

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader I waited patiently for the LORD; He inclined to me and heard my cry.
He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and
set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

All He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

Leader Blessed are those who give themselves over to the LORD.
You have multiplied, O Lord my God,
Your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us;
May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;

All May those who love your salvation say continually, “Great is the Lord!”
—from Psalm 40

OPENING SONG OF PRAISE

SING TO THE LORD (PSALM 96) / MUSIC: B. CHADWICK

Sing to the Lord a new song
Sing to the Lord, all the earth
Sing to the Lord a new song
Sing to the Lord, all the earth

For great is the Lord
Most worthy of praise

For great is our God
Most worthy of praise

Let the whole earth sing
To the Name above all names

CONFESSION OF FAITH from The Westminster Shorter Catechism Q & A 3 & 90

Leader What does the Bible primarily teach?

All The Bible primarily teaches what man must believe about God and what God requires of man.

Leader How is the word to be read and heard in order to become effective for Salvation?

All For the word to become effective for salvation, we must pay careful attention to it, prepare ourselves, and pray for understanding. We must also receive it with faith and love, treasure it in our hearts, and practice it in our lives.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SONGS OF PRAISE

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS / T. CHISHOLM

1. Great is Thy faithfulness,
O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not,
Thy compassions they fail not;
as Thou has been Thou forever wilt be.

CHORUS
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
all I have needed
Thy hand hath provided,
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2. Summer and winter
and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars
in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness,
mercy and love.

3. Pardon for sin
and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence
to cheer and to guide,
strength for today
and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine,
with ten thousand beside.

TREMBLE / MOSAIC

1. Peace, bring it all to peace
The storm surrounding me
Let it break at Your name

Still, call the sea to still
The rage in me to still
Every wave at Your name

CHORUS
Jesus, Jesus
You make the darkness tremble
Jesus, Jesus, You silence fear
Jesus, Jesus

2. Breathe, then call these bones to live
Call these lungs to sing
Once again, I will praise (2x)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Lord Jesus, I have sinned times without number, and have been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in my daily life. My sins and shortcomings present me with a list of accusations, but I thank you that they will not stand against me, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver me from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in me, everything that prevents me taking delight in you. Amen.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

SING TO JESUS / F. ORTEGA

1. Come and see, look on this mystery
The Lord of the universe, nailed to a tree
Christ our God, spilling His Holy blood
Bowing in anguish, His sacred head

Refrain 1
Sing to Jesus, Lord of our shame
Lord of our sinful hearts,
He is our great redeemer
Sing to Jesus, honor His name
Sing of His faithfulness,
pouring His life out unto death

2. Come you weary,
and He will give you rest
Come you who mourn, lay on His breast
Christ who died, risen in Paradise
Giver of mercy, Giver of life

Refrain 2
Sing to Jesus, His is the throne
Now and forever
He is the King of Heaven
Sing to Jesus, we are His own
Now and forever sing
for the love our God has shown

Final Refrain
Sing to Jesus, Lord of our shame
Lord of our sinful hearts
He is our great redeemer
Sing to Jesus, honor His name
Sing to Jesus, we are His own
Now and forever sing for the love our God has shown

WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PARDON

Leader Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land.
—Psalm 85:9

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

All Thanks be to God! Amen!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

*Children from ages 2 to 5th grade are invited to join our children’s program. Children return for communion. See Caroline for more information.

GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

During the offertory, we consider all that we have and all that God may be asking us to give. Please take this time to ask God how you might give of your financial gifts, personal time and even vocational calling. There are different ways to give. You may mail your offering to our office address: 16 N Marengo Ave Ste 609, Pasadena, CA 91101; or give via our website: www.gracepasadena.org/give.

THE SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:17-20 (ESV)

¹⁷ “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸ For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Reader This is the Word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God!

MORNING MESSAGE Brannin Pitre

“The Indelible Pen”
Sermon Series: Sermon on the Mount

COMMUNION

GUIDELINES: The sacrament of Communion is also called the Lord’s Supper or Eucharist. It is the family meal for those who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation. The invitation is from Jesus Christ alone, not from this church or any minister. If you are baptized and can call yourself a Christian, come to the table.

DIRECTIONS: When instructed, please come forward to receive Communion. Receive the bread and juice from the servers. Participate as you feel comfortable.

PRAYER: Are you in need of prayer? Leaders of Grace are ready to pray with you and will be available at the front during communion. Share your needs as you feel comfortable. If you do not want to share, simply say you need prayer and leave it at that.

CHILDREN: Children who are baptized, can profess faith in Jesus Christ in an age appropriate manner, and have talked to a pastor or an elder may participate in communion.

COMMUNION PRAYERS

For those searching: Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and lead me to the reality of who you are. Give me not only understanding, but also an experience of your love and presence. Amen.

For faith and belief: Lord Jesus, I am weak and sinful, but you call me beloved and accepted. I thank you for taking my place in death and offering forgiveness and renewal. I hear you calling, and so I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and my Lord. Amen.

For those struggling with sin: Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, to ask for help, and to follow you faithfully in life. Amen.

COMMUNION & CLOSING SONGS

AARON’S BLESSING / MUSIC: F. ORTEGA

May the Lord bless you and keep you
May the Lord bless you and keep you
May the Lord make His face to shine on you
May the Lord make His face to shine on you
And be gracious to you
And be gracious to you
May the Lord lift His countenance on you
May the Lord lift His countenance on you
May the Lord lift His countenance on you
May the Lord lift His countenance on you
May He keep you in perfect peace
May He keep you in perfect peace

BENEDICTION

Leader The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. —Numbers 6:24-26

All Thanks be to God! Amen!

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NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- **6/11:** Prepackaged food and hygiene bag assembly on the patio for our neighbors in Memorial Park
  - **7/22:** Door of Hope Summer Carnival at Maranatha High School. Help serve lunch or station an activity/craft booth. Email [mercy@gracepasadena.org](mailto:mercy@gracepasadena.org) to sign up or for more info.
- Scan the QR code below for more details, other announcements and contact information!



It is the very drift and design of the whole Scripture, to bring souls first to an acquaintance with Christ, and then to an acceptance of Christ, and then to build them in a sweet assurance of their actual interest in Christ.

**THOMAS BROOKS** | *A PURITAN GOLDEN TREASURY*

There is a center to the Bible and its message of grace. It is found in Jesus Christ crucified and resurrected. Grace must therefore be preached in a way that is centered and focused on Jesus Christ Himself, never offering the benefits of the gospel without the Benefactor Himself.

**SINCLAIR FERGUSON** | *FEED MY SHEEP*

The message of the Bible provides the only answer to humanity’s most pressing need: to know God himself. Having been created by God for God, the “self” can never be “self-satisfied.” Yet, having lost sight of the God revealed in the Bible, all we can see is our self, with its futile drive to meet its own ever-changing but never satisfied cravings for the second-rate pleasures of this world.

**SCOTT HAFEMANN** |  
*THE GOD OF PROMISE AND THE LIFE OF FAITH*

GRACE PASADENA’S VISION STATEMENT

Grace Pasadena exists to **Experience** & **Extend** the life-giving grace of God

- **As** we grow in the knowledge of the gospel of Jesus Christ
- **In** every sphere of life
- **For** our neighborhoods, city and the world

GRACE PASADENA’S CORE VALUES

**God-Centered Worship** – We seek to be transformed in worship as we experience the wonder of God and respond appropriately

**Gospel-Driven Identity** – We seek a personal experience of the gospel that both humbles us, and assures us that we are more deeply valued and loved by God than we can possibly imagine

**Outward-Facing Community** – We seek the betterment of our city as we extend God’s grace by loving our neighbors as ourselves

**Kingdom-Minded Movement** – We seek to extend the Kingdom of Jesus Christ by creating community and global partnerships that can reach and serve those in need

GIVING & BUDGET

|                                 | JAN-MAY ‘23* | JUN ‘23* |
|---------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| OFFERINGS & CONTRIBUTIONS _____ | \$175,041    | \$7,475  |
| BUDGETED GIVING _____           | 205,000      | 44,000   |
| DIFFERENCE _____                | -29,959      | -36,525  |

\* as of 6/8/2023; figures exclude directed gifts from outside donors

THE CHURCH CALENDAR

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| ADVENT        | We observe a season of Ordinary Time from Pentecost Sunday until the start of Advent. From the Latin “ordus” we look to the Spirit to re-order our lives according to the love of Jesus Christ. As the season of the Spirit, we especially remember the lives and actions of Jesus’ followers. We think about how the first Christians lived their lives, and how we should live ours today. This season of Ordinary Time takes up half the year and it doesn’t offer big exciting festivals such as Christmas or Easter. It is a season in which we learn to recognize the presence of God in the day-to-day. The color of the season is green, symbolizing new life. |
| CHRISTMAS     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| EPIPHANY      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| EASTER        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| PENTECOST     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| ORDINARY TIME |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |



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