

November 3, 2019

## SOVEREIGN GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

*Of Princeton, New Jersey*

### Jesus Christ

For by Him were all things created,  
that are in heaven, and that are in earth,  
visible and invisible ...

And He is before all things,  
and by Him all things consist.  
- Colossians 1:16-17

#### **Weekly Schedule of Services**

Sunday: 10:15 AM Bible Class  
11:00 AM Morning Service  
Thursday: 7:30 PM Mid-week  
Service

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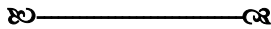
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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

10:15	am.	Bible	Class
11:00 a.m. Service:	Hymns * Scripture Reading	* Message*	Hymn.
Scripture Today:	Kevin T	Scripture Thurs:	Greg C
Nursery Sun:	Kalyn P; Lauren C	Nursery Thurs:	Kristyn K
BDays:	Rachael D-9 <sup>th</sup> ; Scott K-9 <sup>th</sup> ; Josiah-11 <sup>th</sup> ; Peter D—20 <sup>th</sup> ; William K-23 <sup>rd</sup> ; Robert K. 29 <sup>th</sup> ;	Anniversaries:	Ravi and Urmilla I—17 <sup>th</sup> ; Kevin and Kimberly T 11 <sup>th</sup>
November Cleaning:	Yerkes Family	Grass/Leaves This Week:	Adam K

## ANNOUNCEMENT:

Our midweek service this week is scheduled for Wednesday, November 6. I am scheduled to travel Thursday to preach Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Central Grace Church in Rocky Mt, Virginia where brother Paul Mahan is pastor.

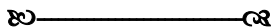


**Proverbs 14: 3: In the mouth of the foolish is a rod of pride: but the lips of the wise shall preserve them.**

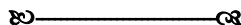


## OUR PROPHET, PRIEST AND KING

What does it mean that Christ our Prophet, Priest and King? As High Priest, Christ entered the holiest of holies (God's presence) by his own blood, having obtained eternal redemption for God's elect (Heb 9: 11-12). As Prophet, Christ preached the gospel as he walked this earth and Christ now preaches through the preachers that Christ sends (Deut 18: 15-19; Lu 4: 17-21; Heb 12:25). As King, Christ rules all to bring his gospel to his lost sheep and makes the word effectual in our hearts through the Holy Spirit—on the day of Pentecost Peter said, "Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear" (Acts 2:33). We give Christ all the glory because it is by our Prophet, Priest and King that we are saved.



"And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may abound to every good work: being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God." (2Co 9:8, 11)



## DOES WORSHIP COST ANYTHING?

**II Samuel 24:24 “Neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing.”**

These were the words of David to Araunah when he had attempted to give David what was necessary for the sacrifice. This statement has a wide variety of applications. I would like for us to consider one of these applications. There is an element of sacrifice involved in public worship. There are some things you forego, and some things you have to do to prepare yourself for public worship. There is an effort involved in preparing yourself both physically and spiritually. There is nothing casual about worshipping God. The idea of adapting any aspect of worship for convenience is an abomination. If worship costs us nothing, you can be sure it will not be true worship. We must say with David, “I will not offer burnt offerings unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing.” *Pastor Todd Nibert*



### IF GOD WOULD ONLY SAVE A FEW RICH MEN

**“For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble *are called*; But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: That no flesh should glory in his presence” (1 Cor 1: 26-29).**

Someone might think, “If God would only save a few more rich men then we could do so much more in spreading the gospel!” But God has not chosen many mighty men. He has chosen to use foolish, weak, base things which are despised by this world. God chose for his Son to come with no form nor comeliness that would make the wise and mighty naturally desire him. He chose a bloody cross on which Christ laid down his life to manifest God’s righteousness. Every time, God calls one of his lost sheep out of this world through the preaching of the gospel, God has used his nobodies to bring one who thought he was somebody to nothing. Believer, do you think God needs mighty men? More than once I have seen larger congregations that never could do more for Christ because they did not have enough. Then I have seen God whittle those congregations down to a few families and use them do more than ever before. Men choose those who will be most helpful to them. God chooses those to whom God can be most helpful. By choosing to use such things God makes his people know that the power is of God, not of us, so that we glory in HIM rather than ourselves.



## FOUR THINGS COMFORT THE CHILD OF GOD IN TRIALS AND AFFLICTIONS

1. We can trust the God who *appoints* them. (1 Thess. 3:3)
2. We can trust that *He knows our frame*. (Psalm 103:14)
3. We can trust that *good* will always be waiting at the end of the trial. (Romans 8:28)
4. We can trust that one day soon He will “...*stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.*” (1 Thess. 3:13)

*Pastor Gabe Stalnaker*



## SOVEREIGN PROTECTION

**Genesis 35: 1: And God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Bethel, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother...5: And they journeyed: and the terror of God was upon the cities that were round about them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Jacob.**

Believer, do you desire to assemble with God’s saints to worship God? God commanded Jacob to go to Bethel (the house of God) to worship God through a sacrifice on an altar. As Jacob obeyed, God gave him divine protection from all his enemies. When God’s children truly desire to go to God’s house to worship Christ our Altar then we need not fear that anyone or anything will prevent us from doing so. God sovereignly rules all things, including the hearts of men. He has already given his Son for his people. “He that spared not his own Son but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him freely give us all things.” (Rom 8: 32) God has a hedge around his people, commanding our enemies, “Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm” (1 Chr 16: 22). For those desiring to honor God’s Son, he is able to put terror on all the cities round about us so that none pursue us. “When a man’s ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him” (Pro 16: 7).