

Welcome to Promise Land Bible Church  
We're glad you're here!





## Praise and Prayer Request

**Philippians 1:3-6** I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.



# **Call to Worship**

## **Psalm 100**

**Psalm 100** A Psalm for giving thanks. Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

# Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

## Hymn 377



# Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

## Hymn 87



# Receiving of the Offering



**2 Cor. 9:5** So I thought it necessary to urge the brothers to go on ahead to you and arrange in advance for the gift you have promised, so that it may be ready **as a willing gift**, not as an exaction.

# ***Famous Quote:***

***“It is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor.”***

**PRESIDENT GEORGE WASHINGTON**

An open book is shown from a low angle, looking up at the pages. The pages are filled with small, dense text, likely a Bible. The book is set against a bright blue sky with wispy white clouds. The text is overlaid in the center of the book's pages.

**Today's Message**

**“New Self”**

***With A Thankful Heart***

**Scripture text: Colossians 3:1-17**

**Colossians 3:15-17** And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

**This should be our desired end result. But how do we get here, and how do we develop that attitude of gratitude towards Jesus Christ?**

**Colossians 1:9-14** And so, from the day we heard, **we have not ceased to pray for you**, asking that you may be **filled with the knowledge of his will** in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so **as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord**, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and **increasing in the knowledge of God**. May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, **giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light**. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, **in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins**.

**Colossians 1:24-29** Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, **to make the word of God fully known**, the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, **which is Christ in you**, the hope of glory. **Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.** For this I toil, struggling with **all his energy** that he powerfully works within me.

**Colossians 2:1-7** For I want you to know how great a struggle I have for you and for those at **Laodicea** and for all who have not seen me face to face, that their hearts **may be encouraged**, being knit together in love, **to reach all the riches of full assurance** of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, **which is Christ**, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. I say this in order that no one may delude you with plausible arguments. For though I am absent in body, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and **the firmness of your faith in Christ**. Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, **so walk in him**, rooted and **built up in him** and established in the faith, just as you were taught, **abounding in thanksgiving**.

**Colossians 2:8-10** See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority.

Man [empowered by Satan] will try and has tried, to deceive the believers in Christ / the Church, into many false teachings and doctrines.

Limiting God or trying to put Him in a box.

**Colossians 2:16-21** Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with **regard to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath**. These are a shadow of the things to come, but **the substance belongs to Christ**. Let no one disqualify you, **insisting on asceticism and worship of angels**, going on in detail about **visions**, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind, and **not holding fast to the Head**, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth **that is from God**. **If with Christ you died** to the elemental spirits of the world, why, as if you were still alive in the world, do you submit to regulations--"Do not handle, Do not taste, Do not touch"

**Colossians 2:23** These have indeed an **appearance of wisdom** in promoting self-made religion and asceticism and severity to the body, but **they are of no value in stopping the indulgence of the flesh.**

**Colossians 3:1-3** If then you have been raised with Christ, **seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.**

**Colossians 3:4-10** When Christ who is your life appears, then **you also will appear with him in glory.** **Put to death therefore what is earthly in you:** sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. **On account of these the wrath of God is coming.** In these **you too once walked, when you were living in them.** But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. **Do not lie to one another,** seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have **put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.**



# Downward Spiral

**Mark 8:34-38** And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and **take up his cross and follow me**. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. **For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?** For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

**Colossians 3:12-17** Put on then, as **God's chosen ones**, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, **forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.** And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And **be thankful.** Let **the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom,** singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, **with thankfulness in your hearts to God.** And whatever you do, in word or deed, **do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,** giving thanks to God the Father through him.

# Hymn 408

## I Surrender All

