

***We are a family in service together for the gospel of Jesus Christ  
so that the glory of God may be displayed in all things  
for the joy of all peoples."***

**WORSHIP SERVICE – February 12, 2017**

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

*Eric Schumacher*

**BELIEVER'S BAPTISM**

Emily Robison

*Michael Felkins*

**SCRIPTURAL CALL TO WORSHIP**

"Worthy Are You"

*Scott Krippayne*

**CALL TO REFLECTION AND CONFESSION**

*Jonathan Philgreen*

God of love, in the wrong we have done and in the good we  
have not done,  
Please forgive us;  
we have sinned in ignorance;  
we have sinned in weakness;  
we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry.  
We repent and turn to you.  
Forgive us and renew our lives and  
prepare our hearts for worship this morning  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**SONGS OF ASSURANCE AND PEACE**

"Before the Throne of God Above"

*C. L. Bancroft & V. Cook*

"Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)"

*E. O. Excell, L. Giglio,  
J. Newton, J.P. Rees & C. Tomlin*

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND PETITION**

*Steve Vardeman*

**WORSHIP BY GIVING**

**WORSHIP IN SONG**

"I Will Rise"

*L. Giglio, M. Maher, J. Reeves, & C. Tomlin*

**WORSHIP IN THE WORD**

*Michael Felkins*

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**PREPARATION FOR SENDING**

"You Never Let Go"

*B. Redman & M. Redman*

**BENEDICTION**

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*Michael Felkins*

**PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Parker & Emily Robison

*Michael Felkins*

**SCHEDULE – February 12-18, 2017**

**Greeters:** Jane Kipp, Luke & Becca Jensen  
**Welcome Ctr:** Terry & Debbie Martens  
**Nursery:** Sara Knight, Duane & Danelle Jensen,  
Tim & Cathy Thorsbakken  
  
**Today:** College Lunch..... noon  
**Tuesday:** Women’s Ephesians Bible Study..... 8:45-10:15 am  
**Wednesday:** grow 252 ..... 6:30-8:00 pm  
Youth Group ..... 6:30-8:00 pm  
Women’s Ephesians Bible Study ..... 6:30-8:00 pm  
**Thursday:** House of Hope Food Pantry Open ..... 5:30-7:00 pm  
**Saturday:** Youth Tubing @ Seven Oaks.....10:45 am-1:00 pm

**NEXT SUNDAY – February 19, 2017**

**Greeters:** Jim & Melinda Lowry, Rachel Lowry  
**Welcome Center:** Dixie Carpenter  
**Nursery:** Brad & Emily Jensen, Jane Kipp, Sam Felkins, Debbie Martens,  
Ling Cai

**RECORD OF GIVING**

Non-Designated giving February 6, 2017 ..... \$6,726.60  
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Lottie Moon Offering (goal \$7,500)..... \$7,582.00

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT AVAILABLE:** The January 2017 financial statement is available in the library.

**2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

February 15 – Women’s Ephesians Bible Study 6:30-8:00 pm  
February 16 – House of Hope Food Pantry Open 5:30-7:00 pm (Knights,  
Millers, Nadia Jaramillo)  
February 18 – Youth Event, Tubing at Seven Oaks 10:45 am-1:00 pm

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**COLLEGE LUNCH:** All college students and your friends are invited to the college lunch TODAY, February 12<sup>th</sup>, in the fellowship hall upstairs right after the worship service. Come for warm, "breakfast for lunch".

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS RECEIVED:** Dawson and Allison LaBorde recently applied for church membership. Please contact any of the elders with questions or comments regarding their applications.

**MEMBERSHIP CLASS:** Interested in becoming a Member of GABC? A Foundations of Membership Class will be scheduled soon. Let us know of your interest via our on-line form ([tinyurl.com/GABC-Membership](http://tinyurl.com/GABC-Membership)) or by contacting Eric Schumacher ([eric@grand-avenue.org](mailto:eric@grand-avenue.org)).

## MESSAGE NOTES

Michael Felkins

February 12, 2017

Colossians: Introduction (Part 2)  
"The People of Grace"  
Colossians 1:2

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**Main Point:** Genuine obedience to God flows out of a gospel-identity in Christ.

This Sunday we are going to answer the questions:

- (1) To whom did Paul write?
- (2) Why did he write to them?

**I. Paul told the members of the Colossian church three things about themselves in v. 2.**

**A. First he told them they were "in Christ." (v. 2c)**

*3 Questions to help you determine if you are "in Christ" or "in Adam."*

1. Do you hate sin? (Have you put off the "old self"? Do you hate the "old self"?)
2. Do you desire to live a godly life? (Have you put on the "new self"?)
3. Do you glory in or boast in Christ Jesus?

**B. The second and third things are that he called them "saints and faithful brothers (and sisters)" in Christ. (v. 2)**

**a) "Saints"**

- Identity determines \_\_\_\_\_.

**b) "Faithful Brothers"**

**II. Why did Paul write to the Colossian church?**

He wrote to them to teach them that genuine obedience to God flows out of a gospel-identity in Christ.



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