

COMMUNION

Come and receive of the feast that Jesus offers those who follow him. During this time, we remember Jesus' sacrifice and are nourished by his Body that was broken on the cross for us. In front of the stage there is an area available for kneeling and prayer. Feel free to take some time before and after receiving to pray.

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

TOWNEND

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss,
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One,
Bring many sons to glory

It was my sin that left Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

Behold the Man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice,
Call out among the scoffers

I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

Written by Stuart Townend ©1995 Thankyou Music (EMI) CCLI 1558110

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW (DOXOLOGY)

THOMAS/MAINZER

Written by Ken Thomas 1675 and Joseph Mainzer 1845 Public Domain

HAPPENING AT THE GATHERING CHURCH (www.allgather.org/calendar)

PRESENT TO GOD

CONNECTED TO EACH OTHER

ENGAGED IN THE WORLD

BAPTISM SERVICE: Tonight we'll celebrate new life in Christ for several folks in our church community at Farrington Road Baptist Church at 6pm.

Baptism is the outward, physical expression of faith in Christ. It signifies that our sins have been washed away, that we have been raised into a new life, that we have been born into the family of God, and that we live to follow Christ and to honor God.

JOURNEY GROUPS: Interested in going deeper in your relationships? Want to learn the value of being vulnerable, transparent, authentic, and unguarded? Want to strengthen your prayer life and experience Jesus through other people? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then a Journey Group may be just what you are looking for. Journey Groups are sets of 3 or 4 people that meet regularly to share what is going on in each person's life, and more importantly to come before the Lord in prayer with triumphs and tribulations alike.

Casting a vision for journey groups...
For anyone interested in casting a vision for these groups, please write your name on the sign-up sheet located at the back table. Chris Clark will contact you and will setup a meeting sometime in October to share his vision with you, as well as bring you into casting a vision for these journey groups. His email address is ciclark2@gmail.com.

SHAKORI HILLS: Jeff and friends have been invited to play some hymns at Shakori Hills Grassroots Festival on October 7th. Tickets available online at <http://shakorihillsgassroots.org/> or at the Regulator Book Store (Durham) and Fifth Season Gardening (Carrboro).

REALITY MINISTRIES TURNS 5: Come out to support one of our local partners in ministry in their annual fundraiser. On November 3rd from 6:30-8:30pm, they'll host an outdoor catered event. More details at www.realityministries.org.

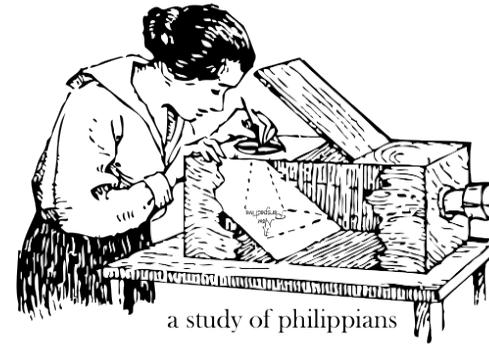
Fill out a visitor's card to be included in church communications. To have an announcement included email: happenings@allgather.org. Keep up with the Gathering Church on Twitter ([@allgather](https://twitter.com/allgather)) or www.facebook.com/allgather. Check out Music from the Gathering Church: music.allgather.org (to stream or buy) or blog.allgather.org.

the gathering church



September 30, 2012

Psalm 36 | Philippians 2:1-18



a study of philippians

A New Perspective

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

-Philippians 2:5-11

"The cross is not only the source but also the shape of our salvation. The cross reveals the love, power, wisdom, and justice of God, and it does so, paradoxically but powerfully, in weakness."

- Michael Gorman

ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
Ye ransomed from the Fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at His feet,

HOLDEN/PERRONET

And crown Him Lord of all.
Go spread your trophies at His feet,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Words by Edward Perronet (1779) Music by Oliver Holden (1793) – Public Domain

WELCOME

Welcome to the Gathering Church. We are a church that is growing in doing three things well: being present to God in worship, being connected to each other in community, and being engaged in the world by serving and sharing God's love. Thank you for gathering this morning to worship the Lord.

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
The King of creation!
O my soul, praise him,
For He is thy health and salvation!
Let all who hear, now to His temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who over all things
Is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle,
Uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen all that is needful has been
Sent by His gracious ordaining?

Words by Joachim Neander (1680) Music by Erneuerften Gesangbuch (1665) - Public Domain

NEANDER/GESANGBUCH

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper
Your work and defend you;
Surely His goodness and mercy
Shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
As with His love He befriends you.

Praise to the Lord!
Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath
Come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

GIVING AT THE GATHERING CHURCH

Four ways to give financially: (1) In the black box on the back table on Sundays, (2) online through Paypal (www.allgather.org/giving/), (3) by automating a draft through your bank, or (4) by mailing a check to PO Box 16402/Chapel Hill, NC 27516.

YOU NEVER LET GO

Even though I walk
Through the valley of the shadow of death
Your perfect love is casting out fear
And even when I'm caught
In the middle of the storms of this life
I won't turn back I know you are near

And I will fear no evil, for my God is with me
And if my God is with me, whom then shall I fear?
Whom then shall I fear?

**Oh no, You never let go
Through the calm and through the storm
Oh no, You never let go
In every high and every low
Oh no, You never let go
Lord, You never let go of me**

Written by Matt Redman ©2005 Thankyou Music CCLI# 4674166

BE THOU MY VISION

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Thy Presence my light

Be thou my wisdom and Thou my true word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

Written by Dallan Forgaill (6th Century) Translated Elanor Hull (1912) Music Traditional Irish - Public Domain

KIDS' DISMISSAL & PASSING OF THE PEACE

As the children are dismissed to participate in Gathering Kids activities, find someone you do not know, welcome them, and exchange a sign of Christ's welcome and peace. As the kids leave, please fill in the two center seating areas. There are bibles available for use on the back table if you didn't bring one.

SALVATION'S SONG

Loved before the dawn of time,
Chosen by my Maker, hidden in my Savior
I am His and He is mine, cherished for eternity.
When I'm stained with guilt and sin,
He is there to lift me, heal me and forgive me;
Gives me strength to stand again,
Stronger than I was before.

**So with every breath that I am given
I will sing Salvation's Song;
And I'll join the chorus of creation,
Giving praise to Christ alone.**

All the chains of Satan's curse
Lifted through His offering, satisfied through suffering;
All the blessings He deserves Poured on my unworthy soul.

Written by Stuart Townend and Andrew Small ©2007 Thankyou Music (BMI) CCLI# 5109630

REDMAN

And I can see a light that is coming
For the heart that holds on
A glorious light beyond all compare
And there will be an end to these troubles
But until that day comes
We'll live to know You here on the earth

PRECHORUS

CHORUS

Yes, I can see a light that is coming
For the heart that holds on
And there will be an end to these troubles
But until that day comes
Still I will praise You, still I will praise You

CHORUS

FORGAILL/HULL

Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven my treasure Thou are

High King of Heaven my victory won
May I reach Heaven's joys,
O bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of all

TOWNEND/SMALL

CHORUS

Singing glory, honor, wisdom, power
To the Lamb upon the throne.
Hallelujah, I will lift Him high.
Singing glory, honor, wisdom, power
To the Lamb upon the throne. Hallelujah I will sing
**with every breath that I am given
I will sing salvation's song;
And I'll join the chorus of creation
Giving praise to Christ alone.**

Stars will fade and mountains fall;
Christ will shine forever, Love's unfading splendor.
Earth and heaven will bow in awe,
Joining in salvation's song.