#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Pass Me Not # 235

#### SCRIPTURE READING

**Sun-** Kevin T.

Wed- Cass H.

## HYMN

What A Friend We Have # 354

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Larry Criss, pastor of Fairmont Grace Church in Sylacauga, AL, is scheduled to preach in Rescue the 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> of this month. I encourage all that are willing, and the Lord enabled, to attend.

# CLOSING HYMN Hallelujah, What A Savior # 127

*"For where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them" - Matt. 18:20* 

It is so good and refreshing to come together as brethren and speak of the things of Christ to one another...to sing the songs of Zion and rejoice in hearing the Scriptures read aloud and then the glorious Gospel of Christ be preached. But while we rejoice together as brethren in these blessed things may the Spirit cause us to rejoice in that He has promised to be with us.

- Marvin Stalnaker (Fairmont, WV)

I have heard much about milk verses meat preaching... Have you ever tried to eat a big piece of meat without something to drink? You will choke! You cannot have meat without "the milk".

## THREE THINGS I'VE LEARNED

There are three things I have learned, yet I find myself needing to be reminded of:

1. When I make the glory of God my foremost concern, it doesn't seem to matter if I have little or much of this world. I am content (I Tim. 6:6).

2. When I make the worship of Christ my ultimate attraction, I begin to feel a disconnection from this world and its beauties. I have found with Miss Lemmel that, "The things of earth grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace" (Col. 3:1-3; Psalm 27:4)!

3. I have found for myself when I make the service of His kingdom my chief duty, I just don't have enough time left to dilly-dally around in the affairs of this life (II Tim. 2:4).

- Bruce Crabtree (New Castle, IN)

# HELD BY LOVE

Nails did not hold the Savior to the cross. His love for His people held Him to the cross. The only way the people He loved could be saved is by His suffering unto death. In the same way, the threats of the law and the chains of man's religion do not hold believer's to Christ. It is love for Christ that binds us to Him.

- Frank Tate (Ashland, KY)

#### WE CAN OUT LIVE

My Father said to me once that he had out lived his education. I realize there are some things we can out live. We can out live our education—our health—our minds—our usefulness, but thanks be unto God we cannot out live His grace to us in Christ. We cannot out live the power of His blood to cleanse us from all unrighteousness, we cannot out live His everlasting righteousness. So, as we out live these earthly things, we cannot out live the spiritual blessings that were given to us in Christ before we drew our first breath.

- John Chapman (Spring Lake NC)

This past week has been for me much like all the other weeks of my life: I have experienced many failures in spiritual matters: I have ventured too far into the world, been too little involved with eternal things, read the Scriptures and prayed too little, found myself doubting God's grace and trusting myself. How glad I am, then, that today, I can come to this place and meet with God's people whose experiences are similar to mine. Among the saints, I find it easier to think on things above, easier to pursue matters of eternal life, easier to express the fruit of the Spirit, easier to believe "Christ is all," easier to read and pray. The reason for this is clear, "Where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20). Let others say they can worship as well in nature as in church. Maybe in their churches this is so: but not in the churches where Christ meets with His people. I have experienced wonderful times of worship alone with God, but I must confess that the large majority of my experiences of worship has occurred in assembly with the saints of God meeting in the name of Christ! What a privilege to be here today!

- Joe Terrell (Rock Valley, IA)

# San Diego Grace Fellowship

"But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness; But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God." ICor 1v23-24

## January 15th, 2023

<u>Service Times</u> Sunday - 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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