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OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAY

[Live Streaming \(Audio and Video\)](#)

WORSHIP - 11:00 AM

Choruses from Chorus Book

Scripture Reading: [Psalm 64](#) (Aaron)

Call to Worship: 'Sing Praises to the Son of God'

Scripture Reading: [Matthew 1](#) (Robert)

Hymn # 83- 'O Come, O Come, Emmanuel'

Scripture Reading: [Isaiah 7](#) (David)

Message- 'Immanuel: God with Us'

Hymn # 84- 'Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus'

The LORD's Table

Hymn # 117- 'He Was Wounded for Our Transgressions'

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WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM- Studies in Jesus' Miracles

FRIDAY

7:00 AM- International Worship (Malawi)

10:00 AM- Bible Study in French

SATURDAY

8:00 AM- Fellowship in Christ

SUNDAY

7:00 AM- International Worship (Malawi)

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Radio Broadcasts every Sunday Morning (CST):

9:00 KWKH AM Radio 1130, Shreveport, LA area or LIVE streaming @ <http://1130thetiger.com/listen-live>

Call to Worship

(Tune # 92- 'O Little Town of Bethlehem')

Sing praises to the Son of God, Who down from Heaven came,
To save His people from their guilt, from misery and shame.

Down from His Heav'nly glory the Savior came to earth,
And angels looked with fear and awe, upon Messiah's birth.

God in the flesh, the Son of Man, our Prophet, Priest and King.
The Seed of Woman came to earth, to save the perishing.
In love and great compassion, the Great Redeemer died.
He reconciled us to our God and we are justified.

Christ gave Himself, the Ransom Price, our debt of sin to pay.
The Sword of Justice pierced His heart, our guilt was washed away.
O'er sin and death He triumphed, His greatness let us own.
The Savior reigns forevermore, upon His sovereign throne.

Bow down and worship Christ the LORD – His wonders gladly tell.
The fullness of the Godhead Three, in Christ the Savior dwell.
The Only Mediator, on Him our hopes depend.
He is our Savior, God and King, our Advocate and Friend!

A Child Born and a Son Given

“For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His kingdom, to order it and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever.

The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.”

[\(Isaiah 9:6-7\)](#)

This is one of the many Old Testament prophecies concerning the coming of Christ into the world to save His people from their sins by establishing righteousness for them to work out their whole salvation unto final glory. As God in the flesh, He satisfied justice by dying for the sins of His people and paying their horrible sin debt in full.

The language of these verses expresses both the greatness of His person and the fullness of His redeeming work. All whom the Spirit causes to hear the Gospel, God’s promise to them is to save them, wretched sinners though they are, to give them the whole inheritance of Eternal Life [Christ Jesus the LORD] and His glory fully, freely, finally and forever more because of the one righteousness of the LORD Jesus Christ. All such are commanded and fully warranted to rest in Christ alone as their righteousness, [Romans 1:4](#).

Author Unknown

A Faithful Saying Worthy of All Acceptation

“This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.” [\(1 Timothy 1:15\)](#)

A faithful saying is a fundamental, inalterable truth on which all that is true is built and sustained. When it comes to the Gospel, it is a faithful saying because it declares who the LORD Jesus is, why He came into this world, what He accomplished by His coming into the world and for whom He came. All of these are answered in Paul’s declaration of the faithful saying.

1). **Who the LORD Jesus is: “That Christ Jesus came into the world.”**

He is the Christ (Anointed One of God) foretold in the Old Testament Scriptures as God the Father's foreordained Prophet, Priest, and King. Christ is His title; Jesus is His name. His name Jesus means "Savior." It is the same name as Joshua (Yeshua) in the Old Testament. And it is given to our LORD because He came to save His people from their sins, [Matthew 1:21](#). He came into the world, leaving the glory which he had with the Father before the world was, [John 16:28](#), [John 17:5](#), [Ephesians 1:3-4](#).

2). Why He came into the world: "...to save..." He did not come to try to save but to actually save. This He did by earning and establishing that righteousness necessary for God the Father to justify those He gave Him before the foundation of the world. Being sinners, they have nothing to commend them to God so therefore it was necessary that the LORD Jesus do ALL the saving, redeeming, justifying, sanctifying and glorifying, [1 Corinthians 1:30](#).

3). Those He came to save: "Sinners of whom I am chief." While there are no details given here respecting the 'sinners' here mentioned yet we know from other Scriptures that they were given Him by the Father before the foundation of the world and is a broad, inclusive term. It includes, Jews and Gentiles, sinners who are outcasts without hope and without God. They are lost sinners whom the LORD Jesus came into the world to save, [Luke 19:10](#). They are the chief of sinners. There is no case too hard for the LORD where He has purposed to save and has saved by the shed blood of the LORD Jesus. Paul is a great example of the type of sinner Christ came to save. He was in time past so bitter an enemy of the LORD that nothing would or could change him until it pleased God to reveal Christ in him, [Galatians 1:15](#).

All hope of salvation for the worst of sinners is completely in the Savior and nothing in the sinner. What a great Savior He is for sinners.

Ken Wimer

God in the Flesh

The kindness and love of God our Savior toward man appeared. [Titus 3:4](#)

I have loved thee with an everlasting love. [Jer. 31:3](#)

*In this was manifested the love of God toward us,
because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love,
not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.* [1 John 4:9-10](#)

When the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. [Gal. 4:4-5](#)

The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth. [John 1:14](#)

Great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh. [1 Tim. 3:16](#)

Daily Light on the Daily Path

God With Us

“Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.” [\(Matthew 1:23\)](#)

This is the Chief Glory of our Faith, the Chief Joy of our hearts. (1st) God with us: according to the Eternal Council and Covenant before the foundation of the world. There He had our persons in view, our case at heart and undertook to be our Surety, our Jesus. Lo, we were then given to Him by the Father; that, (2nd) in the fulness of time, He might be God with us, in our flesh. Lo, He is born. See the babe. Adore the God. Rejoice in ***“Emmanuel, God with us”*** that, (3rd) He might accomplish that in our nature, without which we must have been everlastingly lost but for which we are everlastingly saved: namely, finish transgression, make an end of sin and bring in an everlasting righteousness—suffer, the Just for the unjust, [1 Peter 3:18](#) This is sweet in the history but, o how much more so, in the experience of the mystery. (4th.) God with us, living in our hearts, hopes and affections by the Spirit, through Faith. We know, we taste, we feel the reality, power and comfort of this Truth, God in Christ reconciled, not imputing our trespasses to us, [2 Cor. 5:19](#). Therefore, (5th) God with us, to oppose all who are against us. Well might Paul ask, ***“If God be for us, who can be against us?”*** [\(Rom. 8:31\)](#) Now, may we not stand forth and challenge all the powers of sin, earth and hell, ***“Who shall lay anything to the charge of God’s elect?”*** For God the Justifier and we the justified, are one in Christ: ***“I in them, and thou in me...”*** says the LORD, [John 17:23](#). Hence we meet in Love, mutually embrace and have fellowship one with another. This is the glory of Christ’s nativity, brought into our hearts. ***“Christ in us the hope of glory.”*** [\(Col. 1:27\)](#)

William Mason