

# PILGRIM COMMUNITY CHURCH

*Christ-centered. Gospel-shaped. Together for Good.*

***January 19, 2025***

*The Third Lord’s Day of 2025*

**MORNING SERVICE 10:15—11:45 AM**

***“Bought by Him at Such a Cost”***

<b>Sermon Text</b>	Mark 14:1-9
<b>Preacher</b>	Pastor James Bryner Chu

**EVENING SERVICE 5:00—6:00 PM**

***“Particulars and Principles for Public Worship  
(A Prescription for Joyful Submission to God)”***

<b>Sermon Text</b>	1 Timothy 2:8-15
<b>Preacher</b>	Elder Erwin Sadorra

**SOUTH SERVICE 3:21—5:00 PM**

***“Chosen by the Father  
to be Adopted Holy Ones”***

<b>Sermon Text</b>	Ephesians 1:3-6
<b>Preacher</b>	Bro. Kim Pancobilla

## *i. Opening With Praise*

### **PRELUDE**

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### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

#### **Exodus 15:1-2, 11-13**

I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed  
gloriously;  
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.  
The LORD is my strength and my song,  
and he has become my salvation;  
this is my God, and I will praise him,  
my father's God, and I will exalt him. . . .  
Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods?  
Who is like you, majestic in holiness,  
awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?  
You stretched out your right hand;

the earth swallowed them.  
You have led in your steadfast love the people  
whom you have redeemed;  
you have guided them by your strength to your holy  
abode.

## **WELCOME**

## **OPENING SONG**

### **Why do Heathen Nations Rage? (Psalm 2b)**

Why do heathen nations rage?  
Why do peoples plot in vain?  
Kings and rulers join to wage  
War against God's royal reign.  
Speaking out against the LORD,  
His Anointed they defy:  
"Let us break apart their cords,  
Cast away their chains," they cry.

He who sits in heaven laughs;  
God derides and mocks them all.

Then he speaks to them in wrath,  
Fear and dread on them do fall:  
“Yet according to my will,  
I have set my king to reign,  
Fixed on Zion’s holy hill,  
My Anointed will remain.”

I will tell of his decree:  
This to me the LORD did say,  
“You are my beloved Son;  
I have brought you forth this day.  
Ask for all the earth abroad,  
You shall own the nations far.  
You will break them with a rod,  
Dash them like a potter’s jar.”

Therefore, kings, be wise, be warned;  
Rulers of the earth, give ear.  
Come with awe and serve the LORD:  
Mingle joy with trembling fear.  
Kiss the Son, his anger turn,  
Lest you perish in the way,  
For his wrath will quickly burn.  
All who trust him-blest are they!

## *ii. Confessing Our Sins*

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

#### **Psalm 103:8, 10-12**

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

### **THE DECALOGUE**

You shall not have more gods than me  
Before no image bow the knee  
Take not the name of God in vain  
Nor dare the Sabbath to profane  
Give both your parents honor due  
Take heed that you no murder do  
Abstain from words and deeds unclean  
Nor steal though you are poor and mean

Nor make a willful lie nor love it  
What is your neighbor's do not covet

## **CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful  
that your mercy is  
higher than the heavens,  
wider than our wanderings,  
deeper than all our sin.  
Forgive our careless attitudes toward your  
purposes,  
our refusal to relieve the suffering of others,  
our envy of those who have more than we have,  
our obsession with creating a life of constant  
pleasure,  
our indifference to the treasures of heaven,  
our neglect of your wise and gracious law.  
Help us to change our way of life  
so that we may desire what is good,  
love what you love,  
and do what you command,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*iii. Giving Thanks for God's Mercies***OFFERTORY**

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**Monthly South Service**

<b>Lord's Day</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Contact</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Toyota Bicutan	3:21PM	David / Reggie

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Day	Venue	Time	Contact
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Tues	Xavierville	6:00PM	James
Wed	BGC	6:30PM	Justine
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Fri	South	6:30PM	David / Reggie
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Sat	Pilgrim Center	4:00PM	Jed

### *Upcoming- Resuming soon...*

TBA	Valenzuela	TBA	Gerard
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## Brazilian Jiu-jitsu Classes

Day	Venue	Time	Contact
Fri	Center	[Catechism] 5:30PM	Alex
		[Kids] 6:00PM	
		[Adults] 7:00PM	

## Pilgrim Choristers

Day	Venue	Time	Contact
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays	Center	6:30PM	Joi / Charlet



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## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

### *iv. Hearing the Word*

## **SCRIPTURE READING**

**Mark 14:1-9**

## **SERMON**

### **Bought by Him at Such a Cost**

Pastor James Bryner Chu

1. The Lord's haters want him dead [Cowardly]
2. Nothing spent on the Lord is wasted [Costly]
3. The gospel of the Lord's burial [Beautiful]

### *v. Giving Thanks for God's Grace*

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

**Behold the Lamb**

**Verse 1**

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away  
Slain for us, and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross  
So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace  
Around the table of the King.

**Verse 2**

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
Torn for you. Eat and remember;  
The wounds that heal,  
The death that brings us life  
Paid the price to make us one.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of love  
Around the table of the King

**Verse 3**

The blood that cleanses ev'ry stain of sin  
Shed for you, drink and remember,  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in

To receive the life of God.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of grace  
Around the table of the King.

### **Verse 4**

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise  
To respond and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering  
We proclaim Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of Heav'n  
Around the table of the King.

Words and music by Keith and Kristyn Getty & Stuart Townend

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## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive

us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

## *vi. Confessing Our Faith*

### **ATHANASIAN CREED**

#### **Part 3**

This is what the catholic Faith teaches: The Father is made of none, neither created, nor begotten. The Son is of the Father alone, not made, nor created, but begotten. The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made, nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding. So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits. And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater, or less than another. But the whole three Persons are co-eternal together, and co-equal. So that in all things, the Unity in Trinity, and the Trinity in Unity is to be worshipped. Whoever will be saved must thus think of the Trinity. AMEN

## *vii. Closing with Praise*

### **CLOSING SONG**

My Heart Does Overflow (Psalm 45b)

My heart does overflow,  
a goodly theme is mine;  
my eager tongue with joyful song  
does praise the King divine.  
Supremely fair you are,  
your lips with grace o'erflow;  
his richest blessings evermore  
does God on you bestow.

Now gird you with your sword,  
O strong and mighty one,  
in splendid majesty arrayed,  
more glorious than the sun.  
Triumphantly ride forth  
for meekness, truth, and right;  
your arm shall gain the victory  
in wondrous deeds of might.

Your strength shall overcome  
all those that hate the King,

and under your dominion strong  
the nations you shall bring.  
Your royal throne, O God,  
forevermore shall stand;  
eternal truth and justice wield  
the scepter in your hand.

Since you were sinless found,  
the Lord, by you confessed,  
anointed you with perfect joy,  
you are supremely blessed.  
Your garments breathe of myrrh  
and spices sweet and rare;  
glad strains of heav'nly music ring  
thro'out your palace fair.

Amid your glorious train  
the royal daughters stand,  
and fairest gems bedeck your bride,  
the queen at your right hand.  
O royal bride, give heed,  
my holy words attend;  
for Christ, the King, forsake the world  
and ev'ry former friend.

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## **BENEDICTION**

### **DOXOLOGY**

#### Psalm 117

All nations, praise the LORD!

All peoples in accord. His glory raise!

Strong is his love for us, and the Lord's faithfulness  
stands firm from age to age!

O praise the LORD! Amen.

## ***EVENING SERVICE***

### ***i. Opening with Praise***

#### **PRELUDE**

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#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

##### **Psalms 108:1-15**

My heart is steadfast, O God!  
I will sing and make melody with all my being!  
Awake, O harp and lyre!  
I will awake the dawn!  
I will give thanks to you, O LORD, among the  
peoples;  
I will sing praises to you among the nations.  
For your steadfast love is great above the heavens;  
your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.  
Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!  
Let your glory be over all the earth!



## **OPENING SONG**

### **I Love You, Lord, My Strength (Psalm 18b)**

I love you, LORD, my strength, my rock.  
He is my fort, my saving pow'r;  
God is my shield, my shelt'ring rock,  
my horn of safety, mighty tow'r.

I call to God the LORD on high;  
worthy is he of all my praise.  
He hears my cry and sets me free  
from all my foes; in might he saves.

Grim cords of death encompassed me;  
waves of destruction frightened me.  
Cords of the grave surrounded me,  
terrors of death confronted me.

In my distress I sought the LORD;  
I cried for help to God who hears.  
He from his temple heard my voice;  
he let my pleading reach his ears.

He from on high took hold of me;  
he pulled me up from waters deep.

He saved me from my enemy,  
haters who were too strong for me.

In my distress they threatened me,  
but God sustained me in my plight.  
He brought me out to freedom's land,  
for in my life he took delight.

God has repaid my righteousness;  
he favored me accordingly.  
He saw the cleanness of my hands;  
he has in grace rewarded me.

You save the humble and the meek,  
but shame the haughty eyes of pride.  
You, LORD, will keep my lamp aflame;  
God turns my darkness into light.

## *ii. Confessing our Sins*

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

#### **2 Corinthians 7:10**

“For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.”

## **CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

Lord, though you should guide us, we inform ourselves;  
though you should rule us, we control ourselves;  
though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves.  
We think your truth too high, your will too hard,  
your power too remote, your love too free. But they are not!

And without them, we are of all people most miserable.

Now heal our confused minds with your word,  
heal our divided wills with your law,  
heal our troubled consciences with your love,  
heal our anxious hearts with your presence,  
all for the sake of your Son,  
who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

*iii. Giving Thanks for God's Mercies*

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

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2. For Women

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## *vi. Confessing Our Faith*

### **NICENE CREED (325AD and 381AD)**

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation, came down from Heaven, and became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man; he was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered, and was buried, and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again in glory to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church; we acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins; we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## *vii. Closing With Praise*

### **CLOSING SONG**

God is Faithful (Psalm 114)

#### VERSE 1

God brought out His people  
with a strong and mighty hand  
Took them out of slavery  
to behold the Promised Land  
Mountains fled before them  
and the seas turned back and ran  
And they saw that He was good

#### CHORUS 1

God is faithful to His promise  
He is with us, He is with us  
God is faithful, God is faithful to His own

#### VERSE 2

God has come to free us  
from the bondage of our sin  
Tasting of His kindness

we cannot go back again  
Leads us through the desert  
to the rivers of His grace  
Working all things for our good

### VERSE 3

We have known Your mercy  
and Your love as in the past  
If days be few or many  
You will guide us to the last  
You have said it, we believe it,  
every promise holding fast  
For we know that You are good

### CHORUS 2

God is faithful to His promise  
He is with us, He is with us  
God is faithful, God is faithful to His own  
You are faithful to Your promise, You are with us,  
You are with us  
You are faithful, You are faithful to Your own

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# **BENEDICTION**

## **DOXOLOGY**

Now blessed be the LORD our God,  
the God of Israel,  
For he alone doth wondrous works,  
in glory that excel  
And blessed be his glorious name  
to all eternity:  
The whole earth let his glory fill.  
Amen, so let it be.



## **SOUTH SERVICE**

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##### **Psalm 95:6-7**

O come, let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

## OPENING SONG

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,  
the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your  
health and salvation!

Come, all who hear;  
now to his temple draw near,  
join me in glad adoration.

2 Praise to the Lord, above all things  
so wondrously reigning;  
sheltering you under his wings,  
and so gently sustaining!

Have you not seen  
all that is needful has been  
sent by his gracious ordaining?

3 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper  
your work and defend you;  
surely his goodness and mercy shall  
daily attend you.

Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
if with his love he befriends you.

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that has life and breath, come now with praises  
before him.

Let the Amen sound from his people again;  
gladly forever adore him.

Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN

## *ii. Confessing our Sins*

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

**Joel 2:13**

“And rend your hearts and not your garments.”  
Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and  
merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast  
love; and he relents over disaster.

### **RECITATION OF THE LAW**

**Mark 12:29b-31**

‘The most important commandment of all is, “Hear,  
O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you  
shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and

with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.” The second is this: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” There is no other commandment greater than these.’

## **CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

Have mercy upon us,  
O God, according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercies,  
blot out our transgressions.  
Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity,  
and cleanse us from our sin.  
For we know our transgressions,  
and our sin is ever before us.  
Create in us a clean heart, O God,  
and put a new and right spirit within us.  
Cast us not away from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from us.  
Restore to us the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold us with a willing spirit.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Adapted from Psalm 51

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

### **Matthew 9:10-13**

And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” But when [Jesus] heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

### *iii. Giving Thanks for God's Mercies*

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***iv. Hearing the Word*****PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION****PUBLIC READING OF THE WORD****Ephesians 1:3-6**

# PREACHING OF THE WORD

## Chosen by the Father to be Adopted Holy Ones

Bro. Kim Pancobilla

1. Chosen by the Father - vv. 3-4a, 6 [Hallows]

2. Chosen to be holy - v. 4 [Holy]

3. Chosen for adoption - v. 5 [Happy]

## *v. Giving Thanks for God's Grace*

### **The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll Not Want**

1 The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;  
He makes me down to lie  
In pastures green; He leadeth me  
The quiet waters by.

2 My soul He doth restore again,  
And me to walk doth make



Within the paths of righteousness,  
E'en for His own name's sake.

3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
Yet will I fear no ill;  
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod  
And staff me comfort still.

4 My table Thou hast furnished  
In presence of my foes;  
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,  
And my cup overflows.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life  
Shall surely follow me,  
And in God's house forevermore  
My dwelling-place shall be.

## **PRAYING THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from

evil. For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

## *vi. Confessing Our Faith*

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father, Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God,  
the Father Almighty.

From there He shall come to judge  
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

## *vii. Closing with Praise*

### **Glory be to God the Father**

1 Glory be to God the Father,  
glory be to God the Son,  
glory be to God the Spirit:  
great Jehovah, Three in One!  
Glory, glory while eternal ages run!

2 Glory be to him who loved us,  
washed us from each spot and stain;  
glory be to him who bought us,  
made us kings with him to reign!  
Glory, glory to the Lamb that once was slain!

3 Glory to the King of angels,  
glory to the Church's King,  
glory to the King of nations;  
heav'n and earth your praises bring!  
Glory, glory, to the King of glory sing!

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4 Glory, blessing, praise eternal!  
thus the choir of angels sings;  
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion!  
thus its praise creation brings.  
Glory, glory to the King of kings!

**Tune: REGENT SQUARE**

## **BENEDICTION**

### **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all Creatures here below,  
Praise Him above ye Heavenly Host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**PRAYERS DURING COMMUNION**

The Lord's Supper, also called Communion, is the family meal of Christians. We invite followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who have believed the good news, have repented of their sins, and are baptized members in good standing in the Lord's Church.

If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the Church.

**A PRAYER FOR PERSONS SEARCHING FOR TRUTH**

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who You are. Give me an understanding of You that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life You promise. Amen.

**A PRAYER OF BELIEF**

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through You I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that You have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

**A PRAYER FOR THOSE STRUGGLING WITH SIN**

Lord Jesus, enable me to see in You the fulfillment of all my true needs, and may I turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to see that Your Gospel is bigger than my sin, and that Your work breaks the power of sin as well as freeing me from its penalty. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and author of my faith. Amen.

**A PRAYER OF COMMITMENT**

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow You in baptism, and in a life of committed discipleship through membership in Your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. Amen.

**A PRAYER FOR COVENANT CHILDREN WHO HAVE NOT YET MADE A PROFESSION OF FAITH**

Lord Jesus, thank You for giving me the opportunity to grow up in a Christian family where I am surrounded by the good news of the gospel. Help me to grow in my understanding of who You are and what You have done for me on the cross. Help me learn what it means

for me to turn from my sins and trust in You alone for my salvation. Teach me what it means to follow You as one of your disciples. Amen.

### **NOTE ABOUT COMMUNION WINE:**

The communion cups contain wine. If you are pregnant or unable to consume wine, kindly inform any of our deacons so we can provide you with non-alcoholic grape juice.

### **About Pilgrim Community Church**

Our church's vision statement is that, *'Pilgrim Community exists to cultivate Christ-centered communities where lives and missions are shaped by the Gospel for the good of the city, the nation, and the world.'* These values are expressed briefly in three statements that we consider our community's DNA.

The following are the three things that we seek to be known for as a church under Christ. God helping us, we endeavor these basic statements to be what defines us and undergirds all that we are and all that we do as a Christian church:

#### **Christ-centered**

*"Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ."  
(Colossians 1:28)*

What sets Biblical Christianity apart from all other religions and life philosophies is that at the heart of our faith is not a moral or ethical code. The Christian mission is not primarily concerned with spreading a prescribed code of conduct for the betterment and continued survival of the human race. Rather, at the heart of Biblical Christianity is a person: the Lord Jesus Christ. He is the message that we proclaim and it is to Him—the true center—that we call all sorts of off-center people to. In all that we are and in all that we do, we yield to the ultimate supremacy of Jesus Christ, the Lord.

#### **Gospel-shaped**

*"And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit."  
(2 Corinthians 3:18)*

Greatness, truth, and beauty affect us in profound ways. We never walk away the same. In a sense, we never really walk away. The experience, or the music, or the art, they stay with us, changing us. It is no wonder that the Gospel—the Christian shorthand for the wonderful news of who Jesus Christ is, and what He has done to save His people—has this transforming effect on those who truly come to believe. As Christians, we seek to be shaped by the Gospel in every area of our private and public lives: in thoughts, in deeds, in affections, and in speech. The good news, the Gospel, makes us good news people in this bad news world.

#### **Together for Good**

*"So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith."  
(Galatians 6:10)*

The Gospel brings sinners like us into union with Christ and into communion with God and His people. When Christ saves us, He does not leave us to remain in our former human lives but rather He saves us into a community that transcends all earthly and human relationships. We are saved into a community of sinners and pilgrims who have all been saved by grace. As such, we become part of a new family of brothers and sisters

with whom we would not have had any relation to otherwise. As a community, we are called to love and to serve people with the Gospel both within and outside of our fellowship. Inwardly, we are called to love, serve, and to do good to one another as we together seek to be shaped by the Gospel. Outwardly, we are called to love, serve and to do good to others by calling the lost to faith and by taking a stand for justice, mercy, and truth. As recipients of the greatest good in Jesus, we seek to do good to all men as we have the opportunity to do so.



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If you have any questions or comments, or would like learn more about Pilgrim Community Church, please feel free to contact us at **[m.me/pilgrimcommunitychurch](https://m.me/pilgrimcommunitychurch)**