

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 17, 2024

10 am: "The Garment of Righteousness" | Matt. 22:9-14
Matthew Series | Lesson 80
Bill Parker

11 am: "Our Confidence in Christ" | Isaiah 6:1-7
Bill Parker

Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.

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“Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High: And call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me.” (Psalm 50:14-15)

This offering is the sacrifice of praise. This should be offered up for all mercies, temporal and spiritual, and unto God, because they all come from Him; and because such sacrifices are well pleasing to Him, and are no other than our reasonable service, and agreeable to His will. They are offered up aright when they are offered up through Christ, the great High Priest, by Whom they are acceptable unto God, and upon Him the Altar, which sanctifies every gift, and by faith in Him, without which it is impossible to please God

—John Gill

It is so sad when people feel within themselves that they have nothing for which to thank God. We need to consider that the very breaths we take are gifts from God. But what is more tragic and sad is when a sinner claims to be saved by the sovereign mercy and grace of God in Christ Jesus and fails to thank God through worship, service, and love. If this is the case, there is something seriously wrong in the heart.

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“Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for Whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ, and be found in Him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith” (Philippians 3:8-9)

A Wedding Garment

“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

“O love the LORD, all ye His saints: for the LORD preserveth the faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer. Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD. (Psalm 31:23-24)

All Believers Are Saints

“Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours” (1 Cor. 1:2).

The epistles of the New Testament are addressed to saints. “Saints” refers to those who have been sanctified (set apart) by God in the Lord Jesus Christ and called out of the world by the Holy Spirit by revelation of the Gospel wherein Christ is revealed in the glory of His Person (God manifest in the flesh) and the power of His finished work (His obedience unto death to establish righteousness by which God justifies His people). They were set apart by the Father before the foundation of the world in sovereign, electing love and grace and given to Christ Jesus as their Surety in the covenant of grace. They are set apart as God has justified them based on Christ’s righteousness imputed to them and as Christ has redeemed them by His blood. They are set apart by the Holy Spirit as He brings them under the Gospel and gives them spiritual life, conviction, faith in Christ, and true repentance, all which are gifts from God and given to them in the new birth. None of these blessings of sanctification by which believers are made saints are blessings we earn or attain gradually by our efforts to obey. They are ALL blessings of God’s grace in Christ, and they who have them are ALL SAINTS made so by God’s grace and power in and by the Lord Jesus Christ. —Pastor Bill Parker

Birthdays

Michael Lee - Nov. 20th | Laura Pannell - Nov. 21st | Leonard Qualls - Nov. 22nd

Prayer Requests

Patricia Pannell, Alex Wages, Audrey Asher, Kathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, Leon Drake, Sue Parker, Judy Fletcher, David Tennyson, Monica Hayes, Mike Loosier, Patsy Parr, Phyllis Payne, the mission in Malawi, Africa.

Hymns

November 17th services

-Standing on the Promises - 175

-O God Our Help - 10

Call to Worship

(Tune – Doxology)

**Jesus, Thy blood and righteousness,
My beauty art my glorious dress;
Midst flaming worlds in these arrayed,
With joy shall I lift up my head.**

**This spotless robe the same appears,
When ruined nature sinks in years,
No age can change its glorious hue,
The robe of Christ is ever new.**

**When from the dust of death I rise
To join the ransomed in the skies;
E'en then shall this be all my plea,
That Christ has lived and died for me.**

**O, let the dead now hear Thy voice,
Now bid Thy people to rejoice;
Our beauty this, our glorious dress,
JESUS, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.**