

*Welcome*  
**YOU BELONG  
HERE**

**SUNDAY**  
**October 8, 2023**

Building Relationships That Lead to  
Gospel Transformation

**10:45 AM SERVICE**

Holy Water  
Come Thou Fount  
Called Me Higher  
Amazing Grace  
(My Chains are gone)

Message by  
Pastor Chris Watson  
Colossians 1:19-23  
"Reconciled In Christ"

**NURSERY 10/08**

Bed Babies: Greta Wood/NEED VOLUNTEER  
Toddlers: Debbie Allen & Pat Carden  
Childrens Church: Joan Hughey/Stormy Howard

**WED. NIGHT MENU 10/04**

No Meal due to Fall Break

**STEWARDSHIP GOALS**

2023 Offering Goal (YTD)	\$213,370.78
2023 Offering Received (YTD)	\$207,186.17
Offerings +over/-short YTD	-\$6,184.61

**Reconciled in Christ**  
**Week 3: Our Journey Thru Colossians**  
**Colossians 1:19-23**  
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**Jesus was 100% God in the flesh. (v 19)**

In Him ALL flesh would dwell. All of God's fullness dwelt in Jesus.

The word *fullness* is used eight times in Colossians and this is intentional. The word *fullness* (*pleroma* in the Greek) was the "sum total of all divine power and attributes." It was a word the Gnostics would have known and used.

What did the Gnostics believe?

**Jesus has brought us \_\_\_\_\_.**

Reconciliation = exchange as well as understanding the relationship was once right, thru Adam and Eve. Now it needs to be "reconciled." Jesus has brought us that thru His blood.

**There are two types of people in this world:**

Aliens, alienated, \_\_\_\_\_ of God

Reconciled, friends, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of God

**God, thru Jesus, presents me:**

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\_\_\_\_\_ (And yet, can still see the work needed to be done in me.)

**Genuine faith \_\_\_\_\_ until the earthly end and the eternal continues/begins!**

*Faith that fizzles before the finish was flawed from the first. ~ D.L. Moody*

**Matthew 13:1-23** - Four soils

**Matthew 7:21-22** - "Depart from me, I never knew you."

**Ephesians 1:13-14** *In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, 14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.*

**Philippians 1:3-6** *I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, 4 always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, 5 for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now, 6 being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;*

**1 John 2:19** *Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour. 19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us.*

**Prayer Focus:**

**Have I been reconciled to Jesus?**

**Am I a friend or enemy of God?**

**Am I continuing in the faith, abiding in Christ?**