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"All things are possible with God." (Mark 10:27)

Sovereign grace is the spring of life for the Christian Hedonist. For what the Christian Hedonist loves best is the experience of the sovereign grace of God filling him, and overflowing for the good of others.

Christian Hedonist missionaries love the experience of "not I, but the grace of God that is with me" (1 Corinthians 15:10). They bask in the truth that the fruit of their missionary labor is entirely of God (1 Corinthians 3:7; Romans 11:36).

They feel only gladness when the Master says, "Apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15:5). They leap like lambs over the truth that God has taken the impossible

weight of new creation off their shoulders and put it on his own. Without begrudging, they say, "Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God" (2 Corinthians 3:5).

When they come home on furlough, nothing gives them more joy than to say to churches, "I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me to bring the Gentiles to obedience" (Romans 15:18).

"All things are possible with God!"
— in front the words give hope, and behind they give humility. They are the antidote to *despair* and the antidote to *pride* — the perfect missionary medicine.



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Upcoming Events





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Gary Hendrix Stephen Byrd Stu Johnston Bob Prentice Michael Lopes

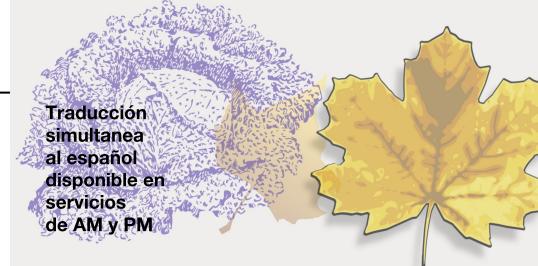
Service Times

- -Sunday School 9:30 am
- -Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 am
- —Sunday Evening Worship 5:30 pm
- -Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:15 pm

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BEHOLD the Lamb of God



Morning Worship

Call to Worship Pastor Bob Prentice

Congregational Reading 1 Corinthians 1:26-31, page 952

Opening Hymn Your Great Name

1. The lost are saved, find their way at the sound of Your great name.

All condemned feel no shame at the sound of Your great name.

Every fear has no place at the sound of Your great name.

The enemy, he has to leave at the sound of Your great name.

(Chorus) Jesus, worthy is the Lamb that was slain for us.

Son of God and man, You are high and lifted up and all the world will praise Your great name.

2. All the weak find their strength at the sound of Your great name. The sick are healed, the dead are raised at the sound of Your great name.

(Chorus)

Your great name.

Jesus, no higher name than Jesus, no sweeter name than Jesus.

Jesus, worthy is the Lamb that was slain for us.

Son of God and man, You are high and lifted up and all the world will praise...

Jesus, worthy is the Lamb that was slain for us.

Son of God and man, You are high and lifted up

and all the world will praise Your great name, Your great name, Your great name.

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Scripture Reading

Psalm 135, page 519

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory #547 My Jesus I Love Thee
Preparatory #188 There is a Fountain
Sermon Pastor Gary Hendrix

Evening Worship

Call to Worship Pastor Stephen Byrd
Opening Hymn Look to the Cross

1. Pressed down with cares and burdens bleak, look to the cross: What do you see?

He bears your pain, my sister see: The Lamb of God who died for thee.

(Chorus) Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

- 2. On all sides fear, dark doubt, despair: look to the cross: Your Savior there! He bleeds for you, my brother see: The Lamb of God who died for thee. **(Chorus)**
- 3. When trials consume our dusty frames, look to the cross and bless His name! His body torn to set us free: The Lamb of God who died for thee. **(Chorus)**
- 4. Our sins so great! Our hearts untrue! Look to the cross for Grace anew; Jesus becomes our Mercy Seat: He died for you, He died for me! **(Chorus)**

Scripture Reading Joshua 5:1-15, page 180

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory/Preparatory Show Us Christ

Prepare our hearts, O God, help us to receive Break the hard and stony ground, help our unbelief Plant Your Word down deep in us, cause it to bear fruit Open up our ears to hear, lead us in Your truth

(CHORUS) Show us Christ, show us Christ O God, reveal Your glory Through the preaching of Your Word Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes Guards us through temptations, makes the simple wise Your Word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave Riches for the needy soul; come, speak to us today **(CHORUS)**

BRIDGE (3x)

Where else can we go, Lord, where else can we go? You have the words of eternal life

(CHORUS)

Show us Christ, show us Christ, Show us Christ, show us Christ O God, reveal Your glory, Through the preaching of Your Word Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord

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Sermon Communion Pastor Stu Johnston Pastor Stephen Byrd Here is Love

Here is love, wide as the ocean, loving kindness as a flood, When the Prince of Life, our Ransom shed for us, His precious blood. Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He can never be forgotten. throughout Heav'ns eternal days.

(Chorus) Oh, how marvelous, Oh, how glorious, is my Savior's love for me!

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On the mount of crucifixion, fountains opened deep and wide; Through the floodgates of God's mercy, flowed a vast and gracious tide. Grace and love, like mighty rivers, poured incessant from above, And Heav'n's peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love. **(Chorus)**

Of Your fullness You are pouring Your great love on me anew, Without measure, full and boundless, drawing out my heart to You. You alone will be my glory, nothing in the world I see, You have cleansed and sanctified me, You Yourself have set me free. **(Chorus)**

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#181 O Dearest Jesus #175 Man of Sorrows

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