



SOUTH CLT PRES CHURCH

Sunday, May 24, 2026

Worship Service

Welcome & Call to Worship

Pastor Josh Creason

Psalm 13

LEADER: How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart all the day? How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?

PEOPLE: Consider and answer me, O LORD my God; light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death, lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him," lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.

LEADER: But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

ALL: I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

Worship in Song

TRUST AND OBEY

WHEN WE WALK WITH THE LORD IN THE LIGHT OF HIS WORD
WHAT A GLORY HE SHEDS ON OUR WAY
WHILE WE DO HIS GOOD WILL HE ABIDES WITH US STILL
AND WITH ALL WHO WILL TRUST AND OBEY

TRUST AND OBEY FOR THERE'S NO OTHER WAY
TO BE HAPPY IN JESUS BUT TO TRUST AND OBEY

NOT A SHADOW CAN RISE NOT A CLOUD IN THE SKIES
BUT HIS SMILE QUICKLY DRIVES IT AWAY

NOT A DOUBT NOR A FEAR NOT A SIGH NOR A TEAR
CAN ABIDE WHILE WE TRUST AND OBEY

NOT A BURDEN WE BEAR NOT A SORROW WE SHARE
BUT OUR TOIL HE DOTHS RICHLY REPAY
NOT A GRIEF NOR A LOSS NOT A FROWN NOR A CROSS
BUT IS BLESSED IF WE TRUST AND OBEY

BUT WE NEVER CAN PROVE THE DELIGHTS OF HIS LOVE
UNTIL ALL ON THE ALTAR WE LAY
FOR THE FAVOR HE SHOWS AND THE JOY HE BESTOWS
ARE FOR THOSE WHO WILL TRUST AND OBEY

THEN IN FELLOWSHIP SWEET WE WILL SIT AT HIS FEET
OR WE'LL WALK BY HIS SIDE IN THE WAY
WHAT HE SAYS WE WILL DO WHERE HE SENDS WE WILL GO
NEVER FEAR ONLY TRUST AND OBEY

BUILD MY LIFE

WORTHY OF EV'RY SONG WE COULD EVER SING
WORTHY OF ALL THE PRAISE WE COULD EVER BRING
WORTHY OF EV'RY BREATH WE COULD EVER BREATHE
WE LIVE FOR YOU

JESUS THE NAME ABOVE EV'RY OTHER NAME
JESUS THE ONLY ONE WHO COULD EVER SAVE
WORTHY OF EV'RY BREATH WE COULD EVER BREATHE
WE LIVE FOR YOU
WE LIVE FOR YOU

HOLY THERE IS NO ONE LIKE YOU
THERE IS NONE BESIDE YOU
OPEN UP MY EYES IN WONDER AND SHOW ME WHO YOU ARE
AND FILL ME WITH YOUR HEART
AND LEAD ME IN YOUR LOVE TO THOSE AROUND ME

I WILL BUILD MY LIFE UPON YOUR LOVE
IT IS A FIRM FOUNDATION
I WILL PUT MY TRUST IN YOU ALONE
AND I WILL NOT BE SHAKEN

TRUST IN GOD

BLESSED ASSURANCE, JESUS IS MINE
HE'S BEEN MY FOURTH MAN IN THE FIRE, TIME AFTER TIME
BORN OF HIS SPIRIT, WASHED IN HIS BLOOD
AND WHAT HE DID FOR ME ON CALVARY IS MORE THAN ENOUGH

I TRUST IN GOD, MY SAVIOR
THE ONE WHO WILL NEVER FAIL
HE WILL NEVER FAIL
I TRUST IN GOD, MY SAVIOR
THE ONE WHO WILL NEVER FAIL
HE WILL NEVER FAIL

PERFECT SUBMISSION, ALL IS AT REST
I KNOW THE AUTHOR OF TOMORROW HAS ORDERED MY STEPS
SO THIS IS MY STORY AND THIS IS MY SONG
I'M PRAISING MY RISEN KING AND SAVIOR ALL THE DAY LONG

HE DIDN'T FAIL YOU THEN
HE WON'T FAIL YOU NOW

I SOUGHT THE LORD AND HE HEARD AND HE ANSWERED (X3)
THAT'S WHY I TRUST HIM, THAT'S WHY I TRUST HIM

Community Time

Kaylee Triplett

Giving

Ruling Elder Kyle Musgrove

Pastoral Prayer

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Scripture Reading

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Ruth 1:1-18

1 In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. 2 The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. 3 But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. 4 These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, 5 and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without

her two sons and her husband.

6 Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the Lord had visited his people and given them food. 7 So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. 8 But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go, return each of you to her mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. 9 The Lord grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!" Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. 10 And they said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." 11 But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? 12 Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, 13 would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the Lord has gone out against me." 14 Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

15 And she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." 16 But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. 17 Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the Lord do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you." 18 And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

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Redemption: From Empty to Full

Ruth 1:1-18

Confession of Sin & Gospel Assurance

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Confession of Sin

Merciful Father, we confess that in times of hardship and famine, we often wander to our own places seeking security apart from you. When faced

with grief or loss, we allow our hearts to turn bitter, accusing you of emptying us rather than trusting your unseen providence. Forgive us through the blood of your Son, Jesus for our lack of steadfast love and our hesitation to follow you when the journey becomes costly. Grant us a strong resolve so that we might grieve our loss, forsake our wandering and cling deeply to you and your people. Amen.

***Time of Silent Confession.**

Gospel Assurance

(1 John 1.9) If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Lord's Supper

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Song of Response

GRATITUDE

ALL MY WORDS FALL SHORT I GOT NOTHING NEW
HOW COULD I EXPRESS ALL MY GRATITUDE?
I COULD SING THESE SONGS AS I OFTEN DO
BUT EVERY SONG MUST END AND YOU NEVER DO

SO I THROW UP MY HANDS
AND PRAISE YOU AGAIN AND AGAIN
'CAUSE ALL THAT I HAVE IS A HALLELUJAH HALLELUJAH
AND I KNOW IT'S NOT MUCH
BUT I'VE NOTHING ELSE FIT FOR A KING
EXCEPT FOR A HEART SINGING HALLELUJAH HALLELUJAH

I'VE GOT ONE RESPONSE I'VE GOT JUST ONE MOVE
WITH MY ARM STRETCHED WIDE I WILL WORSHIP YOU

SO I THROW UP MY HANDS
AND PRAISE YOU AGAIN AND AGAIN
'CAUSE ALL THAT I HAVE IS A HALLELUJAH HALLELUJAH
AND I KNOW IT'S NOT MUCH
BUT I'VE NOTHING ELSE FIT FOR A KING
EXCEPT FOR A HEART SINGING HALLELUJAH HALLELUJAH

SO COME ON, MY SOUL OH, DON'T YOU GET SHY ON ME

LIFT UP YOUR SONG
CAUSE YOU'VE GOT A LION INSIDE OF THOSE LUNGS
GET UP AND PRAISE THE LORD
OH, COME ON, MY SOUL OH, DON'T YOU GET SHY ON ME
LIFT UP YOUR SONG
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Benediction

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