

A tall, narrow stained glass window with a gothic arch at the top. It features various colored panes in shades of purple, blue, yellow, orange, and red, separated by dark lead lines. The design includes geometric patterns and floral motifs.

Welcome!

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH

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ORDER OF SERVICE

August 17, 2025

We Gather Together in Thanksgiving and Praise

Opening Songs*:	Lift Him Up	#547
	What A Mighty God We Serve	#478
Call to Worship/Invocation		
Welcome and Passing the Peace		
Responsive Reading	"Christian Maturity" (OT)	#21
Call To Prayer		
Prayer Chant	He's Sweet I Know	#510
Morning Prayer		
Prayer Response	He's Sweet I Know	#510

We Hear and Respond to the Word

Scripture	Hebrews 11:29-12:2	
Ministry In Music		Chancel Choir
	The Message:	
	"The Costs of Success"	
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
Hymn of Invitation*	Center Of My Joy	#491
Moments of Silent Meditation		

We Encourage Christian Stewardship

Birthdays/Anniversaries		
Offering	You Can't Beat God Giving	Ushers
Announcements		
Offertory Prayer and Benediction		
Closing Song*	The Blessing	
Recessional/Postlude*	What A Mighty God We Serve	#478

* Please stand as you are able

Lift Him Up

How to reach the masses, *men of ev'ry birth,
For an answer Jesus gave the key:
"And I, if I be lifted up from the earth,
Will draw all men unto Me."

Refrain:

Lift Him up, (Lift the precious Savior up),
Lift Him up, (Lift the precious Savior up),
Still He speaks from eternity:
"And I, if I be lifted up from the earth,
Will draw all men unto Me."

Oh! the world is hungry for the Living Bread,
Lift the Savior up for them to see;
Trust Him, and do not doubt the words that He said,
"I'll draw all men unto Me." [Refrain]

Don't exalt the preacher, don't exalt the pew,
Preach the Gospel simple, full, and free;
Prove Him and you will find that promise is true,
"I'll draw all men unto Me." [Refrain]

Lift Him up by living as a Christian ought,
Let the world in you the Savior see;
Then men will gladly follow Him who once taught,
"I'll draw all men unto Me." [Refrain]

What A Mighty God We Serve

What a mighty God we serve.
What a mighty God we serve.
Angels bow before Him.
Heaven and earth adore Him.
What a mighty God we serve.

I command you, Satan,
in the name of the Lord
to take up your weapons and flee,
for the Lord has given me authority
to walk all over thee.

Christian Maturity

Old Testament: Psalms 1:1-3, 92:12-15, 144:12;
Job 17:9; Isaiah 40:28-29

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

The righteous flourish like the palm tree, and grow like a cedar in Lebanon. They are planted in the house of the LORD; they flourish in the courts of our God.

In old age they still produce fruit; they are always green and full of sap, showing that the LORD is upright; he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

May our sons in their youth be like plants full grown, our daughters like corner pillars, cut for the building of a palace.

The righteous hold to their way, and they that have clean hands grow stronger and stronger.

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

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The Faith of Other Israelite Heroes

²⁹ By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³² And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵ Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— ³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹ Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰ since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

The Example of Jesus

¹ Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

He's Sweet I Know

He's sweet, I know, He's sweet, I know,
Storm clouds may rise, strong winds may blow.
I'll tell the world wherever I go,
That I've found a Savior, and He' sweet, I know.

1 I can't forget when I was sad.
Head hanging down, soul feeling bad.
All I could say was Lord take my heart.
Jesus heard and saved me, and gave me a start. [Refrain]

2 I have my ticket here in my hand.
I'm going to that beautiful land.
Sometime I weep and sometime I moan.
But I'm bound for glory, and I'm going on. [Refrain]

Center Of My Joy

Jesus, You're the center of my joy,
all that's good and perfect comes from You.
You're the heart of my contentment, hope for all I do;
Jesus, You're the center of my joy.

When I've lost my direction, You're the compass for my way,
You're the fire and light when nights are long and cold.
In sadness, You are the laughter, that shatters all my fears,
when I'm all alone, Your hand is there to hold.

You are why I find pleasure in the simple things in life,
You're the music in the meadows and the streams.
The voices of the children, my family, and my home,
You're the source and finish of my highest dreams.

You Can't Beat God Giving

You can't beat God's giving, no matter how you try
And just as sure as you are living
And the Lord is in heaven on high
The more you give, the more He give to you
But keep on giving because it's really true
That you can't beat God's giving, no matter how you try

The Blessing

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make His face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn His
Face toward you
And give you peace
Amen, amen, amen
Amen, amen, amen

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