

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 24, 2021

10 am: "Christ, the Judge of All"
Christ in the Old Testament
Lesson 51 | Judges 1–2
Bill Parker

11 am: "God's Way vs. Man's
Ways" | Jude 11
Bill Parker

Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.

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For Those Who Are Trusting Christ

The life-boat of free grace has put you on board the vessel of salvation, and that will convey you safely to the port of glory! Do not look at your spiritual destitution, or feebleness, or incapacity, or imperfections, but trust in your Pilot, rely on your Captain, and expect His mercy and merit to land you safe in Heaven at last! As imperfect as you now are, and as imperfect you will be, your dying prayer will still be, *"God be merciful unto me — a sinner!"* Hope in God! His mercy is great unto the heavens, His grace is as free as the air, His love is as changeless as His nature, His promise is as immutable as His love. Hope in God, for you shall yet praise Him. He will save you for His own sake, and present you before assembled worlds as a monument of His mercy, and a trophy of His grace!

—James Smith (1864)

What is the Gospel All About?

“For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.” –Romans 1:16

The Gospel of Christ is not about an offer. It is about His one offering for sins forever. It is not about a proposition but the fact that God set Him forth as the propitiation through faith in His blood. It is not about God giving all a chance but about Him choosing a people in Christ before the world began. It is not about a way available but about Christ the Way alone. It is not about God trying to do something but about God triumphing on behalf of someone. It is not about man's will but about the Lamb's worthiness. It is not about man's decision but about Christ's death. It is not about infused goodness but about imputed righteousness. It is not a matter of apologetics and debate but of apostolic declarations. It is not about our good but His grace. It is not building a church but about the Builder of the Church. It is not about "church planting" but about the church God purchased with His own blood. It is not about how many but about His mercy. It is not about what to give God but about what He has given us in Christ. It is not about law, it is about Christ the End of the Law for Righteousness. In other words, it is all about God, His grace, His Son and His glory!
—Pastor Gary Shepard

If you really want to know how much God hates sin, consider that when His holy, harmless, and righteous Son bore the sins of His people on the cross, God the Father cursed Him and crushed Him unto death. What do you think God will do to any of us (sinners) if on the day of Judgment we appear before Him uncovered with the robe of Christ's righteousness imputed? To appear before God without Christ is to be consigned to eternal death and damnation. It is the blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, Who is Surety for God's people, that washes away our sins. —Pastor Bill Parker

Sovereign Mercy is Royal Kindness

If God is pleased to bestow saving mercy, is that not His prerogative? And is it not also His right, if He shows mercy, to bestow it upon whom He will? Mercy is not a matter of debt, but of royal kindness which God gives when and where it seems good in His sight. *"I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy."* Though men balk at the thought of distinguishing kindness, their complaint has no merit. The King declares, *"Is it not lawful for Me to do what I will with Mine own?"* —Pastor Jim Byrd

What an excellent ground of hope and confidence we have when we reflect upon these three things in prayer – the Father's love, the Son's merit, and the Spirit's power! —Thomas Manton

If there be ground for you to trust in your own righteousness, then all that Christ did to purchase salvation, and all that God did to prepare the way for it, is in vain. —Copied

Any philosophy, though championed by the most brilliant intellects; or any religion, though followed by the most devout and pious of people, that tends to lure the soul from Christ, that puts anything in the place of Him, or depreciates in any way our estimate of His glorious Person or His finished work of redemption, is false and full of danger for the soul. —Copied

Birthdays

MIKE LEE - OCT. 24TH | JERRY SHORES - OCT. 26TH | JIM CASEY - OCT. 27TH

Hymns

October 24th services

At Calvary - 477

Near the Cross - 351

Prayer Requests

Winston and Patricia Pannell, Alex Wages, Audrey Asher, Frank Dell, Cathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, and the Gospel mission in Malawi, Africa.

Call to Worship

(Tune – O God Our Help – 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”.