

Sunday Praise and Worship Service

† Order of Service



Acts 4:23-33 (ESV) The Believers Pray for Boldness

²³ When they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. ²⁴ And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said, "Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and everything in them, ²⁵ who through the mouth of our father David, your servant, ^[a] said by the Holy Spirit,

"Why did the Gentiles rage,
and the peoples plot in vain?

²⁶ The kings of the earth set themselves,
and the rulers were gathered together,
against the Lord and against his Anointed" ^[b]—

²⁷ for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, ²⁸ to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place. ²⁹ And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants ^[c] to continue to speak your word with all boldness, ³⁰ while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus." ³¹ And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.

They Had Everything in Common

³² Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. ³³ And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all.

Footnotes: a. [Acts 4:25](#) Or *child*; also verses [27](#), [30](#) b. [Acts 4:26](#) Or *Christ* c. [Acts 4:29](#) Greek *bondservants*

2 Timothy 3:1-5 (ESV) Godlessness in the Last Days

³ But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. ² For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³ heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, ⁴ treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, ⁵ having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. Avoid such people.

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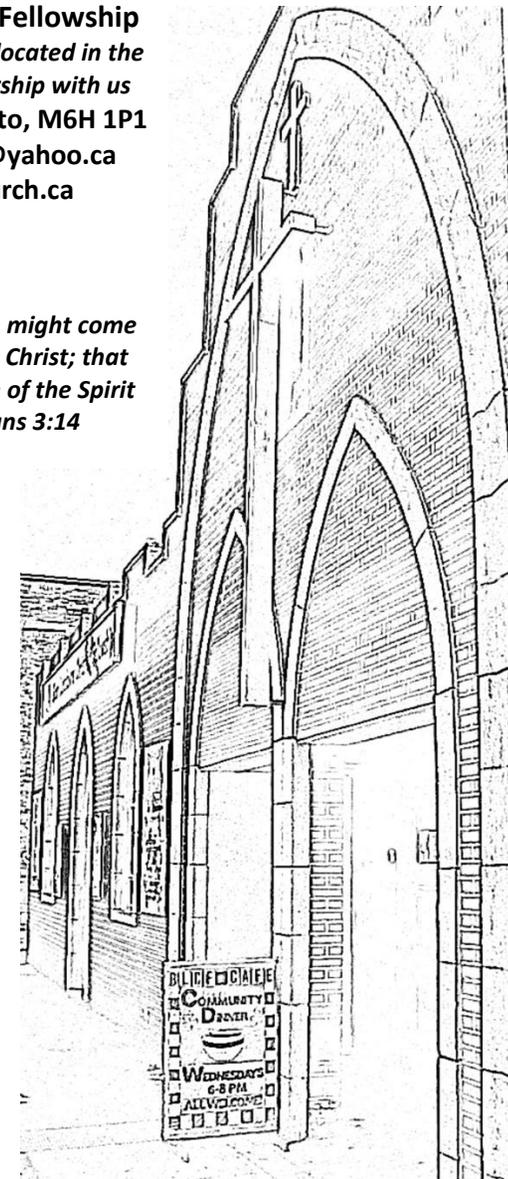
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*That the blessing of Abraham might come
on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that
we might receive the promise of the Spirit
through faith. — Galatians 3:14*



- ❖ Sunday ~ 11:00AM: Praise and Worship Service
- ❖ Wednesday ~ 11:30AM Prayer and Bible Study
- ❖ Wednesday ~ 6-8PM: BLCF Café Community Dinner
- ❖ Friday ~ 7:30PM: BLCF Friday Evening Outreach

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Announcements and Call to Worship: Responsive Reading #634
(*Christian Unity* – John 10 and 17, 1 Corinthians 12, Ephesians 4);
Prayer

Opening Hymn #171: *Thine Is the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son*;
Choruses

Prayer and Tithing: Hymn #572: *Praise God from Whom All Blessings*;
Prayer Requests

Scripture Verses: Exodus 32:21-24 and Acts 4:23-33

Message by Steve Mickelson: 'Christ's Church: It Speaks Boldly and
Believes with Unity of Heart and Soul'

Closing Hymn #204: *There's a Quiet Understanding*

Communion: Responsive Reading #626 (*The Last Supper* – Mark 14)

Benediction – (Romans 15:5-6): May the God of endurance and
encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in
accord with Christ Jesus,*+ that together you may with one voice
glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Genesis 3:11-13 (ESV)

¹¹ He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" ¹² The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." ¹³ Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

Genesis 4:9-11 (ESV)

⁹ Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" ¹⁰ And the LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground. ¹¹ And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand.

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Exodus 32:21-24 (ESV)

²¹ And Moses said to Aaron, "What did this people do to you that you have brought such a great sin upon them?" ²² And Aaron said, "Let not the anger of my lord burn hot. You know the people, that they are set on evil. ²³ For they said to me, 'Make us gods who shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.' ²⁴ So I said to them, 'Let any who have gold take it off.' So they gave it to me, and I threw it into the fire, and out came this calf."

Acts 3:1-16 (ESV) The Lame Beggar Healed

³ Now Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. ⁴ And a man lame from birth was being carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple that is called the Beautiful Gate to ask alms of those entering the temple. ⁵ Seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked to receive alms. ⁶ And Peter directed his gaze at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us." ⁷ And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. ⁸ But Peter said, "I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!" ⁹ And he took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. ¹⁰ And leaping up he stood and began to walk, and entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. ¹¹ And all the people saw him walking and praising God, ¹² and recognized him as the one who sat at the Beautiful Gate of the temple, asking for alms. And they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Peter Speaks in Solomon's Portico

¹¹ While he clung to Peter and John, all the people, utterly astounded, ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's. ¹² And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified his servant ¹⁴ Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release him. ¹⁵ But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, ¹⁶ and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁷ And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus ¹⁸ has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

Footnotes: a. [Acts 3:1](#) That is, 3 p.m. b. [Acts 3:13](#) Or *child*; also verse [26](#) c. [Acts 3:16](#) Greek *him*