

A MEANINGFUL LIFE IN A MEANINGLESS WORLD

How Then Shall We Live?

1.	We Need to Live in View of
2.	We Need to Live Accepting
3.	We Need to Live with a Godly
4.	We Need to Live at in God's Sovereignty
5.	We Need to Live in to God
6.	We Need to Live in God's
	TAKE HOME TRUTH:
	How then shall we live? Live

Next Week Ecclesiastes 8:1-17

Growing Deeper

Discussion Questions for Small Groups

- 1. Does "the preacher's" focus on death discourage or encourage you? Why? How should the believer view death?
- 2. How do we balance listening to correction or criticism?
- 3. Have you connected sinful anger to daily irritations or exasperations? What is the root of such folly?
- 4. Are you guilty thinking of the good ole days? How does Solomon's advice help you? What must be our focus?
- 5. Provide practical ways you can rest in God's sover-

Just a Moment

with Pastor Fred

People were created and Christians were redeemed to worship. What is worship? The psalmist defined it as giving unto the Lord the glory due his name, Ps 29:1-2.

Corporate worship, when the church comes together, is understood differently in many congregations today. Unfortunately, many American Christians have a consumer mindset. People attend church to find what's in it for them. We are spiritual shoppers. Customers ask, "Did I like the music?" The real question is "Did the congregation sing to the glory of God?" Praise team members are not entertainers. Yes, we're grateful for those whom God has equipped to facilitate worship, but we go to great lengths to ensure our service doesn't look like a concert. This is the time where we as a congregation offer a sacrifice of praise. The real action in our singing isn't what's going on the platform, but what's happening in our seats.

Musician Matt Merker reminds us in his excellent book, *Corporate Worship*, "We are ambassadors, not consumers. The goal of our worship service is not to entertain or to provide an inspiring experience. It is to honor our King and make him known. We don't go to church to worship; we worship because we are the church."

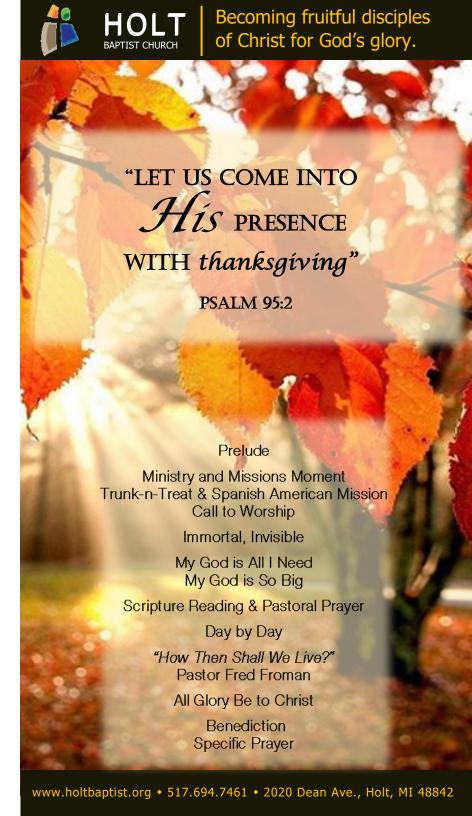
Corporate worship is designed to help us take our eyes off our difficulties and focus them on the glory of our Savior. Our weekly worship is meant to spill over into our daily lives – our lives become hymns of worship to the One who rescued us.

Glory be his name!





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THE LORD'S DAY **November 5, 2023**

Corporate worship is designed to remind us of the instability of our own hearts and the eternal stability of God's grace.

Loving God, Loving People

Infant/Toddler Nursery

Sunday School / ABF: Mary Ann Krepps, Sue Froman Worship Service: Barb Bush, Randi Chaney, Tami Recher

This Week Small Groups meet this week

Today

9:00am Coffee & Fellowship

9:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowships

10:30am Worship Service

Tuesday, November 7

6:30pm Ladies' & Men's Bible Studies 6:30pm Elders & Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, November 8

10:30am Senior Saints 7:00pm Praise Team

Saturday, November 11

9:00am Work Day

Announcements

Church pictures will be taken TODAY in Room 102. This is for our church directory & family photo wall. We need you!



Fall Work Day is this Saturday, November 11. 9am to Noon.

Please bring a rake. Even if you can only come for an hour or two it helps. Pizza will be served to workers at noon.

Thank you for the cards, e-cards, treats, cash and gift cards for Pastor's Appreciation Month. It is a privilege to shepherd you. I count myself blessed.

- Pastor Fred

Christmas Choir Practice will be held next Sunday from 4-5:15pm. The next practice will be on Saturday, December 16 at 9am.

Proposed Strategic Plan Update. Pray for the elders & deacons as they review the plan this Tuesday night. November 19 at 9:30am we will officially present the four-year plan. A special business meeting will convene after the service on December 3 calling for a vote.

The Auditorium Adult Bible Class is being taught by various men in our church chapter by chapter in Romans. Next Sunday Paul Krepps will teach on Romans 5. Come an hour early for a blessing.

Spanish American Mission is hosting a pastor's conference November 6-10. A construction trip to Mexico will be January 6-13, approximate cost \$1000. If interested please see Matt Price.

Tickets for the Christmas Ladies Tea can be purchased today from Diane Wilson for \$12. We need ladies to host/decorate a table and men to serve as waiters. Sign up on the bulletin board across from the restrooms. This is an excellent outreach event, Friday, December 8.

Coming Up ... Sweet Talk for young couples at the Fromans, Friday, December 2.

"If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another world." C.S. Lewis

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Matthew Moore November 5



Greeters for November 5

Donna Kimmel
Barney Yeager
Jan & Colleen Peck

Prayer Requests

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. Colossians 4:2

General Requests & Praise

- Josh & Carissa Bell in Senegal
- Katherine Moore residency program
- Those seeking certification with ACBC
- For HBC to grow deeper spiritually and reach out to others
- Proposed Strategic Plan
- Praise for the good turn out, participation with Trunk-n-Treat

Physical Needs

- Bob Helmuth health concerns
- Cecil twins, Susan & Naomi NICU
- Cherie VanValkenburgh pain control
- Cheryl Woodruff (Melissa Hurley's step-mom) lung cancer
- Dennis and Myra Fuehring (Kelly Troxell's parents) health matters
- Ethan Cecil continued healing and growth
- George Curtis continued strength
- Joan Allen painful frozen shoulder
- Paula Orth (former member) breast cancer
- Sherry Back (former member) palliative care
- Stef Bolthouse (Froman's daughter) endometriosis, appt Dec 22
- Tami Recher healing after knee surgery

Pray for Those Who Serve & Protect

- Police officers and their families
- Prosecutors, defenders & judges
- The military who serve here & abroad
- Pray for strength & protection
- That they receive respect & support

Prayer For Our Government

President Joe Biden

Missionary of the Week

Spanish American Mission

Prayer Individual of the Week

Chris Hosler

Shut in of the Week

Lillian Rice