

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader I love the LORD, because he has heard
my voice and my pleas for mercy.

All Because he inclined his ear to me,
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

SONGS OF PRAISE

TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS / HELEN 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. Turn your eyes to the morning
And see Christ the Lion awake
What a glorious dawn,
fear of death is gone
For we carry His life in our veins

GOODNESS OF GOD / J. JOHNSON, E. CASH, J. INGRAM, B. FIELDING, B. JOHNSON

1. I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
And all my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
Oh I will sing of the goodness of God

CHORUS
*All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh I will sing of the goodness of God*

2. I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In my darkest night
You were close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
Oh I have lived in the goodness of God

BY THE MARK / GILLIAN WELCH, DAVID RAWLINGS

1. When I cross over
I will shout and sing
I will know my savior
By the mark where the nails
have been

CHORUS
*By the mark where the nails have been
By the sign upon his precious skin
I will know my savior
When I come to him
By the mark where the nails have been*

4. Turn your eyes to the heavens
Our King will return for His own
Every knee will bow,
every tongue will shout,
'All glory to Jesus alone!'

Psalm 116:1-2

CONFESSION OF SIN

from Wilhelm Loehe (1808–1872)

Leader Lord Jesus Christ, you carry the lost sheep back into the fold in your arms, and deign to hear the confession of the publican—graciously remit all my guilt and sin. Lord, you hear the penitent thief, you have set a heritage of mercy for your saints, and have not withheld pardon from the sinner.

All **Hear the prayers of your servants according to your mercy. Amen.**

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

1 Peter 1:17-19

Leader ¹⁷ And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ¹⁸ knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

KING OF KINGS / BROOKE LIGERTWOOD, SCOTT LIGERTWOOD, JASON INGRAM

1. In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope, without light
'Til from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfill the law and prophets
To a virgin came the word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

CHORUS
*Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings*

2. To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake you died

3. And the morning that You rose
All of Heaven held its breath
'Til that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

4. And the church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel, shall not faint
By His blood and in His name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Risen and exalted Lord Jesus, you have been made both Lord and Christ. We confess that we often resist your authority and treat your gospel as information rather than invitation. By your Spirit, cut our hearts again—not to wound us, but to awaken us. Lead us to repentance, and help us to receive the forgiveness and new life you freely give.

All **Hear our prayer.**

Leader God of power and promise, you have raised Jesus from the dead and poured out your Spirit on all flesh. We pray for a world still marked by sin and brokenness—for places of conflict and division, for communities fractured by injustice, and for those searching for truth and hope. Let the good news of Jesus be proclaimed with clarity and boldness.

All **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Sovereign Lord, you have exalted your Son to your right hand, and all authority belongs to him. We pray for those in positions of leadership in our nation and throughout the world. Grant them wisdom, humility, and a desire for what is good and right. Restrain evil, uphold justice, and guide leaders in ways that reflect your purposes. Keep us from placing our hope in human power, and fix our trust on Jesus, our risen and reigning King.

All **Hear our prayer.**

Leader Gracious Father, you are forming a people for yourself through the gospel. We pray for those in our church and community who are burdened, convicted, or searching. For those wrestling with sin, doubt, or fear, meet them with your mercy and truth. For those who are weary or suffering, draw near with your comfort and peace. Shape us into a people marked by repentance and joy, quick to listen, and faithful to bear witness to Jesus in our lives and in our city.

All **Hear our 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.

OFFERING SONG

LIFTS HIS EAR TO ME (PSALM 116) / ALI GROVES

1. He has heard my voice
He has heard my plea
He has heard my voice
Heard me cry for mercy

CHORUS 1
*I will call on the name
of the Lord until I die
For he lifts his ear to me
Listens when I cry*

2. Snares of death close in
Pangs of grief lay hold
Anguish and distress
Suffering enfolds (me)

CHORUS 2
*I will call on the name
of the Lord, deliver me
Gracious is the Lord and righteous
Bountiful is he*

3. Simple though I be
Merciful he saved me
I walk before the Lord
In the land of living

CHORUS 3
*I will call on the name
of the Lord, deliver me
Lifts his ear to me as I cry*

BRIDGE
Mercy
Mercy
Mercy
Mercy

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:14a, 22-41

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them:

²² “Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know— ²³ this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴ God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

²⁵ For David says concerning him,

“I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;

²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
my flesh also will dwell in hope.

²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.

²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

²⁹ “Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹ he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³² This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³ Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.

³⁴ For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

“The Lord said to my Lord,
“Sit at my right hand,

³⁵ until I make your enemies your footstool.”

³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.”

³⁷ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” ³⁸ And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” ⁴⁰ And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” ⁴¹ So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God!**

MORNING MESSAGE

Nick Locke

Proclaiming the Gospel

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

LIVING HOPE / PHIL WICKHAM, BRIAN JOHNSON

1. How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven

And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness,
Your lovingkindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

2. Who could imagine
so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom
such boundless grace?
The God of ages
stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of Kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I’m Yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

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

DOXOLOGY / THOMAS KEN

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.
Amen.

BENEDICTION

Leader And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.

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

2 Corinthians 9:8

POSTLUDE

*PRAISE THE LORD, PRAISE THE LORD (PSALM 113) / DOKI ARIOSA, SIERRA RITTER,
NOAH SIEROTA*

CHORUS

*Hallelujah, praise the One
who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There’s salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope*

3. Then came the morning
that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Then came the morning
that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus, Yours is the victory



“Son, in 35 years of religious study, I have only come up with two hard incontrovertible facts: there is a God, and I’m not him.”

FATHER CAVANAUGH

RUDY (1993)

“In [Jesus] was all fullness treasured up, that he might impart unto his people all needful supplies of grace, and to him was all authority committed, that he might put all enemies under his feet.”

CHARLES SIMEON

(1759–1836), HORAE HOMILETICAE, VOL. 18

Rise heart; thy Lord is risen. Sing his praise
Without delays,
Who takes thee by the hand, that thou likewise
With him mayst rise:
That, as his death calcined thee to dust,
His life may make thee gold, and much more, just.

GEORGE HERBERT

(1593–1633), THE TEMPLE (1633)

GIVING & BUDGET

	JAN-MAR 2026	APR 2026
GIVING & INCOME* AS OF 4/16/2026 _____	\$126,217	\$14,975
BUDGETED EXPENSE _____	179,207	60,106
DIFFERENCE _____	52,990	45,131

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



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