

# 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, September 10, 2023

10 am: "Our Rock, Christ Jesus"

Matthew Series | Lesson 25

Matthew 7:21-29

Bill Parker

11 am: "The Church, Dead and

Dying" | Revelation 3:1-6

Bill Parker

## Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.

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## "This Man"

Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through THIS MAN is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins: And by Him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses." (Acts 13:38-39)

"**THIS MAN**" of Whom the apostle speaks is the Godman, the Lord Jesus Christ, and it is through Him that sinners have the complete forgiveness of their sins. It is through Him that all believers are "**justified from all things**" that would come against them to condemn them to everlasting death and hell. "**THIS MAN**" is the Surety, Substitute, Redeemer, and Preserver of all of God's chosen people. By Himself, He accomplished their redemption by His death on the cross from which He brought in the righteousness of God which has been imputed to them. The law of Moses could not even come near to accomplishing this for sinners. The law of Moses could only condemn sinners based on their works. But because of "**THIS MAN**," this Godman, there is no possibility of condemnation for God's elect – "**Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, Who is even at the right hand of God, Who also maketh intercession for us**" (Rom. 8:33-34).

—Pastor Bill Parker

## The Gospel - For the Hungry and Thirsty Soul

All have not the Gospel preached to them; and many to whom it is preached only hear the sound thereof with the outward ear. They come and go in an attendance thereon as the door upon its hinges, in a way of mere formality. They are not impressed with the sight and sense of their state as sinners. They are not weary and heavy-laden because of sin. The proclamation by the Gospel trumpet of redemption for sin through Christ's blood is not a joyful sound to them. They know not their need thereof. Evangelical repentance is the gift of free Grace. Faith is the Gift of God. What is God's, as a gift to bestow, cannot be man's duty to perform as a condition of salvation. Those who are invited (summoned) to look to Christ, to come to Him for salvation, are very minutely described: they are the weary and heavy laden with sin, the penitent, the hungry and thirsty soul. These are the characters who are called to come to and believe Christ and not all men (*Matt. 11:28; Isa. 55:1; Mark 2:17*).  
—Christopher Ness

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## The Excellence of the Knowledge of Christ

*“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,” (Php. 3:8).*

There is no greater knowledge than that which God teaches all His children by the Holy Spirit when He teaches them of the glory of Christ crucified and risen again (*Jeremiah 31:34; John 6:45*). Knowledge for knowledge's sake alone merely makes a person proud and self-righteous. Knowledge without grace, truth, and heart merely makes a person outwardly pious and judgmental. But when God the Holy Spirit teaches us of our utter depravity and sinfulness and then drives us to Christ for all righteousness, eternal life, and glory, this is the excellence of knowledge that causes us to consider all things that rival Christ to be no more than dung so that we may win Christ and be found in Him, having been washed in His precious blood and clothed in His perfect righteousness. God uses the means of preachers preaching the Gospel of His grace in Christ to us, but it is only by the Holy Spirit that this excellent knowledge is imparted to our hearts unto salvation. This is the knowledge that brings us to faith in Christ and repentance of dead works (*Php. 3:7*). This is the knowledge that comes in the fear of the Lord as we see the glory of the Person and finished work of Christ for whole salvation (*Prov. 1:7*).  
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God hath in Himself all power to defend you, all wisdom to direct you, all mercy to pardon you, all grace to enrich you, all righteousness to clothe you, all goodness to supply you and all happiness to crown you.

—Thomas Brooks

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**LADIES' LUNCHEON, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**  
**12:00 NOON IN THE CHURCH DINING HALL**  
**BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH**  
**All the ladies of our church are invited.**  
**Come and enjoy this time of fellowship.**

## 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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### September 10th services

There Is Power in the Blood - 198

Jesus Paid It All - 125

## Birthdays

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Felton Riggins - Sept. 11th

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# Call to Worship

(Tune – Like a River Glorious – p. 287)

(Words by Pastor Jim Byrd)

**You who trust the Savior, glory in His Name;  
Jesus came to cleanse us from our guilt and shame;  
He alone could save us from our lost estate,  
Praise the great Redeemer, mighty Potentate.**

**CHORUS: Praise the name of Jesus, Let your voices soar,  
Praise the name of Jesus, Praise Him evermore.**

**With His sacrifice the Lord was satisfied,  
By His bloody death our souls were justified;  
Risen from the grave He evermore shall reign;  
Christ our Intercessor soon will come again.**

**CHORUS:**

**None can save but Jesus, look to Him we must,  
O that Christ the Lord would be our only trust;  
May the Holy Spirit grant that we would see,  
Christ alone can save us for eternity.**

**CHORUS:**