



GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH
AT CASTLEWOODS

ORDER OF WORSHIP
May 15th, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP

Thomas Winn — Elder/Pastor

- The Prelude Prepare your heart for worship
- The Call to Worship Robert Winn
- Hymn "How Firm a Foundation"
- The Prayer of Confession and Praise Seth Lirette
- Hymn "Trust and Obey"
- Hymn "The Church's One Foundation"
- The Reading of the Word — *Psalm 119:33-48* Hal Pritchard
- Hymn "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"
- The Pastoral Prayer Pastor Winn
- The Sermon — *"Did Not Come to Destroy the Law, Pt. II" (Matthew 5:17-19)* Pastor Winn
- Hymn "Softly and Tenderly"
- The Benediction Hal Pritchard
- The Postlude

EVENING WORSHIP

- The Prelude Prepare your heart for worship
- Hymn "The Way of the Cross Leads Home"
- Hymn "The Lily of the Valley"
- The Pastoral Prayer Pastor Winn
- The Sermon — *"When Your Spirit Feels Crushed, Pray!" (Psalm 143)* Dirk de Waal
- A Time of Reflection Upon the Word Preached
- Hymn "I Need Thee Every Hour"
- The Benediction
- The Postlude



COMMENTARY

Puritan William Perkins

Christ fulfilleth the law three ways: by His doctrine, in His person and in men. By His doctrine He fulfilleth the law two ways: both by restoring unto it His proper meaning and true use, as we shall see afterwards where He correcteth the corrupt interpretations of the Pharisees; as also by revealing the right way whereby the law may be fulfilled. Secondly, in His person He fulfilleth the law two ways: first, by becoming accursed to the law, in suffering death upon the cross for us; secondly, by performing perfect obedience unto the law, doing all that the law required for the love of God or of His neighbour; in which respect He was said (Gal. 4:4) to have been under the law. Thirdly, Christ fulfilled the law in men. Men may be of two sorts: elect and reprobates. In His elect, He fulfilled the law two ways: first, by creating faith in their hearts whereby they lay hold on Christ, who for them fulfilled it; secondly, by giving them His own Spirit which maketh them endeavour to fulfil the law; which in Christ is accepted for perfect obedience in this life, and in the life to come is perfect indeed. In unbelievers, Christ fulfilleth the law when He executeth the curse of the law upon them; for this is a part of the law, and the execution and enduring of the curse is a fulfilling of the law. And thus doth Christ fulfil the law; so that the meaning of the words is this: Whereas you think that I came to destroy the law and the prophets, by making them of none effect, you are deceived; nay, on the other side, know that the end of my manifestation in the flesh was to fulfil the law, both in my doctrine and person; and also, in the persons of men both good and bad. In this apology of Christ, for His behavior towards the law; observe what malice some of the Jews, especially the Scribes and Pharisees, bare unto Him; for Christ was the author of the law, and yet they maliciously suspect and charge Him with the abrogation thereof; so as he is fain to clear Himself in this behalf. The like hath been the malice of wicked men in all ages, against the dearest servants of God (Acts 6:14). Stephen is accused to speak blasphemous words against the Law (Acts 8); and Paul is charged with the same crime (Acts 21:28). And such is the malice of the papists against all evangelical reformed churches; because we deny justification by works, therefore they condemn us for enemies to good works; and in many other points they fasten upon us notes of reproach for holding the truth. Yea, among ourselves, the like malice doth appear in those that brand their brethren with odious names, because they shew forth more care than others, of their duty to God; but let all God's children beware

of this Pharisaical practice. Again, observe the titles under which He comprehendeth the whole Scriptures of the Old Testament: The law and the prophets. They are called Moses and the prophets (Luke 16:31). Christ began at Moses and all the Prophets, and interpreted unto them in all the Scriptures (Luke 24:27); there Moses and the Prophets do contain all the Scriptures of the Old Testament. Here then we may note a property of the books of the Old Testament; namely, that every one of them was either written by Moses or some other of the prophets. And by this we may know the canonical books of the Old Testament, and distinguish them from the books called Apocrypha; for the Apocrypha books were not penned by any of the prophets, who spake and wrote in the Hebrew tongue, the native language of the Jews; but by some other in the Greek tongue, which was not the language of the old prophets. These books may be regarded in sundry respects, as containing many worthy rules touching manners; in which regard we may prefer them before other writings of men, so far forth as they are consonant with the Scripture; and so the church of God hath of a long time revered them; but yet they are no part of the law, nor of the prophets. And therefore the church of Rome doth notably wrong and abuse the world in styling these apocryphal books for canonical Scripture. Thirdly, Christ, in this His apology, sheweth a sweet consent between the law and the gospel. They are not contrary one to the other; for Christ who is the substance of the gospel, came to fulfil the law; and therefore Paul saith (Rom. 3:31), We establish the law; and (Heb. 9:19ff.), When Moses had given the law unto the people, offered sacrifices, and sprinkled the blood thereof upon the book, and upon the people, which was a type of the shedding of Christ's blood, as it is there expounded (vv. 23,24); which did notably signify this consent between the law and the gospel, insomuch as without Christ, the law could not stand. Now this consent between them standeth herein: The law requireth perfect obedience, and threateneth death to the least breach thereof, not propounding any way for the fulfilling thereof out of ourselves; but the gospel directeth us to Christ, who as our surety hath fulfilled the law for us; for which cause Christ is called (Rom. 10:4) the end of the law for righteousness, in everyone that believeth. And through Christ it is (Rom. 8:4) that the righteousness of the law is fulfilled in us, which walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.



RESPONSIBILITIES

Today's Nursery Volunteers

May 15th
<i>Morning</i> Ashley Lirette & Kelly Jackson
<i>Evening/Afternoon</i> Mary Margaret Pritchard & Lawanda Winn
<i>Wednesday - May 18th</i> Katherine Ranck (<i>Laurie Price</i>)

Today's Sound Operator - Daniel Ranck



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Preschool and Children's Choir will meet this afternoon.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

The Ladies Bible study will meet this Thursday, May 19th at 11 am. Please bring a sack lunch and enjoy a time of fellowship afterwards.

VBS

VBS this year will be May 31st - June 3rd. A volunteer sheet has been posted! Please sign up as soon as possible. See Bridgette if you would like to help with the planning process. You will begin to notice "donation sheep" by the choir room. Please grab those and drop donations off in specified locations.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS

The New Member's Class will begin June 5th. It is for anyone interested in knowing what is required to be a member at GBC. We encourage our visitors to attend, so that you might have your questions about membership answered. The class will be led by Hal Pritchard and will meet on Sunday morning at 9:30 in the church office.

SINGING SCHOOL

Grace Primitive Church is offering a Singing School June 7-10. It is a free event, with meals included, for kids and adults. See Kathy Irving for more information.

