

WELCOME TO



BELL CREEK

Community Church



DECEMBER 14, 2025

STAND BEFORE HIS GLORY WITH GREAT JOY!

JUDE 24-25

SERMON BY: PASTOR FRED WRIGHT

CURRENT SERMON SERIES: THE SHORT LETTERS

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He Who is Able

He Who Is the Only God, Our Savior

He Who Deserves All Praise Forever

FOR NEXT WEEK

Spend time in Hebrews 9:24–28, considering the wonder of Christ's first coming and the hope of His return!

**DAILY CHRONOLOGICAL
BIBLE READING**

DECEMBER 14: ACTS 27-28
DECEMBER 15: COLOSSIANS; PHILEMON
DECEMBER 16: EPHESIANS
DECEMBER 17: PHILIPPIANS
DECEMBER 18: 1 TIMOTHY
DECEMBER 19: TITUS
DECEMBER 20: 1 PETER

UPCOMING AT THE CREEK

ETHICS SEMINAR

Have you ever wondered what the Bible has to say about tough issues like war, abortion, sexuality, politics, and more? Are you interested in learning how to apply Scripture to our daily lives and think biblically about tough issues? Ethics touches on every aspect of our lives, and it is essential that we as Christians learn how to apply Scripture to today's world. Join Pastor Dylan in the Prayer Room for our Ethics seminar on Sundays during the 11:00 service to learn more!

NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY CLASS

Pastor Dylan's New Testament Theology Class will meet tonight in the Prayer Room at 6:00 PM.

UPCOMING CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Worship Night: December 19 from 7:00-8:30 PM
Christmas Celebration Service: December 21 at 9:15 AM & 11:00 AM
Christmas Eve Service: December 24 at 5:30 PM

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Take control of your money with Financial Peace University! This nine-week class uses biblical wisdom and common sense to help you tackle budgeting, pay off debt, and invest for your future! Please see Meg Watkins or call 734-778-3272 to sign up. Class starts on January 10.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

PRAYER MEETINGS

WEDNESDAYS 6:30 - 7:30 PM
FRIDAYS 12 NOON

PRE-TEEN & MIDDLE SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAYS 6:30 - 7:45 PM
SUNDAYS AFTER WORSHIP
2ND SERVICE

AWANA

WEDNESDAYS 6:30 - 7:45 PM
SEPTEMBER-MAY

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

SUNDAYS 11:00 AM

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OUR MISSION

MATTHEW 22:37–40

He said to him, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the greatest commandment. The second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. All the law and prophets depend on these two commandments.”

MATTHEW 28:19–20

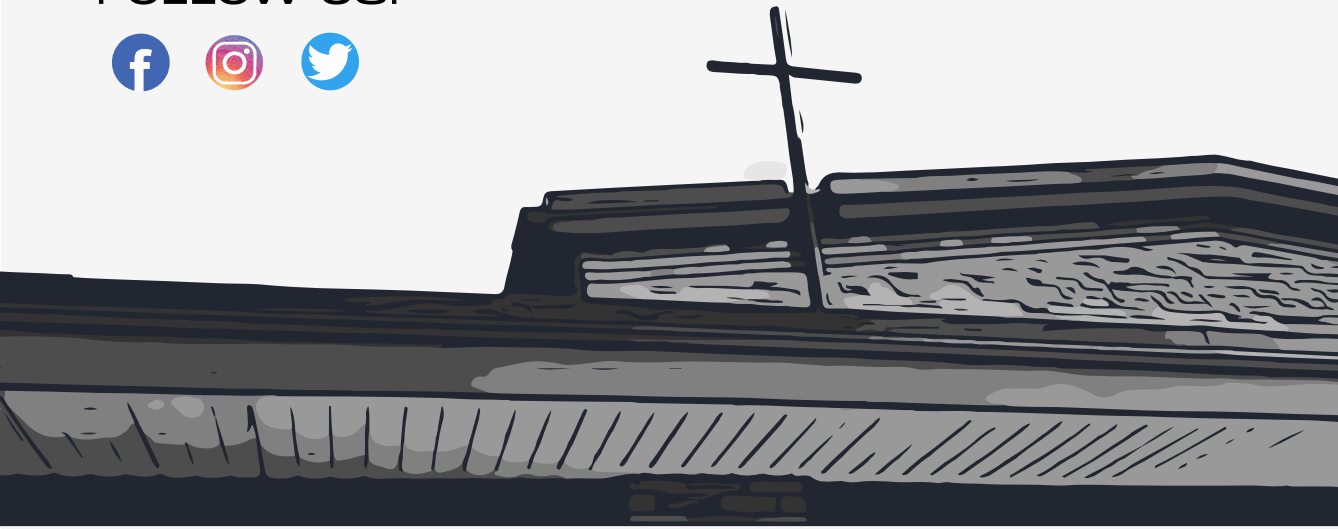
Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember that I am with you always to the end of the age.

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12.14.2025 Sermon Notes

Sermon Title: Stand Before His Glory with Great Joy!

Sermon Text: Jude 24-25

Scripture Reading

“The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them, The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.” (Numbers 6:22-26, ESV)

He Who is Able

“Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy,” (Jude 24, ESV)

Remember, in Jude 1, it says we are “kept for Jesus Christ.” In Jude 21, we are to “keep ourselves in the Love of God.” Now, Jude affirms that the Lord is “able to keep us from stumbling.” It is the same Greek word for “keep” in all three verses.

So rest in the fact that we are kept. Keep yourself in God’s unfailing love. Live with thankfulness that He will keep us from falling away from Him!

What else is God able to do for us? He presents us blameless in the presence of His glory. God’s glory is a consuming fire of holiness, righteousness, justice, love, and limitless power. “But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap.” (Malachi 3:2, ESV)

Who can stand upright in the wind of a hurricane? Who can resist the power of a tsunami? Can a man stand in the heart of the sun and not be consumed? No! And these are nothing compared to the glory of the One who created them, the almighty God. Yet, in Christ, we will stand blameless in the presence of His glory.

What will it be like for us when we stand in God’s presence? We will stand before Him with great joy! “You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.” (Psalm 16:11, ESV)

Application: If God Himself can keep you from stumbling and present you blameless before His consuming glory, where are you still living as if your perseverance mainly depends on your own strength? And how might resting more deeply in His loving care reshape your obedience, gratitude, and joy this week?

He Who Is the Only God, Our Savior

“to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.” (Jude 25, ESV)

Amid false teachers, Jude wants to reassure us that Jesus is who He said He is: God and the only Savior. This is incredible, given that Jude is the half-brother of Jesus! Jude grew up with Him! If anyone would know that Jesus is not who He claimed to be, it would be a member of His own family, yet Jude affirms that Jesus is “the only God, our Savior.” Jude trusts in Jesus; he wants us to be confident in Jesus as well.

“For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.” (Luke 2:11, ESV)

“And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.” (Acts 4:12, ESV)

“by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:” (2 Peter 1:1, ESV)

“waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,” (Titus 2:13, ESV)

Application: Who can stand in the presence of the holy and glorious Creator of all things? No one can stand before Him on their own. Psalm 24 asks, “Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. He will receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation.” (Psalm 24:3–5, ESV). But who has clean hands and a pure heart? No one.

If Jesus really is “the only God, our Savior,” who alone can present sinners blameless and with great joy in God’s presence, what is holding you back from entrusting yourself to Him?

He Who Deserves All Praise Forever

“to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.” (Jude 25, ESV)

Look at the attributes of our Lord! We should praise Him for His...

1. Glory: “High renown or honour won by notable achievements or qualities; fame, distinction. Great beauty, splendour, or magnificence, especially such as excites admiration or wonder.”

2. Majesty: “Impressive greatness or dignity of appearance, manner, or style; stately splendour. The dignity or authority of a sovereign or supreme ruler.”
3. Dominion: “The power or right of governing, ruling, or exercising sovereign authority; lordship, sovereignty. A territory, realm, or region subject to a particular ruler or governing power. Power of control or mastery over something, whether physical, moral, or intellectual.”
4. Authority: “The power or right to command, make binding decisions, or enforce obedience; lawful or rightful power. A source from which commands, decisions, or standards derive.”

Application: When your life becomes unstable, and your faith is weak, let the Holy Spirit comfort you to hear that God’s promise is not just to get you through the hard moments, but to carry you all the way to the day when you will stand before His glory not in shame or fear, but with great joy. What would it look like to bring your current pain and doubts into that future, certain hope? Jesus has the majesty, dominion, and authority to complete the good work He has begun in you for your joy and His glory!

Benediction

“Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.” (Jude 24–25, ESV)