EAGER AVENUE GRACE CHURCH

That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans 5:21

Worship Services

Sunday, February 19, 2023

10am: "Christ, the Fountain Opened" | Lesson 113 Zechariah 13 Christ in the Old Testament Bill Parker

11am: "Doing the Will of God" Ephesians 6:1-9 Bill Parker

Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.

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The Salvation of the Triune God

Each glorious person in the Godhead has a glorious part in our salvation. GOD THE FATHER chose, sanctified, and set us apart in Christ before the world was. GOD THE SON took our humanity into union to His personal Godhead, was made flesh, lived a perfect life, suffered and died a solemn death, rose again from the dead, and is now exalted at the right hand of the Father, ever living to make intercession for us. GOD THE SPIRIT awakened the dead and "called us with a holy calling." This call is the solemn, soulquickening, heart-rending call of the Holy God from death to life, from darkness to light, from the power of sin and Satan to the kingdom of the Son of His love. So that, BEFORE THE WORLD WAS, the church was saved purposely by God the Father, IN TIME meritoriously by the God-man, Christ Jesus, who now lives above, their mediator, High Priest, and advocate, and IN THE DAY OF GOD'S POWER they are saved manifestly and vitally by the "washing of regeneration, and the renewing of the Holy *Spirit''* (*Titus 3:4-7*). —William Gadsby

Excerpt From "Honey Out of The ROCK" by Thomas Wilcox

"When guilt is raised up, take heed of getting it allayed in any way but by Christ's blood. Make Christ your peace, "for He is our peace" (Eph 2:14), not your duties and your tears. Christ is your righteousness, not your graces. You may deny Christ by duties, as well as by sins. Look at Christ and do as much as you will. Stand with all your weight upon Christ's righteousness. Take heed of having one foot on your righteousness, and another on Christ's. Till Christ come and sit on high upon a throne of grace in the conscience, there is nothing but guilt, terrors, secret suspicions – the soul hanging between hope and fear, which is an ungospel-like state."

A popular preacher wrote, "Redemption is an objective fact. It is a work POTENTIALLY SAVING, wrought for man, but done independent of and exterior to the individual. Christ's work on Calvary made atonement for every man, BUT IT DID NOT SAVE ANY MAN." This statement is a denial of the true Gospel wherein Christ is revealed as the actual Redeemer of those whom the Father gave Him before the foundation of the world (*John 6:37*).

The truth of redemption accomplished by the Lord Jesus Christ establishes the Gospel truth that all for whom Christ died and arose shall be saved. They are, without question, justified in God's sight. This means their sins are forgiven, and they are declared righteous by God the Judge of all. This means that they will, without fail, be born again from above by the Spirit of God and be given the gifts of saving knowledge, faith in Christ, repentance from dead works and idolatry, and perseverance in the faith unto glory. There is no such thing in God's Word as a redemption that makes salvation a possibility for sinners if they will believe or meet some condition in order to make redemption effectual. What Christ accomplished on the cross for His people was (and is) not a potential redemption (waiting on a response from the sinner to be effectual) but an actual redemption that secured the complete salvation of all for whom He died and arose again. To make it anything less is to deny the Scriptures, the Gospel of God's grace, and Christ Himself.

—Pastor Bill Parker

The condition, or requirement, for acceptance with God must be found completely OUTSIDE of ourselves. That means someone ELSE who is qualified to meet the requirement must perform it. The gospel displays that the PERFECT righteousness of the LORD Jesus Christ IS THAT REQUIREMENT. Nothing short of perfection will EVER do. God demands this because of His holy, perfect character. He is always faithful to His own character and will NOT lower His standard. God's justice demands this, and He is glorified, praised, honored, and worshipped as a result. Christ is the very glory of God Himself, of whom people have all fallen short. But God STILL requires from all people the perfection that is in Christ. The merit of all that Christ earned through His work in His life and death (that perfection) must be legally transferred (charged/imputed) to your account to be accepted by God. This is a guaranteed promise to His people who believe His gospel of free and sovereign grace. To think you can lower His standard and be accepted is an abomination and an attack on the character of God. It is nothing short of antichrist doctrine and lawlessness.

—Pastor Scott Price

Birthdays

Paul Payne - Feb. 21st | Evan Renfroe - Feb. 22nd | Marsha McKenzie - Feb. 24th

Prayer Requests

Winston and Patricia Pannell, Alex Wages, Audrey Asher, Frank Dell, Kathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, Cassie Broxton, Akimi Okada, Babs Baldwin, Sue Parker, the mission in Malawi, Africa.

Hymns

<u>February 19th services</u> Standing on the Promises - 175 Jesus Paid It All - 125

Call To Worship

(Tune – O God Our Help in Ages Past – p. 10)

Jesus, the Lord, My Saviour is, My Shepherd and my God, My light, my strength, my joy, my bliss, And I His grace record.

Mercy and truth and righteousness, And peace most richly meet, In Jesus Christ, the King of grace, In whom I stand complete.

As through the wilderness I roam, His mercies I'll proclaim; And when I safely reach my home, I'll still adore His name.

"Worthy the Lamb," shall be my song,
For He for me was slain;
And with me all the heavenly throng,
Shall join and say, "Amen".