

# 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, June 4, 2023**

11am: "Justified Before God"  
Romans 4:1-25  
Jim Casey

## Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.  
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## Mercy and Truth

*“For Thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon Thee” (Psalm 86:5).* It is delightful to speak about the mercy of God, but forgiveness and salvation do not come to sinners by mercy alone without consideration for the legal requirements of God. “The soul that sinneth shall die.” The righteous Judge cannot clear the guilty apart from satisfaction for sin. The sweet mercy of the Lord will never be exercised at the expense of His justice. His violated law demands death for all transgressions. God cannot be at peace with sinful men in a way that is dishonoring to His truth and righteousness. His only begotten Son has rendered to Him the required price for the redemption for His chosen people. His precious blood has been shed so that God can be a just God and a Savior. The sacrifice of the good Shepherd to divine justice on the behalf of His sheep was the price that forevermore silenced divine vengeance, exhausted the wrath of God and, when revealed and applied to them by the Holy Spirit, speaks peace to the troubled conscience telling them all is well with a holy God. “Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other” (Psalm 85:10).  
—Pastor Jim Byrd

*"The Lord is my light, and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?" (Psalm 27:1)*

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## All Shall Come

"All that the Father giveth Me shall come to Me; him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out" (John 6:37). "All," not one, or two, or ten, or a million only, but "all." And observe wherefore? They are the Father's gift to Jesus, and therefore they must come. He said elsewhere, "that I should give eternal life to as many as Thou hast given me" (John 17:2). Hence, therefore, there is a blessed provision, a blessed security, that they shall come; for they are the Father's gift to Christ, as well as the purchase of Christ's blood; and the promise is absolute in the charter of grace – "Thy people shall be willing in the day of Thy power" (Psalm 110:3). And, to give every possible encouragement to the poor coming sinner, whom God the Holy Ghost is leading by the hand to the all-precious Jesus, He adds, "And him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out." —Robert Hawker

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If Jesus Christ died for our sins, then we are sure for heaven's glory based on His righteousness imputed and received by God-given faith. God the Holy Spirit will impart spiritual life and knowledge within us, and we will be conformed to the image of Christ. If Jesus Christ died for our sins, it is impossible for us to perish as Christ suffered the full measure of God's wrath in our place. God's law must pronounce us righteous based on the obedience unto death of Christ our Substitute and Surety. Therefore, salvation is NEVER by works of righteousness which we have done, are doing, or ever will do. It is all of and by Jesus Christ. —Pastor Bill Parker

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The comfort of a believer's heart lies not in a mere "feeling" that "everything will be all right." It lies in the Spirit of God's application of truth to our hearts and minds. It is comfort based on the promises of God who cannot lie, die, change or fail in any way. Oh, it does produce wonderful feelings. But these feelings are the product of the assurance of faith, faith based upon that which is given us by God's grace through the merits of Christ's righteous blood. —Pastor Gary Shepard

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If I did not believe the Scriptural teaching of election unto salvation, I would not bother to ever preach again. But since God has a people chosen unto salvation and redeemed by Christ, I am encouraged to preach "Christ and Him crucified." I am assured that the Holy Spirit will cause His people to hear the Gospel and believe on the Son. —Copied

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## Note From the Pastor

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I am preaching this Sunday morning (6/4) in Ruston, LA, for Pastor Richard Warmack and the congregation of Grace Baptist Church. Lord willing, Debbie and I will return home Monday afternoon. Please pray for me and Debbie as we travel and for me as I preach God's Word to His people in Ruston. Also, please pray for Elder Jim Casey as he delivers God's Word to you this Sunday in my absence.

—Pastor Bill Parker

## Prayer Requests

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Patricia Pannell, Alex Wages, Audrey Asher, Kathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, Leon Drake, Akemi Okada, Sue Parker, the mission in Malawi, Africa.

## Hymns

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### June 4th services

- Jesus Paid It All - 125
- He Hideth My Soul - 258

## Birthdays

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Jane Margeson – June 8<sup>th</sup> | Kelsey Morris – June 10<sup>th</sup>

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## Call to Worship

(Tune – I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord – p. 188 )

**Thy works, not mine, O Christ  
Speak gladness to this heart  
They tell me all the work is done  
They bid my fear depart.**

**Thy cross, not mine, O Christ  
Has borne the awful load  
Of sins that no one else could bear  
But our incarnate God.**

**Thy death, not mine, O Christ  
Has paid the ransom due  
Ten thousand, thousand deaths like mine  
Would have been all too few.**

**Thy righteousness, O Christ  
Alone can cover me  
No righteousness can satisfy  
Save that which is of Thee!**