

# 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 22, 2026

10 am: "An Example of True Conversion"

Lesson 3 | Ruth 1:8-17

Bill Parker

11 am: "Put Off the Old; Put On the New" | Colossians 3:9-17

Bill Parker

## Live Stream

Every Sunday 10 & 11 a.m.

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God the Holy Spirit is the sovereign, powerful Agent Who brings about the new birth in God’s people. In this new birth, He applies the resurrection life of Christ both in regeneration (giving them spiritual life) and conversion (turning them to Christ by God-given faith and turning them away from themselves by God-given repentance). He uses the Gospel message making it the power of God unto salvation by the Lord Jesus Christ (Rom. 1:16-17; James 1:18). By this truth He reveals Christ to them in the glory of His Person (God manifest in the flesh) and the sure effectual nature of His obedience unto death as their Surety, Substitute, Redeemer, Intercessor, and Preserver. He uses the Gospel to convince them of sin, righteousness, and judgment. He makes it the Word of life and the savour of life unto life rather than the savour of death unto death as it is to those who live and die in unbelief. Believer, thank God, not only for the beauty of His truth as it is in Christ our Savior, our righteousness, but also for the spiritual eyes and ears to see and hear this beauty as well as the heart to receive and believe on Him Who is the Beauty of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

—Pastor Bill Parker

## There is Power in Christ's Blood

There is a power, an actual, substantial, intrinsic power, in the blood of the Lamb. As a divine ordinance and appointment, of course God Himself will not disregard it; but the power of the Saviour's blood is not typical, or shadowy, or ceremonial, or merely the result of Divine appointment. The power of Christ's blood is living, legal, meritoriously, absolutely and necessarily saving. Its power comes from the dignity, worth, and greatness of the Person that shed it. All His dignity and glory are inseparable from the life He lived, and the death He died.

—John Hazelton

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## God's Foreknowledge

In Holy Scripture, God's foreknowledge is declared in four ways:

- (1) God's foreknowledge is His act and decree of Foreordination. There is no need to speculate here. Since scripture is the interpreter of scripture, in this same context the very same Greek word which is translated foreknowledge in verse two is translated foreordained in verse twenty (**1 Peter 1:20**).
- (2) God's foreknowledge of His elect is His everlasting love for us in Christ (**Jeremiah 31:3; John 17:23-24**).
- (3) Divine foreknowledge is divine approval. **"For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish." (Psalm 1:6) "To the praise of the glory of His grace, wherein He hath made us accepted in the Beloved." (Ephesians 1:6)**
- (4) God's foreknowledge of us is our absolute safety and security in Christ. **"Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are His. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity." (1 Timothy 2:19)**

The elect love the electing foreknowledge of God. —Tim James

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## Can These Bones Live? (Ezekiel 37:3)

This was an impossible situation which met Ezekiel's eye. A valley filled with bones, and the bones were "very dry," destitute of life. And Ezekiel was to realize that this was a picture of the Israel of God. If ever there was a setting forth of impossibility, it was this. "Can these dry bones live?" The prophet did not answer with the obvious "No" but, realizing the greatness of God, replied, "O LORD God, Thou knowest."

And then a miracle took place. Ezekiel had to prophesy to the bones and to prophesy to the wind (in other words: preach, but cry to the Holy Ghost that the word might be a life-giving word). Then the dry bones stood up an exceeding great army.

God is still the same – His mercy, His power. If it be His holy will, He can still make the dry bones live. Is not this our language? "Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts" (Ezekiel 37:11).

What a mercy if the LORD should say, "Behold, O My people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves." (Ezekiel 37:12) "The power of His resurrection." (Philippians 3:10)

—B. A. Ramsbottom

## Prayer Requests

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Patricia Pannell, Audrey Asher, Kathy Robinson, Lori Ann Loosier, Leon Drake, Judy Fletcher, David Tennyson, Monica Hayes, Patsy Parr, Phyllis Payne, Glenn Tennyson, Mason Flynn, Banks Margeson, Jermaine Harpe, the mission in Malawi, Africa.

## Birthdays

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Lori Ann Loosier - Mar. 22nd

## Reminder

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**NEXT SUNDAY WE WILL SERVE THE LORD'S SUPPER AND HAVE LUNCH IN OUR FELLOWSHIP HALL.**

## Hymns

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- Look, Ye Saints - 141
- Glory to His Name - 489

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# Call to Worship

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

Words by Gary Shepard

Is there a sinner here below,  
Who looks to God above?  
And as the object of His grace,  
Can sing redeeming love?

Is there a soul from sin set free,  
Now broken and contrite;  
Who from a heart now thankful made,  
Can praise our God aright?

Is there a tongue which once was filled,  
With every word so vile;  
That now can speak Jehovah's praise,  
Before His gracious smile?

Are there not many in our midst,  
Made clean by Jesus' blood;  
Then lift each voice and send abroad,  
God's praises like a flood!