

# Shreveport Grace Church

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## OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

### SUNDAY

[Live Streaming \(Audio and Video\)](#)

**WORSHIP - 11:00 AM**

**Choruses from Chorus Book**

**Scripture Reading:** [Psalm 31](#) (Bob)

**Call to Worship:** 'Let Us Sing the King Messiah'

**Scripture Reading:** [1 Corinthians 13](#) (Robert)

**Hymn # 467-** 'Since I Have Been Redeemed'

**Scripture Reading:** [John 13:10-17](#) (David)

**Message-** 'A Lesson in Foot Washing'

**Hymn # 355-** 'From Every Stormy Wind That Blows'

[Live Streaming \(Audio and Video\)](#)

### WEDNESDAY

**7:00 PM-** Studies in the book of Nehemiah

### FRIDAY

**7:00 AM-** International Worship (Malawi)

**10:00 AM-** Bible Study in French

### SATURDAY

**8:00 AM-** Fellowship in Christ

### SUNDAY

**7:00 AM-** International Worship (Malawi)

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**Radio Broadcasts every Sunday Morning (CST):**

**9:00 KWKH AM Radio 1130, Shreveport, LA area or LIVE streaming @ <http://1130thetiger.com/listen-live>**

## Call to Worship

(Tune # 15- 'Brethren, We Have Met to Worship')

Let us sing the King Messiah:  
King of Righteousness and Peace.  
Hail Him, all ye ransomed people,  
Never let His praises cease.  
How transcendent are Thy glories,  
Fairer than the sons of men.  
While Thy bless'ed intercession,  
Brings us back to God again.

Majesty combined with meekness,  
Righteousness and peace unite.  
Look, my soul, be still and wonder,  
Grant us, LORD, Thy Glorious Light.  
Blest are all who touch Thy scepter.  
Blest are all that know Thy name.  
Grace hath put us in the number  
Of the Savior's family.

## Special Mercy of a Covenant God

Few, perhaps, have felt more heart-rending, in the workings of the natural conscience, that I have. I was in that terrible state for years and when alone, I expected hell to open and let me in. I thought the devil was ready to drag me to hell. I verily believed that this was all nature. But when God the Spirit came and manifested sin in my conscience and opened a little of the mystery of iniquity, I have found that all my nature and practice had been nothing less than one constant heaving up of rebellion against the Holy, Just and Good God. And there I was, with all my sin and guilt torturing my mind, feeling as an accountable being to the Holy God, Whose Mercy I had abhorred, Whose goodness I had despised. If the Blessed Spirit had not loved me with a Peculiar Love, He would never have taken so many pains with so hard-hearted and vile youth as I was. NO! He would have said, 'Let him alone,

let him seal his own damnation and reap the wages due to his sin.’ But O, the Mercy, the Special Mercy and Love of our Covenant God! When the time came, He arrested me, broke my heart, brought me to stand and bow before His throne as a guilty criminal and brought me to sign my own death warrant. I felt that God had a right to damn me. I had nothing to offer and I could do nothing to save myself...But O! God’s Peculiar Love that was shed abroad in my heart by His Blessed Spirit which brought me to feel the love and blood of Christ and led me to trace something of the wondrous work of His Wonder-working Grace.

*William Gadsby, 1773-1844*

### **Put Out of the Synagogues**

***“They shall put you out of the synagogues:  
yea, the time cometh,  
that whosoever killeth you will think that  
he doeth God service.”***

[\(John 16:2\)](#)

**M**uch like places of worship in our day, the synagogues in the first century were often large public buildings that served many functions other than worship, although worship formed their primary purpose. Religious centers today are built to attract people of all kinds of interests whether religious or social.

It was in these very centers that they plotted the death of the LORD Jesus and ultimately had Him put to death, [Matthew 26:3-4](#). Yes, these were places where the Scriptures were read but interpreted in ways other than why they were written; to reveal God’s redemptive history awaiting fulfillment by God’s Son Who came to accomplish every type, picture, prophecy and promise. As when the LORD Jesus Christ had read from [Isaiah 61:1-2](#) in [Luke 4:21](#), ***“And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.”*** Ultimately, they would cast Him out because He declared that He was sovereign in whom He came to save and did not come to save everyone, [Luke 4:25-26](#). He declared His Father’s purpose to save only those that the Father had given Him from eternity, [John 17:2](#) and only their debt would be fully paid in that year of Jubilee in which He laid down His life. It was in fulfillment not only of the Passover feast but also the remitting of all the sin debt of His people according to the law of the Jubilee in the Old Testament, [Luke 4:18-19](#).

Is it any wonder then that the LORD told His disciples that they also would be put out of the synagogues? So it must be in all ages, particularly in our day. The Scriptures cannot be broken. "... **for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communion hath light with darkness?**" ([2 Corinthians 6:14](#)) Christ the Good Shepherd will call His sheep out of the fold of works religion and they, hearing His voice through the Gospel preached, must and will follow Him alone Who came to pay their sin debt, [John 10:27-30](#). They may well have grown up in a religious organization and made a profession in ignorance and darkness but if they are one of the LORD's, they must be put out of fleshly works religion and cast on Christ Jesus alone as their ALL in ALL. While some might linger, as did Lot in Sodom, God will use persecution and opposition to cast them out. Religious groups will think they are doing God a service by getting rid of you, as a thorn being removed from the body but it is the LORD Who is drawing you out and away to Himself, "**These things will they do unto you because they have not KNOWN THE FATHER NOR ME.**" ([John 16:3](#)) While initially, sorrow filled the disciples' hearts, yet when the time came, by the Grace of God they went forth "...**rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.**" ([Acts 5:41](#)) So it is for any one of the LORD's elect, redeemed ones that He has called to Him. We thank God for having so separated us.

Ken Wimer

## A Pardoning God

**W**ho is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage?  
he retaineth not his anger forever, because he delighteth in mercy. He will turn again;  
he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities;  
and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea. [Mic. 7:18-19](#)

He hath made us accepted in the beloved. [Eph. 1:6](#)

To present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight. [Col. 1:22](#)

Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling,  
and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,  
to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty,  
dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen. [Jude 1:24-25](#)

## Christ's Love for His Own

*"As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you:  
continue ye in my love,"*

[\(John 15:9\)](#)

The love of the Father to the Son was an ETERNAL love. **"...for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world."** [\(John 17:24\)](#) Here we are brought face to face with one of those truths that can never be grasped by the mind but only believed in the heart. Who can form a conception of what eternity is? Who can explain in language, the meaning of the word "everlasting?" There is something transcendent in the depth of past eternity. Go back as far as the mind can imagine — it is always infinitely before that. What ages have rolled their courses since the solid foundations of the world were laid — how far remote is that time when **"...in the beginning, God created the Heaven and the earth."**

Here, dear friends, you have the **"as,"** and that was an eternal one. Now turn to the **"SO."** **"So have I loved you."** As eternal as the Father's love to the Son — is the Son's love to His people. Child of God, the love of Jesus to you is no love of yesterday. Listen to His word: **"...I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee."** [\(Jeremiah 31:3\)](#) The **"so"** has ever run parallel with the **"as."** There never was a time when Jesus did not love you. O, what infinite value does this thought give to "the love of Christ to me!" I would abide under its influence. I would revel in its sweetness. The love I know and feel He has to me dates back with the love the Father ever had to Him!

"His love, from eternity fixed upon you,  
Broke forth, and discovered its flame,  
When each with the cords of His kindness He drew,  
And brought you to love His great name."