

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, October 23, 2022

10am: "Christ, the Measure of Righteousness" | Daniel 5
Christ in the Old Testament
Lesson 98
Bill Parker

11am: "The Fulness of God in Christ" | Ephesians 1:15-23
Bill Parker

Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.

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The Satisfaction of Christ

The finishing and making an entire end of sin — this was Christ's work assigned Him in covenant and asserted in prophecy. And which was done when He made reconciliation or atonement for sin (**Dan. 9:24**). Not that the being of sin was removed thereby, for that remains in all the justified and sanctified ones in this life, but the damning power of it was removed. Those for whom Christ has made satisfaction shall never come into condemnation nor be hurt by the second death which shall have no power over them. Sin is so done and put away and abolished by the sacrifice of Christ for it that no charge can ever be brought against His people for it. The curse of the law cannot reach them, nor light upon them. Nor any sentence of condemnation and death can be executed on them. Nor any punishment inflicted on them. They are secure from wrath to come. Sin is so finished and made an end of by Christ's satisfaction for it that it will be seen no more by the eye of avenging justice. It is so put away and out of sight that when it is sought for, it shall not be found. God, for Christ's sake, has cast it behind His back and into the depths of the sea (**Micah 7:19**). —John Gill



Birthdays

Mike Lee - Oct. 24th
 Jerry Shores - Oct. 26th
 Jim Casey - Oct. 27th

Prayer Requests

Winston and Patricia Pannell, Alex Wages, Audrey Asher, Frank Dell, Cathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, Cassie Broxton, Akimi Okada, James Mwali and the mission in Malawi, Africa.

A Union Which Will Last Forever - John Macduff

Christian, rejoice in your union with Jesus! The changes of time cannot touch it! The storms of life cannot injure it! The sword of persecution cannot sever it! The damps of death cannot affect it! The malice of hell cannot move it! It is a union which will last forever! It follows, therefore, that you, if a partaker of it — will be rich forever, safe forever, dignified forever, and blessed forever!

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Oh, To Be Reconciled!

"Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God" (2 Cor. 5:20). The Gospel ministry is the one and only *"ministry of reconciliation"* (2 Cor. 5:18) as it proclaims how a holy and just God is reconciled (at peace with) to His chosen based on the great exchange – the debt of the sins of His elect imputed to Christ and Christ's righteousness imputed to His elect – *"For He hath made Him to be sin for us, Who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him"* (2 Cor. 5:21). But as God is reconciled to His people in Christ, His people are born spiritually dead in trespasses and sins and, in their natural minds and hearts, unreconciled enemies of God by their wicked works, including their religious efforts. All to whom God has been reconciled must (and will be) reconciled unto Him as God brings them to Himself upon the same ground – the imputed righteousness of Christ. As the Gospel is made by

the Holy Spirit to be *"the power of God unto salvation"* (Rom. 1:16) for them, they are reconciled to God by new birth whereupon they receive Christ by God-given faith and repent of their dead works. The command of the Gospel then is *"be ye reconciled to God,"* not by your works but by Jesus Christ and the work He alone accomplished for His people – *"And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath He reconciled in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unrepentable in His sight"* (Col. 1:21-22). —Pastor Bill Parker

From a Sermon by William Gadsby

Remember, then, poor child of God, that Christ is "come in the flesh," to be thy deliverance; He is come to be thy sanctification; He is come to be thy life and thy light; He is come to be thy strength and thy succour and thy support; He is come to be thy hiding-place from every storm and from every tempest; He is come to stand betwixt holy justice and thee, and to present thee to God complete in Himself; to strip thee of all idols, and to bring thee bare, naked, empty, vile, polluted, foolish, ignorant, and condemned, to the foot of the cross. Is God's Christ thus manifested in you? Have you had a little of this sweetness in your conscience? O what solemn moments they have been! For you have been led then to say, *"Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities, Who healeth all thy diseases, Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; Who crowneth thee with loving-kindness and tender mercies!"* (Psalm 103:1-4). In Christ is all law requires, justice demands, God gives, or a sinner needs. He gives thee a title to heaven and a meetness for it, and will convey thee safely to it, and crown thee when thou art there. It is Christ "all and in all." You want no other. If ever God the Spirit reveals this, you will say, "It is enough."

Hymns

October 23rd services

Redeemed - 475

The Cleansing Wave - 227

Call To Worship

(Tune – O God Our Help – p. 10)

Wherewith shall we approach the Lord,
And bow before His throne?
By trusting in His faithful Word,
And pleading Christ alone.

The blood, the righteousness, and love
Of Jesus will we plead;
He lives within the veil above
For us to intercede.

Sure ground and sure foundation, too,
We find in His dear Name;
Herein we ev'ry blessing view,
And ev'ry favor claim.

Then let His Name forever be
To us supremely dear;
Our only, all-prevailing plea,
For all our hope is there.