# 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, March 2, 2025

10 am: "The Final Separation" Matthew 25:31-46 Matthew Series | Lesson 94 Bill Parker

11 am: "Appointed Unto Salvation" |1 Thessalonians 5:8-10 Bill Parker

### Live Stream

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"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." (Romans 12:2)

A true believer's nonconformity to this world must be seen in two ways. As sinners saved by God's grace, fully justified before God by Christ's righteousness imputed and forgiven of all our sins by His blood, and as made true believers and disciples of Christ, we must:

- (1) Not conform to the world's immorality and lawlessness wherein they flaunt their own selfishness to the point of totally disregarding the Word of God that says do unto others as you would have them do unto you; and
- (2) Not conform to the world's religion of salvation by the works and the wills of men, thinking that salvation and a right relationship with God are in some way conditioned on what we do or what we choose.

The Lord brings His people to not be conformed to the world in either way by transforming us and renewing our minds as He continually drives us to Christ for our whole salvation unto final glory, for all forgiveness by His blood and justification by His righteousness imputed, and by motivating us by the Holy Spirit through the Word of God to the obedience of grace and faith as we strive to love Him perfectly and to love our neighbor, especially our brethren in Christ, as ourselves.

—Pastor Bill Parker

# **Satisfied (propitiation)**

One of the many things missing from the religions of today is the doctrine of satisfaction. The god of man's religion is in a perpetual state of want. This is evidenced by language such as, "God wants," or "God is trying," or "Won't you allow god to come into your heart."

Pulpiteers plead for their audience to "Let go and let god," ever painting a picture of a deity who is anxious and powerless without your cooperation. In their errant theology, God has done all he can and the rest is up to you. They call this foolishness the gospel, but where is the good news in that?

The actual gospel sets forth an Almighty Sovereign God who has decreed all things from the beginning and has now finished his work of redemption through the obedience unto death of the Lord Jesus Christ. Christ has, by himself, actually satisfied eternally all of God's just demands as they apply to his sheep. What they were wholly incapable of doing, he has perfectly accomplished. "It is finished" as certified by his resurrection, ascension and the fact that he is now and eternally seated at the right hand of the Father. —Kenny Dyess~ Grace Baptist of Ruston, LA

"We will rejoice in Thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners: the LORD fulfil all thy petitions. Now know I that the LORD saveth His anointed; He will hear Him from His holy heaven with the saving strength of His right hand." (Psalm 20:5-6)

# **Our Source of Rejoicing**

Someone once said, "All roads lead to Rome"; but in the Bible, from all Scripture there is a road that leads to Jesus Christ and Him crucified, to His precious blood and imputed righteousness as the only hope for sinners. That is the promise of God's Gospel, that He will justify the ungodly, not conditioned on their works to any degree, but based on the righteousness of His Son imputed to them. To a believer who knows the plague and corruption of the natural, desperately wicked heart, righteousness without works or any contribution on his part is his only hope and the rejoicing of his heart. —David Adkins

# "For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness"

"In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them." Paul says, "For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake." And the only reason that we are not deceived, the only reason the Lord's people in every place are not deceived is this. "For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." The only reason Paul says we are not deceived, the only reason that we know God is that he came to us in our darkness and shined in our darkness his light revealing his glory, the glory of his grace in the Lord Jesus Christ. And this is the only thing that has preserved the Lord's people throughout all generations all the way since the garden.

—Pastor Gary Shepard

### **Birthdays**

Timothy Pannell – Mar. 6<sup>th</sup> | Annie Cox – Mar. 8<sup>th</sup>

# Hymns

March 2nd services

- -My Redeemer 488
- -What a Wonderful Savior! 454

## **Prayer Requests**

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

# Call to Worship

(Tune – O For a Thousand Tongues – p. 46)

Great God! Thy glory and Thy love Our humble songs employ, In mercy from Thy throne above Look down and cause our joy.

Thy presence and Thy glory, Lord Fill all the realms of space; O let Thy presence, by Thy Word Divinely fill this place.

This hymn begins the solemn sound
Of holy worship here;
May ev'ry saint with joy abound
And reverential fear.

Eternal Spirit! Heav'nly Dove!

Descend and fill this place;
Reveal the Saviour's matchless love
The wonders of His grace!