

Next CHAPTER

In the Next Chapter of 3Circle, we are called to be a church that Gathers in Worship-making space for more people to meet Jesus, Connects to Grow- sending the roots of our faith deeper through discipleship, and Scatters on Mission- carrying our faith into our homes and communities. We are asking our whole church family to pray with one focus: that God would gather His people to worship.

This week is a time to take intentional steps of faith together. Check off the commitments you will make as we seek the Lord side by side.

- ☐ Commit to Gather- Gather with my church family for worship and make weekly gathering a priority this season.
- ☐ Pause to Pray- Set an alarm for 4:35 p.m. each day, remembering John 4:35, and pray to “lift up my eyes” to the harvest around me.
- ☐ Invite One- Ask God to show me one person to invite, and I will invite them to gather with me.



Day One | Pray for Hearts that Come to Worship

Key Verse: “Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!” ~ Psalm 95:6

Psalm 95 is an invitation, and notice that it is plural: “let us.” Worship is not only something we do alone in our cars or home. God calls His people to come together, to pray together, and to worship together before Him. The reason is simple. He is our Maker. We did not make ourselves, and we do not sustain ourselves.

Prayer Focus: Pray for the hearts of our church family. Ask God to make us a people who come to worship Him, not to be entertained or simply out of habit. Pray that every person who walks through our doors, that they offer joyful worship to our great God. Pray for those who have drifted from gathering together, that God would draw them back.

Day Two | Worship in Spirit and Truth

Key Verse: “But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” ~ John 4:23–24

True worship is not tied to a place or a style. It is worship that the Holy Spirit stirs and that God’s character and truth shapes. Notice the phrase: “the Father is seeking such people.” God is not our reluctant audience. He seeks worshipers, and in Christ He makes them. When we worship, we are not trying to earn His attention. We are responding to the God who first sought us.

Prayer Focus: Pray for our worship ministry. Pray for our worship pastors, leaders, musicians, and production teams as they prepare this week. Ask God to bless them and to keep their hearts humbly focused on Him. Pray that our corporate worship would point every person to Christ. Pray that God would continue to raise up faithful servants for this ministry.

Day 3 | A Devoted Church

Key Verse: “And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.” ~ Acts 2:42

The first church didn’t drift into gathering together. They devoted themselves to it. Luke names four things they held on to: the apostles’ teaching, the fellowship, the breaking of bread, and the prayers. These are not programs. They are the means God uses to grow His people.

Prayer Focus: Pray for our church as a whole. Ask God to make us a people devoted to His Word, to genuine community, to generosity, and to prayer. Pray for unity across every campus, that we would be one church with one mission. Pray that the Lord would add to our number those who are being saved, and that new believers would be welcomed, disciplined, and connected into the life of the church.

Day 4 | Pray for Our Pastor

Key Verse: “Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you.” ~ 2 Thessalonians 3:1

Paul asked believers to pray for him. He knew that the power of preaching doesn't rest in the preacher. It rests in the Word of the Lord, carried by the Spirit into the hearts of people. He asked that the Word would “speed ahead and be honored.”

Prayer Focus: Pray for Pastor Chris Bell as he leads and preaches. Ask God to give him clarity, boldness and faithfulness to the Word of God. Pray for protection over his marriage and family. Pray that the Word preached this Sunday would speed ahead and be honored in our church. Pray for all our pastors and elders, that they would seek the Lord and shepherd His flock faithfully

Day 5 | Pray for Our Campus Pastors

Key Verse: “Shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly; not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock.” ~ 1 Peter 5:2–3

Peter gave each pastor a local charge: “Shepherd the flock of God that is among you.” That is the calling of a campus pastor. He knows the names, visits the hospital rooms, and walks with the families in his corner of the field. Our campus pastors serve under the Chief Shepherd, Jesus Christ. Shepherding is weighty work, sustained by grace and encouraged through prayer.

Prayer Focus: Pray for each of our campus pastors by name: Jonathon Duke- Daphne Campus, Micah Gaston- Midtown Campus, Aaron Miller- Robertsdale Campus, Jourdain Thrash- Fairhope Campus, and Nick Williams- Thomasville Campus. Ask God to give them joy in shepherding and wisdom in caring for people. Pray for blessing and protection over their families. Pray that each campus would be a faithful beacon of gospel hope in its community, and that God would gather many to worship at every campus.

Day 6 | Do Not Neglect to Meet Together

Key Verse: “And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” ~ Hebrews 10:24–25

Because we have access to God through Jesus, we draw near to Him together. Skipping the gathering had become “the habit of some,” and habits form slowly, one missed Sunday at a time. Notice that the gathering is not only for us. We come to “stir up one another.” Someone in the row behind you needs to hear your voice singing. Someone in the lobby needs your encouragement. When you are absent, the body is missing a part.

Prayer Focus: Pray for your own commitment to gather. Ask the Lord to give you joy as you prepare to come to church. Pray for families who find Sunday mornings hard, for those working weekend shifts, and for the sick and homebound who long to gather. Pray for the person God has laid on your heart to invite, and ask Him to give you courage to invite them today.

Day 7 | Lift Up Your Eyes

Key Verse: “Jesus said to them, ‘My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, “There are yet four months, then comes the harvest”? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest.’” ~ John 4:34–35

The disciples were thinking about food; Jesus was thinking about the Father’s will. His deepest fulfillment was doing the work His Father sent Him to do. Then Jesus told them to look up. The disciples thought the harvest was months away. But while they spoke, the Samaritans were already walking out of town toward Jesus, and many believed. The harvest belongs to the Lord, and He was gathering it right in front of them. The same is true for us. The people sitting near you this Sunday, and the friends you will invite, are part of a field God is ripening by His grace. Today, gather with God’s people and lift up your eyes.

Prayer Focus: Thank the Lord of the harvest for gathering His people to worship. Pray that this Sunday our church would be filled with people hungry for God’s Word. Ask God to open our eyes to see the fields white for harvest in our neighborhoods, schools, and workplaces. Pray that He would send out laborers from our church and use every campus to gather many to Christ. Pray that this week of prayer would lead to a lasting habit of faithful gathering.