

# Shreveport Grace Church

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## SUNDAY

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

**WORSHIP - 11:00 AM**

**Choruses from Chorus Book**

**Scripture Reading:** [Psalm 115](#) (Robert)

**Call to Worship:** 'Hymn of Praise'

**Scripture Reading:** [Exodus 7](#) (Bob)

**Hymn # 118-** 'When I Survey the Wondrous Cross'

**Scripture Reading:** [Romans 9:6-18](#) (David)

**Message:** 'Unveiling God's Justice and Mercy'

**Hymn # 16-** 'The LORD is King!'

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

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### WEDNESDAY

**7:00 PM-** Studies on the Names and Titles of Jesus in Scripture

### 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: Doxology)

**A**ssist my soul, my Heavenly King,  
Thy everlasting love to sing.  
And joyful spread Thy praise abroad,  
As one, through Grace, that's born of God.

No, it is not the will of man,  
My soul's new Heavenly birth began,  
Nor will nor power of flesh and blood,  
That turned my heart from sin to God.

Herein let self be all abased,  
And Sovereign Love alone confessed.  
This be my song through all the road,  
That born I am and born of God.

May I Thy praises daily show,  
Who hast created all things new,  
And washed me in the Savior's blood,  
To prove that I'm a son of God.

And when the appointed hour shall come,  
That Thou wilt call me to my Home,  
Joyful I'll pass the chilling flood,  
And die as one that's born of God!

## Jesus Christ the Substitute

The GOOD NEWS of the Gospel is that there is a Substitute Who has stood in the place of every repentant sinner and bore the wrath of God in his place. He did this for all whom the Father had given Him from before the foundation of the world. It is for them that He prays in [John 17](#). They are “**His Sheep.**” The Father gave them to Him and He died for them, [John 10:15-29](#). Substitution is the very heart of the Gospel. Christ did not simply give His life to make salvation possible for those who contribute their part to what He has done by repenting in trusting Christ. He gives repentance and faith to them, [2 Timothy 2:25](#); [Ephesians 2:8](#). Christ did not say to the religious Jews of His day that they were not of His “sheep” because they did not believe but rather, He says, “**Ye believe not because you are not of My sheep.**” ([John 10:26](#)) If they had been His sheep, they would have believed. The GOOD NEWS is that all that the Father gave to the Son, for whom He died, will believe and manifest true repentance and Faith. This they do willingly and with gratitude in their hearts. It is God’s work. He cannot fail.

Bill Clark

### Why Did Jesus Christ Come into the World?

*“THIS is a faithful saying and worthy of ALL acceptance that Christ Jesus came into the world TO SAVE SINNERS, of whom I am chief.”*

[\(1 Timothy 1:15\)](#)

Many talk about Christ’s second coming who have not yet understood His first coming. The popular belief is that He came into the world to make people happy, prosperous, healthy and to try to save as many as possible. Others believe that it was to save them from hell, if they will just believe that Jesus died for them and now commit to live right, be right and do right.

How different this is from the message of the Bible! Men’s testimonies aside, His purpose in coming was not our health, wealth, and happiness, but the glory of God in the salvation of sinners. The Scriptures plainly teach that the LORD Jesus Christ has, in satisfaction to His Father’s righteousness, merited salvation for His people, “**He was made unto us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption.**” ([1 Corinthians 1:30](#)) The LORD Jesus in coming in the flesh procured salvation for His people and now has bestowed on them, every grace in this life to know Him, glory in Him and has given us an everlasting hope in Him Who is to come. The most important Gift of all is that He procured for us remission of all our sins, justification before a Holy God and an actual reconciliation with God and FAITH to believe.

Our biggest enemy is our sin, not our poverty. It is our rebellion before a Holy God, not whether we live to a ripe old age. We are sinners by imputation of Adam’s sin to us, [Romans 5:12](#). We can only be declared righteous by the just satisfaction of a Holy God and that ONLY by the obedience unto death

of the LORD Jesus, [2 Corinthians 5:21](#). At that time and place God wholly charged the debt of the sin of His people to His Son, He simultaneously charged His righteousness to the Spiritual account of every one of the elect of all ages at one time [[Luke 9:31](#); [Hebrews 9:15-17](#)]. In His death, there was a two-fold work accomplished between God the Father and God the Son. He put away forever the sin of His people when Christ died and at the same time justified them (acquitted and declared them righteous) once and for all, [Hebrews 10:10-14](#).

The Glorious, Good News is that the LORD Jesus came and died to deliver from Spiritual and eternal death sinners such as we are. It is the LORD God, Who grants His Spirit to each of His elect, in His time and causes them to cry unto Him for Mercy in Truth and rejoice in HIS appointed salvation that His Son fully accomplished for them! [[Galatians 1:15-16](#)]

*Ken Wimer*

### **Glad Tidings for Redeemed Sinners**

**H**earken, O children of men. Give ear, my soul. Would that all earth's sons, from east, from west, from north, from south could be in audience! Would that all might hear the Faithful sayings of the Blessed Gospel!

-Christ is the First and Last, the Sum and Substance of this Noble Word.

-Christ- Chosen, sent, anointed, accepted of God.

-Christ- Wondrous in His person, the mighty God, therefore infinitely glorious to save.

-Christ- Very Man, therefore entirely qualified to represent **His** family of Adam.

-Christ- Loving from everlasting to everlasting, love knowing no origin, no end, no intermission, no degrees: with love always unchangeably the same-perfect, pure, intense and enduring.

-Christ- Hanging on the accursed tree, laying down His life an effectual ransom price; by His blood closing the gates of hell, quenching God's fiery wrath, paying ALL demands, satisfying every claim, glorifying every attribute, washing out each crimson stain of all His ransomed flock.

-Christ- Gloriously fulfilling every tittle of the glorious law, saying to each command, I fully have obeyed and then transferring the vicarious obedience, as Divine Righteousness, to His bride the church, her robe for Heaven and her luster in the courts above!

*Henry Law*

## Christ the Shepherd

ur LORD Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep. [Heb. 13:20](#)

*The chief Shepherd.* [1 Pet. 5:4](#)

*I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.*

*My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.* [John 10:14-28](#)

*The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.* [Psa. 23:1-3](#)

*All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.* [Isa. 53:6](#)

*I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.* [John 10:11](#)

*I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick.* [Ezek. 34:16](#)

*Ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.* [1 Pet. 2:25](#)

*Daily Light on the Daily Path*