

Christ Our Passover by D.A. Carson For the Love of God, March 1

The Passover was not only the climax of the ten plagues, it was the beginning of the nation. Doubtless Pharaoh had had enough of Moses; God had had enough of Pharaoh. This last plague wiped out the firstborn of the land, the symbol of strength, the nation's pride and hope. At the same time, by his design it afforded God an opportunity to teach some important lessons, in graphic form, to the Israelites. If the angel of death was to pass through the land, what principle would distinguish the homes that suffered death from those where everyone survived?

God tells the Israelites to gather in houses, each house bringing together enough people to eat one entire year-old lamb. Careful instructions are provided for the preparation of the meal. The strangest of these instructions is that a daub of blood is to be splashed on the top and both sides of the doorframe: "and when I see the blood, I will pass over you" (Ex. 12:13).

The importance of this event cannot be overestimated. It signaled not only the release of the Israelites from slavery, but the dawning of a new covenant with their Redeemer. At the same time, it constituted a picture: guilty people face death, and the only way to escape that sentence is if a lamb dies instead of those who are sentenced to die. The calendar changes to mark the importance of this turning point.

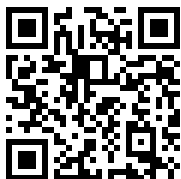
A millennium and a half later, Paul would remind believers in Corinth that Christ Jesus, our Passover Lamb, was sacrificed for us, inaugurating a new covenant (1 Cor. 5:7; 11:25). On the night that he was betrayed, Jesus took bread and wine, and instituted a new commemorative rite—and this too took place on the festival of Passover, as if this new rite connects the old with that to which it points: the death of Christ. The calendar changed again; a new and climactic redemption had been achieved. God still passes over those who are secured by the blood.

Events

7/26 Testimonies & baptisms
7 PM

7/26 College & Career
Meeting at the picnic shelter
7:30 PM

Give



Upcoming Events



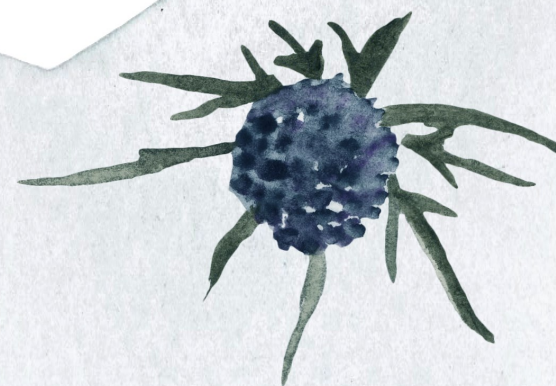
Pastors

Stephen Byrd Stu Johnston
Michael Lopes Bob Prentice

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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May the God of hope fill you with
all joy and peace in believing,
so that by the power of the Holy
Spirit you may abound in hope.

Romans 15:13



July 26, 2020



GRACE
REFORMED BAPTIST CHURCH

Morning Worship

Call to Worship

Pastor Bob Prentice

Opening Hymn

Glorious Day

One day when Heaven was filled with His praises,
one day when sin was as dark as could be.
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin
Dwelt among men, my example is He.
Word became flesh and the light shined among us His glory revealed.

(Chorus)

**Living, He loved me. Dying, He saved me,
buried He carried my sins far away.**

Rising, He justified, freely forever.

One day He's coming; oh, glorious day, oh, glorious day!

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain.

One day they nailed Him to die on a tree.

Suffering anguish, despised and rejected, bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He.
Hands that healed nations, stretched out on a tree and took the nails for me!

(Chorus)

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer.

One day the stone rolled away from the door.

Then He arose; over death He had conquered.

Now is ascended, my Lord evermore!

Death could not hold Him! The grave could not keep Him from rising again!

(Chorus)

Oh, glorious day! Glorious day!

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming!

One day the skies with His glories will shine!

Wonderful day, my Beloved One bringing My Savior, Jesus is mine!

(Chorus)

Oh, glorious day! Glorious day!

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Scripture Reading

Genesis 6:5-18

Pastoral Prayer

Preparatory Hymn

#549 Jesus, Thou Joy

Sermon

Pastor Gary Hendrix

Closing Song

Be unto Your Name

We are a moment, You are forever, Lord of the ages, God before time;

We are a vapor, You are eternal, Love everlasting, reigning on high.

(Chorus) Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty,

worthy is the Lamb who was slain;

Highest praises, honor and glory -

be unto Your name, be unto Your name.

We are the broken, You are the healer, Jesus, Redeemer, mighty to save;

You are the love song we'll sing forever, bowing before You, blessing Your name.

(Chorus)

(Key change) (Chorus)

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Evening Worship

Call to Worship

Josiah Hanko

Opening Hymn

See the Destined Day Arise

See the destined day arise! See a willing sacrifice!
Jesus to redeem our loss hangs upon the shameful cross
Jesus who but You could bear wrath so great and justice fair?
Every pang and bitter throe finishing your life of woe?

**(Chorus) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Lamb of God for sinners slain!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Jesus Christ we praise your name!**

Who but Christ had dared to drain steeped in gall the cup of pain
And with tender body bear thorns and nails and piercing spear?
Slain for us the water flowed mingled from your side with blood
Sign to all attesting eyes of the finished sacrifice **(Chorus)**

Holy Jesus grant us grace in that sacrifice to place
All our trust for life renewed pardoned sin and promised good
Grant us grace to sing your praise 'round your throne through endless days
Ever with the sons of light: "Blessing, honor, glory, might!" **(2x Chorus)**

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Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 37:1-28, page 724

Pastoral Prayer

Preparatory Hymn

#431 Just as I Am

Sermon

Pastor Stu Johnston

Closing Song

#186 When I Survey