

Blessed to Bless

Welcome!

Sunday, October 24, 2021

SONGS & PRAYER

GOD'S WORD

1 Samuel 3

We Want a King!
“Samuel, Samuel”

PARTING

Song
God's Blessing

Prayer Pointer

“Let us therefore realize that the only persons who duly and properly prepare themselves to pray are those who are so moved by God’s majesty that, freed from earthly cares and affections, they come to it.”

- John Calvin, *Institutes of the Christian Religion*

We Want a King! *“Samuel, Samuel”*

1 Samuel 3

The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions.

² One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. ³ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the house of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the LORD called Samuel.

Samuel answered, “Here I am.” ⁵ And he ran to Eli and said, “Here I am; you called me.”

But Eli said, “I did not call; go back and lie down.” So he went and lay down.

⁶ Again the LORD called, “Samuel!” And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, “Here I am; you called me.”

“My son,” Eli said, “I did not call; go back and lie down.”

⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him.

⁸ A third time the LORD called, “Samuel!” And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, “Here I am; you called me.”

Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹ So Eli told Samuel, “Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.’” So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰ The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, “Samuel! Samuel!”

Then Samuel said, “Speak, for your servant is listening.”

¹¹ And the LORD said to Samuel: “See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make the ears of everyone who hears about it tingle. ¹² At that time I will carry out against Eli everything I spoke against his family—from beginning to end. ¹³ For I told him that I would judge his family forever because of the sin he knew about; his sons blasphemed God,^[a] and he failed to restrain them. ¹⁴ Therefore I swore to the house of Eli, ‘The guilt of Eli’s house will never be atoned for by sacrifice or offering.’”

¹⁵ Samuel lay down until morning and then opened the doors of the house of the LORD. He was afraid to tell Eli the vision, ¹⁶ but Eli called him and said, “Samuel, my son.”

Samuel answered, “Here I am.”

¹⁷ “What was it he said to you?” Eli asked. “Do not hide it from me. May God deal with you, be it ever so severely, if you hide from me anything he told you.” ¹⁸ So Samuel told him everything, hiding nothing from him. Then Eli said, “He is the LORD; let him do what is good in his eyes.”

¹⁹ The LORD was with Samuel as he grew up, and he let none of Samuel’s words fall to the ground. ²⁰ And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba recognized that Samuel was attested as a prophet of the LORD. ²¹ The LORD continued to appear at Shiloh, and there he revealed himself to Samuel through his word.

Outline

1. “The Word of the Lord Was Rare”
2. God Calls Again
3. “Here I am”

Serving this Sunday

Children's Message:
Deanne Grasmeyer

Children's Church Leader:
Heidi Bansberg
Children's Church Helper:
Eden Sprik

Nursery Leader:
Vicky Bansberg
Nursery Helper:
Colin Sprik

Announcements

From LBCRC Church Council:

After much prayer and discussion, your council has decided that it is best for the life of the church to make some important changes to our worship service and ministries. As winter approaches, we will move our Sunday worship service indoors, effective Sunday, November 7.

There will be two worship services in the sanctuary each Sunday at 8:30 and 10:40 a.m. Sunday school will run from 9:45-10:30 a.m.

Face coverings for all ministries will be optional.

These decisions were difficult to make and for some will be difficult to adjust to. Pray with us for unity and patience in the midst of change.



Join us in **Showering Baby Hudson McLurg, with Love** on November 7, in between the services at 9:30 a.m. We will have a "pop-in" baby shower to welcome Hudson to our church family on the lawn. Please stop by and share some love and well wishes. Morgan is registered at Babylist (<https://www.babylist.com/baby-morgan-mclurg>).

The **Bible Reading** for October 9 – December 2 is available. See the [attachment](#).

Sunday, October 31, the deacons will be collecting household items for NLB. See the [attached](#) for some of those needs.

NLB Work Days:

New Life Beginnings needs help with some building improvements in a couple of bedrooms and bathrooms.

We would like to send a team on **Saturday, November 13 @ 9:00 a.m.** to do some preparations (patching small holes, taping, putting up plastic, etc). A second team will be painting on **Saturday, November 20 @ 9:00 a.m.** To sign-up, check the board, [Sign-Up Genius](#) or contact Nicole Cecil.

Calendar

October 24 – Anchor

October 24 – Lightshine Rehearsal @ Bell One

October 26 – Prayer Team Meets

October 27 – Cadets

October 31 – Anchor

October 31 – Lightshine Rehearsal @ Bell One

November 3 – GEMS

November 6 – Cadet Outing

November 6 – Date Night

November 7 – Daylight Saving Time,

Set clocks back 1 hour

Saturday Night.

November 7 - Baby Shower for Hudson McLurg

November 7 – Anchor

November 7 – Lightshine Rehearsal @ Bell One

November 7 – **Beginning Date of 2 services:**

8:30 a.m. and 10:40 a.m.

November 9 – Prayer Team Meets

November 9 – Council Meeting

November 10 – Cadets

November 14 – Anchor

November 14 – Lightshine Rehearsal @ Bell One

November 16 – Elders' Meeting

November 17 – GEMS

November 17 – Deacons' Meeting

November 21 – 2nd Offering for
World Hunger
November 21 – Anchor
November 21 – Lightshine Rehearsal
@ Bell One
November 25 – Thanksgiving Day
Service, Offering for
Long Beach Rescue Mission
November 28 – Lightshine Rehearsal
@ Bell One

To access *Upcoming Events* and the
church calendar go to our Website at
LBCRC.org. Or click here to
[download our app.](#)

Worship Songs

The Way (New Horizon)

Pat Barrett

Through every battle,
through every heartbreak
Through every circumstance,
I believe that
You are my fortress,
oh You are my portion
You are my hiding place,
oh I believe You are

The Way, the Truth, the Life,
I believe You are
The Way, the Truth, the Life, I believe

Through every blessing,
through every promise
Through every breath I take,
I believe that
You are provider,
oh You are protector
You are the One I love,
oh I believe You are

The Way, the Truth, the Life,
I believe You are
The Way, the Truth, the Life,
I believe You are

It's a new horizon, and I'm set on You
And You meet me here today,
with mercies that are new
All my fears and doubts,
they can all come too
Because they can't stay long, when
I'm here with You

It's a new horizon, and I'm set on You
And You meet me here today,

with mercies that are new
All my fears and doubts,
they can all come too
Because they can't stay long,
when I believe You are

The Way, the Truth, the Life,
I believe You are
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I believe You are

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I believe You are

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Daniel Bashta / Pat Barrett.

Not Afraid

Jesus Culture/Kim Walker-Smith

I have this confidence
because I've seen
the faithfulness of God
The still inside the storm,
the promise of the shore
I trust the power of Your Word
enough to seek Your Kingdom first
Beyond the barren place,
beyond the ocean waves

When I walk through the waters
I won't be overcome
When I go through the rivers
I will not be drowned
My God will make a way
so I am not afraid

You keep the promises You make,
there isn't one that is delayed

So I will not lose heart
here I will lift my arms
And start to sing into the night,

my praise will call the sun to rise
Declare the battle won,
declare that it is done

When I walk through the waters
I won't be overcome
When I go through the rivers
I will not be drowned
My God will make a way
so I am not afraid
When I am in the fire
I will not feel the flame
I'll stand before the giant,
declaring victory

My God will make a way
so I am not afraid

Before me, behind me,
always beside me
No shadow, no valley
where You won't find me
No I am not afraid

Before me, behind me,
always beside me
No shadow, no valley
where You won't find me
No I am not afraid
I am not afraid

When I walk through the waters
I won't be overcome
When I go through the rivers
I will not be drowned
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Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1872; Tune: Robert A. Schumann, 1839

Lord, speak to me that I may speak
In living echoes of Thy tone;
As You have sought, so let me seek
Your erring children lost and lone.

O lead me, Lord, that I may lead
The wandering
and the wavering feet.

O feed me, Lord, that I may feed
Your hungry ones with manna sweet.

Lord, speak to me – that I may speak
O lead me, Lord –, that I may lead

O teach me, Lord –, that I may teach
Your holy word
Until Your blessed face I see,
Lord speak to me

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
The precious truths
which You impart;
And wing my words,
that they may reach
The hidden depths of many a heart.

O use me, Lord, use even me,
Just as You will,
and when, and where,
Until Your blessed face I see,
Your rest, Your joy, Your glory share.

Lord, speak to me – that I may speak
O lead me, Lord –
that I may lead
O teach me, Lord –
that I may teach Your holy word
Until Your blessed face I see,
Lord speak to me
Until Your blessed face I see,
Lord speak to me