CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Great is the Lord!

Our God is exalted among the nations.

Leader Mighty is the Lord!

Our God is King of heaven and earth, All

the Ancient of Days, who sits on an everlasting throne.

To God alone belongs dominion and glory! Leader

We, who are gathered from all peoples, nations and languages, All

remember the works of God and praise his name.

Leader We are but dust.

All We are but dust, but in kindness, our God shares his glory with us,

lifts us up, and invites us to dwell with him in his kingdom.

Let us sing and wonder! Leader based on Ps. 103:14: Dan. 7

SONG OF RESPONSE & PRAISE

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING / WORDS: St. FRANCIS

1. All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing, O, praise Him! Alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam, O, praise Him! O, praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2. Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n along, O, praise Him! Alleluia! Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice O, praise Him! O, praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3. And all Ye men of tender heart, forgiving others take your part, O sing ye! Alleluia! Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on Him cast your care, O, praise Him! O, praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4. Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness, O, praise Him! Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one!

O, praise Him! O, praise Him!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

All: God of power and wonder, we are awe-struck by the glory of your presence. We rejoice at what we can see; we marvel at what we cannot see; in love you redeem it all and invite us to share its fullness! You dazzle us with your brightness; you overshadow us as with a great cloud. Loving, protecting, challenging, nurturing, you affirm your very image in us and transform us. May we love and serve you in all that we are and do. Glory be to you and you alone. Amen.

SONGS OF RESPONSE & PRAISE

HE IS LORD / J. BARNETT

I will call on the name There is peace in the presence of the Lord, my God of the Lord, my God There is power in the blood I will lift up my voice to give praise to my King of the Lamb that was slain He's the light in the darkness Every knee will bow. He's the calm in the storm every tongue confess that He is Lord Every knee will bow, He's the hope of the righteous He is Lord, He is Lord every tongue confess that He is Lord

CHRIST, OF ALL MY HOPES THE GROUND / R. WARDLAW

1. Christ, of all my hopes the ground, Christ, the spring of all my joy, still in Thee may I be found, still for Thee my powers employ. still for Thee my powers employ.

2. Let Thy love my heart inflame; keep Thy fear before my sight; be Thy praise my highest aim; be Thy smile my chief delight, be Thy smile my chief delight!

3. When affliction clouds my sky, and the wintry tempests blow, let Thy mercy beaming eye sweetly cheer the night of woe, sweetly cheer the night of woe.

4. When new triumphs of Thy name, swell the raptured songs above, may I feel a kindred flame, full of zeal and full of love! full of zeal and full of love!

5. Life's best joy, to see Thy praise, fly on wings of Gospel light, leading on millennial days, scattering all the shades of night, scattering all the shades of night! 6. Fountain of o'erflowing grace, freely from Thy fullness give; 'till I close my earthly race, may I prove it "Christ to live, may I prove it "Christ to live!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God of transfiguration, you meet us in the ordinary as well as the extraordinary moments of life. We seek you in the valleys and on the mountaintops. Yet we admit that too often our eyes are blind to your presence, too often our ears are deaf to your call. When you reach out to us through the cries of the hungry and homeless, through the beauty of the world you have made, through the embrace of friends, too often we shrink from your touch. Forgive us, we pray, and set us free with your love that we may be free to love and serve. Amen.

Silence for private confession.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

OCEANS (WHERE FEET MAY FAIL) / HILLSONG MUSIC

1. You call me out upon the waters The great unknown where feet may fail And there I find You in the mystery In oceans deep my faith will stand

CHORUS

And I will call upon Your name And keep my eyes above the waves When oceans rise my soul will rest in Your embrace For I am Yours and You are mine

2. Your grace abounds in deepest waters Your sovereign hand will be my guide Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me You've never failed and You won't start now

BRIDGE

Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander And my faith will be made stronger In the presence of my Saviour Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders Let me walk upon the waters Wherever You would call me

WORDS OF COMFORT & PEACE

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there Leader

is freedom. 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. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and transformed!

- From 2 Cor. 3:17-18

Thanks be to God! Together

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

And also with you! Together

* Children are invited to participate in Children's Church during announcements and the sermon. Middle School students are also invited to participate in Sunday School. Please see the back page for more information about these programs.

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 LESSON

Daniel 7:9-14 (ESV)

⁹ "As I looked,

thrones were placed, and the Ancient of Days took his seat; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames; its wheels were burning fire. ¹⁰ A stream of fire issued and came out from before him; a thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him; the court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

¹¹ "I looked then because of the sound of the great words that the horn was speaking. And as I looked, the beast was killed, and its body destroyed and given over to be burned with fire. ¹² As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but their lives were prolonged for a season and a time.

¹³ "I saw in the night visions,

and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man. and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. ¹⁴ And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord. Leader Thanks be to God! All

THE MORNING MESSAGE

Brannin Pitre

Sermon Series: The Book of Daniel Sermon Title: "Seated with Him on the Throne"

SILENT REFLECTION & PRAYER

In silence, consider the Good News you have heard. What words or images from the passage evoke a strong response in your heart, mind or body? What prayers do you notice emerging in you for yourself, our church, our city, and our world? Let us pray together with boldness:

Leader Lord God, be present with your people, that in the place of

disunity, we may grow together in rich union with Christ. Make your Church one as you are one, and may our peace bring peace

to others. For this, O Lord, we pray:

Lord, hear our prayer. All

Leader Let those who make, interpret, and enforce laws walk in integrity

and wisdom, that justice and mercy may be seen in the world. Do not be deaf to your people who cry: "How, long? How, long?"

For this, O Lord, we pray:

Lord, hear our prayer. All

Comfort and touch anyone who is sick or alone, anyone who Leader

needs food or a place to live, and anyone who is carrying a heavy load of sadness. We pray for those close in our congregation and neighborhoods. We pray for those far away, including the people facing uncertainty and war in Ukraine; we pray for the hungry and malnourished in Afghanistan. For this, O Lord, we pray:

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: You are good! Although we do not Leader

know what the future holds in store, we know you have your people and the world you love in your hands. Renew in us faith,

hope, and love. 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 SONG

DOXOLOGY / T. KEN

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.*

BENEDICTION & SENDING

Leader May the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you

and be gracious to you;

the Lord turn his face toward you

and give you peace.

And may the Ancient of Days give you hope and a future.

- based on Num. 6:24-26; Jer. 29:11

All Thanks be to God! Amen!

DATES & EVENTS TO NOTE

- *March 6*. Members of Grace are invited to a 30 minute congregational meeting right after the service for the purpose of reviewing the annual church budget.
- March 13. New to the church or interested in membership? Join Pastor Brannin and other leaders for our "Intro to Grace Pasadena" seminar. Email info@gracepasadena.org

PREPARING FOR LENT

Lent begins on 3/2! Let's keep a holy Lent together. We invite you to:

- Sign up to receive Lenten reflections on Ash Wednesday, every Friday and Sunday during Lent, and through Holy Week. Email Pastor Marc to sign up: marc@gracepasadena.org
- Attend an Ash Wednesday service (3/2) at a church near your home or work as a way of practicing our unity with other brothers and sisters in Christ.
- Grab liturgies for Pancake Tuesday (Fat Tuesday) and Ash Wednesday for worship at home with others. Both are available at the Welcome Table and online.
- Learn more about Lent and cultivate the practices of Lent by using the Grace Pasadena prayer guide for Lent. A family activity is also available.

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. We also offer the following:

- 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 bring your child(ren) to their designated classroom. Pick-up for 2s and 3s is at the classroom; older children will be dismissed directly back into the service. Don't forget to check-in your children at the children's welcome table before service begins.
- 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 '21	JAN '22	FEB '221
OFFERINGS & CONTRIBUTIONS	488,889	35,205	29,239
BUDGETED GIVING	468,000	36,000	36,000
DIFFERENCE	+20,889	<i>-795</i>	-6,761

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"The new heavens and the new earth are not replacements for the old ones; they are transfigurations of them. The redeemed order is not the created order forsaken; it is the created order - all of it - raised and glorified [in Christ]."

ROBERT CAPON | Kingdom, Grace, Judgement

"Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea; a great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me."

CHARITIE BANCROFT | "Before the Throne of God"

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

THE SUNDAY BEFORE ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 27, 2022