



BETHANY GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Digital Bulletin for Worship Service 4/21/24, 11:00am
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Word of Welcome and Time of Greeting

Church Announcements

Moment of Meditation and Piano Interlude: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Responsive Reading

Leader: We gather together in the presence of our Almighty God, who calls each of us by name and equips us for His purpose.

People: Lord, help us to trust in Your provision and to wear the armor You have tailored for each of us.

Leader: Like David before Goliath, we face challenges and giants, armed not by human strength but by the Spirit of God.

People: Teach us, O God, to rely not on the armor of the world, but on the shield of faith and the sword of the Spirit, which is Your Word.

Leader: Let us remember that it is not by might, nor by power, but by Your Spirit, says the Lord of hosts.

People: We lay aside the ill-fitting armor of worldly expectations and put on the righteousness and peace of Christ.

Leader: As David chose five smooth stones from the brook, let us also choose to use the gifts God has uniquely given to each of us to serve His purpose.

People: Equip us, Lord, with courage and faith to face the battles before us, trusting that You have prepared us for such a time as this.

Leader: Together, we affirm that our strength and success come not from garments of war, but from a heart aligned with God's will.

People: We rejoice in the diversity of gifts within this body of believers. Together, we commit to serving in unity and love, as we pursue the mission set before us.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord, who is our rock, our fortress, and our deliverer.

People: We come to worship, ready to serve in the way we are called, celebrating the unique armor God provides each of us.

Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Hymn #727: *Faith is the Victory*

Praise Song: *Battle Belongs*

Sermon: *"Ill-Fitting Armor: Embracing Our Unique Call in God's Plan"*

Benediction

Postlude



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Church Announcements and Information:

- *Outreach Ministries: Community Sandwiches and Showers Sundays at 12:30pm. Showers on Wednesdays at 3:00pm.
Food Pantry (hosted by Church of the Resurrection) on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at 11:00am.
- *Bible Study: Mondays, 6:00pm, online
- *Women's Bible Study: 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 10:00am
- *Second Act Ministries Activities: www.bethanyinbridgeton.com/second-act
- *Church meeting: May 1st at 6:00pm, and a second opportunity on May 2nd at 10:00am

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FAITH IS THE VICTORY

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Encamped along the hills of light, ye Christian soldiers, rise.
And press the battle ere the night shall veil the glowing skies.
Against the foe in vales below let all our strength be hurled.
Faith is the victory, we know, that overcomes the world.
Faith is the victory! Faith is the victory!
O glorious victory, that overcomes the world.

His banner over us is love, our sword the Word of God.
We tread the road the saints above with shouts of triumph trod.
By faith they, like a whirlwind's breath, swept on o'er ev'ry field;
The faith by which they conquered death is still our shining shield.
Faith is the victory! Faith is the victory!
O glorious victory, that overcomes the world.

On ev'ry hand the foe we find drawn up in dread array.
Let tents of ease be left behind, and onward to the fray.
Salvation's helmet on each head, with truth all girt about,
The earth shall tremble 'neath our tread, and echo with our shout.
Faith is the victory! Faith is the victory!
O glorious victory, that overcomes the world.

To him that overcomes the foe, white raiment shall be giv'n.
Before the angels he shall know His name confessed in Heav'n.
Then onward from the hills of light, our hearts with love aflame,
We'll vanquish all the hosts of night in Jesus' conqu'ring Name.
Faith is the victory! Faith is the victory!
O glorious victory, that overcomes the world.