***Prayer***

**Prayer Focus:**

“But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.” Matthew 6:33

**Prayer Requests:**

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* **Confession of Sin**: “*If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:*7
* ***Assurance of Pardon****: “…but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.” 1 John 1:8-9*

“Satan has effectively lulled many of God’s children to sleep. Therefore, they do not enter the battle which Satan dreads most – prayer.” ~ D.L. Moody

**SOVEREIGN GRACE CHURCH**

***A Reformed Baptist Church***

**Sunday, April 14th 2024**

*“Sola fide, sola gratia,* *sola scriptura, solus Christus, soli deo gloria”*

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**WELCOME TO OUR FELLOWSHIP**

**The London Baptist Confession of Faith – 1689**

**Chapter 9 – Of Free Will**

**Paragraph 1 of 5** God has endued the will of man with that natural liberty and power of acting upon choice, that it is neither forced, nor by any necessity of nature determined to do good or evil. (Matthew 17:12; James 1:14; Deuteronomy 30:19)

**Paragraph 2 of 5** Man, in his state of innocence, had freedom and power to will and to do that which was good and well-pleasing to God, but yet was unstable, so that he might fall from it. (Ecclesiastes 7:293. Genesis 3:6)

**Paragraph 3 of 5** Man, by his fall into a state of sin, has wholly lost all ability of will to any spiritual good accompanying salvation; so as a natural man, being altogether averse from that good, and dead in sin, is not able by his own strength to convert himself, or to prepare himself thereunto. (Romans 5:6, 8:75. Ephesians 2:1, 56. Titus 3:3-5; John 6:44)

**Paragraph 4 of 5** When God converts a sinner, and translates him into the state of grace, He frees him from his natural bondage under sin, and by His grace alone enables him freely to will and to do that which is spiritually good; yet so as that by reason of his remaining corruptions, he does not perfectly, nor only will, that which is good, but does also will that which is evil. (Colossians 1:13; John 8:368. Philippians 2:139. Romans 7:15, 18-19, 21, 23)

**Paragraph 5 of 5** This will of man is made perfectly and immutably free to good alone in the state of glory only. (Ephesians 4:13)

“He that hath slight thoughts of sin never had great thoughts of God.” ~ John Owen

**This Sunday’s Worship**

Call to Worship Song:

*So Many Books* ~ Michael Card

Welcome/Opening Prayer ~ Pastor

Spoken Call to Worship: Please stand to read together

#599.13 ~ Psalm 118:28-29

Worship with Singing:

#334 *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*

#337 *Pass Me Not*

#341 *Lord, I’m Coming Home*

#332 *Without Him*

Sharing

Time to Pray:

Confession of Sin ~ 1 John 1:7

Assurance of Pardon ~ 1 John 1:8-9

Scripture Reading: #698 *Psalm 32*

Lord’s Supper

Fellowship Break

Message: Colossians 2:4-7

Closing Hymn:

#376 *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

**Looking Ahead/Announcements**

**Today:** Special All-church meeting immediately after today’s service; 8-10 minutes

**Wednesday, April 17 @ home, 8pm:** Prayer Time

**Sunday, April 28 after church:** potluck

**Read the Bible through in a Year:**

**Apr 15-21, 2024**

**Monday** **15:** Habakkuk 1; 2; 3; Colossians. 3

**Tuesday** **16:** Zephaniah 1; 2; 3; Colossians 4

**Wednesday** **17:** Ezra 1; 2; 2 Timothy 1

**Thursday** **18:** Ezra 3; 4; 5; 2 Timothy 2

**Friday** **19:** Ezra 6; 7; 8; 2 Timothy 3

**Saturday** **20:** Ezra 9; 10; 2 Timothy 4

**Sunday** **21:** 1 Chronicles 1; 2; 3; Jude 1