

PRELUDE

BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL / PAUL ZACH; ISAAC WARDELL; ORLANDO PALMER

Blessed are the merciful
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Blessed are the merciful
For they shall receive mercy, mercy

PRECHORUS

Forgive us as we forgive those who sin against us
Forgive us as we forgive those who sin against us

CHORUS

*Lord have mercy on us
Show Your mercy through us
Lord have mercy on us
Show Your mercy through us
Lord have mercy on us
Show Your mercy through us
Mercy*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader The LORD has made known his salvation;
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

**All He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness
to the house of Israel.
All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.**

Psalm 98:2-3

SONGS OF PRAISE

PRAISE THE LORD ALL YOU NATIONS/PEOPLE (PSALM 117) / MUSIC: NOAH SIEROTA

Praise the Lord all you nations
Extol him all people
Praise the Lord
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Extol him all people
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REFRAIN

*For great is your steadfast love toward us
Your faithfulness endures forevermore*

Praise the Lord
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ABIDE WITH ME (EVENTIDE) / HENRY FRANCIS LYTE

1. Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens;
Lord with me abide.
When other helpers,
Fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

2. Swift to its close
ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim,
its glories pass away.
Change and decay in all around I see.
O thou who changest not,
abide with me.

3. I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless,
ills have no weight,
and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting?
Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

4. Hold thou thy cross
before my closing eyes.
Shine through the gloom
and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks
and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader I, a poor sinful person, confess myself before you, my Lord God and Maker, that sadly I have sinned much, with my senses, thoughts, words, and deeds, as you, eternal God, know very well. I regret them and beg your grace. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

from Heinrich Bullinger (1504–1575)

SONG OF PRAISE

COME YE SINNERS / JOSEPH HART

1. Come ye sinners, poor and needy
bruised and broken by the fall
Jesus ready stands to save you
full of pardoning love for all
He is able, He is able
He is willing, doubt no more
He is able, He is able
He is willing, doubt no more
2. Let not conscience make you linger
nor of fitness fondly dream
all that He requires of sinners
is to lean and trust on Him
He will save you, He will save you
tis the Gospel's constant theme
He will save you, He will save you
tis the Gospel's constant theme

3. Lo' the incarnate God ascended
pleads the merit of his blood
venture on Him, venture wholly
let no other trust intrude
none but Jesus, none but Jesus
can do helpless sinners good
none but Jesus, none but Jesus
can do helpless sinners good

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

All And also with you!

** Children ages 2 to 5th grade are invited to participate in our children's program during the sermon; children return for Communion.*

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

**All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name;
your kingdom come;
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY

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 place your offering in the blue box at the back of the sanctuary on Sunday mornings; mail your offering to 254 N Lake Ave #287, Pasadena, CA 91101; or give via our app (iOS and Android) or website: www.gracepasadena.org/give.

SCRIPTURE READING

Ruth 2:1-23

¹ Now Naomi had a relative of her husband's, a worthy man of the clan of Elimelech, whose name was Boaz. ² And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, "Let me go to the field and glean among the ears of grain after him in whose sight I shall find favor." And she said to her, "Go, my daughter." ³ So she set out and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers, and she happened to come to the part of the field belonging to Boaz, who was of the clan of Elimelech. ⁴ And behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem. And he said to the reapers, "The LORD be with you!" And they answered, "The LORD bless you." ⁵ Then Boaz said to his young man who was in charge of the reapers, "Whose young woman is this?" ⁶ And the servant who was in charge of the reapers answered, "She is the young Moabite woman, who came back with Naomi from the country of Moab." ⁷ She said, 'Please let me glean and gather among the sheaves after the reapers.' So she came, and she has continued from early morning until now, except for a short rest."

⁸ Then Boaz said to Ruth, "Now, listen, my daughter, do not go to glean in another field or leave this one, but keep close to my young women." ⁹ Let your eyes be on the field that they are reaping, and go after them. Have I not charged the young men not to touch you? And when you are thirsty, go to the vessels and drink what the young men have drawn." ¹⁰ Then she fell on her face, bowing to the ground, and said to him, "Why have I found favor in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, since I am a foreigner?" ¹¹ But Boaz answered her, "All that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband has been fully told to me, and how you left your father and mother and your native land and came to a people that you did not know before. ¹² The LORD repay you for what you have done, and a full reward be given you by the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge!" ¹³ Then she said, "I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, for you have comforted me and spoken kindly to your servant, though I am not one of your servants."

¹⁴ And at mealtime Boaz said to her, "Come here and eat some bread and dip your morsel in the wine." So she sat beside the reapers, and he passed to her roasted grain. And she ate until she was satisfied, and she had some left over. ¹⁵ When she rose to glean, Boaz instructed his young men, saying, "Let her glean even among the sheaves, and do not reproach her." ¹⁶ And also pull out some from the bundles for her and leave it for her to glean, and do not rebuke her."

¹⁷ So she gleaned in the field until evening. Then she beat out what she had gleaned, and it was about an ephah of barley. ¹⁸ And she took it up and went into the city. Her mother-in-law saw what she had gleaned. She also brought out and gave her what food she had left over after being satisfied. ¹⁹ And her mother-in-law said to her, "Where did you glean today? And where have you worked? Blessed be the man who took notice of you." So she told her mother-in-law with whom she had worked and said, "The man's name with whom I worked today is Boaz." ²⁰ And Naomi said to her daughter-in-law, "May he be blessed by the LORD, whose kindness has not forsaken the living or the dead!" Naomi also said to her, "The man is a close relative of ours, one of our redeemers." ²¹ And Ruth the Moabite said, "Besides, he said to me, 'You shall keep close by my young men until they have finished all my harvest.'" ²² And Naomi said to Ruth, her daughter-in-law, "It is good, my daughter, that you go out with his young women, lest in another field you be assaulted." ²³ So she kept close to the young women of Boaz, gleaning until the end of the barley and wheat harvests. And she lived with her mother-in-law.

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God!

MORNING MESSAGE

Ty Gregory

Hope for the Disinherited

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 and return to your seat. Communion will be taken together after the Song of Communion.*

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 SONG

THIS TABLE IS YOURS / KATE BLUETT; AARON WILLIAMS; IAN SEALE; PAUL ZACH

1. Am I a stranger among my own
Is this a place where I can be known
What do I have to hide just to belong
Is this my table? am I alone?
I see you stranger among your own
No reputation, without a home
Touching the leper, throwing no stones
Come to my table; you're not alone

BRIDGE

Hallelujah! hallelujah!
With open hands and broken hearts
Lord we lift our prayers
and we join the feast
God's holy mystery
God's holy mystery

CHORUS

*This table is yours; this table is mine
Christ breaks the bread
and pours the wine
So we lift the cup and we join the feast
God's holy mystery*

2. Jesus he cried out while on the tree
O God forgive them, they cannot see
His love forsaken, his mercy meek
Yet at this table, we know Christ's peace
Mary in mourning went to the tomb
Her heart was broken; the stone was too
She saw an angel claimed Jesus raised
The body's gone now, don't be afraid

COMMUNION ACCLAMATION

Leader Let us declare the great mystery of our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament

All **Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again!**

Leader These are the gifts of God for you, the people of God.

CLOSING SONG

GOD THE FATHER / B. CHADWICK, M. CHOI

May God the Father go before you
May God the Son light the way
May God the Spirit bind us together
In his great love

May God the Father go before you
May God the Son light the way
May God the Spirit bind us together
In his great love

Let us lay down our burdens
as we gather in his name
the peace of Christ within us
is the glory of our faith

Praise God for his goodness,
mercy, and grace
Let the word of Christ be in us
Give us wisdom as we pray

BENEDICTION

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Leader Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

All **Thanks be to God, Amen!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Eastertide Prayer Guide & Guided Prayer Podcast | Scan the QR code for a digital version and link to the audio guide. Hard copies are available at the Welcome Table on Sunday mornings.

Discipleship Classes: Practicing The Way | Join us in the Community Room at 8:45a on Sunday mornings.



“Hospitality means primarily the creation of free space where the stranger can enter and become a friend instead of an enemy.”

HENRI NOUWEN

“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.”

HEBREWS 13:2

GIVING & BUDGET

	JAN-MAR 2026	APR 2026
GIVING & INCOME* AS OF 4/10/2026 _____	\$126,217	\$8,023
BUDGETED EXPENSE _____	179,207	60,106
DIFFERENCE _____	52,990	52,083

* includes general offerings, ministry specific giving, and interest income



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