### **PRELUDE**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader Enter his gates with thanksgiving

and his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and praise his name.

All For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;

his faithfulness continues through all generations. -Psalm 104:4-5

# **SONG OF PRAISE & RESPONSE**

#### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY / R. HEBER

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy! Merciful an

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2. Holy, holy, holy!

All the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,

Who wert and art and evermore shall be

3. Holy, holy, holy!

Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see, only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee;

perfect in power, in love and purity.

4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All Thy works shall praise Thy name

in earth and sky and sea; Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

# **PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, as your unworthy servants, we give you most humble and heartfelt thanks for all your goodness and loving kindness to us and to all people. We bless you for our creation, preservation and all the blessings of this life, but above all, for your precious love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we pray that you would give us that due sense of all your mercies that our hearts may be sincerely thankful and that we may show forth your praise not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory world without end. Amen.

-Book of Common Prayer (1662)

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

### BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE / C. BANCROFT

1. Before the throne of God above I have a strong, a perfect plea; A great High Priest, whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, My name is written on His heart; I know that while in heaven He stands No tongue can bid me thence depart.

2. When Satan tempts me to despair And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look, and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free; For God, the Just, is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me.

3. Behold Him there! The risen Lamb! My perfect, spotless Righteousness, The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace! One with Himself, I cannot die; My soul is purchased by His blood; My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my Savior and my God

#### TREMBLE / MOSAIC

1. Peace, bring it all to peace The storm surrounding me Let it break at Your name Still, call the sea to still The rage in me to still Every wave at Your name

CHORUS Jesus, Jesus

You make the darkness tremble Jesus, Jesus, You silence fear

lesus, lesus

2. Breathe, then call these bones to live Call these lungs to sing

Once again, I will praise

**Bridge** Your name

is a light that the shadows can't deny Your name cannot be overcome Your name is alive forever lifted high Your name cannot be overcome

### **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

### A SONG FROM PSALM 136:1-9, 23-26

<sup>1</sup> Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good. His love endures forever.

<sup>2</sup> Give thanks to the God of gods. *His love endures forever.* 

<sup>3</sup> Give thanks to the Lord of lords: *His love endures forever.* 

<sup>4</sup> to him who alone does great wonders, His love endures forever.

<sup>5</sup> who by his understanding made the heavens, His love endures forever.

<sup>6</sup> who spread out the earth upon the waters, His love endures forever.

<sup>7</sup> who made the great lights— His love endures forever.

<sup>8</sup> the sun to govern the day, His love endures forever.

<sup>9</sup> the moon and stars to govern the night; His love endures forever.

<sup>23</sup> He remembered us in our low estate *His love endures forever.* 

<sup>24</sup> and freed us from our enemies. *His love endures forever.* 

<sup>25</sup> He gives food to every creature. *His love endures forever.* 

<sup>26</sup> Give thanks to the God of heaven. *His love endures forever.* 

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

**Together** 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**

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader God of love, you call us to let our love be sincere, to hate what is evil,

and to cling to what is good.

Help us live as people who reflect your heart.

All Lord, hear our prayers.

All

Leader We pray for our nation and its leaders. Guide those in positions of

power to seek justice, wisdom, and mercy. May truth and righteousness take root in our public life.

Lord, hear our prayers.

Leader

All

We pray for the world—for peace where there is violence, for provision where there is poverty, and for healing where there is division. May your kingdom come, and your will be done on earth as

it is in heaven.

All Lord, hear our prayers.

Leader \

We lift up those in Texas and other communities impacted by flooding and natural disasters. Bring comfort to those who mourn,

strength to those rebuilding, and help from your people.

All Lord, hear our prayers.

Leader We pray for your Church around the world. Strengthen us to be

agents of peace and reconciliation, faithful in prayer, joyful in

hope, and patient in suffering.

All Lord, hear our prayers.
Leader Make us generous towa

Make us generous toward those in need and eager to show hos-

pitality. Shape us into a people marked by your grace, devoted to one another in love.

Lord, hear our prayers.

Leader God of all comfort, draw near to those who are suffering—those

who are sick, lonely, or discouraged. May they know the nearness

of your love.

All Lord, hear our prayers.

Leader We offer all these prayers, trusting in the name of Jesus, who inter-

cedes for us and reigns with you in glory.

All Lord, hear our prayers. 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 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

Romans 12:9-13 (NIV)

<sup>9</sup> Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. <sup>10</sup> Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. <sup>11</sup> Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God!

**MORNING MESSAGE** 

Nick Locke

Love One Another

# **CONFESSION OF SIN**

All

O Lord, You who are all merciful, take away my sins from me and enkindle within me the fire of Your Holy Spirit. Take away this heart of stone from me and give me a heart of flesh and blood, a heart to love and adore You, a heart which may delight in You, love You, and please You, for Christ's sake. Amen.

—Ambrose of Milan

(silent confession)

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

Leader

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

-Romans 8:38-39

### **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 available in the line closest to the stage. 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 ACCLAMATION**

Leader Therefore 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!

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

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

### WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS / J. SCRIVEN

1. What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer. O, what peace we often forfeit, O, what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

2. Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.

3. Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge. take it to the Lord in prayer. Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer! In His arms He'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

### **AARON'S BLESSING** / MUSIC: F. ORTEGA

May the Lord bless you and keep you

May the Lord bless you and keep you

May the Lord make His face to shine on you

May the Lord make His face to shine on you

And be gracious to you

And be gracious to you

May the Lord lift His countenance on you

May He keep you in perfect peace May He keep you in perfect peace

# **BENEDICTION**

Leader

May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy - 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

All Thanks be to God! Amen.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Youth Field Day! | July 26 at 7pm at Victory Park | Join the youth for our second annual game day and come prepared for movement and competition! If you have any questions, contact bailey@gracepasadena.org.



Door of Hope's Annual Summer Carnival | July 26 - Help support Door of Hope by volunteering to serve at their Summer Carnival.

Door of Hope is a Pasadena nonprofit committed to ending family homelessness. Scan the QR code to learn more and to sign up to

Children & Families Ministry - Summer Fridays | July and August | Join us this Friday, July 25, at 10 am at Kidspace Museum in Pasadena. For more details, email Caroline at families@gracepasadena.org.



Global Ministry - Girard Family Visit | Sunday, August 10 | Mark your calendars for a brunch at 9a before the service and a meet and greet after the service with the Girards to learn about their ministry in France. If you would like to donate to their ministry, write "Girard's Ministry" in the memo of your check or scan the QR code to donate via our online giving platform (their ministry will show in the Fund dropdown menu).



**Psalms, Hymns and Spirtual Songs** - an album for Grace Pasadena by Bernard Chadwick and the Grace Pasadena Worship Team. Scan the QR code to find the album on Spotify (also available on Apple

# THE CHURCH CALENDAR

**ADVENT CHRISTMAS** Epiphany Lent EASTER Pentecost

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 ORDINARY TIME | 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.

# **GIVING & BUDGET**

2025 BUDGET \$765,701 GIVING AS OF 7/17/2025 223,640 GIVING NEEDED TO MEET BUDGET 542,061



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"The best defense against hypocrisy is love; yes, it is not only a defense but a yawning abyss; in all eternity it has nothing to do with hypocrisy."

### SØREN KIERKEGAARD

"Without the will to embrace the other there will be no truth between people."

### **MIROSLAV VOLF**

"Love is the beauty of the soul."

#### **AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO**

JULY 20, 2025 **ORDINARY TIME**