

“For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder,
And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

Isaiah 9: 6



“Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor. Clothed in majesty,
Lord of history, You’re the Way, the Truth, the Life.
Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness,
You’re the Risen One, heaven’s Champion, and You reign,
You reign over all!”

From *Beautiful Savior*, by Stuart Townend



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Our Weekly Services

Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:55 am
Sunday Evening Worship 5:30 pm
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:15 pm

We warmly welcome our visitors today and ask that you sign our Guest Register located in the foyer.
We hope to greet you in a more personal way following the services.

The Lord’s Day

December 14, 2008

Call to Worship

Pastor Andy Dunkerton

Hymn of Praise

151 “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

Scripture Reading

I Peter 4

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn

“Ah, Holy Jesus”

1. Ah, holy Jesus, how hast Thou offended, that man to judge Thee, hath in hate pretended?
By foes derided, by Thine own rejection, O most afflicted.
2. Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon Thee? Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone Thee.
’Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied Thee: I crucified Thee.
3. Lo, the Good Shepherd, for the sheep is offered: The slave hath sin-ned, and the Son hath suffered:
For man’s atonement, while he nothing heedeth, God intercedeth.
4. For me, kind Jesus, was Thine incarnation, Thy mortal sorrow, and Thy life’s o-bla-tion:
Thy death of anguish and Thy bitter passion, for my salvation.
5. Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay Thee, I do adore Thee, and will ever pray Thee
Think on Thy pity and Thy love unswerving, not my deserving. AMEN

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Hymn of Preparation

“Beautiful Savior”

1. All my days I will sing this song of gladness, give my praise to the Fountain of delights;
For in my helplessness You heard my cry. And waves of mercy poured down on my life.
Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor. Clothed in majesty, Lord of history, You’re the Way, the Truth, the Life. Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness, You’re the Risen One, heaven’s Champion, and You reign, You reign over all!
2. I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer; I will sing of the blood that never fails,
Of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed, of death defeated and life without end.
Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor. Clothed in majesty, Lord of history, You’re the Way, the Truth, the Life. Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness, You’re the Risen One, heaven’s Champion, and You reign, You reign over all!
3. I long to be where the praise is never ending; Yearn to dwell where the glory never fades,
Where countless worshippers will share one song, and cries of ‘Worthy’ will honor the Lamb!
Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor. Clothed in majesty, Lord of history, You’re the Way, the Truth, the Life. Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness, You’re the Risen One, heaven’s Champion, and You reign, You reign over all!

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Sermon

Pastor Gary Hendrix



Evening Worship

Call to Worship

Pastor Stu Johnston

Hymn of Praise

150 “All My Heart This Night Rejoices”

Scripure Reading

Habakkuk 3

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory/Prepartory Hymn

152 “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Sermon

Pastor Gary Hendrix

Communion Hymns

169 “Who is This So Weak and Helpless?”

“Behold the Lamb Who Bears Our Sins”

1. Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us-and we remember
The promise made to all who come in faith find forgiveness at the Cross.
So we share- in this bread of life, and we drink- of His sacrifice as a sign-
Of our bonds of peace- around the table of the King.

2. The body of our Savior Jesus Christ, torn for you- eat and remember;
The wounds that heal, the death that birngs us life paid the price to make us one.
So we share- in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice as a sign-
Of our bonds of grace- around the table of the King.

3. The blood that cleanses ev’ry stain of sin, shed for you-drink and remember
He drained death’s cup that we may enter in to receive the life of God.
So we share- in this bread of life, and we drink of is sacrifice as a sign-
Of our bonds of grace- around the table of the King.

4. And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond- and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as his body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering, we proclaim Christ will come again! And we’ll join-
In the feast of heav’n- around the table of the King.

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217 “Look, Ye Saints, the Sight is Glorious”

GRBC Calendar & Announcements

We kindly request that you turn off all cell phones, pagers and watch alarms before the services. Please make use of our well-staffed nursery for children who may become freful or talkative.

Today

Morning Prayer Meeting - A prayer meeting to seek God’s presence for the day’s services is held each Sunday morning at 9:00 in the College/Career classroom.
Communion Service Tonight- We will celebrate the Lord’s Table this evening. **Following the service, new members will be received.**
Adult Chorus Practice, 3:30 PM- The Adult Chorus will practice today at 3:30 in the Auditorium. This is the final rehearsal before Friday evening.
Children’s Chorus will practice tonight following evening worship in the Auditorium. Those children/youth, K-4 thru 8th grade who are planning on singing Friday evening are asked to meet in the Auditorium beginning about 7minutes after the close of the service. Plan to stay for 30 minutes. Teachers who would like to participate/help/or accompany by guitar are asked to practice as well.
Fall Pastoral Visitation Schedule – If it has been more than a year since your last visit, please refer to the list posted on the bulletin board to sign up for a visit.
Church Directories are available in the office for members and regular attendees. Two per family, please.
“End of Year” Conference, 12/27-29 – Those planning on attending are asked to turn your registrations in asap.

December

Christmas Concert and Dessert Fellowship, 12/19, 7:15 pm- The Adult Chorus will present, **“Go, Tell It”**, Friday evening, **December 19, 7:15.** The children’s group will precede the adult chorus with 3 songs. Plan to bring your families/visitors and a dessert to share for the time of fellowship following the musical presentation.
Prayer Meeting date changes– On Tuesday, December 23, we will have our regular prayer meeting and Tuesday, December 30, heads of families will have opportunity to share testimonies of “thanks.”
Hawfields Service, 12/28, 3:00 pm
Visit the new GRBC blog: Shepherd’s Pie at: <http://blog.grbc.net> or go to: grbc.net and click the “Blog” button. You will also find a “Subscribe” option on the main blog page that will keep you informed when new entries are posted.

The church family is invited to attend the marriage celebration of

Karissa Leon and James Hicks,

Saturday, January 3, 2009 at 1:00 pm, GRBC.

****If you would like to attend the reception following the ceremony, please sign the sheet posted on the bulletin board by December 23.****