I redeemed restored Hallelujah, Hallelujah

When death's dark shadow's at my feet When I am plagued by unbelief You place my hands into your side By precious blood identified Hallelujah, Hallelujah

These crowns I've clenched with fist'd hands I cast them down before the throne Of Christ my God the worthy lamb Christ crucified, the Great I AM Hallelujah, Hallelujah -- Brooks Ritter

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

-- Romans 8: 31-39

PSALM 146 Reflection

The last five psalms (Psalm 146 - 150) form a fitting conclusion to the Psalter. Each one is a Hymn of Praise which begins and ends with the word "Hallelujah," translated "Praise the LORD!"

In this one, it appears the Cantor call upon the congregation to praise the LORD to which the individual worshipers respond with a personal offering, "Praise the LORD O my soul" (verse 1).

This psalm contrasts trust in human beings with trust in the LORD.

"Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish" (Psalm 146.3-4).

Another human is not a firm source of confidence since, like all others, he too will die and his plans not come to fruition.

On the other hand, the LORD alone is worthy of trust: He is the creator of all things (v 6) He metes out justice on earth (v 7) He supplies food to the poor and hungry (v 7) When one who has been wrongly imprisoned is set free, it is the LORD's doing (v 7).

When a blind person is made well, it is only a result of the LORD's will (v 8)

When a person has been cast down by troubles or oppression, only the LORD can make him stand erect (v 8)

This psalm is a reminder that only the LORD is a firm source of confidence in life. We are always tempted to put our trust in other people—we seek life and meaning in relationships and in employers. Though these are important to us, true life and the hope of justice can never be found in these things—we must always look to God alone for the significance and security we long for.

PRELUDE TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS ELENA CRUDGE AND KAREN AEBISCHER, DUET

MORNING WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP JESUS SHALL REIGN EAST COOPER ORCHESTRA AND ECAA STUDENTS

Please read through and meditate on PSALM 146 below as our orchestra leads us in preparation for worship.

PSALM 146
Praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD, O my soul!
I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
Put not your trust in princes,
in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.
When this breath departs, he returns to the earth;
on that very day his plans perish.
Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the LORD his God,
who made heaven and earth,
the sea, and all that is in them,
who keeps faith forever;
who executes justice for the oppressed,
who gives food to the hungry.
The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.
The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down,
the LORD loves the righteous.
The LORD watches over the sojourners;
he upholds the widow and the fatherless,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.
The LORD will reign forever,
your God, O Zion, to all generations.
Praise the LORD!

COME PRAISE AND GLORIFY SOVEREIGN GRACE MUSIC

Come praise and glorify our God
The Father of our Lord
In Christ He has in heav'nly realms
His blessings on us poured
For pure and blameless in His sight
He destined us to be
And now we've been adopted through
His Son eternally

**To the praise of Your glory
To the praise of Your mercy and grace
To the praise of Your glory
You are the God who saves**

Come praise and glorify our God
Who gives His grace in Christ
In Him our sins are washed away
Redeemed through sacrifice
In Him God has made known to us
The myst'ry of His will
That Christ should be the head of all
His purpose to fulfill

Come praise and glorify our God
For we've believed the Word
And through our faith we have a seal
The Spirit of the Lord
The Spirit guarantees our hope
Until redemption's done
Until we join in endless praise
To God, the Three in One

NEW CITY CATECHISM Q. 44 BAPTISM

LEADER (Q): As we exalt the Lord through the celebration of Baptism today, we are asked the question: *What is Baptism?*

CONGREGATION (A): Baptism is the washing with water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; it signifies and seals our adoption into Christ, our cleansing from sin, and our commitment to belong to the Lord and to his church.

BELIEVER'S BAPTISM

Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

It is an act of obedience symbolizing the believer's faith in a crucified, buried, and risen Saviour, the believer's death to sin, the burial of the old life, and the resurrection to walk in newness of life in Christ Jesus.

It is a testimony to his faith in the final resurrection of the dead.

Being a church ordinance, it is prerequisite to the privileges of church membership and to the Lord's Supper.

Matthew 3:13-17; 26:26-30; 28:19-20; Mark 1:9-11; 14:22-26; Luke 3:21-22; 22:19-20; John 3:23; Acts 2:41-42; 8:35-39; 16:30-33; 20:7; Romans 6:3-5; 1 Corinthians 10:16, 21; 11:23-29; Colossians 2:12.

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We Celebrate Today with:

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Sally Newton

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MORNING PRAYER OF PRAISE

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST SOVEREIGN GRACE MUSIC

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace

**Hallelujah! All I have is Christ
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life**

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me
O Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
O Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You

HALLELUJAH PERSEVERANCE



1. What can sep - a - rate my soul from the God who
2. Trou - ble, hard - ship, dan - ger, sword brought by those who
3. An - gels, de - mons, now or then? Wick - ed - ness dreamed
4. Vic - tors we're or - dained to be by the God who
5. We face death for God each day; what can pluck us



made me whole, wrote my name in hea - ven's scroll? —
hate my Lord? Slan - der here? Or no re - ward? —
up by men? Per - se - cu - tions come a - gain? —
set us free; what can there - fore con - quer me? —
from his way? Let God's peo - ple ev - er say, —



Noth - ing. Hal - le - lu - jah!
Noth - ing. Hal - le - lu - jah!
Noth - ing. Hal - le - lu - jah!
Noth - ing. Hal - le - lu - jah!
"Noth - ing." Hal - le - lu - jah!

