

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 November 15, 2020

10 am: "Our Ark is Christ"
Christ in the Old Testament Series
Lesson 7 | Genesis 6-7
Bill Parker

11 am: "Evidences of the New
Birth (2)" | John 3:14-15
Bill Parker

Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.
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Preach the Word

The Apostle Paul instructed Timothy to *“preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine” (2 Timothy 4:2)*. The *“word”* here is the Word of God (the Scriptures) as it reveals and pertains to the glory and greatness of the Lord Jesus Christ and the great salvation HE has attained for and gives to His people by the free, sovereign grace of God. To *“preach the Word”* is to *“preach Christ crucified” (1 Corinthians 1:23)*, to *“preach Christ’s Gospel” (2 Corinthians 2:12)*, both the glory of His Person as God with us and the power of His obedience unto death as our Surety, Substitute, and Redeemer, the Lord our Righteousness. All instructions in righteousness, faith, repentance, obedience, love, and worship are to be taken directly from God’s Word and not man’s opinions and preferences. Let us pray that our lives be motivated by His love and grace in Christ and guided by His Word as it is in Christ.

—Pastor Bill Parker

Please note

CHURCH BUSINESS
MEETING
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 at
9:30 a.m.

Ephesians 2:8-9

Grace and life are not rewards for faith; faith is the result of grace and life in Christ – *“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.”*

Birthdays

LAURA PANNELL - NOV. 19TH
MICHAEL LEE - NOV. 20TH

Hymns

Nov. 15th service

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus - 204
Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove-
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A Wedding Garment

The story states that a king gave a marriage feast for his son. When the king came to see the guests, he saw a man there who was dressed in the proper wedding garment. The king asked, *“Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless” (Matthew 22:12)*. He had a garment, but not a wedding garment. It was one of his own providing, like those who have a righteousness of their own, of whom the Lord elsewhere speaks, *“Woe to the rebellious children, saith the Lord, that take counsel, but not of Me; and that cover with a covering, but not of My Spirit, that they may add sin to sin” (Isa. 30:1)*. Precious Lord Jesus, clothe me with the wedding garment of Thy righteousness; and feed me with the rich food of Thy body and blood; yea, Lord, be Thou my covering, my joy, my all; that when at Thy church, at Thy table, at Thine house of prayer below and at Thy kingdom of glory above, the King cometh in to see His guests, my soul may cry out, in Thine own blessed words and with a joy unspeakable and full of glory, *“I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, He hath covered me with a robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels” (Isa. 61:10)*.

—Robert Hawker

Christ Receiveth Sinful Men

“This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.” (1 Tim. 1:15)

The Lord Jesus Christ said, *“I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth His life for the sheep” (John 10:11)*. Why did He lay down His life for His sheep? It was because they are sinners, and sin must be punished with death. Christ, the good Shepherd, laid down His life for the sins of His sheep charged to Him. Now if He died for His sheep who are sinners, He will most certainly receive His them as sinners. Christ receives His sheep, sinful men and women, as objects of His Father's love and as trophies of His Father's grace. This is evidenced in time when in their new birth (regeneration and conversion by the Holy Spirit) His sheep follow Him as they believe God's promise in the Gospel, receive Christ and His righteousness by faith, and repent from former idolatry and dead works. This is their entrance into His fold. Christ receives them as sinners who stand in need of pure sovereign grace and mercy. Thank God for His marvelous, amazing grace.

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Call to Worship

**Tune – “Come Thou Fount” – p. 17)
(Words written by Pastor Jim Byrd)**

**God of glory, Lord of heaven, hear Thy children as we pray;
Bless us with Thy gracious presence as we gather on this day.
May the precious name of Jesus be adored and magnified;
By His sacrifice on Calv’ry, all His seed were justified.**

**As we gather here for worship, may we meet with one accord;
Let our hearts be joined together, unified to praise the Lord.
Speak O God in sovereign power, quicken those still dead in sin;
Bring each heart to trust the Savior,
Cause Thy grace to reign within.**

**Holy Spirit, use Thy servants as they set forth Christ the King;
Make the gospel Word effectual to each heart salvation bring.
When this time of worship ceases, and we leave, our homes to go;
May the praise of the Redeemer fill our hearts to overflow.**

There was not a speck of sin on the conscience, nor a principle of sin in the nature of His people for which Christ was not judged on the cross; and they are now looked upon as having died with Christ, lain in the grave with Christ, and, as His people, raised from the dead with Christ, perfectly accepted in Him – their sins, their iniquities, their transgressions, their enmity, their uncircumcision, having been entirely put away by the cross. The sentence of death has been written on the flesh; but the believer is in possession of a new life, in union with his risen Head in glory.

What rest – perfect rest – for the heart and conscience is here! What full relief for the burdened spirit! All our sins buried in the grace of Christ, not one – even the smallest – left out! God did this for us! All that His searching eye could detect in us, He laid on the head of Christ when He hung upon the cross! He judged Him there and then, instead of judging us in hell forever.

—C. H. Mackintosh