## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

The love of God has been poured into our hearts Leader

through the Holy Spirit

who has been given to us; we dwell in him and he in us.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; All

make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him, Leader

and speak of all his marvelous works.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty,

who was and is and is to come! -based on Ps. 105:1-2; Ro. 5:5; Rev. 4:8

### **SONGS OF PRAISE & RESPONSE**

#### THIS IS THE LORD'S HOUSE

This is the Lord's house Everybody's welcome (3x)

Come on in and taste of the Bread of Life

Taste and see His goodness Taste and see His grace

Taste and see the loving-kindness Present in this place, because...

Now's the time to worship Now's the time to praise Praise Him for His goodness And our voices raise, because...

I have God the Father I have God the Son I have God's Holy Spirit For these Three are One

## 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:** 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 make the many into one as you are one with the Son and the Spirit. Fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may always serve and praise you,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

#### **SONGS OF PRAISE & RESPONSE**

## **IESUS' NAME** / R. DELMORE

So beautiful, no name is higher So wonderful, is Jesus' name Is Jesus' name

And every knee will bow In heaven and the earth And every eye will see The measure of Your worth There is no one like You Risen Son of God

Holy is Your name Holy is Your name

### WHO YOU SAY I AM / B. FIELDING & R. MORGAN

1. Who am I that the highest King would welcome me? I was lost but He brought me in Oh His love for me, oh His love for me

Chorus 1

Who the Son sets free Oh is free indeed I'm a child of God, yes I am

2. Free at last, He has ransomed me His grace runs deep While I was a slave to sin

Jesus died for me, yes, he died for me

Chorus 2

Who the Son sets free Oh is free indeed I'm a child of God, yes I am *In mv Father's house* There's a place for me I'm a child of God, yes I am

**Bridge** 

I am chosen, Not forsaken I am who You say I am You are for me, Not against me I am who You say I am

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

All: Generous God,

you send us the Spirit of courage, but we have been afraid. You send us the Spirit of truth, but we cling to our illusions.

You send us the Spirit of reconciliation, but we cannot let go of our grudges.

Holy Spirit of forgiveness, come to us again:

shake our hearts, set our souls on fire with your love:

send us out into the world rejoicing in your power.

We confess to you our guilt and shame

and ask for your help to let go of all that keeps us

from receiving and extending your forgiveness and new life.

We ask for your help to live the way of your justice and love.

We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

Silence is kept together.

## **SONG OF ASSURANCE**

#### COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING / R. ROBINSON

1. Come Thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love!

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come; and I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God he, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood

3. Oh to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee: prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above

### **WORDS OF COMFORT & PEACE**

Leader

For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory. And it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!

-based on 2 Cor. 1:20-22

Thanks be to God! All

#### **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

**Together** And also with you!

\* There is no children's program today. Our children's program will resume as usual next week!

### **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** Gen. 1:1-2, 26-27, 31; Jn. 14:7; 2 Cor. 3:17-18 (ESV)

Gen. 1 In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

<sup>26</sup>Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

<sup>27</sup> So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

<sup>31</sup> And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Jn 14:20: "In that day when I send my Spirit, you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you."

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<sup>2 Cor. 17</sup> Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup> And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord. Reader Thanks be to God!

## **MORNING MESSAGE**

**Marc Choi** 

"Image, Community, and The Spirit"

#### **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. Amén.

### **SONGS OF RESPONSE & CELEBRATION**

### GOD'S TABLE / B. COLEMAN

We will come to God's table And there remember God's mercy We will come to God's table And there remember the cross

We will come to God's table And there remember God's family We will come to the table of the Lord

You're not alone

Every night

### YOU'RE NOT ALONE / M. STAPLES & J. TWEEDY

You're not alone I'm with you I'm lonely too What's that song

By two? A broken home A broken heart Isolated and afraid Open up this is a raid I want to get it through to you

I stand in your place Every tear On every face Can't be sung Tastes the same

# DOXOLOGY / T. KEN

You're not alone

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.

#### THE BENEDICTION & SENDING

Leader

May the love of the Father enfold us, the wisdom of the Son enlighten us. and the fire of the Spirit kindle us;

and may the grace of the Lord bind our hearts together

and make us one as God is one so that the world may know his love!

Thanks be to God! Amen! All

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

• 7/22: Door of Hope Summer Carnival at Maranatha High School. Help serve lunch or station an activity/craft booth. Email mercy@gracepasadena.org to sign up or for

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

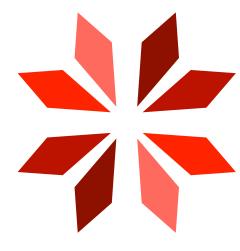
Outward-Facing Community – We seek the betterment of our city as we extend God's grace by loving our neighbors as ourselves

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**

OFFERINGS & CONTRIBUTIONS	JAN-DEC '22 \$546,803	<u>JAN-APR '23</u> * \$136,429	MAY '23* \$27,713
BUDGETED GIVING	501,000	161,000	44,000
DIFFERENCE	+45,803	-24,571	-16,287

\* as of 5/26/2023; figures exclude directed gifts from outside donors



"The Trinity is a social Trinity. God is not an isolated individual, but a community of persons. If we are made in the image of this God, then our truest selves are found in community with others."

# MIROSLAV VOLF | AFTER OUR LIKENESS

"The Holy Spirit gathers the scattered community and unites it in Christ. The Spirit empowers believers to love one another, serve one another, and bear witness to Christ in the world."

# **DIETRICH BONHOEFFER** | LIFE TOGETHER

"The Holy Spirit is the lifeblood of the Christian community. The Spirit forms and guides the community, equipping its members with spiritual gifts and empowering them for witness and service in the world."

LESSLIE NEWBIGIN | THE OPEN SECRET

## THE CHURCH CALENDAR

**A**DVENT **CHRISTMAS EPIPHANY** LENT EASTER **PENTECOST** 

**ORDINARY TIME** 

"Ten days after the ascension of Christ and fifty days after his resurrection, the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples on the day of Pentecost. Pentecost symbolizes a new beginning. It celebrates the unleashing of the Holy Spirit on the world and the empowering of the church to reach the world with the gospel. In celebrating Pentecost, the church expresses its gratitude for the faithfulness of Christ in fulfilling his promise to send "another counselor" (John 14:16); celebrates the work of the Spirit in renewing all of creation; professes its confidence and security in knowing the Spirit's power is available for its mission; and grows in awareness of the immensity of its calling to reach the world with the gospel. The traditional color for Pentecost is red, after the flames described in Acts 2:3."

From the Worship Sourcebook



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