

Preservice

Slideshow the safety slides (Sam)
O Great Is Our God- Ben & Elizabeth

Welcome & Call to Worship (Ben)

Good morning, Church! We are so glad you have joined us today. If you are here in person please stand and join us as we read from Psalm 118.

(Keidrick or Holly)

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD. The LORD is God, and He has made His light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar! You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you. Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!

As we continue in worship it is my desire for us to leave this place different then when we came in. That God would do a work among us as we experience the gospel as gospel people through our worship.

Confession/Assurance

As we enter into this place we must recognize that our hearts are not right but are cold and hard towards God. We need to confess our sin this morning admitting our faults and failures. We believe in confession because as we confess He is willing and able to comfort, as we confess the Spirit warms and softens our hearts towards Him. Read the underlined portions with me as we confess our sins to God.

(Landry)

Light of the world,
We who were once in utter darkness have been made "children of light" by Your grace
We know that "the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true",
But we often fall into unfruitful habits that are in opposition to who we are in You

You call Your people to live as people of light set on a hill
But we try to hide our light doubting its goodness
You want us to shine our light before others for Your glory
But we are afraid of what people will think about us

Forgive us Lord for this sin.
Spirit, persuade us again that You have our best interest in mind
Fill us with Your light that we may shine as sons and daughters of Your Kingdom
Stir within us a new desire and hunger for Your beauty and grace
"For it is you who light my lamp; the LORD my God lightens my darkness."
(based off Ephesians 5; Matthew 5:13-16; Psalm 18)

(Ben)

God does not leave us in our darkness but does a transformative work in bringing us into the light. The good news of the gospel is that Jesus entered into darkness so that we may enter into light as redeemed children. Read this assurance of pardon with me from Colossians 1

"He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins"

Song- Be Still My Soul

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain
Leave to thy God to order and provide;
In every change, He faithful will remain
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end

Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake
To guide the future, as He has the past
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
His voice Who ruled them while He dwelt below

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart
And all is darkened in the vale of tears
Then shalt thou better know His love, His heart
Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears
Be still, my soul: thy Jesus can repay
From His own fullness all He takes away

(Ben)

Passing of the Peace

Gathering as a church is a unique opportunity to connect and love one another. Let's greet one another this morning as we continue to worship our great God.

(Pastor Fletcher)

Vision

We exist to help religious & irreligious people become gospel people.

Announcements

- join us in person next week -
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc48PB-M9BUmMEWlqBjpCm-LEy6PCJaz6OMPkojK4b2GDGY1g/viewform?usp=sf_link
- Sign up for Micro-Groups - coahsomerville.org/community-groups
- Forest Hills Commissioning -
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1l0wOxIEclBiwm7gCY5AY6jKlnWFc_EpW?usp=sharing
- **(Jeremy)** Prayer for Forest Hills
- Giving @ <https://coahchurch.org/give>

Prayer for the Offering

God, compel us to give from a cheerful heart in light of all your good and gracious gifts.

Prayer of Illumination

"The unfolding of Your words gives light; it imparts understanding to the simple" (Psalm 119:30) Unfold it now before us O good and gracious Lord.

Scripture Reading (Megan Moisand)

Matthew 5:13-16

"You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. 14 You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Message - Fletcher - Gospel People Demonstrate Kingdom Flourishing

The Lord's Table (Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul)

Dear refuge of my weary soul,
On Thee, when sorrows rise
On Thee, when waves of trouble roll,
My fainting hope relies
To Thee I tell each rising grief,
For Thou alone can heal
Thy Word can bring a sweet relief,
For every pain I feel

But oh! When gloomy doubts prevail,
I fear to call Thee mine
The springs of comfort seem to fail,
And all my hopes decline
Yet gracious God, where shall I flee?
Thou art my only trust
And still my soul would cleave to Thee
Though prostrate in the dust

Has Thou not bid me seek Thy face,
And shall I seek in vain?
And can the ear of sovereign grace,

Be deaf when I complain?
No still the ear of sovereign grace,
Attends the mourners prayer
Oh may I ever find access,
To breathe my sorrows there

Time of silent reflection

Benediction - Fletcher

Ephesians 3:16–19

[16] that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, [17] so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, [18] may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, [19] and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. (ESV)

Breakout Rooms - Random group of 10 or so

- Digital bagel time. 10 minutes.
- If you want to leave before we do that, feel free.
- If you're new - DM me and we'll have a special breakout room for you