

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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THE LORD'S DAY

November 4, 2018 8:30 AM & 10:15AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Organ Prelude Carol Dammann
Piano Wendy Baldwin

Announcements

Happy 14th Anniversary at BFC

Hymn 3 vs 1 "Holy, Holy, Holy"
Scripture Reading Psalm 119:145-152 responsively Ron Mock
Prayer
Hymn 630 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
Communion followed by hymn 107 "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"
Pastoral Prayer
Message Just Preach the Word! II Timothy 4:1-4
Hymn 426 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"
Benediction

THE MINISTRY OF MISSION

For the glory of God, Bible Fellowship Center is committed to spreading the Good News of salvation, equipping the believers, that they might become more Christ-like, worship God and enjoy Him forever.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Youth Group Monday- 6:30 pm
Tuesday Precept at 6:30pm on I Timothy-Wendy Baldwin teaching
No Tuesday Bible study at 7pm. Pastor Cal teaching
Wednesday Choir Practice at 7pm
Thursday Precept at 9:15 on the book of Revelation with Margaret Was
Ladies fellowship Thursday at 10am
Adult Bible study Friday at 7pm - John Woodell teaching
Ladies Luncheon **Sunday** Nov. 11th at 12:30 after 2nd service
Thank You Sunday School Teachers and Kids for your wonderful program last Sunday in the barn!

¹⁴⁵ I cry out with *my* whole heart; Hear me, O LORD!

I will keep Your statutes.

¹⁴⁶ **I cry out to You; Save me, and I will keep Your testimonies.**

¹⁴⁷ I rise before the dawning of the morning,

And cry for help; I hope in Your word.

¹⁴⁸ **My eyes are awake through the *night* watches,**

That I may meditate on Your word.

¹⁴⁹ Hear my voice according to Your lovingkindness;

O LORD, revive me according to Your justice.

¹⁵⁰ **They draw near who follow after wickedness;**

They are far from Your law.

¹⁵¹ You *are* near, O LORD, And all Your commandments *are* truth.

¹⁵² **Concerning Your testimonies,**

I have known of old that You have founded them forever.

Christians, what do you believe?

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell;

the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Christian Church;

the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Story of What a Friend We Have in Jesus

The great American evangelist Dwight L. Moody incorporated this song in his sermons, writings, and teachings. It was written by an Irishman in Canada.

One Hundred fifty years ago two businessmen stood on a Port Hope, Ontario street corner as a little man carrying a saw walked by. One of the businessmen said, “Now there is a man who is happy with his lot in life. I wish I could know his joy. Perhaps I can get him to cut my winter’s supply of wood.”

“I know that man. He would not cut your firewood. He cuts wood only for the financially destitute and for those who are physically handicapped and cannot cut their own firewood.”

That young woodcutter was named Joseph Scriven. Son of a captain in the British Royal Marines, Joseph was born in Ireland in 1819. After receiving his university degree from Trinity College in London, he quickly established himself as a teacher, fell in love, and made plans to settle in his hometown. Then tragedy struck. The day before his scheduled wedding, his fiancé drowned.

Overcome with grief, Scriven left Ireland to start a new life in Canada. He established a home in Rice Lake, where he met and fell in love with Eliza Rice. Just weeks before she was to become Joseph Scriven’s bride, she suddenly grew sick. In a matter of weeks, Eliza died.

A shattered Scriven turned to the only thing that had anchored him during his life — his faith. Through prayer and Bible study he found not just solace, but a mission. The twenty-five year old Scriven took a vow of poverty, sold all of his earthly possessions, and spent his life helping the physically handicapped and financially destitute.

Ten years later Scriven received word that his mother had become very ill. Heartsick, and feeling a need to reach out to her (as he had no money to travel to Ireland), Scriven wrote the story of his life in three short verses he called “What a Friend We Have in Jesus.” Later, Scriven said, “The Lord and I together wrote the song.” Within two years the little poem of inspiration had been published and coupled to a tune written by an American lawyer, Charles Converse.

Ironically, Joseph Scriven drowned in a Canadian lake in 1886. He did not live to see his song carried to every corner of the globe.