

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Come and hear the good news:
'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

All **Everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.**

Leader Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life.
Come and receive his welcome.
Come and know you are children of God.

All **We come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. Once we were strangers, but Jesus sought us and now we belong to him and one another.**

— based on Lk. 10:9; 13:29; Mt. 7:8

SONG OF RESPONSE & PRAISE

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD / M. LUTHER

1. A mighty fortress is our God,
a bulwark never failing;
our helper He, amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe,
doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great,
and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not His equal.

2. Did we in our own strength confide,
our striving would be losing,
were not the right Man on our side,
the Man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth His name,
from age to age the same;
and He must win the battle.

3. And though this world,
with devils filled,
should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim,
we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure,
for lo, his doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.

4. That word above all earthly powers,
no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours
through Him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also;
the body they may kill:
God's truth abideth still;
His kingdom is forever!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

All: Father, we praise you:
through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things.
You reveal your salvation in all the world
by sending to us Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.
Through your Holy Spirit you give us a share in your life and love,
and you turn enemies and strangers into friends.
Fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may always love and praise you,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

SONGS OF RESPONSE & PRAISE

EVIDENCE / JOSH BALDWIN

1. All throughout my history
Your faithfulness has walked beside me
The winter storms made way for spring
In every season, from where I'm standing

CHORUS

*I see the evidence of Your goodness
All over my life, all over my life
I see Your promises in fulfillment
All over my life, all over my life*

2. Help me remember when I'm weak
Fear may come but fear will leave
You lead my heart to victory
You are my strength
and You always will be

CHORUS

*I see the evidence of Your goodness
All over my life, all over my life
I see Your promises in fulfillment
All over my life, all over my life*

BRIDGE

*See the cross, the empty grave
The evidence is endless
All my sin rolled away
Because of You, oh Jesus*

ENDING

Why should I fear, the evidence is here

PSALM 23 / MUSIC: B. & R. CHADWICK

The LORD is my shepherd,
I shall not be in want.
He makes me lie down
in green pastures;
He leads me beside quiet waters;
He restores my soul.
He guides me in paths of righteousness
for His name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil,
for You are with me;

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Silence for private confession.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

IN EVERY AGE (PSALM 90) / BIFROST ARTS

*In every age, O Lord,
You have been our refuge (2x)*

You turn men back to dust,
saying, "Return, O children of men."
For a thousand years
in Your sight are as yesterday,
Now that it is past,
or as a watch of the night

*In every age, O Lord,
You have been our refuge (2x)*

Teach us to number our days aright,
That we may gain wisdom of heart.
Return, O Lord! How long?
Have pity on Your servants.

WORDS OF COMFORT & PEACE

Leader Our God created us to know peace. In Christ, our peace is restored:
those who were far from God, he has brought close; those who
are divided he has made one. He has broken down the barriers
of separation by his death and has built us up into one body, with
God. To all who repent and believe he has promised reconciliation.
So live as people reconciled.

Together **Thanks be to God!**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

Together **And also with you!**

** Children and Middle School students are invited to participate in their in-person programs during the announcements and sermon. Please see the back page for more information about these programs.*

Your rod and staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me,
in the presence of my enemies.
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and love
will follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house
of the LORD forever.

GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND OUR 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 make an online payment via our website: www.gracepasadena.org/give.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Luke 10:1-5; 16-20 (ESV)

¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. ² And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." ³ Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴ Carry no money bag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!'

¹⁶ "The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" ¹⁸ And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Leader This is the Word of the Lord
Together **Thanks be to God!**

THE MORNING MESSAGE

Brannin Pitre

*Sermon Series: Our Vision & Core Values
Sermon Title: "Outward-Facing Community"*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Having heard the Good News of God's redemption in Jesus Christ, let us pray with confidence for ourselves, our church, neighbors, and world:

Leader Reconciling God, intervene in a world in constant war. Beat the swords into plowshares, and cause the lion to lie down with the lamb. Make your name known, and let peace rule in our city, nation, and all places. For this, O Lord, we pray:

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Rescuing Lord, draw near to all whose sin or suffering makes them feel far from your love. We pray for the brokenhearted, the fearful, the lonely; those sick, those suffering, those persecuted, those without work, without a home; those with broken homes, those who struggle to find hope. Be near to us, Lord. For this, O Lord, we pray:

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Savior of the world, hasten the day when many will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at table in your kingdom. May this church, and all your churches, be places of welcome; may our neighbors see you in us and find rest in our company. For this, O Lord, we pray:

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader God of mercy, we continue our search for a new Director of Mercy Ministry. Bring the right person to us. Give wisdom to the search committee. Show us how we can extend your mercy in all the places you put us; continue to shape us into a community of love. For this, O Lord, we pray:

All **Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.**

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.

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 & CLOSING SONGS

REMEMBER THE CLEANSING OF HIS PRECIOUS BLOOD / B. COLEMAN

Let us come together
To the table of the Lord
And break bread together
As the family of God

Let us come together
To the table of the Lord
And remember the cleansing
Of His precious blood

We remember, we remember
You brought us out of darkness
And gave us life

We remember, we remember
We remember the cleansing
Of His precious blood

TAKE MY LIFE / F. HAVERGAL

1. Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, for Thee.
Take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

2. Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for Thee;
swift and beautiful for Thee.

3. Take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from Thee;
filled with messages from Thee.

4. Take my will and make it Thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own;
it shall be Thy royal throne;
it shall be Thy royal throne.

5. Take my love, my Lord, I pour
at Thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself and I will be
ever, only, all for Thee;
ever, only, all for Thee.

BENEDICTION & SENDING

Leader As you go to your homes and work this coming week,
may the Holy Spirit open your ears and eyes to your neighbor, open
your hands to do your work well and to help when help is needed,
and open your lips to tell others the good news of Jesus Christ.

Together **Thanks be to God! Amen!**

CHILDREN & YOUTH

It is our great joy that you and your family are with us today! We want you to know that all children, no matter their age, are welcome in our worship service. However, some may want to take advantage of our programs for children and youth:

- Throughout the service, we offer a wiggle room for little ones and parents or guardians. The wiggle room is located behind the children's check-in table in the Community room. The entire service is streamed for parents and guardians.
- During the announcements and sermon, we offer two classes for children. The first, located in the Cliff Benedict room, is for toddlers ages 2-3. The second, located on the back patio, is for children age 4 to 5th grade. When dismissed, please meet leaders in the hallway on the east side. Pick-up will be in the same location. Don't forget to check in your children at the children's welcome table.
- Students in middle school are invited to participate in a youth Bible study during announcements and the sermon. Meet Ben in the hallway at the start of announcements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please visit our website for the latest announcements. Scan the QR code to go to our site!



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-DEC '20	JAN-SEP '21	OCT '21 ¹
OFFERINGS & CONTRIBUTIONS _____	502,102	325,889	23,365
BUDGETED GIVING _____	468,00	324,000	36,000
DIFFERENCE _____	+34,102	+1,889	-12,635

¹as of 10/15/21; figures exclude directed gifts from outside donors



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ORDINARY TIME

The longest of the liturgical seasons, Ordinary Time stretches from Pentecost to the start of Advent. Following Pentecost, this season is often referred to as the season of the Holy Spirit. In this season, we turn our attention to the Holy Spirit's work to re-order and re-new all things by the love of God in Jesus Christ. In other words, we pay attention to the unfolding of God's story of love in Jesus Christ in our lives, church and world. Jesus has ascended, but he is close and his story is not over. It continues in us! The color for Ordinary Time is green, symbolizing new life and flourishing.



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