

UNDER THE MIGHTY HAND OF GOD

1 Peter 5:6–11

HUMILITY — Submit to God

- Confess the weakness and pride of our lives.
- “Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God.” — v. 6
- Pride tells us we can live independently of God.
- God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.
- Admit your pride before God.
- Accept your place before God.
- God exalts us **at His proper time**, not ours.
- The place of humility is at the **foot of the cross**.
- Jesus is our supreme example of humility and obedience. (Philippians 2:8–10)

CARE CASTING — Give Your Worries to God

- “Casting all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you.” — v. 7
- Anxiety tears at the mind and heart.
- God does not ask us merely to manage our worries—He tells us to **cast them upon Him**.
- Commit your fears, burdens, and anxieties completely to God.
- We can release our cares because **God cares for us**.
- His watch-care is one of the great blessings of the Christian life.

RESISTANCE — Stand Against the Enemy

- “Be of sober spirit, be on the alert.” — v. 8
- Satan is a real adversary seeking someone to devour.
- Because we are under God’s mighty hand, we can stand with confidence.
- Stay spiritually alert to the enemy’s attacks.
- “Resist him, firm in your faith.” — v. 9
- We are not alone—believers throughout the world face the same spiritual battle.
- God’s care enables us to face crises without being mastered by them.
- Christ conquered Satan **for us**, and He gives us strength to resist Satan **through us**.
- Victory comes through a life in which **Jesus Christ is Lord**.

OUR HOPE — Trust the God of All Grace

- Our suffering is only “for a little while.” — v. 10
- God has called us to His **eternal glory in Christ**.
- God Himself promises to:
 - Perfect us** — complete what He has begun.
 - Confirm us** — make us stable.
 - Strengthen us** — give us power to stand.
 - Establish us** — place us on a firm foundation.

The God who calls us is powerful enough to keep us.



Okatee Baptist Church exists as a family of baptized believers in Jesus Christ who are dedicated to prayer, evangelism, worship, ministry, missions and fellowship through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit.

Dr. Tim Searcy / Interim Pastor

August 23, 2026

THE LORD'S DAY

August 23, 2026

Call to Worship		
<i>"How Great Is Our God"</i>		Suzanne and Tim
Worship in Song		
<i>"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"</i>		Hymn #154
Welcome/Greeting		Dr. Tim Searcy
Worship in Song		
<i>"Be Still, My Soul"</i>		Hymn #514
Mission Moment		Don Cormier
Special Song		
<i>"Arms of God"</i>		Choir
Message		Dr. Tim Searcy
	"Under the Mighty Hand of God"	
	1 Peter 5: 6-11	
Invitation Hymn		
<i>"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"</i>	vs. 1&3	Hymn #154
Announcements		Jim Phillips
Closing Prayer		Dr. Tim Searcy
Exit Song		
<i>"Shout to the North"</i>		Suzanne and Tim

WELCOME

Thank you for worshipping with us today. We are glad you are here. For your convenience, an offering plate is located on a table in the foyer as you came in. Thank you for your unwavering support of the ministries here at Okatee Baptist Church.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's Church is provided upstairs in the Education Building for children K-4. Children will be dismissed after scripture reading and prayer time.

ATTENDANCE

Worship Service / 67 Sunday School / 40
Sunday Evening / 13 Wednesday Evening / 48

OUR PEOPLE GIVING

Weekly Budget \$9,322.00 Budget Offering \$8,564.00

WEEK OF AUGUST 23RD THROUGH AUGUST 30TH

Sun 8/23	6:00pm	Chronological Study of the Bible, "Deborah & Barak", 1340-1293 BC
Tues 8/25	11:30am	Tuesday Prayer Gathering
	6:30pm	GriefShare in Education Bldg
Wed 8/26	5:30pm	Prayer Meeting
	6:00pm	Bible Study, "The Worthlessness of Riches", James 5:1-3
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Sat 8/29	8:00am	Men's Breakfast
	9:30am	Deacons Meeting
Sun 8/30	9:45am	Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship Service
	6:00pm	Chronological Study of the Bible

GRIEFSHARE

Tuesdays from 6:30 - 8:00pm
Education Building

Contact Marsha Morgan or Shelley Battle with questions or sign up by calling the church office at 843-987-0885.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, August 29th, 8am

All men and boys are welcome to come for a time of devotion, fellowship, and good food.

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