

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader

I love you, O Lord, my strength.
The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
LeaderI call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.
**AllIn my distress I called upon the Lord;
to my God I cried for help.
From his temple he heard my voice,
and my cry to him reached his ears.**
LeaderThe Lord lives, and blessed be my rock,
Alland exalted be the God of my salvation!

— from Psalm 118

SONG OF PRAISE & RESPONSE

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY / J. NEANDER

1. Praise to the Lord,
the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him,
for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
now to His temple draw near,
praise Him in glad adoration.

2. Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things
so wondrously reigneth;
shelters thee under His wings,
yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen
how all thy longings have been
granted in what He ordaineth?

3. Praise to the Lord,
who doth prosper thy work
and defend thee;
surely His goodness and mercy
here daily attend thee!
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
if with His love He befriend thee.

4. Praise to the Lord!
O, let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath,
come now with praises before Him.
Let the “Amen”
sound from His people again,
gladly for aye we adore Him.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

ALL: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, you who have called us, you are faithful!
You are the faithful Lord who keeps your covenant of love
to a thousand generations with those who love you and keep your commands.
When we falter, you are still faithful!
Your faithfulness reaches to the skies and continues throughout all generations.
We therefore praise you and sing with all heaven and earth, singing:
“Great is your faithfulness! You have done marvelous things!”
We will exalt and praise your name. **Amen.**

SONGS OF PRAISE & RESPONSE

YOUR LOVE, OH LORD (PSALM 36) / THIRD DAY

Your love, oh Lord
Reaches to the heavens
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky
Your righteousness
Is like the mighty mountains
Your justice flows like the ocean's tide

I will lift my voice
To worship You, my King
I will find my strength
In the shadow of your wings

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.

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.

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!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: Forgive our faithlessness, O faithful and steadfast God!
We confess our apathy, our thoughtlessness, our self-centeredness,
our slowness to name evil as evil.
We confess the ways we have turned away from your love.
See into our hearts and restore what has been lost.
Open our ears so that we may hear your loving voice
and all the words of grace you are speaking now
and have been faithful to speak all our days. **Amen.**

SONG OF ASSURANCE

OPEN MY LIPS / F. ORTEGA

Open my lips
I will sing your praise forever
Open my lips O Lord

Open my lips
I will sing your praise forever

I will sing your praise forever
A broken spirit and a contrite heart
These you will not despise

WORDS OF COMFORT & PEACE

Leader

Hear the good news: If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? And so, who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?” Nothing! Believe!

—from Ro. 8:31-35

All**Thanks be to God!**

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS & SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

New Members: Natalie Wong Su & Francis Su
The Baptizand: Nathanael Roddy Su
Questions for Natalie & Francis

- Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
- Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
- Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
- Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
- Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to study its purity and peace?
- Do you acknowledge Nathanael’s need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
- Do you claim God’s covenant promises on Nathanael’s behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do for your own?
- Do you now unreservedly dedicate your son to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of our holy faith, and that you will strive, by all the means of God’s appointment, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Question for the Congregation:
1. Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?
Let us remember our own baptisms and confess our faith. In whom do you believe?
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under PontiusPilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. **Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader

May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

Together**And also with you!**

** Children are invited to participate in Children’s Church at this time. The Middle School study is on break for the summer. Please see the back page 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.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

A Psalm of Ascents. Of David

¹ If it had not been the Lord who was on our side—
let Israel now say—
² ***if it had not been the Lord who was on our side
when people rose up against us,
then they would have swallowed us up alive,
when their anger was kindled against us;***
³ ***then the flood would have swept us away,
the torrent would have gone over us;***
⁵ ***then over us would have gone
the raging waters.***
⁶ Blessed be the Lord,
who has not given us
as prey to their teeth!
⁷ ***We have escaped like a bird
from the snare of the fowlers;
the snare is broken,
and we have escaped!***
⁸ Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
***Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.***

Leader

The Word of the Lord.

All**Thanks be to God!**

MORNING MESSAGE

Marc Choi

“A Song of Trust When We’re Falling Down”

MINISTRY UPDATE & PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We welcome Fabien & Regina Girard, our church planting partners in France. After we hear their update, we will pray for them and our other city, national and international partners, as well as the works of our own hands done for the sake of Jesus Christ.

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. Pre-packaged elements, which are gluten-free are avialble. 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.

SONGS OF RESPONSE & CELEBRATION

FALLING DOWN / R. DELMORE

1. Jesus, King of glory, be
The key of truth that sets me free
A treasure to the poor man’s soul
A weary sinner’s only hope

CHORUS
And I’m falling down
Yes, I’m falling down
Lord, I’m falling down before You now

2. You make the broken heart to sing
With ears to hear and eyes to see
You crown the humble with Your love
And through Your blood
Our healing comes

GRACE TO YOU AND PEACE / MUSIC: F. ORTEGA

Grace to you and peace from God our Father
Grace to you and peace from God our Father
And the Lord Jesus Christ
And the Lord Jesus Christ
And the Lord Jesus Christ

THE BENEDICTION & SENDING

Leader May the grace of God, deeper than our imagination;
the strength of Christ, stronger than our need;
and the comfort of the Holy Spirit, greater than our sorrow,
guide and sustain us today and in all our tomorrows.
Remember now and always that our help
is in the name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth!

All Thanks be to God! Amen!

3. Sometimes our hearts get sick
And our dreams turn to dust
But this road You lead us on
Is where faith turns to trust

Who will I trust?
Who will I trust?
Lord, I trust in You

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-JUN	JUN ‘22¹
OFFERINGS & CONTRIBUTIONS _____	488,889	211,421	10,040
BUDGETED GIVING _____	468,000	228,000	39,000
DIFFERENCE _____	+20,889	-16,579	-28,960

¹as of 7/8/2022; figures exclude directed gifts from outside donors



“The person of faith is not a person who has been born, luckily, with a good digestion and sunny disposition. The assumption by outsiders that Christians are naive or protected is the opposite of the truth: Christians know more about the deep struggles of life than others, more about the ugliness of sin.”

EUGENE H PETERSON |
A LONG OBEDIENCE IN THE SAME DIRECTION

“He [Thomas] knew how to construct a song out of the nothing of day-to-day life and how to sing that nothing into a song so beautiful that it could sustain the vision of a whole and better world.”

KATE DICAMILLO | THE MAGICIAN’S ELEPHANT

“I have been accustomed to call this book [of the Psalms], I think not inappropriately, ‘An Anatomy of the Soul’; for there is not an emotion of which anyone can be conscious that is not here represented as in a mirror.”

JOHN CALVIN | COMMENTARY ON THE PSALMS

THE CHURCH CALENDAR

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	
LENT	
EASTER	
PENTECOST	
ORDINARY TIME	



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