

What do you believe about salvation today? Are you relying on yourself or Jesus? Are you striving to be good enough or do enough to earn it? Or are you resting on and in the free grace offered by God? Rejoice today in the gospel of Grace, the free gift that is ours in Christ Jesus!

Call to Worship

Psalm 135:1-3

**Songs of Praise** 

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**Confession of Faith** 

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
(Isaiah 44:6; 45:5)
creator of heaven and earth.

(Genesis 1:1; John 1:1-3; Acts 14:15)

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

(Luke 2:11; John 20:28; John 3:16; John 20:28) who was conceived by the Holy Spirit

(Luke 1:35)

and born of the virgin Mary.

(Luke 1:27)

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

(Luke 23:23-25)

was crucified, died, and was buried;

(John 19:20; Acts 4:10; 1 Corinthians 15:3; 1 Corinthians 15:4)

He descended into hell.

(1 Peter 3:18; Luke 23:43)

The third day He rose again from the dead.

(1 Corinthians 15:4, Matthew 28:1, 5-10)

He ascended into heaven

(Mark 16:19; Luke 24:51, Acts 1:11)

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

(Mark 16:19; Hebrews 1:3)

From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

(2 Timothy 4:1; John 5:22)

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

(John 15:26; 16:7-8, 13-14; Acts 13:2)

the holy catholic\* church,

(Galatians 3:26-29)

the communion of saints,

(Revelation 19:14; Hebrews 10:25)

the forgiveness of sins,

(Luke 7:48)

the resurrection of the body,

(1 Thessalonians 4:16; John 6:39)

and the life everlasting.

(John 10:28; 17:2-3)

Amen.

## **Song of Declaration**

Graves Info Gardens

## Sermon - The True Gospel

Sermon Scripture - Philippians 3:1-11

# The Gospel Distorted

- What is the warning Paul offers?
- What issue is Paul addressing in Philippians 3:2?
- How did the Judaizers distort the gospel? How do people distort the gospel today?
  - Galatians 1:9

#### The Gospel Standard

- What is the point of trying to require circumcision?
- What does Paul highlight in Philippians 3:5-6?
  - o Genesis 17:12
- What do we learn in 1 Peter 1:14-16 and Romans 3:20?
  - Leviticus 11

### The Gospel of Grace

- How does Paul look at his life outside of Christ (Philippians 3:8)?
  - 1 Timothy 1:15
- What is alien righteousness? How does it allow for us to have assurance?
  - o Philippians 3:9
- What does Paul teach us about salvation?
  - In the amazing exchange of grace, Jesus received the curse, condemnation, and execution that Paul deserved. Paul received the divine approval for complete obedience that Jesus deserved. -Dennis Johnson

### **Song of Response**

I Will Rise

#### **Benediction**

- 1. Have you heard anyone add something to the gospel message? What was added? Why do people try to add things to the true gospel message?
- 2. Read Galatians 1:6-9. Why does Paul speak so strongly in this passage?
- 3. How does knowing God's standards (1 Peter 1:14-16) help us understand the need for a savior?
- 4. How does understanding the idea of "alien righteousness" give us assurance of our salvation?
- 5. Read 1 Timothy 1:15. What allows Paul to rejoice in light of saying he is foremost among sinners?

6.	Have you ever, or are you currently, trying to "earn" your salvation? Why do so many people try to "earn" salvation?
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