

WEST SUFFOLK BAPTIST CHURCH

14 January 2024

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

Hymn #610 "How Firm a Foundation"

OT Scripture Deuteronomy 4:15-24

Hymn #222 "Church of God, Beloved and Chosen"

NT Scripture Acts 9:1-25

Hymn #224 "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

Message: **"Pastoral Care on Display"**
2 Corinthians 11

Reverse "May the Grace of Christ Our Savior"

Benediction

This Evening: **"Living East of Eden"**
Genesis 4

Wednesday: What Is Reformed Theology?
"The Perseverance of the Saints"

Next Sunday: "The Sanctity of Human Life"

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. If the need arises, please be mindful of others who may be being distracted from worship and avail yourselves of them.

May the Grace of Christ Our Savior

by John Newton

May the grace of Christ our Savior
And the Father's boundless love,
With the holy Spirit's favor,
Rest upon us from above!

May we walk with Christ our Savior
Worthy of our calling sure
Trusting in His boundless favor
For He has declared us pure.

Thus may we abide in union
With each other, and the Lord;
And possess, in sweet communion,
Joys which earth cannot afford.

2LCF (1689) Ch. 26.10

The work of pastors is to give constant attention to the service of Christ in His churches in the ministry of the Word and prayer. They are to watch over the souls of church members as those who must give an account to Christ.¹ The churches to whom they minister must not only give them all due respect but also must share with them from all their good things according to their ability.² They must do this so their pastors may have a comfortable living without having to be engaged in secular matters,³ and so they can show hospitality to others.⁴ This is required by the law of nature and by the explicit command of our Lord Jesus, who has ordained that those who preach the gospel should earn their living by the gospel.⁵

¹ Acts 6:4; Heb 13:17 ² 1 Tim 5:17-18; Gal 6:6-7

³ 2 Tim 2:4 ⁴ 1 Tim 3:2 ⁵ 2 Cor 9:6-14