# Praying during the service/sermon

#### Prayer for the glory of God

A God-glorifying worship service

That God's people would be focused on God & His character

That the God would be praised through the worship of His saints

That God would be high and lifted up in our hearts and minds

# Prayer for the edification of the people

For edification through the Word

For instruction in the Truth of Scripture

For confidence in the gospel & in God's power

For renewed commitment to mortify sin & live with purity

### Prayer for the music

to not be distracting

to be theologically enriching

that the Spirit would cause the words, melodies to sink into our minds/hearts

that it would spur us on and prepare us to hear & help us to respond to the preached Word.

# Prayer for the scripture reading and pastoral prayer

thank God for His revealed and sufficient Word.

Thank God that we have it in our own language

praise God that we have a church where we can read it publicly, aloud & boldly!

Pray that the pastoral prayer would model and show how to read through & pray through the Word.

# Prayer for the nursery -- kids and teachers

pray for the teachers to have patience and wisdom with the kids

pray for the little kids (by name, if possible)

pray for the teaching time that they would hear the gospel

pray for their conversion

pray for their home life as their parents instruct and evangelize them faithfully throughout the week

#### **Prayer for the ordinances (if pertinent)**

baptism -- the public showing of burial with Christ in His death & being raised with Him in His resurrection communion - the proclamation of Jesus who gave His body for sinners (perfect life) and shed His blood on the cross

#### Prayer for the sermon

for Spirit-empowered 'unction' upon the preacher to herald (announce/proclaim/cry out) boldly

for the preacher to fearlessly preach God's message to God's people

for clarity in the proclamation of the Truth

for God to use this means (of preaching) to save those who are lost

For the Spirit of God to take the Word and comfort believers and show them where they can grow in holiness

for there to be no distractions

for people to have godly, deliberate, sermon-based, God-glorifying conversations as they exit

for every person to be a DOER of the Word & not merely a hearer

# **Prayer for conversions**

pray that GOD would save His elect

pray that Jesus Christ would reveal Himself to the lost through the Word

pray for the Spirit of God to sovereignly, powerfully, savingly draw sinners to salvation

pray for NEW LIFE even during the sermon

#### Prayer for sanctification and growth

pray for comfort from the Word

pray for conviction from the Word

pray for instruction in the Word

pray for a renewed hungering and thirsting for the Word & for Christ

pray for the Spirit to show us our sin & where we can/need to change

#### Prayer for global impact

Pray that God would use CFBC in STL, in USA, and around the world

pray for evangelism in and among us

pray for every believer at CFBC to be actively, intentionally and urgently focused on winning the lost to Christ

#### Prayer for revival

pray for the Spirit of God to rend the heavens and come down and do a work IN US

pray that we would be overwhelmed by our excessive sin and the mighty grace of GOd!

pray that we would be desperately crying out for and praying for revival in us and in our nation

pray that God would wake up the Church to the glory of Christ, the beauty of the gospel & the eternality of souls!

pray that God would save many (many!) people thru the preached Word as he did before (Jonah, Pentecost, etc)

#### **Prayer for church purity**

Pray for purity among the church elders/shepherds

pray for sexual purity among all the members

pray for sexual purity in the home/marriages

pray for there to be no gossip, slander, backbiting, bitterness at all in the Body of Christ at CFBC

pray for God to expose sin

pray for God to bring healing/restoration to bruised/broken relationships at CFBC

pray for no one to hold any grudges

pray for God to protect our church from the evil one

pray for God to protect us from false teachers/worldly Christians who may defile the flock

#### Pray through CFBC members & families (marriages, purity, parenting, family worship)

pray through the CFBC membership list -- for family units

pray for the husbands to lead at home--to love their wives, to lead spiritually, to pray with them, read the Word with them

pray for the dads to shepherd and disciple their children

pray for godly parenting -- not just behavior change but heart-transformation with the Word & the gospel

pray for diligent parenting among us -- training the next generation to know God & His Works

pray for ALL families to be actively engaged in family worship -- bringing God's Word to bear in the homes daily