

Panama City, Florida

Themes from the Book of Ephesians

Preludes and Welcome

Reading: The Divine Purpose: The Glory and Headship of Christ (Ephesians 1:1-14)

To God Be the Glory, words by Fannie J. Crosby, music by William H. Doane, arr. by Pepper Choplin (Ephesians 1:11-14)

1. To God be the glory great things He has done; So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, Who yielded His life an atonement for sin, And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Chorus: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, And give Him the glory great things He has done.

- 2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood, To every believer the promise of God; The vilest offender who truly believes, That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.
- 3. Great things He has taught us, Great things He has done. And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; But purer and higher and greater will be Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

Reading: Paul's Prayer That Christians May Realize God's Purpose and Power (Ephesians 1:15-2:22)

Is He Worthy, words and music by Andrew Peterson and Ben Shive, arr. by Heather Sorenson (Ephesians 1:17) [Alison Strunk, Accompanist]

1. Do you feel the world is broken? (We do)
Do you feel the shadows deepen? (We do)
But do you know that all the dark
won't stop the light from getting through?
(We do)
Do you wish that you could see it all made new?
(We do)

2. Is all creation groaning? (It is)
Is a new creation coming? (It is)
Is the glory of the Lord
to be the light within our midst? (It is)
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this?
(It is)

Chorus 1: Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave, He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave. Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory? Is He worthy of this? (He is)

3. Does the Father truly love us? (He does) Does the Spirit move among us? (He does) And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves? (He does) Does our God intend to dwell again with us? (He does)

Chorus 2: Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave, He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.

From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue, He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son?

Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory? Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this? (He is)

Reading: The Mystery of the Gospel of Christ is Revealed (Ephesians 3)

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery, words and music by Michael Bleecker, Matt Boswell and Matt Papa, arr. by Cliff Duren (Ephesians 2:3-6)

- 1. Come behold the wondrous mystery in the dawning of the King.
 He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity.
 In our longing, in our darkness,
 Now the Light of life has come.
 Look to Christ who condescended,
 Took on flesh to ransom us.
- 2. Come behold the wondrous mystery, He the perfect Son of Man.
 In His living, in His suffering,
 Never trace nor stain of sin.
 See the true and better Adam,
 Come to save the hell-bound man.
 Christ the great and sure fulfillment
 Of the law, in Him we stand
- 3. Come behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree. In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory. See the price of our redemption, See the Father's plan unfold. Bringing many sons to glory, Grace unmeasured, love untold.
- 4. Come behold the wondrous mystery, Slain by death the God of life. But no grave could ever restrain Him. Praise the Lord, He is alive! What a foretaste of deliverance! How unwavering our hope, Christ in power, resurrected, as we will be when He comes.

Reading: The Practice of the Christian Life (Ephesians 4:1-16)

*The Church's One Foundation, words by Samuel Stone, music by Samuel S. Wesley (Ephesians 4:11-13) [Alison Strunk, Accompanist] *Congregation joins in singing.

- 1. The Church's one Foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is His new creation, by water and the Word; from heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride; with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.
- 2. Elect from every nation, yet one over all the earth, her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; one holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

- 3. 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace for evermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.
- 4. Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

Reading: Living as Children of Light (Ephesians 4:17-6:9)

Children of Love, Children of Light, words and music by Cindy Berry (Ephesians 5:1-2,8) [Ada King accompanist]

Chorus: Children of love, Children of light, shining Your truth through the darkest night, Lord, let us live so that all may see the light of Your glorious love.

Millions walk in darkness, lost, and in despair. How will they know Your love, unless we show them that we care? You alone have power to save. You alone conquered sin and the grave. This is the joyous news we share.

May we shine for you.

May our hearts be true
as we live in the light of Your glory;
beacons that will draw the world to You.

Reading: The Armor of God (Ephesians 6:10-20)

O Church Arise, words and music by Stuart Townend and Keith Getty, arr. by Russell Mauldin (Ephesians 6:11-13) [Alison Strunk, Accompanist]

- 1. O church, arise, and put your armor on; Hear the call of Christ our Captain. For now the weak can say that they are strong In the strength that God has given. With shield of faith and belt of truth, We'll stand against the devil's lies, An army bold, whose battle cry is "Love"! Reaching out to those in darkness.
- 2. Our call to war, to love the captive soul, But to rage against the captor.
 And with the sword that makes the wounded whole,
 We will fight with faith and valor.
 When faced with trials on every side,
 We know the outcome is secure.
 And Christ will have the prize for which He died-An inheritance of nations.
- 3. Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken.
 Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, For the Conqueror has risen!
 And as the stone is rolled away and Christ emerges from the grave, this victory march continues till the day every eye and heart shall see Him.
- 4. So Spirit, come, put strength in every stride, give grace for every hurdle, that we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.

 As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace, we hear their calls and hunger for the day when, with Christ, we stand in glory.

Reading: Christ, Our Living Hope (Ephesians 2:12; 1 Peter 1:3)

Living Hope, words and music by Phil Wickham and Brian Johnson, arr. by David Wise [Ada King, Accompanist]

1. How great the chasm that lay between us. How high the mountain I could not climb. In desperation, I turned to heaven

and spoke Your name into the night. Then through the darkness, Your loving-kindness saw through the shadows of my soul. The work is finished, the end is written; Jesus Christ, my Living Hope.

2. Who could imagine so great a mercy? What heart could fathom such boundless grace? The God of ages stepped down from glory To wear my sin and bear my shame. The cross has spoken, I am forgiven. The King of kings calls me His own. Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever; Jesus Christ my Living Hope.

Chorus: Hallelujah,

praise the One who set me free! Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me! You have broken every chain; There's salvation in Your name--Jesus Christ my Living Hope.

3. Then came the morning that sealed the promise; Your buried body began to breathe. Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion declared, "the grave has no claim on Me." Jesus Yours is the victory!

Chorus:

Closing Remarks

The Reason We Sing, words and music by Dick and Mel Tunney [Jacob Hall, Accompanist]

He has brought us together each of us a different gift to bring. We'll serve Him forever even if the cost is everything. He has called us to be faithful so with one heart we give this offering.

Chorus: The reason we sing The reason we lift our voice is more than just making harmony. The reason we sing is to praise the one who gave His son to be the reason we sing.

More than just an emotion, His spirit gives us joy that we can't hide. We will not be silent We've got to let the world hear what's inside. And as we praise Him with our music. Jesus is the one we glorify.

2019 Tour Choir members: Christian Bailey, Noah Bailey, Chance Baker, Natalie Cotta, Madison Dubose, Audrey Duncan, Rebecca Duncan, Keion George, Jacob Hall, Sam Houston, Taylor Houston, Elena Hutchison, Ada King, Carmelina King, Maya Larson, Malachi McInvale, Harold Millsap, Abby Nelson, Anastasia Nielsen, Evan Patterson, Max Randall, Isaac Rits, Garrett Rittman, Olivia Scott, David Skerratt, Donald Skerratt, Joshua Starke, Rebecca Starke, Alison Strunk, Hailey Zechman

About the BCCYC: The Bay County Christian Youth Choir, Inc., a 501c3 tax exempt entity and an independent interdenominational youth choir (BCCYC), is established under the conviction that the future of congregational participation in the music of the church lies in the training and nurturing of its youth and children. The choir has the goals of teaching choir members (i) to speak and sing in public, (ii) the experience of performing locally and on choir tours, (iii) how to work together to achieve goals that can only be achieved collectively, (iv) the discipline of making a long-term commitment and the rewards of hard work, (v) how to "get along" with fellow choir members and (vi) skills that enable the choir members to be what God has called us all to be: worshipers of Him.

The BCCYC's 30 singers come from (i) the area public and private high schools and numerous home schools and from (ii) more than 15 different churches in Bay County representing numerous denominations. Every Monday night during the school year the 8th-12th grade choir rehearses, eats dinner and studies the Bible together and then the Youth Choir goes on Spring tour! Past tours have taken us to almost 40 states as well as Canada.

For more information and videos see www.baycountychristianyouthchoir.com and there are video clips and choir tour pictures on the Bay County Christian Youth Choir Facebook page. You can also contact Nevin Zimmerman, Chairman at (850) 819-7912 or at nevin@nevinzimmerman.com.

Information about the 2019 Tour: This year the tour includes concerts at Providence Baptist Church, Opelika, AL (May 31); Waypoint Church, Chapel Hill, NC (June 1 & 2); Freedom Tabernacle, Atkins, VA (June 2); Little Laurel Baptist Church, Richwood, WV (June 3); Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center, Toano, Virginia (June 4-6); James River Baptist Church, Williamsburg, VA (June 5); Brookdale Hawthorne Park Retirement Center, Greenville, SC (June 7); First Presbyterian Church, Panama City, FL (June 9 @ 10:30 am service). The Homecoming Concert on Sunday June 9, 2019 is at 5PM CDT (First Baptist Church of Panama City, FL) and it will be streamed live at http://firstbaptistpc.com/watch-us-live/.

"Like" and "follow" us on the Bay County Christian Youth Choir Facebook page as we post pictures throughout the tour.

Leadership: Jody Schnell is the Director for the choir, and she has a performance degree in voice from the University of Oklahoma and an M.A. in Music and Worship Leadership from The Baptist College of Florida. Jody has many years of experience directing choirs in the community. Jody has directed the Pro Arte Chorale of Northwest Florida and the Sanctuary Choir at First Presbyterian Church in Panama City, and presently serves as the choral director at Mosley High School, Florida State University-PC Campus and The Baptist College of Florida.

Nevin & Gigi Zimmerman have been involved in directing and planning for traveling Christian youth choirs for twenty-seven years, and they consider it a privilege to serve as the Chairman of the Board for the Bay County Christian Youth Choir, Inc. and as the Tour Planner and hostess for the choir. Nevin is an attorney that has a passion to teach young people about the worship of God, and Gigi is the master organizer of the house (and the choir!), and together they had the privilege of raising their four daughters, all of whom went through the youth choir experience with their parents.

BCCYC would like to thank its 2019 Chaperones: David Camperman (Choir Chaplain), Janna Camperman, Jody Schnell and Nevin Zimmerman. Also a special thank you to our numerous church, community and individual donors, without whose financial and prayer support this ministry would not be possible.