

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader For with you is the fountain of life;  
All in your light do we see light.

SONG OF PRAISE

IN CHRIST ALONE / K. GETTY; S. TOWNEND

1. In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love,  
what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled,  
when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.  
2. In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev’ry sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Leader Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

SONGS OF PRAISE

HE IS LORD / J. BARNETT

1. I will call on the name  
of the Lord, my God  
I will lift up my voice  
to give praise to my King  
CHORUS  
He’s the light in the darkness  
He’s the calm in the storm  
He’s the hope of the righteous  
He is Lord, He is Lord

TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS / HELEN H. LEMMEL

1. Turn your eyes upon Jesus  
Look full in His wonderful face  
And the things of earth will grow  
strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace  
2. Turn your eyes to the hillside  
Where justice and mercy embraced  
There the Son of God gave His life for us  
And our measureless debt was erased

3. There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.  
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the pow’r of Christ in me;  
From life’s first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand.

Psalm 36:9

CONFESSION OF SIN

Augustine of Hippo (354–430)

Leader O Lord, as long as I am apart from you, I am self-satisfied, because I have no standard by which to measure my low stature. But when I come near to you, there for the first time I see myself. In your light, I behold my darkness. In your purity, I behold my corruption.  
My very confession of sin is the fruit of holiness.  
Oh, Divine Man, let me gaze on you more and more until, in the vision of your brightness, I loathe the sight of my impurity; until, in the blaze of that glory which human eye has not seen, I fall prostrate, blinded, broken—to rise again a new man in you. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

1 Corinthians 1:30

Leader And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

FATHER OF LIGHT / M. CHOI; B. CHADWICK

1. Father of the Light  
May your will be done  
Spirit lift our eyes  
with visions of your love

PRECHORUS 1  
Jesus, you have called us  
the darkness has not overcome

CHORUS  
Praise the Father, praise the Son  
Praise the Spirit, Three in one  
Praise the Father, praise the Son  
Praise the Spirit, Our God is forever one

2. Father of the Light  
May Your kingdom come  
Spirit fill our lives  
with goodness from above

PRECHORUS 2  
Jesus, you have conquered  
by the power of Your blood

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

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Jesus, our Savior and Teacher, you call your disciples the salt of the earth and the light of the world. You know how easily we lose our distinctiveness—how quickly fear, comfort, or distraction dull our witness. Forgive us for the ways we blend in when you call us to live differently. Renew us by your Spirit, and keep us close to you, the true source of life and light.  
Lord, in your mercy,

All Hear our prayer.

Leader Light of the world, you tell us that a city set on a hill cannot be hidden. We pray for those who feel unseen or forgotten—those living in darkness, discouragement, or despair. Shine your light into places of illness, grief, anxiety, and loneliness. Bring clarity where there is confusion and hope where there is weariness. Let your light break in, and make all things new.  
Lord, in your mercy,

All Hear our prayer.

Leader Faithful Lord, you call your people to live openly before others, not for our own glory, but so that our good works might point to our Father in heaven. Shape our lives to reflect your grace—in our homes, our work, our relationships, and our city. Where there is division, make us instruments of peace. Where there is decay, help us preserve what is good. Where there is darkness, give us courage to shine with humility and love.  
Lord, in your mercy,

All Hear our prayer.

Leader Righteous Teacher, you tell us that those who follow you will not always be welcomed. We pray for your church throughout the world, and for all who suffer quietly under pressure or threat. We lift before you those carrying fear because of forces beyond their control, trusting you to be their refuge and defender. Strengthen all who seek to live faithfully and with integrity, and help us trust your promise that even now, your kingdom is at work among us.  
Lord, in your mercy,

All Hear our prayer. Amen.

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

Matthew 5:13-20

<sup>13</sup> “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

<sup>14</sup> “You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

<sup>17</sup> “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. <sup>18</sup> For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup> Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup> For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

Reader This is the word of the Lord.  
All Thanks be to God!

MORNING MESSAGE

Nick Locke

When the Light Breaks In

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

*THE BEAUTY OF THE HEART OF CHRIST / M. WONG; T. TIMMONS; T. RYAN*

1. May my life carry the heart of Christ  
Lord in all I say All that I do  
Selfless love lowly in sacrifice  
Laying down my pride  
Nothing to prove

2. For the least of these  
even my enemies  
Who am I to dare dare to withhold  
What I’ve received  
forgiveness and grace so free  
Let Your fire in me never grow cold

**CHORUS**  
*Now that I have seen  
Now that I have tasted  
Of Your mercy and Your love divine  
May my life be full  
Full of one thing only  
Just the beauty of the heart of Christ  
Just the beauty of the heart of Christ*

**BRIDGE**  
Oh what a privilege  
Oh what an honor it is  
No greater joy than this  
To carry Your heart  
Carry Your heart

COMMUNION ACCLAMATION

LeaderTherefore we 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!**

LeaderThese are the gifts of God for you, the people of God.

CLOSING SONG

*AMAZING GRACE / J. NEWTON*

1. Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found;  
Was blind, but now I see.

2. ‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed!

3. Through many dangers, toils and snares,  
I have already come;  
’Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.

4. When we’ve been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise  
Than when we’ve first begun.

BENEDICTION

**Ephesians 5:8-10**

Leaderfor at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Officer and Leader Nominations** | submissions are due today

**Wednesday Women’s Study** | begins February 11 | scan the QR code to register

**Adult Sunday School: Practicing The Way** | Join us in the Community Room at 8:45a on Sunday mornings | next class will be held Sunday, February 15

**Ash Wednesday Service** | February 18 at 6:30 pm at Legge Alley Studio

**Communicants and New Members Classes** | begins February 22 for 4 weeks

**Grace Pasadena Book Club** | Meets the last Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm at Legge Alley Studio

**Epiphany Prayer Guide** | Scan the QR code for a digital version. Hard copies are available at the Welcome Table on Sunday mornings



“The gospel does not give us outward liberty to sin because of the superior excellence of a supposed inner sanctity, but rather it produces outward sanctity through working in our inmost soul a glorious freedom in the law of the Lord.”

**CHARLES SPURGEON (1834–1892)**

“‘Not one iota, not a dot, shall be lost from the law until all is accomplished.’ This shows that even what is considered least important in the law is full of spiritual meaning, and it is all summed up in the gospel.”

**JEROME (347–420)**

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

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GIVING & BUDGET

|                                 | JAN-DEC 2025 | JAN 2026 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| GIVING & INCOME* AS OF 2/5/2026 | \$639,474    | \$40,747 |
| BUDGETED EXPENSE                | 765,701      | 60,001   |
| DIFFERENCE                      | 126,227      | 19,254   |

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



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