

# CALVARY NEWS

## From the Pastor

Hey CBC Family,

For parents of school-aged children, it's that time of year again, when we encounter that challenging "s" word... the "Schedule." It's amazing how much time we can waste and how fast things can get out of whack when we don't have a schedule, isn't it? With our human, fallen condition, it is so easy to waste time, indulging in everything from bad habits to mindless/meaningless activity! For example, I've been shocked recently at how much I can catch myself doing things, such as snacking or worrying when I don't have something to do. Can you relate?

As free spirited as Jesus may appear in the Bible, a closer look can prove otherwise about His ministry. In reality, we find Jesus was a Man on a regular mission. Consider Luke 4:16, which says Jesus went to the synagogue "as was his custom." Or, remember when Jesus was mentioned to "often withdraw to quiet places to pray" (Luke 5:16). In fact, it is even believed Judas knew where Jesus would be when he betrayed Him because Jesus' location would have been predictable in the garden at that time.

Jesus exemplified something we need to realize about being human- we need purposeful, scheduled consistency! We need to order our steps and "make straight paths for our feet!" (Hebrews 12:13).

I like how I heard it recently, hearing someone plainly say, "You cannot move a parked car!" So too, I believe, the Lord doesn't move or work in/through complacent, aimless people. No, we were made to move with a mission, staying faithful to what God has in front of us and trusting God will lead us as we do what He's given us wisdom to do. So, I challenge you (and myself) ... Have you prayed through and set a schedule for yourself, your family, and your ministry? Certainly, flexibility will be key, but watch what God does as you faithfully go forward! You and I know very well that time is SHORT! So, brothers and sisters, let's redeem the time! (Eph. 5:16).

Have a wonderful week! I hope to see you around at any of our scheduled events. And remember, new classes start this Sunday, September 7th at 9:30am! Be sure to join one, even if you haven't signed up yet.

*Stay encouraged in Christ,  
Pr. J.G.*

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### TUESDAY REFRESH

#### BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Jim Galliardt

6:00p Meal (Taco Tuesday)

6:45p Study in Acts

Childcare  
Provided



### REFRESH Youth Group

6:45p @ the Ranch

Grades 6-12 meet after dinner

Fellowship - Bible Study - Fun Activities



### Senior Center Bible Study

(200 S Walnut)

Tuesdays @ 2pm

Watching a video series

on Revelation by Don

Perkins of ATPM



### Women's BIBLE STUDY

STARTING WEDNESDAY SEP

3RD FROM 6:30-8PM

RANCH HOUSE

Join us as we study *The Screwtape Letters* by C.S. Lewis

Ladies will need to buy the book for the study (for more info see Nancy Taylor)

### NEW CBC PODCAST

WHAT IN THE WORD IS GOING ON!?!  
WHERE CURRENT EVENTS MEET SCRIPTURE!

with Matt Brewer & Jim Galliardt

Tune in weekly on CBC's YouTube Channel



# Last Days Bible Promise

## Romans 8:33-34

33 Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. Romans 8:33-34

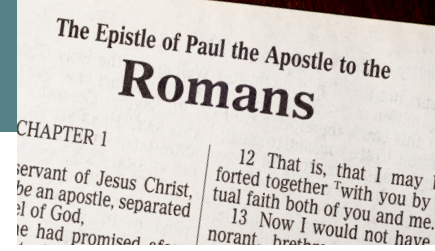
What precious promises continue to encourage us in these last days from Romans 8. In this week's verses, we find the wonderful promises of God's mind-blowing justification and Christ's daily intercession. Both of these are essential for us to remember in these last days, as we not only get closer to seeing the Lord, but also as we encounter the increasing darkness of men.

First, on justification... God's justification for us in Christ Jesus puts us in right standing with the ultimate Judge of the earth. Romans 5:1-2 says, "having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God." It is God's justification in Christ that covers all of our sin and assures us of our heavenly hope! In the last days, accusations like, "Christians are hypocrites" (as if we're saved by our own goodness) or whatever other lies people will say about us will only increase as men get more and more evil. So, it becomes paramount that we hold a bold confidence of our own justification in Christ like Paul did! And if you thought condemnation was bad on earth, realize that you have an all-condemning enemy accusing you of all kinds of things constantly in heaven (Rev. 12:10).

Praise God that, not only does Satan have no standing against us because of Christ, but he also will be evicted out of the courts of heaven FOR GOOD someday soon (Rev. 12:10). Bottom line, we overcome every accusation "by the blood of the lamb," so we can boldly say to anyone, "I'm forgiven...take it up with the Boss"!

And on intercession... We have such confidence in God's justification because, not only did the Justifier (JESUS) die and rise again, but also because He now lives to make intercession for us (Heb. 7:25). This is one of the many reasons why Jesus said that it was better for Him to go heavenward after rising again, so that we would have His heavenly help! Whether we realize it or not, our biggest battles are fought in spiritual places (Eph. 6:12), and Jesus our warrior is... SEATED at the right hand of the Father! Seated? Yes! (See Eph. 1:20, Col. 3:1, Heb. 1:3, Rev. 3:21) This means that He's not anxious or uptight, frustrated or angry in helping us. No, He's resting. Calm. Confident in our Heavenly Father and as close to Him as possible, being even at His right hand! Why? Because He's already won on our behalf! What a friend we have in Jesus, and what confidence we can have today, everyday, and especially the day that we're called home to see Him face to face.

In shift days we need confidence and, praise God, His justification and Jesus' intercession is just what we need for it!



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# Sermon Review

## “My Shepherd” from Psalm 22-28

Continuing through the Psalms we encounter the Shepherding Psalms this week, revealing God as the ultimate Shepherd of His people. That makes us sheep, which is intentional language, because we certainly are challenging to keep! However, our message this week out of Psalm 23 tuned us to God’s responsibility and deep desire to be our caring Shepherd. Psalm 23 literally starts with David identifying God by one of His biblical names, “The Lord, My Shepherd.” Then the rest of the describes what we should expect of a shepherd. We discussed the well-known Psalm in 3 sections...

1) My Shepherd’s provision and purpose. (V1-3, Heb. 13:20-21). In these first few verses, we see that our Shepherd equips, provides, leads, and even restores us. Our physical and spiritual well-being is in His Hands. But, being sheep, these things don’t come easy, as we are often stubborn, wandering, and sometimes just plain stupid. So, we often miss in these poetic lines such words like “He Makes” or “He restores” (literally “He cleanses”). These are intentional acts of God for our good but often run contrary to what we think/want. However, we know His ways and thoughts are higher than ours (Isaiah 55:8-11), and His purposes are eternally right! While we may want Him to lead where we want to go, God ultimately leads us in righteousness for His Name’s sake, or in His better ways and purposes. We just need to remember that, we’re the sheep, not the Shepherd!

2) My Shepherd’s protective presence.

Verse 4 continues by reminding us that, though the Shepherd may take us through very dark valleys, we can rest in His presence. We don’t have to fear any evil because the Lord is our Shepherd. And Sunday, we discussed how His presence is most realized in the Shepherd’s comforting rod and staff. The rod was a protective measure of the Shepherd, warding off enemies of the flock. Similarly, the Lord proves His presence to us by always providing an escape for us away from evil and sin (1 Cor. 10:13). Furthermore, the Shepherd’s staff corrects sheep wandering from the path by pulling them back in the fold. In our own correction, God proves His love to us, which is why we shouldn’t ever despise the chastening of the Lord (Heb. 12:3-6). Rarely do we acknowledge God in the good times, but it’s in the valleys where we look up to see His wonderfully protecting and correcting presence.

3) My Shepherd’s peace from a heavenly perspective. (v5-6). It’s the shepherd’s job to calm often overly anxious sheep to rest, eat, and sleep, even in the presence of darkness. So, this Psalm closes by reminding us that, even in the presence of our enemies (like the lurking wolves of men or the lions of darkness), The Lord grants us peace. David would know about this while on the run from Saul, remembering in communion with God that he was eternally secure in God and anointed to be Israel’s next King however God would work it out. Truly Jesus has similarly already prepared a table before us, defeating the evil surrounding us by providing His body and blood on our behalf. Furthermore, we’re anointed for service, promised perpetual mercy and goodness, and sealed to dwell with Christ eternally by the Spirit of God! With such an eternal perspective of all things covered in Christ (Eph. 2:8-10), we too can rest in the presence of our enemies!



## Prayer Requests

Please join the CBC family in prayer for:

**Matt Brewer**, he is doing exceptionally well for such a recent surgery. He went for a couple of walks outside. Megan and John stopped by which cheered him up. Matt and Mary have felt the prayers and know God's answering in ways that they have not even anticipated. They are grateful for the faithful prayers of church family.

**Marilyn Galliardt**, please continue to pray for her pain to go down, and for Dr's to understand why she's continuing to have not-normal, sharp pains from surgery still.

**Rhonda Regier**, thanks everyone for all the prayers. Praise The Lord her foot has healed thru and over. She will need to wear the boot for one more week just to protect the fragile skin.

**The Pritchett Family**, please pray for an unspoken request as they navigate some family challenges.

**Eric West**, please pray for his daughter Ashley, that she will continue to grow in her faith in Christ, and to let nothing move her. Pray that his son Isaiah will also surrender his life to the Lord as well. Also, pray for Eric's lower back pain that he has been experiencing and complete healing.

**Marvin & Joleen Reynolds**, please continue to pray for Marvin in hospice, asking for comfort for him and his wife Joleen.

**Andrew & Laura Huffmier**, Praise the Lord visas have been approved and travel tickets purchased for September 8. Please be praying for us in this transition, not only for the physical challenges of traveling and all that comes with it, but also for our family as we adjust. Pray that we'll all adapt well and that we'll be sensitive to our kids' needs during this time. They will be feeling the same challenges as us, but many times without being able to express it clearly. Pray for God to give us wisdom.

Please text your prayer requests to **833-753-3673**

Please email your updates to [cbcwichitaksoffice@gmail.com](mailto:cbcwichitaksoffice@gmail.com)

## Upcoming Events

### Sunday Morning Classes Starting Sept 7th



The American Gospel, Part 2  
Led by Jeff Pritchett in Sanctuary

The Attributes Of God by AW Tozer  
Led by Caleb Thompson in Fell. Hall

The Book of Daniel by C. Missler  
Led by Pr. Jim Galliardt in The Ranch House

### Men's Ministry Breakfast

Saturday, Sept 13th, 8am  
Contact Titus for more info

Saturday,  
Sept 13 @ 10am

Having Your House in Order  
• Insurance

**DISCERNING DAYS PREP GROUP**

### Fall Festival

SAVE THE DATE  
Oct. 19th from 4-6pm

### Prayer Chain

Have a prayer request?  
Email the office or you can text

**833-753-3673**

Prayer chain platform powered by Gloop

### CBC Members

Building/Faculty Use Available

EMAIL OFFICE TO COMPLETE AND  
SUBMIT REQUEST FORMS



### This Week's Psalm Reading

Sun. (8/31) Psalm 29  
Mon. (9/1) Psalm 30  
Tues. (9/2) Psalm 31  
Wed. (9/3) Psalm 32  
Thurs. (9/4) Psalm 33  
Fri. (9/5) Psalm 34  
Sat. (9/6) Psalm 35

### Interested In Missions?

URM, Embrace, HHH, OCC

Opportunities are available!

Please see Sara Bowers for information!

### Dad Jokes

- Why does a chicken coup have 2 doors? Because if it had 4 doors, it would be a chicken sedan.
- My daughter can't decide if she wants to be a hairdresser or an author. I told her to flip a coin... heads or tails.