

Call to Worship | Romans 1:16-17 ^{ESV}

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Reading of The Law | Jeremiah 31:31-34 ^{ESV}

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³²not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the Lord. ³³For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

Scriptural Assurance | John 5:24 ^{ESV}

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

Those Serving

	COFFEE BREAK	PRAISE	SCRIPTURE READING	KIDS MESSAGE	CONFESS.	ASSURE.	THANKS. & REQ.
8/16	Emily	Harvey	Proverbs 25 Linda	Heidelberg 33 Emily	Johnny	Macie	Matt
8/23	Sherry	Adam	Proverbs 26 Larry	Heidelberg 34 Brayden	Franklin	Jack	John
8/30	Rebekah	Matt	Proverbs 27 Lincoln	Heidelberg 35 Amanda	John	Lord's Supper	Matt
9/6	Allison	Larry	Proverbs 28 Amanda	Heidelberg 36 Gracie	Jeff	Austin	John
9/13	Samantha	Jess	Proverbs 29 Larry	Heidelberg 37 Matt	Brayden	Lincoln	Matt

Sermons

8/16	Matthew 5:31-32	"Divorce"
8/23	Matthew 5:33-37	"Oaths"
8/30	2 Peter 1:19-21	"Lively Preaching"

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH



16 August 2026 - Lord's Day 33

THE GOSPEL IS THE GOOD NEWS THAT JESUS CHRIST SAVES SINNERS.
so then: Repent, Believe, and Follow the Lord Jesus Christ.

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#33 - All Creatures of Our God and King ^{v.1, 2, 4, 5}

By Faith

Prayers of Praise ^{Harvey}

Welcome & Announcements

Scripture Reading | Proverbs 25 ^{Linda}

Offering & Kids Message ^{Emily}

Reading of The Law | Jeremiah 31:31-34

#462 - My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Prayers of Confession & Silence ^{Johnny}

Scriptural Assurance | John 5:24 ^{Macie}

Before The Throne of God Above

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Request ^{Matt}

Sermon Text | Matthew 5:31-32

Sermon | "Divorce"

Day After Day, Jesus Reigns

Benediction

"If private revelations agree with scripture, they are unnecessary,
and if they disagree, they are false."

JOHN OWEN

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SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES - 9:15AM - SUNDAY WORSHIP - 10:30AM

Announcements

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Mission gifts given in August will benefit: *Our Deacon's Fund*

Are you interested in getting baptized? Please see Matt ASAP for more details.

The Calendar

<i>Fri. August 21</i>	VBS Fundraiser Paint Party – 6:00pm
<i>Sat. August 29</i>	Church Picnic & Baptisms – 4:00pm @ Broadwater's
<i>Sun. August 30</i>	Anniversary Sunday – 196 years
<i>Sun. August 30</i>	The Lord's Supper
<i>Wed. September 2</i>	Midweek Bible Study resumes – 6:00-7:30pm
<i>Sept. 18-20</i>	EA National Gathering – New Philadelphia, OH
<i>Sun. October 25</i>	Reformation Sunday
<i>November 20-22</i>	Weekend To Remember – Williamsburg, VA
<i>June 20-24, 2027</i>	Spy University VBS 2027 (Save The Dates!)



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/3 Cole Tasker
8/8 Nevin Hutzell
8/10 Mike Broadwater
8/11 Jess Carey
8/14 Hannah Hershberger
8/27 John Carey
8/31 Allison Broadwater



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

8/8 Jeff & Patty Rice

To begin the process of joining as a member, please contact an Elder.

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evangelicalassociation.org

Opportunities to Grow

SUNDAY MORNINGS (9:15-10:15am) FELLOWSHIP HALL

Adult / Teen Bible Study: 2 SAMUEL – DAVID'S HEART REVEALED

8/16 2 Samuel 19:16-20:26 – 10. A Second Rebellion Matt
8/23 2 Samuel 22:1-23:7 – 11. The Man After God's Heart Jeff
8/30 2 Samuel – 12. Reviewing Key Principles John

SUNDAY MORNINGS (9:15-10:15am) DOWNSTAIRS

Kids Bible Study: LITTLE PILGRIMS THEOLOGY – ABC THEOLOGY

8/16 Q is for Quiet Time – Luke 5:16 Emily
8/23 R is for Repentance – Matthew 4:17 Sherry
8/30 S is for Salvation – Luke 5:16 Emily



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An excerpt from: Daily Doctrine by Kevin DeYoung:

The aim of Christian theology is to know, enjoy, and walk in the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

The word *theology* comes from two Greek words: *theos* meaning “God” and *logos* meaning “word,” “speech,” or “statement.” Most simply then, theology is the study of God.

The reason we care about theology, is so we can know God more deeply, enjoy Him more fully, and walk with Him more obediently. We do the hard work of careful, precise, intellectually demanding theology that we might see and savor the glory of God in the face of Christ.

How then should we undertake the task of theological study?

Biblically. We must test every theological conviction and conclusion against the Bible. While church tradition is important and human experience cannot be ignored, theology is ultimately not an exercise in explaining what the church has taught or what we feel in our consciousness. We must always search the Scriptures to see if these things are so (Acts 17:11).

This Week in Church History

WHY STUDY CHURCH HISTORY?

Church history is the story of how God has guarded, purified, chastised, and strengthened His undeserving people. God has unique purposes for His church.

16 August 1532

Death of John the Constant (Elector of Saxony). He had been a leader of the princes who protested the measures taken by the Catholic-dominated Diet of Speyer in 1529 (thus becoming one of the first to be named a “Protestant”). He signed the Augsburg Confession and helped organize the Schmalkaldic League which protected the Protestant Reformation.

17 August 1662

Two thousand Nonconformist pastors preach farewell sermons to their congregations in England, having been expelled from their pulpits by law.

18 August 1520

Publication of Luther’s address To the Christian Nobility of the German Nation. It calls the laity, as spiritual priests, to carry out the reformation neglected by the pope and the established church.

19 August 1531

Martyrdom of Thomas Bilney, who is burned at the stake for holding mildly Protestant views. He dies exclaiming “Jesus,” and “I believe!”

20 August 1153

Death of Bernard of Clairvaux, French theologian, reformer, and hymn writer.

21 August 1831

Nat Turner, Baptist preacher and former slave, leads a violent insurrection in Virginia.

22 August 1433

Paul Craw (Pavel Kravar), Bohemian Hussite, is burned to death in Market Street before St. Andrews in Scotland, the first martyr so burned in that nation. A brass ball has been placed in his mouth so he cannot testify to the crowd.

Heidelberg Catechism¹⁵⁶³ | Lord’s Day 33

THE THIRD PART: OF THANKFULNESS

Question 88. *In how many things does true repentance or conversion consist?*

Answer: In two things: the dying of the old man, and the quickening of the new.^a

- a. Colossians 3:5; 1 Corinthians 5:7; Romans 6:4-6; Ephesians 4:22-24.

Question 89. *What is the dying of the old man?*

Answer: Heartfelt sorrow for sin; causing us to hate and turn from it always more and more.^a

- a. Psalm 51:3, 8, 17; Luke 15:18; Romans 8:13; Joel 2:12-13.

Question 90. *What is the quickening of the new man?*

Answer: Heartfelt joy in God;^a causing us to take delight in living according to the will of God in all good works.^b

- a. Romans 5:1-5; 14:17; Isaiah 57:15.
- b. Romans 6:10-11; 1 Peter 4:2; Galatians 2:20.

Question 91. *But what are good works?*

Answer: Those only which are done from true faith,^a according to the law of God,^b for his glory;^c and not such as rest upon our own opinion, or the commandments of men.^d

- a. Romans 14:23.
- b. 1 Samuel 15:22; Ephesians 2:2, 10.
- c. 1 Corinthians 10:31.
- d. Deuteronomy 12:32; Ezekiel 20:18; Isaiah 29:13-14; Matthew 15:9.

Prayer List

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Memorize, Meditate, and Pray this week:

Romans 1:16-17

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Pray using prayers of the Puritans - Refuge:

Almighty God... uphold me by Your Spirit... I am entirely dependent upon You for support, counsel, consolation.

Pray using our Prayer Points for this week:

MONDAY

**for Ethiopia*

**for Nathan Brenneman*

WEDNESDAY

**for Senator Van Hollen – D*

**for navigating culture.*

FRIDAY

**for seeing error.*

**for patience with the young.*

TUESDAY

**for genuine faith.*

**for singles.*

THURSDAY

**for bosses.*

**for conversion of Muslims.*

SATURDAY

**for John & Sherry.*

**for H.B. Charles*

Pray for:

Those mourning the deaths of those killed in the Middle East last month:

Pfc. Isabella Gonzales

1st Lt. Tyler Feehan

Sgt. Angel Rampersad

Sgt. Michael Swinton

Those mourning the death of Richard Bowser. (Hannah's grandfather)

Those mourning the death of Adam's great aunt Shirley.

Those mourning the death of Charlotte Taylor. (Amanda's great aunt)

Those mourning the death of Janet Anderson. (former member)

EA National Minister-Elect Pastor Jason Ford.

Pray for our fallen world & global concerns:

The call & response of the lost. Matthew 18

The end of abortion practices & the close of the abortion mill. Exodus 20:13

The sins of sexual rebellion. Genesis 1:27; Romans 1:18-23

Peace and Justice in Israel, and in Nigeria. Psalm 25:22

Those battling addictions and those hurt by them. Galatians 5:1

Iran and protection for our soldiers. Psalm 46:1

Pray for those serving our country: Isaiah 41:10

Nathan Brenneman (and the family)

Pray for those in nursing homes: 1 Timothy 5:1-3

Helen Bender

Shirley Bender

Pray for health/comfort for: Psalm 121:1-2

Allison Broadwater

Charlie (cousin of Samantha Leiss)

Hannah Hershberger & baby

Steve Hershberger

Nevin & Wilma Hutzal

Jeff & Patty Rice

Butch Baker (friend of the Clevengers)

Doug Broadwater (father of Mike Broadwater)

Fred Holiday (friend of the Broadwaters)

Becca Kilgus (friend of Linda Upole)

Stephanie McBride (mother of Michele Carey)

Sandy McKenzie (friend of the Broadwaters)

Ronnie Stanton (brother of Linda Upole)

Pray for those battling cancer: John 14:27

Ruth Yoder

EA Nat. Minister Jim Barnes

Nick Brown (young local boy)

Linda Handwerk (daughter of the late Wanda Sheffield)

Shelbi Knauer (friend of Hannah Hershberger)

Daisy Murray (friend of John Carey)

Angie Rush (local teacher)

Gay Ziegler (friend of Linda Upole)