

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Our souls magnify the Lord!
All Our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!
Leader The mighty One has done great things for us!
All Holy is His name!
Leader Let us worship the Lord.
All For God is our Maker and our Redeemer;
from generation to generation, God gives mercy. —from Luke 1:46-50

SONG OF PRAISE & RESPONSE

A MIGHTY Fortress is our God / M. LUTHER

1. A mighty fortress is our God,
a bulwark never failing;
our helper He, amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great,
and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not His equal
2. Did we in our own strength confide,
our striving would be losing,
were not the right Man on our side,
the Man of God’s own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth His name,
from age to age the same;
and He must win the battle
3. And though this world, with devils
filled, should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God hath willed
his truth to triumph through us.
The Prince of Darkness grim,
we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure,
for lo, his doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him
4. That word above all earthly powers,
no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours
through Him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also;
the body they may kill;
God’s truth abideth still,
his kingdom is forever!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SONGS OF PRAISE & RESPONSE

AT THE CROSS / I. WATTS; B. CHADWICK

1. Alas and did my Savior bleed?
And did my Sovereign die?
Would He devote that sacred head
for such a worm as I?
2. Was it for crimes that I have done,
he groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity; Grace unknown!
And love beyond degree!
3. Well might the sun in darkness hide
and shut His glories in.
When Christ the mighty maker died
for man the creature’s sin.
4. But drops of grief can ne’er repay
the debt of love I owe:
Here Lord, I give myself away,
’tis all that I can do.

Hallelujah, I’m forgiven.

HOLY FOREVER / C. TOMLIN

1. A thousand generations
falling down in worship
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb
And all who’ve gone before us
and all who will believe
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb
Your name is the highest
Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all
All thrones and dominions
All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all

CHORUS
And the angels cry, Holy
All creation cries, Holy
You are lifted high, Holy, Holy forever

Hear your people sing, Holy
To the King of Kings, Holy
You will always be, Holy, Holy forever

2. If you’ve been forgiven
and if you’ve been redeemed
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
If you walk in freedom
and if you bear His name
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
We’ll sing the song forever and amen

CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader Christians, what is your confession of sin?
All O God, you have shown us the way of life through your Son, Jesus Christ. We confess our slowness to learn from him, our failure to follow him, and our reluctance to bear the cross. Have mercy on us, Lord and forgive us. We confess the poverty of our devotion, our neglect of fellowship and of the means of grace, our hesitating witness for Christ, our imperfect stewardship of your gifts. Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us. We thank you that you hear us as your children with love and mercy. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION

WORDS OF COMFORT & PEACE

Leader Christians lift up your heads and hear this good word from God’s word about the forgiveness and grace we have through Christ:
“He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.” —Colossians 1:13–14
All Thanks be to God! Alleluia!
Leader Christians, the Lord loves to forgive His people through His abundant grace and mercy. Your sins are forgiven because of Jesus Christ’s work and Him alone. Let’s continue to worship together.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

HOLY SPIRIT, LIGHT DIVINE / ROOTS WORSHIP COLLECTIVE

1. Holy Spirit, light divine
Shine upon this heart of mine
Chase the shades of night away
Turn my darkness into day
Holy Spirit come, Holy Spirit come
CHORUS
O Holy Spirit, presence of God
Giver of comfort, power and love
I give You my heart, light divine
2. Holy Spirit, power divine
Cleanse this guilty heart of mine
Long has sin without control
Held dominion o’er my soul
Holy Spirit come, Holy Spirit come
3. Holy Spirit, all divine
Dwell within this heart of mine
Cast down every idol throne
Reign supreme and reign alone
Holy Spirit come, Holy Spirit come

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader May the peace of the Lord be always with you.
Together And also with you!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Leader Christians, what is your confession of faith?
All We believe that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death. We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. We have been united with him in his death and we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. — from Romans 6:3

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Would you join me now in prayer.
We come to you, Lord, as your beloved and cherished people. Lead us, heal us, reveal yourself to us and use us to see your kingdom come and your will be done.
People Lord, have mercy and hear our prayers. (silence)
Leader For the leaders of the nations, for the president and congress, for the police, firemen and armed service men and women and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
People Lord, have mercy and hear our prayers. (silence)

Elder Bob Street

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Leader Lord, help us to open our hearts to the needs of our neighbors, the homeless, the poor, the lost, outsiders, immigrants and refugees. Grant us compassion and understanding for their hardships and distress, and may we treat them with kindness, hospitality and respect, for we are all immigrants and sojourners looking to your kingdom.
People Lord have mercy and hear our prayers. (silence)
Leader For the aged and infirmed, for the widowed and orphans, for the depressed and anxious, for the lonely, sick, abused, discarded and for the sick and the suffering, we pray to you Lord. For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
People Lord, have mercy and hear our prayers. (silence)
Leader For those who have suffered any damage through the wildfires physically, psychologically, emotionally, or spiritually, we pray. Heal them and us, lead them to a safe and new home and give them hope. Give us all mercy and grace for those leading through this crisis.
People Lord, have mercy and hear our prayers. Amen. (silence)

MINISTRY MOMENT

Park Ministry - Caroline Paules

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE READING John 1:29-42; Is. 56:4-5; 62:2 (NIV)

John 1:29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰ This is the one I meant when I said, ‘A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’ ³¹ I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel.” ³² Then John gave this testimony: “I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. ³³ And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’” ³⁴ I have seen and I testify that this is God’s Chosen One.” ³⁵ The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. ³⁶ When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, “Look, the Lamb of God!” ³⁷ When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. ³⁸ Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, “What do you want?” They said, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?” ³⁹ “Come,” he replied, “and you will see.” So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon. ⁴⁰ Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. ⁴¹ The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ). ⁴² And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which, when translated, is Peter).

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Is. 56:4 For this is what the Lord says:  
“To the eunuchs who keep my Sabbaths,  
who choose what pleases me  
and hold fast to my covenant—  
<sup>5</sup> to them I will give within my temple and its walls  
a memorial and a name  
better than sons and daughters;  
I will give them an everlasting name  
that will endure forever.

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Is. 62:2 The nations will see your vindication,
and all kings your glory;
you will be called by a new name
that the mouth of the Lord will bestow.

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

MORNING MESSAGE

A New Name

John Stone

RESPONSE OF FAITH & 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.

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

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.

SONG OF RESPONSE & CELEBRATION

GOD THE FATHER / B. CHADWICK, M. CHOI
May God the Father go before you
May God the Son light your 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


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


BENEDICTION

LeaderThe Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace. To you, your children and your grandchildren.

All**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday School - Practicing the Way** | Final two sessions in 4-week series on Sabbath Practice will be held May 18 and May 25 at 8:45 am

If you would like to be included in our **printed church directory**, scan the QR code to complete the online form. Paper forms are also available at the Welcome Table.

The spring session of City Groups has started but it’s not too late to join a group. Being in a group is a primary way of growing in faith! Email Erisa Stilley at ekhines@gmail.com for more information.

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 imagine

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

2025 BUDGET	\$765,701
GIVING AS OF 5/8/2025	134,159
GIVING NEEDED TO MEET BUDGET	631,542



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“Him who overcomes I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will he leave it. I will write on him the name of my God and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from my God, and I will also write on him My new name.”

REVELATION 3:12

“Whoever trusts in Jesus for forgiveness of sins, the One who is the “Name above all names,” receives a new name—“Christian”—and also a new life, a new purpose, and a new destiny.”

WAYNE STILES

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 11, 2025