

WEST SUFFOLK BAPTIST CHURCH

30 May 2021

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Hymn #63 "Come, Thou Almighty King"

OT Scripture Psalm 3

Hymn #243 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

NT Scripture Acts 10:30-48

Hymn #560 "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Message: **"Our Union with Christ's Death"**
(Romans 6:3-5)

Hymn #535 "No, Not Despairingly"

Benediction

This Evening: "A Dwelling Place for God"
(Exodus 25-31, 35-40)

Wed Evening: Introducing "Knowing Christ"
(Matt 16:15-16; John 17:3)

Next Lord's Day: "Believers are Made Alive in Christ"
(Colossians 2:13-14)

A note for parents of small children: Our church encourages its members and our visitors to include their children in our worship services. We understand that this practice will result in some distractions from time to time, and that forbearance and patience are required by all. Our foyer and all classrooms are equipped with speakers in order to serve as worship service behavior training areas or as cry rooms, as necessary. Please be mindful of others who may be being distracted from worship and avail yourselves of them.

Our Positional Union with Christ as a Ground for Assurance

"In Christ," we, as believers, are sanctified (1 Cor 1:12), are rooted, built up, and established in the faith (Col 2:7), have peace with God and access into further grace (Rom 5:1-2) are being taught by Him (Eph 4:21) to be renewed in the spirit of our minds (Eph 4:23); our hearts are guarded by Him, granting us peace (Phil 4:7); we are led in triumphal procession by God, spreading the fragrance of the knowledge of Him everywhere (2 Cor 2:14), and we have obtained access to God with bold confidence through our faith in Him (Eph 3:12; Rom 5:1-2).

And there is so much more:

All true churches are "in Christ" (1 Thes 2:14).

All believers are "found in Christ" (Phil 3:9), saved and sanctified "in Christ" (1 Cor 1:2), and perfected in Christ (Heb 10:14).

Their ways are ways that are in Christ (1 Cor 4:17; 9:12), they stand firm and fast in the Lord (Phil 4:1; 1 Thes 3:8), their faith, their hope (Phil 2:19), their trust (Phil 2:24), their confidence (1 Thes 3:4) their love, and their joy (Phil 4:4); are all in Christ.

Their conversation is a good conversation in Christ (Eph 4:17) their boast is in the Lord (2 Cor 10:17) their confidence is in the Lord (Phil 1:14) they labor, (1 Thes 5:12) suffer, sorrow, rejoice, abound, and ultimately conquer and triumph in the Lord.

They greet one another in the Lord (Rom 16:8, 11-12, 22), they serve one another in the Lord (1 Pet 4:10), and they love one another in the Lord (1 John 4:12)

Wives submit to their husbands in the Lord (Eph 5:22) and children obey their parents in the Lord (Eph 6:1).

They do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ with thanksgiving (Col 3:17).

They die in the Lord (Rev 14:13), sleep in Jesus (1 Thes 4:15-16), and when He shall appear, they are assured, they will appear with Him (1 Thes 4:14), and will reign with Him in glory forever (1 John 3:2).